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# **Cairo Fortunes**

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## **Part I: Aligning Stars**

#### Setting: Cairo

- Amberley, transported by Mr White in his Sopwith Camel, seeks to buy a new boat
- Kitty looks for a lead in a bar regarding lack and encounters a hot Italian
- Amberley and Mr White take care of the Italian's bodyguards while he makes a break for it
- Capturing him, Kitty questions him about Jack the reporter. Apparently he was got rid of before
  he found out too much
- Finnegan, passports investigation plain clothes division, looks into strange happenings
- Alec, partying with actors, sees a face in the stars and tracks down Amberley and Mr White at the Hotel to ask about the woman's face.
- Ravikiran, disturbed by what he reads after the change of the horoscope authorship from Doctor Starlight to Madam Astara, investigates the newspaper
- Bumping into Kitty, a meeting is set up with Finnegan, Alec and Madam Astara
- The face Alec saw is Astara's
- Ravikiran scares the bejesus out of Astara and finds out plans

### Part II: Paddlesteamer on the Nile

#### Setting: The Nile

- Jack Archer's sacrifice is to take place at a party on board a paddlesteamer on the Nile
- Kitty and Finnegan get guests invitations to the party
  - Aspects: Secret Benefactor and Greased Wheels
- Ravikiran and Mr White infiltrate as servants
  - Aspects: Hired Help and Unnoticed
- Amberley sneaks onboard as backup from her clunker of a boat and starts looting
- An Austrian nobleman (possibly a duke or a prince) monopolises Kitty on the dance floor with tales of woe, gambling loses and the loss of his machine.
- A mysterious sheik wanders the top deck looking for people.
- A lascivious, fat, fez wearing head servant is bribed by Finnegan to show him and Kitty the suprise event ahead of time.
- Party objectives are seen as
  - 1. Stop sacrifice and rescue Jack Archer
  - 2. Thwart the plans of the Order of the Scarab
  - 3. Don't burn down the boat
- Kitty, Finnegan and Benni see Marconi's Cadaverous Prototype under a sheet in a meeting room, before hiding after hearing someone approaching (the mysterious shiek and the hot Italian)
- A drunk American woman wins the "Anubis prize" in a wheel of fortune spin in a gambling area rife with prophetic trappings. Ravikiran follows the woman, suspecting foul play while Mr White

stays in the room.

- A servant attempts to stop Ravikiran from reaching the meeting room and is punched through the door
- The woman is rescued, Ravikiran, Kitty and Finnegan flee the guards by going outside the ship. Mr White lowers them some bunting to climb up
- Mr White hides the Marconi device in a silver salver and wanders the ship with it, keeping it away from the search parties.
- Two servants attempt to throw the Austrian nobleman overboard, Ravikiran and Mr White take them out
- Kitty enters the cultists's meeting room and sees a tied up and injured Jack Archer
- Ravikiran and Amberley set fire to the boat
- Diverse Alarums
- In the ensuing combat with all characters, Jack is struck by the Dagger of Norn
- In the confusion of the combat, the dagger is lost, but the Marconi device is kept
- Everyone evacuates to Amberley's backup boat
- The head servant is last seen charging passengers to get on the life boat.

## **Quotes**

- GM: For choosing an aspect, decide what you want to accomplish at the party
   PC: "Flammable Boat"
- Benni: "I noticed your friend is... female. That's my kind of woman."
- Mr White, in the cupboard, with the silver salver

# **Continuity**

- Jack Archer was stabbed by the dagger of norn
- The group is now in possession of Marconi's Cadaverous Prototype a radio attached to a mummified head that can allegedly communicate with the other side

### Part III: Voices of the Dead

#### Setting: Cairo

- Finnegan believes he has Marconi's prototype working. He, Kitty and Ravikiran take it to the bridge where Doctor Starlight died.
- The radio contacts the Other Side, where a clamour of ghosts vie for attention. One claims to be Starlight, and asks Kitty for a kiss.
- Following the spirit's advice without payment the party heads to the Souk to confront Swami Mokti about Starlight's death.
- Mokti takes Finnegan to the Other Side to look for himself but has no intention of returning him to the land of the living. Instead, he introduces his friend, the Dark Spirit.
- Meanwhile, Ravi and Kitty are threatened by Mokti's thugs. They escape with the bodies into the alleyways of the Souk.
- Finnegan confronts the Dark Spirit, and fools it into chasing a simulcrum of himself. He converses with the ghost of Starlight, who offers some insight into the plans of the Order of the Scarab and tells of a journal that he sent to Archer.

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• Kitty wins over the locals, and Ravi intimidates Mokti into revealing his plans.

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