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WHAT IS **THE WORLD**
BUT **THE ARENA** IN WHICH WE
ARE **TESTED?**



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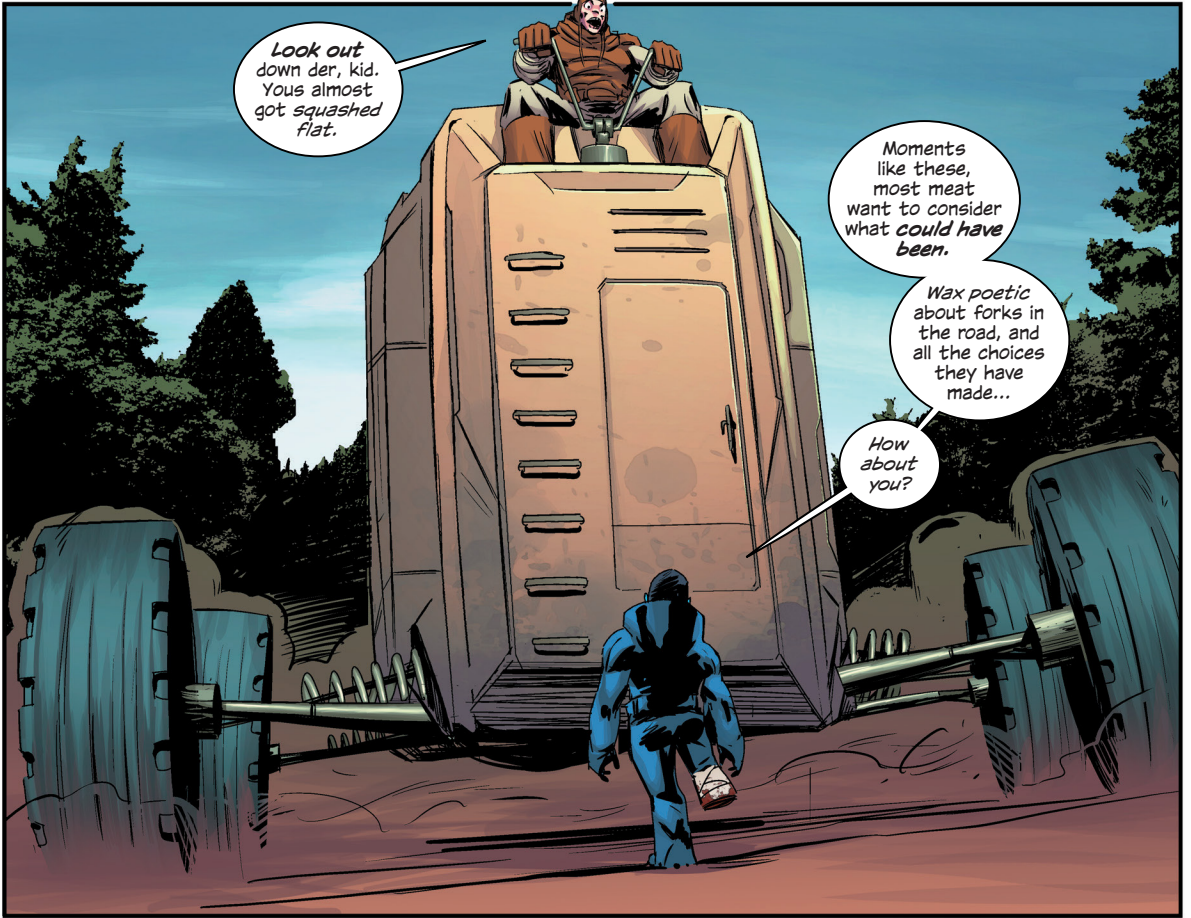
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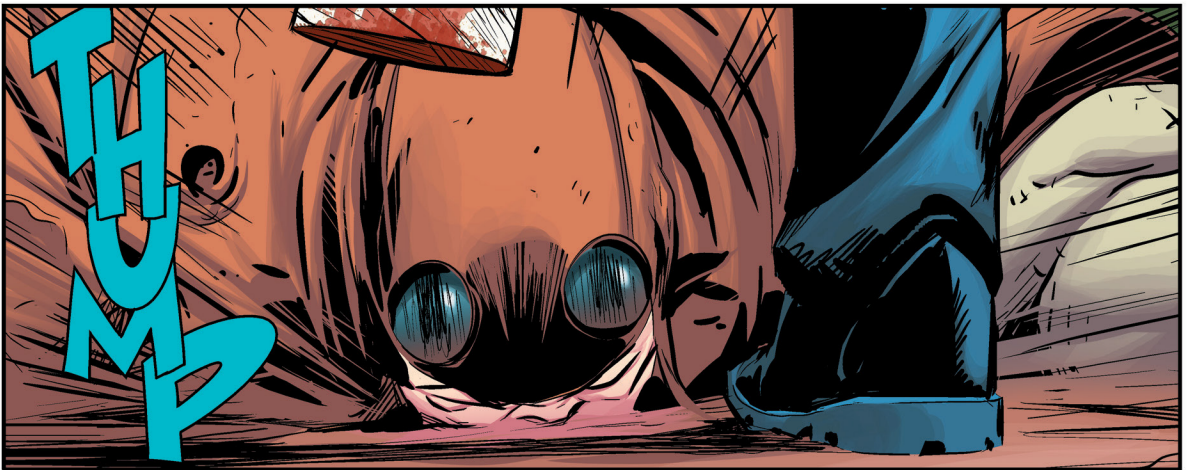
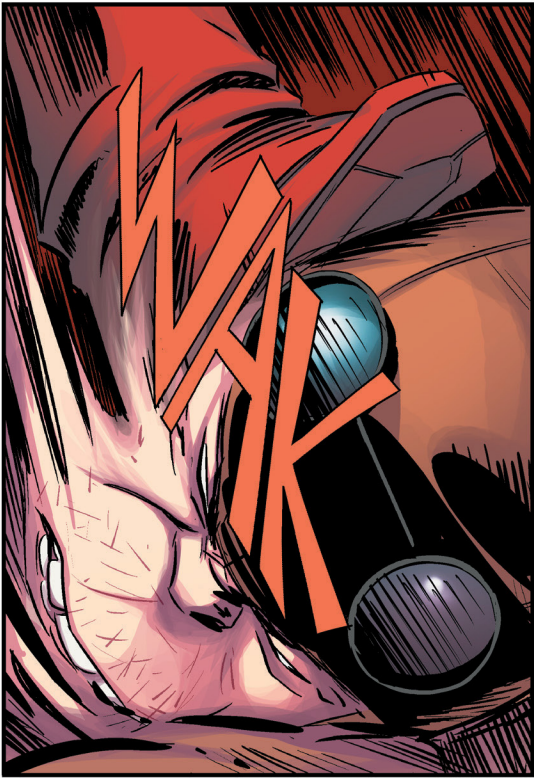
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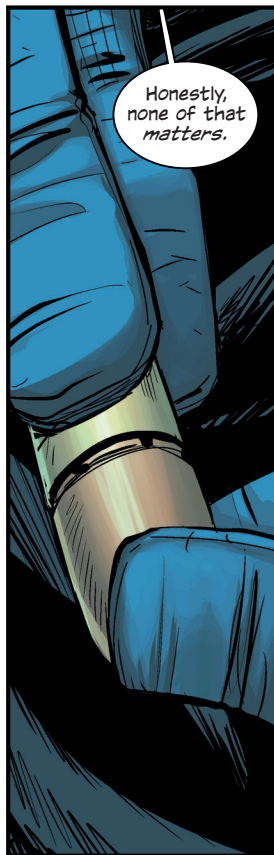


THE RIDE.











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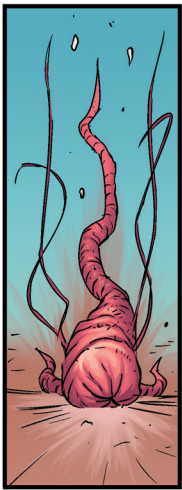


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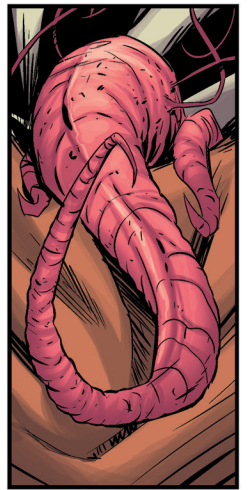
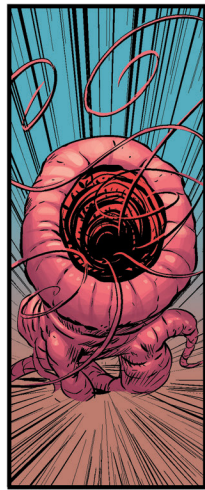
I could try to explain it to you, but really...



Wouldn't that be a waste of time?



Huh?



You live your life by rote. Doing simple tasks... moving things from one place to the other.

There are people who do more than this -- your betters -- but most are just like you... just not quite so dumb.



But that's your special talent, isn't it? *Being simple.*

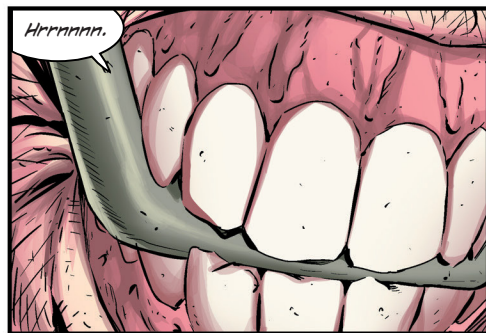
Hurk!



Do you know where the simple belong, meat?

At the back of the line -- the very ass end of society.

HAAAAA!





You sure this is the way you want to get around?

We could always summon you a *decotaur*... or even a *marduk*.



That's the difference between you and me, War.

I understand people. I know what they want.

The meat want to be *conquered*.

For they appreciate the *clarity*, and more than that...

They crave the *purpose*.

Isn't that right, Jed? Now...*carry us*. *Carry us forward*...

**FORWARD
TO BABYLON.**



[01] THE UNION



THE UNION

OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



MOTTO:
"In God We Trust"

Capital:	Washington, D.C.
Language:	English
Government:	Federal presidential Constitutional republic
Current leadership:	President Antonia LeVay Chief of Staff Doma Lux
Independence:	1910
Area:	422,973 sq mi
Population:	103,648,330
GDP:	\$1.568 trillion
Currency:	dollar
Military strength:	<div style="display: flex; width: 100%; height: 15px; border: 1px solid black;"> </div>
Economic strength:	<div style="display: flex; width: 100%; height: 15px; border: 1px solid black;"> </div>
Political stability:	<div style="display: flex; width: 100%; height: 15px; border: 1px solid black;"> </div>
Long term viability:	<div style="display: flex; width: 100%; height: 15px; border: 1px solid black;"> </div>



POLITICAL UNREST

Discord. Turmoil. Anarchy. The current political and economic climate in the Union has led to massive unrest by the general population with rallies and protests occurring daily and numbering in the hundreds of thousands.

Beyond the controversial events that led to the present administration, the questionable collapse of the Union economy has led to unparalleled stratification and the rapid emergence of a class system.

In today's Union, there is no denying that there are those who eat well, and those who do not eat at all. It can be argued that the only thing preventing the total collapse of the Union is the current state of martial law.

The heavy hand of control has resulted in the disappearance of a number of dissidents. Rumors of a forced conscription service are rampant and questions regarding the validity of such speculation remain unanswered.

[02] THE CONFEDERACY



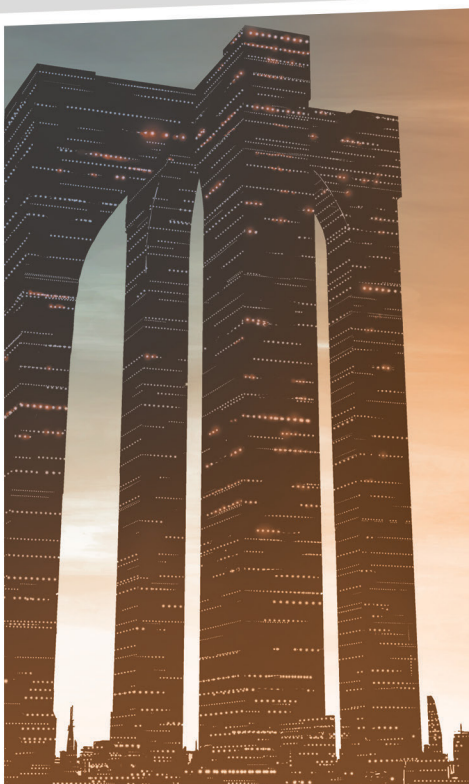
CONFEDERATE

STATES
OF AMERICA



MOTTO:
"Liberty, Equality, Prosperity"

Capital:	Savannah
Language:	English
Government:	Presidential Council of Regents
Current leadership:	President Archibald Chamberlain Chief of Staff Winston Wallace Warmaster Caroline Van Buren
Independence:	1910
Area:	643,712 sq mi
Population:	86,634,008
GDP:	\$4.218 trillion
Currency:	dollar
Military strength:	<div style="display: flex; width: 100%;"><div style="width: 80%; background-color: orange;"></div><div style="width: 20%; background-color: gray;"></div></div>
Economic strength:	<div style="display: flex; width: 100%;"><div style="width: 85%; background-color: orange;"></div><div style="width: 15%; background-color: gray;"></div></div>
Political stability:	<div style="display: flex; width: 100%;"><div style="width: 80%; background-color: orange;"></div><div style="width: 20%; background-color: gray;"></div></div>
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TRADE

THE GATEWAY TO THE WORLD

Stretching from the province of Charleston to the Black Towers themselves, the port megacity Savannah is the gateway to the world.

Contrary to the other North American isolationist states, the vast majority of annual Confederacy revenue is gained from the exporting of state-manufactured goods and the monopolized continental distribution of imported items.

Enjoying favored trade status with most local nations has provided the Confederacy with both a stable economy and a prolonged peaceful period. This has resulted in what many call the South's two-nation policy. The first is an external, diplomacy-first strategy, and the second is a hyper-secretive, internal system of long-term planning.

It has been suggested that the monetary reserves of the Confederacy are intentionally underreported, and that the current military operational strength has been massively understated.

[03] TEXAS



THE REPUBLIC

OF THE UNITED STATES OF
TEXAS



MOTTO:
"The Lone Star of freedom"

Capital:	Austin
Language:	English, Lakota
Government:	Conquered state Subjugated protectorate
Current leadership:	None (Caretaker government)
Independence:	1910 (no longer independent)
Area:	723,974 sq mi
Population:	19,456,973
GDP:	\$3.568 trillion (seized assets)
Currency:	dollar
Military strength:	<div><div style="width: 10%;"></div></div>
Economic strength:	<div><div style="width: 10%;"></div></div>
Political stability:	<div><div style="width: 10%;"></div></div>
Long term viability:	<div><div style="width: 20%;"></div></div>



THE REPUBLIC HAS FALLEN

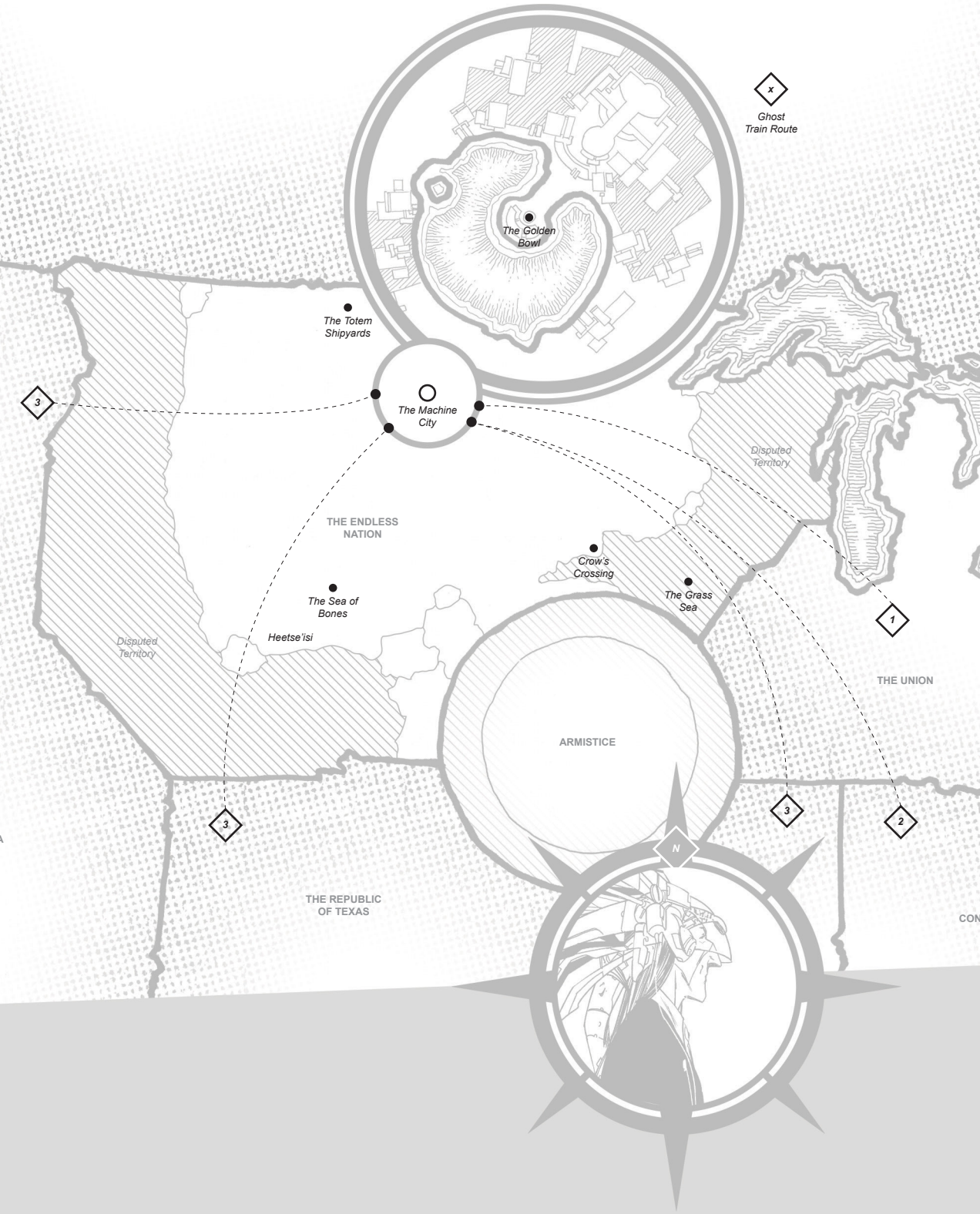
The unilateral surrender of the Republic of Texas to the Endless Nation came on the fifth month of the last war of the Apocalypse.

Retreating from the devastating campaign of the Nation, the final holdout was the capital city of Austin, where Governor Bel Solomon, under the specter of a no-confidence vote from his Senate, eventually surrendered after suffering heavy losses.

This was the last stand of the Rangers, and the public executions that followed marked the end of Texas law.

The Republic has fallen. Long live the conquered state of Texas.

[04] THE NATION



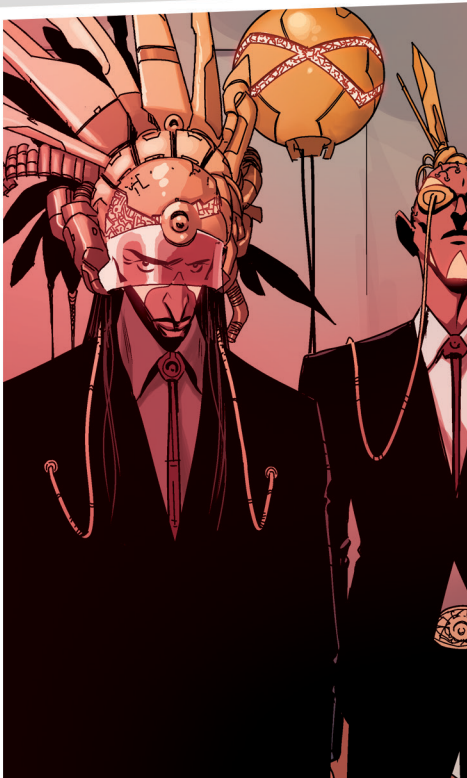
THE NATION

OF THE AMERICAN
ENDLESS



MOTTO:
"Verify"

Capital:	Unknown
Language:	Lakota
Government:	Communal Tribe
Current leadership:	Unknown Unknown Unknown
Independence:	1943
Area:	812,999 sq mi
Population:	Unknown
GDP:	Unknown
Currency:	Unknown
Military strength:	<div style="display: flex; gap: 5px;"> </div>
Economic strength:	<div style="display: flex; gap: 5px;"> </div>
Political stability:	<div style="display: flex; gap: 5px;"> </div>
Long term viability:	<div style="display: flex; gap: 5px;"> </div>
	(Estimated)



MACHINES

OF THE MACHINE STATE

Beyond the Sea of Bones, nestled deep within the Heetse'isi, is the Machine State of the Endless Nation. This godless state was born in the total rejection of the mythic beliefs that for generations had been the ideological bedrock of North America's indigenous people, and the embracing of the great idea 'progress.' There is no record of the internal revolution which resulted in the Machine State, only the oral history of cast-out believers who now reside in the dead country. One day there was no Machine State, and then the next there was.

Delivered to trading nations nonstop by Ghost Trains, the machines of the Endless Nation have become the technological backbone of the majority of the civilized world. From automated transportation systems, to advanced weaponry, to thinking machine companions, there is almost no part of daily citizens' lives that are not bettered by the Machine State.

Watch groups have long speculated the possibility of kill switches in all Endless Nation products, but rigorous investigations and thorough testing have proven these rumors to be just as unfounded as ones suggesting the existence of Endless Nation next generation technology being withheld from market.

[05] THE KINGDOM



REPUBLIC
TEXAS

THE
CONFEDER

- △ Kingdom Oil Field
- ▲ Leased Oil Field
- ◇ Guild Depository
- ◆ Offshore Drilling Platform

KINGDOM OF NEW ORLEANS



MOTTO:
"With these hands"

Capital:	The Freeport of New Orleans
Language:	English
Government:	Monarchy
Current leadership:	King Joseph Freeman III John Freeman [Crown Prince] Naomi Adams [Vizier]
Independence:	1941
Area:	323,024 sq mi
Population:	65,191,803
GDP:	\$7.998 trillion
Currency:	tella
Military strength:	<div style="display: flex; gap: 5px;"><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #cccccc;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #cccccc;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #cccccc;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #cccccc;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #cccccc;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #cccccc;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #cccccc;"></div></div>
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Political stability:	<div style="display: flex; gap: 5px;"><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #cccccc;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #cccccc;"></div></div>
Long term viability:	<div style="display: flex; gap: 5px;"><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #800000;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #cccccc;"></div><div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background-color: #cccccc;"></div></div>



THE CROWN INTERNAL MEMO

Secret Report to the King from his Vizier.
Re: The Banking Guild and Sibling Infighting.

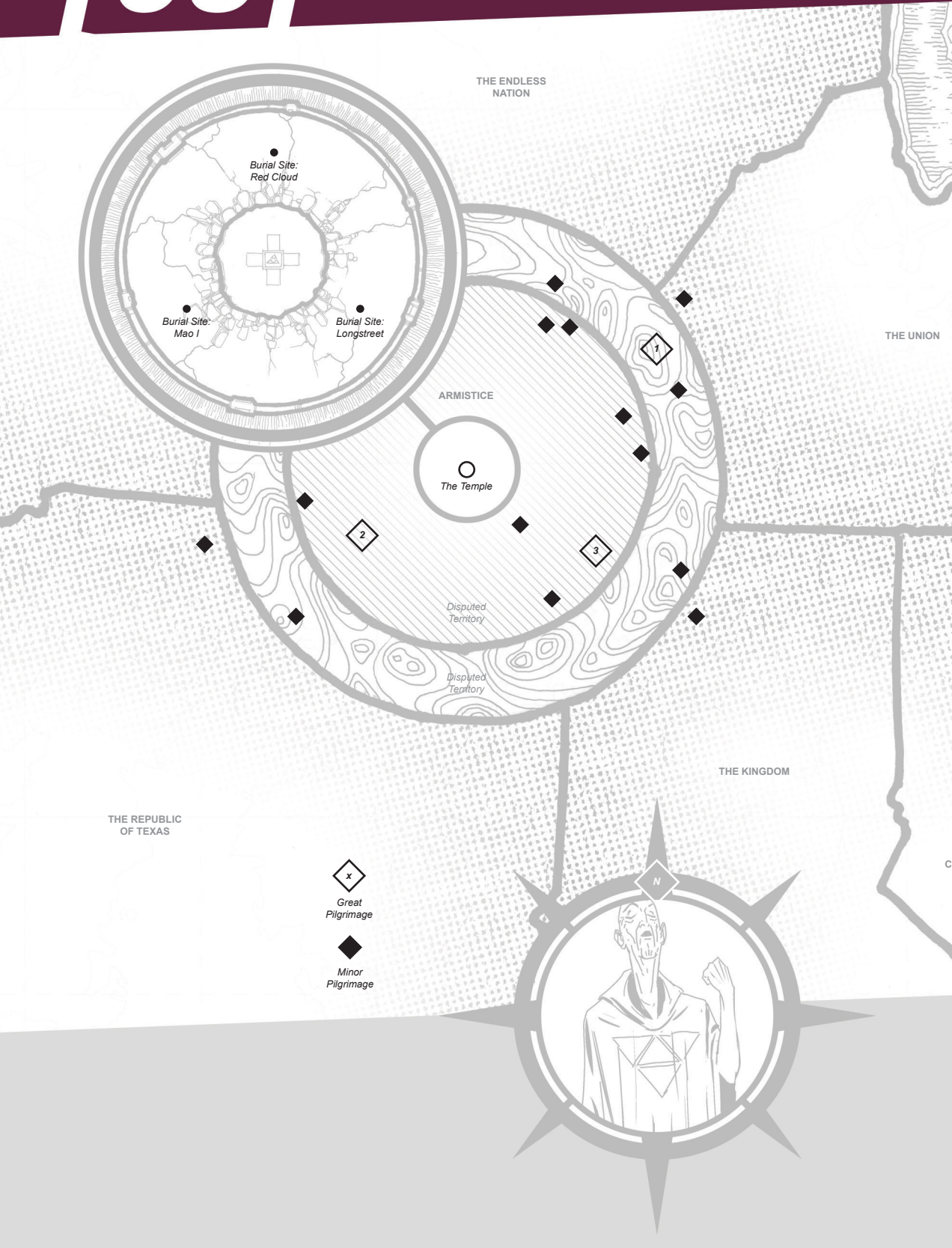
The most current reports from the guild show reserves at fairly volatile levels. All five guild banks are floating Union loans that represent anywhere from five to seven percent of current reserves.

Extended out for more than twelve months, the guild is estimating that this number could grow to as high as fifty percent of all Kingdom holdings. It is the recommendation of this office that any extension beyond six months be strongly measured against potential future returns and potential default.

In accordance with these latest projections, this office also recommends the crown consider the potential upheaval that a failed Union state might have on the current line of succession within the heir dynamic.

The legitimacy of the Crown Prince John Freeman should be a concern.

[06] ARMISTICE



THE ENDLESS NATION

THE UNION

ARMISTICE

The Temple

Disputed Territory

Disputed Territory

THE KINGDOM

THE REPUBLIC OF TEXAS

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Great Pilgrimage

◆
Minor Pilgrimage

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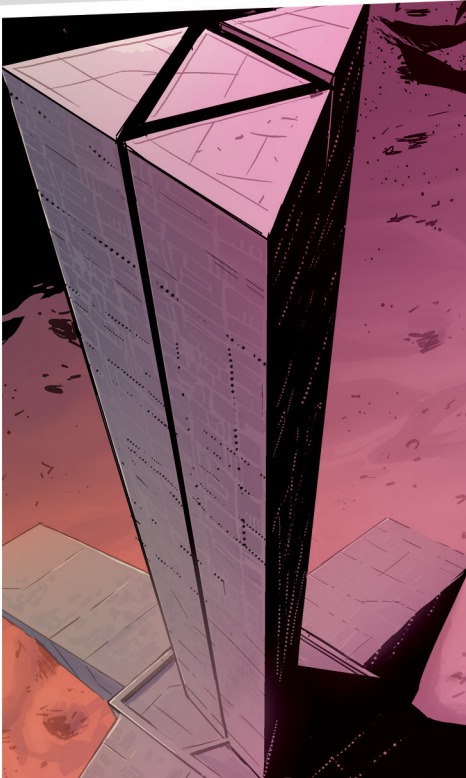
ARMISTICE

THE TEMPLE OF THE
MESSAGE



MOTTO:
"I have heard the Message"

Capital:	None
Language:	Mandarin, English, Lakota
Government:	Theocracy
Current leadership:	The Prophet Ezra Orion
Independence:	1958
Area:	93,021 sq mi
Population:	1
GDP:	none
Currency:	none
Military strength:	<div><div style="width: 10%;"></div></div>
Economic strength:	<div><div style="width: 10%;"></div></div>
Political stability:	<div><div style="width: 30%;"></div></div>
Long term viability:	<div><div style="width: 40%;"></div></div>



THE RETURN OF THE PILGRIMS

At the close of the first year of the Apocalypse, when the Temple at Armistice fell, it was assumed by many that the Message -- the original works of Longstreet, Mao and Red Cloud -- were lost forever.

Then came the Prophet Orion.

Ezra Orion was orphaned, then raised, and finally abandoned, by the Horsemen of the Apocalypse. The son of murdered Pilgrims, he consumed the Message he believed in -- he devoured the word as the word's temple collapsed around him.

The days that followed were ones of transformation, he became the true voice of his generation, and the old ways were reborn. The burning temple was a signal fire -- a beacon for the soon returned. They came to hear him speak. They came to hear the Message. The Pilgrims began returning to Armistice.

[07] THE PRA



[08]

TIMELINE
THE HISTORY OF AMERICA



THE UNION
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



THE CONFEDERATE
STATES OF AMERICA



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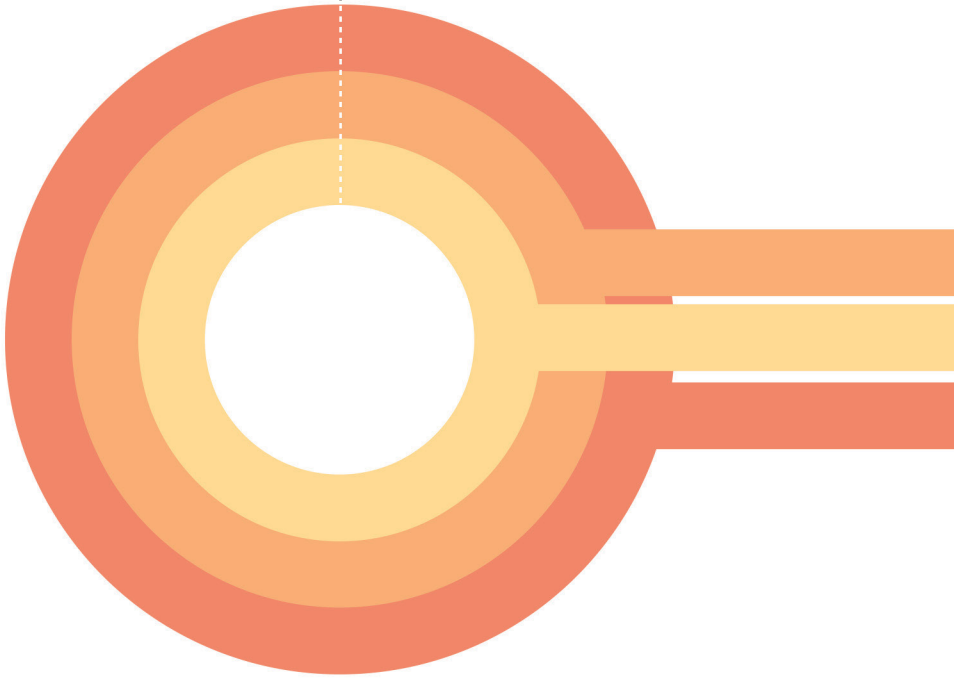
ARMISTICE
THE TEMPLE OF THE MESSAGE



THE PRA
THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF AMERICA

○ **1908 AD**
A fire in the sky.

○ **1908 AD**
Death of Elijah Longstreet
and Red Cloud.



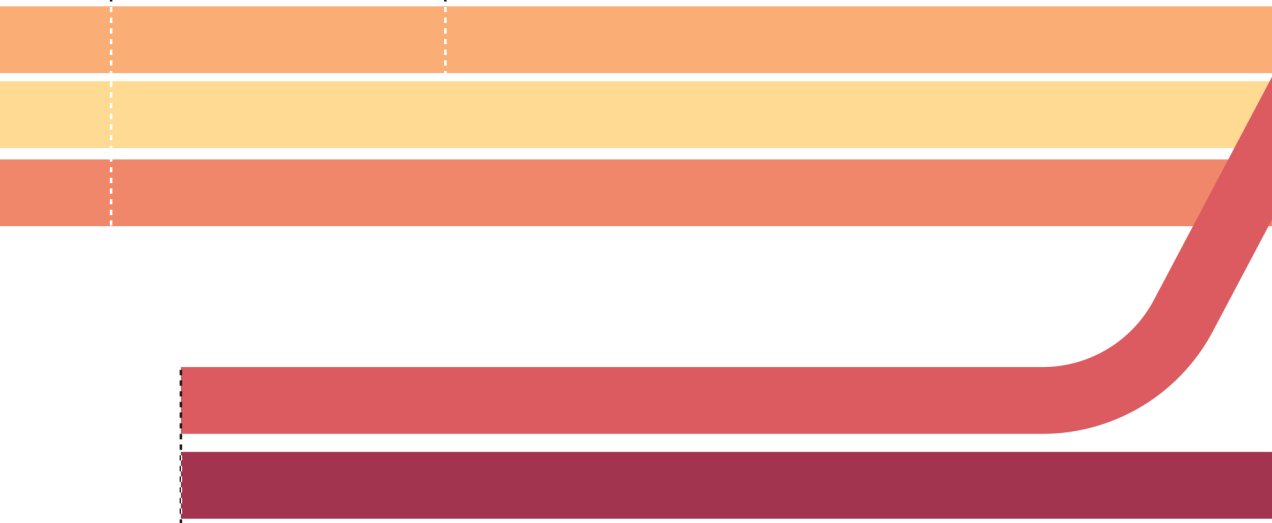
○ **1910 AD**
Formal establishment of the Union, Confederacy and the Texas Republic.

○ **1915 AD**
Confederacy government transitions from Representative Republic to Council of Regents with appointed President.

○ **1911 AD**
Formal establishment of the Endless Nation and the protectorate territories of Freedmen.

○ **1927 AD**
Annexation of American Southwest and Northwest territories by banished Chinese Maoists.

○ **1929 AD**
Construction of New Shanghai begins.





1935 AD

Establishment of formalized PRA border after cessation of conflicts with Endless Nation and the Texas Republic. Sonora conflict continues.



1958 AD

Death of Mao I.



1958 AD

The Message completed. First recorded appearance of the Horsemen since 70 AD.



1943 AD

Endless Nation border closes. Forty years of silence begins.



1941 AD

Establishment of the Kingdom of New Orleans. John Franklin becomes John Freeman I, crowned King of New Orleans.



1938 AD

Negotiation of southern oil rights with the Texas Republic by freedman John Franklin.

1961 AD
Fracturing of the PRA. The three children of Mao I compete for control of the Maoist state.

1974 AD
Reunification of the PRA under Mao II. Sibling-run Dragon and Widomaker protectorates established.

1962 AD
First Pilgrims begin to appear at Armistice.

1980 AD
The first Great Pilgrimage.

1978 AD
Endless Nation moon landing.

1971 AD
Establishment of second expansion of the state-owned New Orleans Oil Company and first two guild banks.

1991 AD
End times prognostications begin from the Oracle of Taconia.

1984 AD
The Endless Nation reopens borders. Emergence of the Machine State. Begins selling weaponry to both the Union and the Confederacy.

1989 AD
The second Great Pilgrimage.

1999 AD
The unworthy Chosen assemble at Armistice. Murdered by the Horsemen.

1986 AD
Assassination of Union President begins second Civil War between Union and Confederacy.

1989 AD
Second Civil War ends after both sides become aware that Endless Nation was supplying both sides of conflict to field test technology.

2015 AD
Mao III assumes control of the PRA.

2034 AD
Oracle of Taconia imprisoned by the Horsemen.

2041 AD
War with Sonora state begins.

2029 AD
The third Great Pilgrimage.

2010 AD
Oracle of Taconia prevents the second assembly of Chosen.

2044 AD
Construction of the Armistice Temple begins.

2046 AD
Armistice Temple completed.

2033 AD
Establishment of Rangers in Texas. Reformation begins.

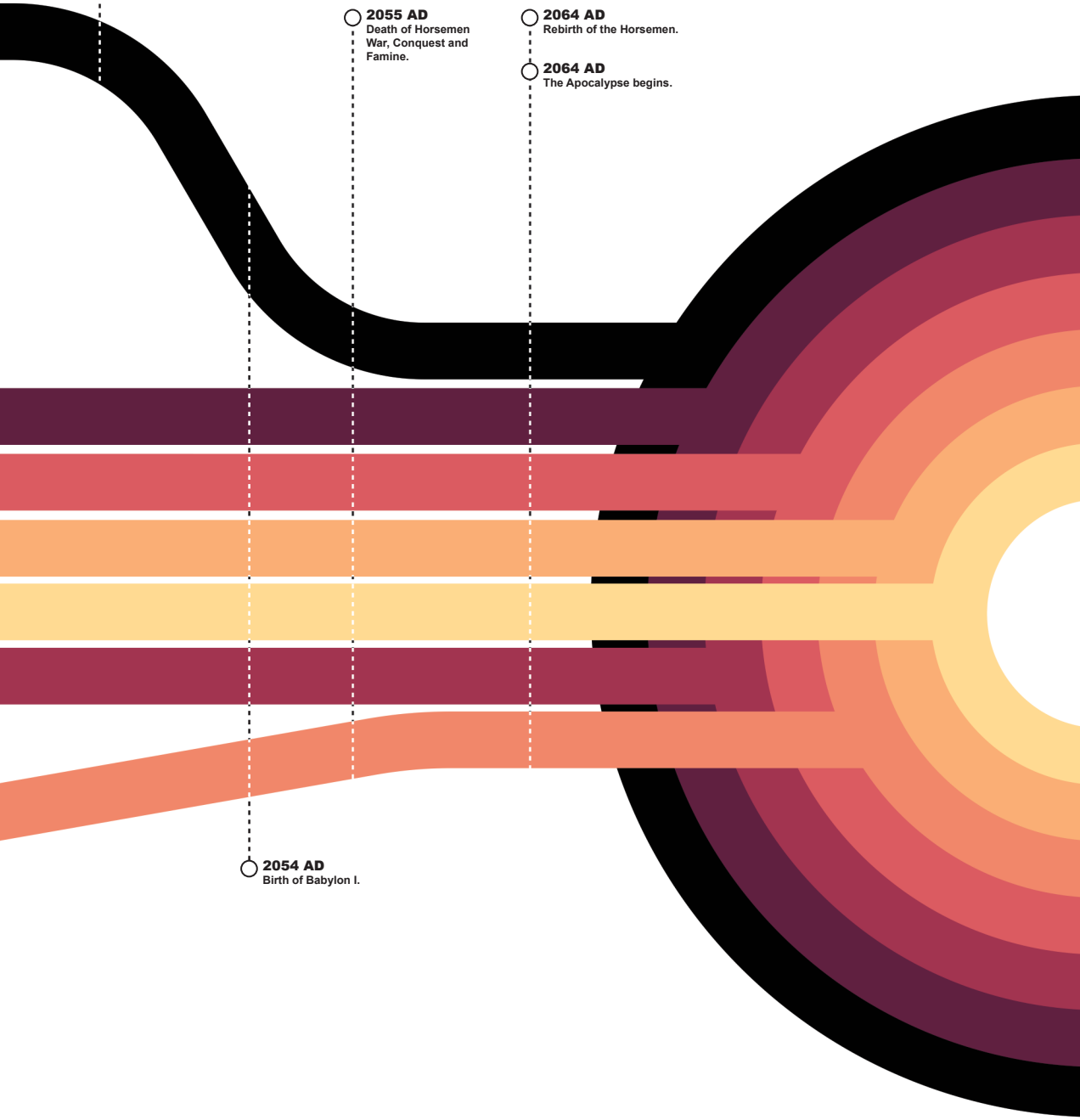
○ **2049 AD**
War with Sonora state
ends. Southern PRA
border expanded.

○ **2055 AD**
Death of Horsemen
War, Conquest and
Famine.

○ **2064 AD**
Rebirth of the Horsemen.

○ **2064 AD**
The Apocalypse begins.

○ **2054 AD**
Birth of Babylon I.



THE **FUTURE** HOLDS
DARKNESS AND **FIRE** AND
ASH.

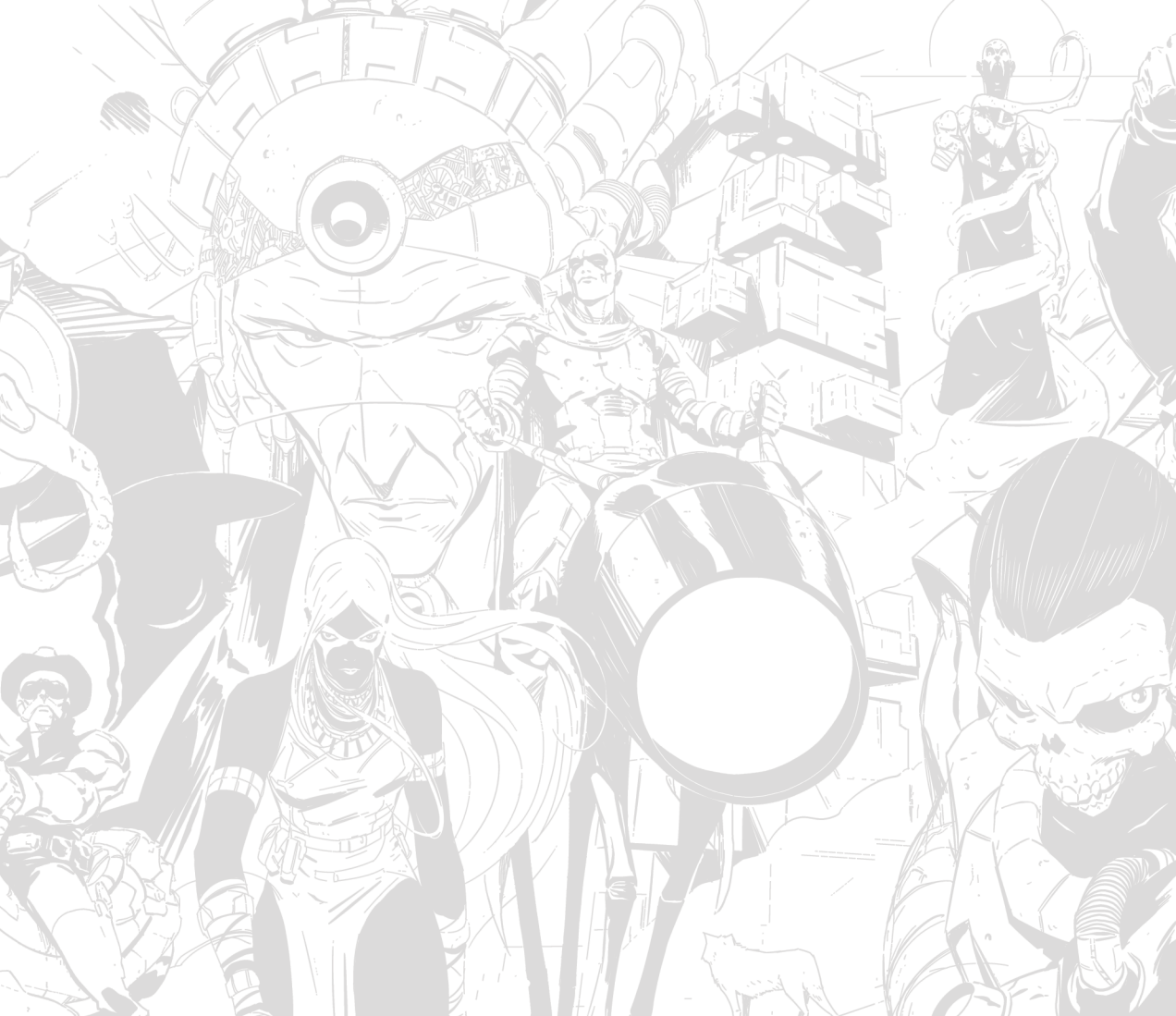
SEE HOW IT **BURNS.** SEE
HOW IT **BREAKS.**







LATER THIS MONTH



THE APOCALYPSE: YEAR TWO

WE WOULD TELL YOU TO
PRAY, BUT IT WOULDN'T
DO ANY GOOD.

YOU HAVE EARNED WHAT
IS COMING TO YOU.

