

# PATTON'S DREAM COMES ALIVE

Patton's dream, and every war-gamer's fantasy, has been realised in *Mayfair Games'* new minigame *Red Star Falling* in which the Allied armies are joined by the remnants of the Wehrmacht to challenge the Red Army and its allies across central Europe in the spring of 1945.

Other new minigame releases from *Mayfair* are: *Wake Island* which recreates the Japanese invasion of Wake Island; *Sheridan's Ride* based on the Battle of Cedar Creek, 1864 and *Morgan's Rifles* which is based on the Revolutionary War's Battle of the Cowpens.

## Student disappearance inspires book

'In the spring of 1980, a bright, gifted student at Grant University in Piquette, Pennsylvania, mysteriously disappeared. When the police were finally called in, it was revealed that the student was one of a group at Grant who were involved in a fantasy role-playing game called *Mazes & Monsters*...

The above is from the sleazy notes of a new novel, *Mazes & Monsters* by Ron Jaffe. It appears to be based on the incident in the States that gave rise to the boom in *Dungeons & Dragons*. It implies that people playing *Mazes & Monsters* 'stepped into the darkest part of the mind to find forbidden places and sinister truths'. And parents 'so wrapped up in their own problems that they failed to understand what was happening to their children until it was too late'.

Looks like there will have to be a government health warning on all role-playing games in future!

## Thieves play the game

Burglars raided the Games Shop in Colchester but ignored the expensive gifts and electronic equipment. Instead they took all the *Dungeons & Dragons*, *Traveler*, and *Runequest* material that they could lay their hands on.

## SINISTER SECRET REVEALED

The *Sinister Secret of Salmarsh* has been revealed! This new AD&D Module, U1 is the first of a series of three designed and developed in the UK for beginning adventures with the AD&D rules. Other new modules now available from TSR are: *B3, Palace of the Silver Princess*, a beginner's D&D adventure and *X2, Castle Amber*, a low-level Expert D&D adventure.

## March for cuts in RuneQuest price

March marks the release date for the UK publication of *RuneQuest* by *Games Workshop* under licence from *Chaosium*. The new UK price will knock £7 off the current one.

*Games Workshop* have also released a new 'general' game, *Tower-Blox*, in which players build a tower with wooden blocks which must then be removed, one by one, and added to the top until the tower tumbles. *Shades of Ronan Point*

## WOULD YOU LIKE A DRAGON IN YOUR LIVING ROOM?

An exciting new development in *Dungeons & Dragons* is just around the corner following an agreement between TSR and British Telecom whereby the game will soon be available on Prestel. This unique development will allow players to play solo and introduce newcomers to the game. The Prestel pages will display the monsters and chambers encountered while the player uses his own rulebooks to adjudicate combat and the outcome of spells.

This new concept, a worldwide first, makes the game potentially available in everyone's home.

★ 30,000 gp ★  
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## MUGGERS CAUGHT IN THE ACT!

Our on the spot photographer, Liz Lindars, was on hand to snap an attempted mugging in downtown Midgard. The photo clearly shows three new releases from *Asgard's 15mm Fantasy Adventurers* range, left to right, MDA31: Cleric; MDA33: Thief and MDA34: Druid being confronted by two hooligans. Thanks to our exclusive photographs, the authorities have been able to identify the two muggers. They are both from *Asgard's 15mm Fantasy Monsters* range and are MFM20: Giant Orc in Plate with Sword (right) and MFM11: Salamander, both of whom were allegedly in town for the ogreball match.

## Redundancies in Fiend Factory



Several monsters were made redundant from *Citadel's Fiend Factory* range due to copyright reasons following their inclusion in the *Fiend Folio*. A *Citadel* spokesman stated that this would not lead to a reduction in the range as replacements had already been taken on and were now available. These include, top row from left to right, FF46: *Cavebear with stone axe and spear*; FF9: *White Wizard* and, bottom row left to right, FF57: *Gloat Snakes* and FF10: *Eagle*.

*Citadel* also stated that they have recognised the Orcs' claim for a place in the award winning *Fantasy Tribes* range. The Orc's spokesman, FTO1: *Orc advancing with mace and shield* shown to the right of his comrade FT05: *Orc advancing with halberd*, said 'It's about time our claims were recognised. What with these trolls, gnolls and skeletons already in the range, people seem to forget it was us orcs who invented hobbit-bashing'.