

Prozess zur Umwandlung von Üntermensch Soldaten in Postmortate Truppen

(Process for transforming “subhuman” soldiers into “post-dead” troops)

Most of this is a rheostat copy of a hand-written book by Major-Doktor Dieter von Bach, Order of the Black Sun, Direktor Projekt Abprallen. “Abprallen” is German for “ricochet”.

[This book is more of a “tome” in game terms. It takes 2 hours to skim, and 30 hours to study in detail, each process requiring a roll on German; Anne has already skimmed it. SAN loss 1D8, +2 Cthulhu Mythos, +2 Occult, +2 Biology, +2 Chemistry]

The book describes the process of creating an Abpraller by administration of what it calls “the Reagent”, for which the formula is provided. In typical racist Nazi terms it notes that various “lesser races” require slightly different mixtures, and lists those so far developed, while encouraging practitioners to experiment with different proportions for hitherto untested “*Rassen die Üntermensch*”.

The Reagent is then energized by immersing in it something referred to as “*Dämonen Tränstein*” (Demon’s Tears Stone) while passing certain electromagnetic frequencies through from a device referred to as “*Dämonenschrift*” (Demon’s Font). This is illustrated and is clearly the pentagonal table dealt with so conclusively by Birapeer.

Further on, an incantation is recorded, *Abpraller Erstellen* (Create Abpraller). This can be learned in the usual way.

Abpraller Erstellen

- Cost: 8 magic points; 1D6 Sanity points (double both for non-Black Sun casters)
- Casting time: 1 week; 1 day

The Energized Reagent must be poured over a corpse or into the grave where a corpse lies, or a living victim. If the victim is alive, the caster must overcome their POW for the spell to be effective. If successful, the victim dies. The corpse is left to mature. At the end of a week (a day if the victim was living), the caster comes to the grave and intones the binding ritual. At the end of the half-hour chant, the corpse claws its way from the grave. The zombie will obey anyone bearing “*Berührung der Schwarzen Sonne*” (the Touch of the Black Sun); it is presumed the caster is so touched. A zombie created in this manner continues to rot after it has risen. Thus there is always a need for replacements.

This is followed by an appendix recording that those bitten by an *Abpraller* will usually sicken, die and themselves transform; but that this process is “not reliable” as strong “specimens” can throw off the effects – and such *Abpraller* are not susceptible to Black Sun control.

In the event that an *Abpraller* feeds off a recently dead body, the latter will again transform, producing an uncontrolled *Abpraller* (though usually with bits missing) in every case. Both these types of zombie are referred to as “lesser *Abpraller*”, implying that the ones created through the ritual are superior.

A second Reagent formula is then detailed, which produces a green liquid which emits vapours which can trigger the transformation, again with less reliability – the higher the concentration of vapour, the more reliable the effects. Sprayguns and gas-masks are recommended for the use of this. It also creates “lesser *Abpraller*”

Finally, tucked into the back of the book is a hand-written update penned in the same hand as the *Laboraufzeichnungen*. It records a formula provided by Major von Bach to Prof Schneider on the latter’s request, for halting the transformation of the bitten prior to the death of the victim.