

Chapter 1 : Statesman - Paragon Wiki

McCain Mourned as a 'Hero and Statesman' as Tributes Flow McCain, 81, died Saturday at his ranch in Arizona after a yearlong battle with brain cancer.

Task Force Statesman was previously the contact for the Ms. Background Edit Statesman is one of the first heroes of Paragon City. He is the leader of the Freedom Phalanx as well as one of the co-founders. Instead of coming home in , Marcus went in search of the fabled Well of the Furies. During the war, he had been exposed to Mustard Gas and become ill. He knew that he would prematurely die if he did not find the Well. They became mercenaries trying to help Marcus find more information on where the Well of the Furies was and how to unlock its power. They were eventually successful and both Marcus and Stephan drank from the Fountain of Zeus within the Well of the Furies, giving them super powers. They would turn out very differently however, as Marcus became Statesman and Stephan became his mortal enemy, Lord Recluse. Upon his return to Paragon City, Cole claimed to have unlocked the power of his own "Inner Will", an obscure explanation at best. Cole was strong beyond human limits and impervious to fists, knives, and even bullets. The would-be hero took on the name Statesman, an identity that personified all the values and ideals that Paragon City currently lacked. Statesman went after crime head on. Going after gang bosses, corrupt politicians, and other lowlifes with a vengeance. In a few short months he had begun to make a difference. The tide began to turn when out of nowhere another costumed hero appeared in the city: Soon after others appeared: Elementar , Vambrace , Maiden Justice , and others. On July 4th, , Statesman collected these new heroes under the banner of the Freedom Phalanx. The group battled together throughout the s, taking down numerous criminal operations, including the gangs ruling Kings Row. When Axis forces attacked Paragon City in , Statesman and the Freedom Phalanx were at the forefront of a heroic effort to push back these invaders. The heroes then traveled to Europe, where they fought alongside the Dawn Patrol and other super-powered soldiers for the freedom of the world. On D-Day, Statesman and his allies became engaged in a violent battle over the beaches of Normandy. Due largely to his heroic efforts, the Axis forces were eventually pushed back, allowing the Allies to move into France. Unfortunately, Statesman was terribly wounded during this battle and remained crippled for the remainder of the war. This did not keep him completely out of the fight, however: The Allied heroes captured most of the Storm Korps, signaling an end to paranormal hostilities in Europe. Unfortunately, Statesman had little time to rest after the victory in Europe. Immediately, Statesman led the Freedom Phalanx and many other heroes back to the States to challenge Nemesis. They discovered that his terrifying plot included planting nerve gas bombs throughout at least twenty American cities. With the aid of Dr. Mnemonic and Sister Psyche , the heroes eventually created an antidote to the nerve gas and vanquished Nemesis and his robot hordes. Statesman has remained active since World War II, with each decade bringing forth new foes and challenges. In , he was nearly killed by a Soviet tactical nuclear missile while trying to rescue a downed American pilot. During the s, he joined the Freedom Phalanx on expeditions into alternate dimensions and eventually battled the Reichsman , an evil version of himself from a reality where America had lost to Nazi Germany. After the fall of Communism, Statesman served as an advisor to the first independent Russian hero group, the Valiant Defenders of the Motherland, which made its appearance in . And, of course, in , Statesman rallied all other known heroes in an attempt to repel the Rikti invasion. During the initial conflicts, Statesman hurled his body into Rikti craft, destroying the landing ships before they could release their soldiers. The battle took the lives of heroes, although Statesman again escaped death. Statesman is one of the few established heroes left alive and it is believed that he continues to lead a version of the Freedom Phalanx, which presumably includes other members of the " Surviving Eight " - eight prominent heroes who escaped the Rikti invasion with their lives. A fully-fledged hero in her own right, Ms. Liberty has taken up the mantle of her grandmother, Maiden Justice , and mother, Miss Liberty. She leads the Vindicators and formed a military division of Freedom Corps named Longbow. Description Edit Marcus Cole, aka Statesman, began his transformation from a poverty born child to world hero after serving in the U. Army during World War I. What is no secret is that when his ship pulled into Paragon City port in he was much

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Chapter 2 : Hero As Statesman : John P. Craven :

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Chapter 3 : US Senator John McCain, Statesman and War Hero, Dies

The transition from soldier to statesman may occur at any phase of the career. This text examines two aspects of the individual dilemma faced by these individuals—the tempering of national dogma with pragmatism and the decision to escalate or de-escalate the level of military conflict.

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Sean Michael Fish, known to the playerbase as Manticore, who is one of the developers of the City of Heroes game and backstory has stated that the Reichsman will return, leading the return of the Fifth Column, a group of neo-Nazi villains who were replaced by the Council. How this will occur is unknown as this has not yet happened in game, though the statement said that this would occur sometime in This has not been implemented as of March , but the upcoming "Issue Anniversary" will bring it about in the two 5th Column Task Forces. Positron[edit] Positron Dr. Raymond Keyes is a fictional superhero from the City of Heroes backstory. He was created by Matthew Miller, and first appeared in the first issue of the City of Heroes comic. His true name is used only once by Justin Sinclair , and only in the form of "Dr. However, in the preview of the second City of Heroes novel City of Heroes: The Freedom Phalanx found at the end of the first novel City of Heroes: Web of Arachnos, his first name is revealed as Raymond. It is revealed that during the Rikti War, he was badly injured and that he had to keep himself locked inside his armor to prevent his now out-of-control radioactive powers from harming others. Later, he was cured and was able to leave his armor. When the ritual was complete, Sister Psyche returned to her original body. Upon being exposed to the Flame of Prometheus, her mind was eventually restored to its original state as well as her powers. On February 14, in an in game event on the Training Room Server, Manticore and Sister Psyche tied the knot, though immediately after the ceremony, they were attacked by Lord Recluse and his minions, but fended off the attack. Sister Psyche can control the minds of others and protect herself and her teammates with force fields. Within the comics, she has also displayed the ability to read the minds of others, making her quite the accomplished telepath. However, she is known to be incapable or less effective at probing other telepaths. Her telepathy also allows her to communicate with others, even across large distances, as seen multiple times in the comics. She also has a special "Mindriding" ability that allows her to go from mind to mind freely. When she was killed, Wade was able to absorb her powers. He used to work as an accountant at Crey Industries, one of the various villainous groups in the games, until he one day discovered an accounting discrepancy on a project that his friend Dr. Raymond Keyes the future Positron , and another Crey scientist Dr. Rudy Bein were working on. He searched for the discrepancy, and when he was told by his supervisors that it was simply an error, he had his friend and co-worker Diego Alvarez search the database for the discrepancy, which he showed to his employers. They thanked him for the help that he and Alvarez had done for them. That night, Barry was abducted at gunpoint from his desk and taken down to Dr. Diego was killed instantly by Bein, but Steve was subjected to high doses of electricity for several days, while Dr. Bein questioned him about Dr. Keyes as he felt he could not match the other superior scientist. One day, Steve Barry managed to release a powerful blast of electricity, sending Bein across the room and freeing him from his restraints. When Steve finally healed, he now had electrical and super speed powers. However, Crey Industries refuses to acknowledge what had happened to Steve, now

known as Synapse, as they still have to show that they are not using the government funding for evil. The pair grew up alongside the young girl and her older brother, Stefan Richter. As years passed and Stefan and Marcus left to fight in the Great War, Ezra joined the police force and Rudy continued to edit and publish the Paragon Free Press, the only truthful newspaper in the city. Monica kept up correspondence with Marcus, writing him monthly for nearly 15 years. At times she would receive letters back, but when Marcus became a "soldier of fortune" in Europe, those precious letters came less and less frequently. When she had truly grown up, Monica became the crime reporter for the Free Press. Ezra, one of the few good cops in the city, showed her the corruption of the government. Shortly after he showed her, he foolishly walked into an ambush with no backup and died at the hands of a 19th-century Prussian mastermind known as Nemesis. The only clue was a spot of motor oil beneath the body. Monica sent more letters to her long-time friend, Marcus, entreating him to return to Paragon and avenge his brother, but none of the letters she sent reached him, as they were being intercepted by her own brother, who hoped to turn the city into a technocracy. Soon after this, Rudy Richter was found dead with the same clues. Soon, Marcus returned to Paragon City and began his fight against injustice. Over time, Marcus and Monica realized they loved each other, got married and had at least one daughter, Miss Liberty not to be confused with her granddaughter, Jessica Cole, who is Ms. Strangely, many who watched her practice noticed that an inexplicable golden glow seemed to emanate from her as she fought. This glow seemed to make her not only stronger, but faster as well. It was this light that allowed other heroes to be formed, as well. As time progressed, Monica adopted the super-hero alias "Maiden Justice" and became one of the founding members of the Freedom Phalanx, the group of heroes led by Statesman and sworn to defeat not only Lord Recluse, but also Nemesis. In the fall of , Monica died from cancer. War Witch[edit] War Witch originally appeared in the promotional issue of the City of Heroes comic book.

Chapter 4 : Mountain Statesman | Residents pay respects as local hero, soldier laid to rest

Mitch McConnell: Remembering John S. McCain as a statesman, a family man, a hero, a gentleman.

John McCain is being remembered as a last lion of the Senate, with few others matching his stature. But the next generation of mavericks might come from the ranks of Senate women. In her seat, Sen. Susan Collins had a case of the jitters. John McCain reached over and patted her hand. I am never going to die in a plane crash. It was one of many trips together for the studious senator from Maine and the maverick from Arizona. All told, the two Republicans were together for four trips to Iraq, four trips to Afghanistan, along with trips to Yemen and Libya. Collins and McCain were buddies and saw eye to eye on many issues. They were part of several so-called "gangs" of Republican and Democratic senators who tackled tough issues, like finding a solution to the delays of President George W. There was no better ally, she said. He had no use for partisan political games. He wanted to solve problems. Service members carry the casket of Sen. Bill Cohen, who went on to become defense secretary for President Bill Clinton. McCain was the son and grandson of four-star admirals, and he came to Maine to see a Navy destroyer, the John S. McCain, christened at Bath Iron Works. In July, the Navy held a ceremony in which he became the third official namesake for the destroyer. Collins praised McCain, who spent five years as a prisoner of war in Vietnam, as "an American hero who devoted his life to serving his country. She ended up joining him. It turns out the local "troop greeters" were there, as well. Bangor is a major refueling stop for aircraft headed to and from Europe, and the greeters welcome military personnel either departing or returning from deployments. McCain greeted hundreds of soldiers that day, smiling and pausing for photos, and delayed his departure to greet another planeload, Collins said. He would do anything for our troops," she said. Not just one, not just two, but three generations of McCains are now honored on a U. Navy ship in the Pacific. McCain tried to cram as much as possible into the fact-finding missions, turning them into grueling affairs, Collins noted. After surviving crashes in Vietnam and during naval training, as well as several other close calls, McCain joked that his death was not meant to be on an airplane. Instead, he told her he was going to die at home, in his own bed. He died at age 81 on Aug.

Contents[show] Overview Statesman is a Hero, one of the Surviving Eight and the leader of the Freedom Phalanx. Heroes find him: in Recluse's Victory as a Neutral signature hero on the Free Statesman mission from Maria Jenkins as an Ally (Levels) on the Agree to Mender Silos' mission during.

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Statesman. To combat the new prospect of super-villain groups Statesman urged Paragon to form a super-hero group to patrol the street against super-villains as a team and soon the Freedom Phalanx was formed. Statesman was also an infamous perfectionist, telling his team-mates what to do, chastising them for being less than perfect and generally being overprotective of them to the point of demeaning their abilities. Statesman has been criticized many times but is so deadest on cleaning up Paragon City he sees himself as having little time to worry about character flaws or being best friends with his own team-mates.

Chapter 6 : GOP lawmaker remembers a war hero, statesman

PRUNTYTOWN—On Wednesday, the community came together to pay their respects to a local fallen hero. Command Sergeant Major Timothy Allen Bolyard was laid to rest at the West Virginia National Cemetery, with family and friends by his side.

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Chapter 7 : John McCain: Hero Statesman, Senator and Man of Quiet Faith | God TV

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Born Marcus Cole, he fought his way through proverty and serving in the "Great War" before becoming the Statesman, revered hero and leader of Paragon City's first group of heroes, The Freedom Phalanx.

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Statesman is the signature hero of the City of Heroes backstory and was the actual character played by Jack Emmert, Cryptic Studios co-founder/Lead Designer. The Statesman is the leader of the game's most famous supergroup, the Freedom Phalanx.