

USA Timeline

1992 – The stock crash of '92 leaves Western governments paralysed. Japan, Korea and China flourish in the ensuing years. East Asian companies grow more powerful in the West.

1999 – End of the millennium tension results in mass riots throughout the country with an estimated death toll well into six figures.

2002 – American intervention in the Middle East with full support by the jingoistic American media.

2003 – President George W Bush is killed in a terrorist attack on Air Force One. Islamic fundamentalists are blamed for the attack.

2004 – The so-called 'Winter of Discontent' hits America badly. Influenza and pneumonia, amongst other illnesses claim hundreds of thousands of lives.

US forces withdraw from the Middle East after petitioning from the UN.

Trade sanctions are imposed on importation from the Far East in an attempt to improve the ailing US economy. The Government start a massive 'Buy American' media campaign.

2005 – The ban on stem cell research is withdrawn in an attempt to reduce the levels of disease, virus, cancer and birth defects. President Gore carries this out with little support from Congress or the American people.

American food crops are devastated by a previously unknown viral agent. Terrorist activity is suspected. Import embargoes are lifted on import traffic from the Far East.

The first successful interface between human nervous system and electronic systems is made by the CyberNex organisation.

2006 – ULMA (United League for Medical Advancement) is formed in Washington DC with financial support from both the US and the EU. This places the US at the global forefront of medical research.

2010 – The US beats China in a bidding war to trial GM crops on the land devastated by the viral outbreak of 2005.

2011 – The first use of technologically enhanced troops is recorded when US forces repel starving Mexican immigrants. CyberNex are awarded a huge defence contract to supply military grade cyberware despite only limited field trials.

2012 – Fallout from the Tokyo Bay earthquake hits the western seaboard. Tidal waves cause floods throughout California and Oregon.

The dollar, as well as many other world currencies suffers hyperinflation.

2012 – GM crops are conclusively proven to be carcinogenic. The US Government faces crippling lawsuits as millions of acres of crops are destroyed. A national foodscare is feared, the National Guard are called in to guard dwindling food supplies.

A second global food scare is declared. The UN is blamed for mismanagement of the ensuing situation and America withdraws from the organisation, petitioning domestic corporations for aid.

2013 – APEX (American Pan Economic Expansion) is formed by a coalition of American corporations.

2014 – The UN is dissolved following the departure of the US.

APEX concludes import/export negotiations with the UES. Cheap foodstuffs start to enter the country as a result. A bill is passed by the Senate transferring control of international trade from the Government to APEX.

2015 – Many previously banned substances are made legal by APEX in an attempt to boost revenue. Illicit narcotics flood the inner cities.

2017 – For the first time in ten years, the American economy starts to show signs of recovery.

2018 – Salt Lake City, home of the Mormon movement is hit by cruise missiles launched from an enclave in North California believed to be occupied by an extremist offshoot of the Scientology movement. The media announce a new holy war.

APEX start the first corporate war by with the ALKor Corporation over dwindling oil supplies. ALKor is absorbed in a hostile takeover as APEX bring in cybernetically enhanced troops.

Grey Matter™ foodstuffs are distributed in the mainland US for the first time.

2019 – Jim Carpenter, head of the Jesus Science Faction, offshoot of the Scientology movement is arrested for mass murder – believed to be the architect of the previous years attack on Salt Lake City

2020 – Georgia's Republican Senator, Wallis Sherman Jr is arrested for treason after rallying for support of the Neo-Confederate Republic.

2020 is declared 'Dark America Year' by the underground media in tribute to how close to the truth the writings of sci-fi authors of the 1980's were. Many novels and short stories are reissued in electronic format and freely distributed.

2021 – The first conflict in the Alamo War. APEX troops are recalled to protect the US.

An explosive device is detonated on 4th July in downtown Seattle killing over 8000 people. Martial law is declared on the city as crime sprees and looting ensue.

2022 – 'America on the Edge' is released in cinema's to critical acclaim and widespread criticism. It depicts the Government as corporate puppets in a near future, noir-thriller environment. Many cinema's refuse to show it.

2023 – Hawaii begins to petition for independence. The US Government refuses. Pundits state that it is only a matter of time before the current administration will concede.

2024 – APEX, reluctant to shoulder the burden of the US national debt, breaks ties with the US Government. The APEX acronym is changed to stand for Advancement of Pan Economic Expansion.

The US economy faces bankruptcy. In an attempt to raise capital, NASA is sold to the Douglas-McConnell Aerospace Corporation.

2025 - The Alamo War is sparked off again after two tenuous years of peace on the California-Mexico border.

2026 – FBI and ATF Agents uncover a cache of weapons believed to belong to factions of what they believe to be Neo-Confederate separatists. Intelligence later uncovered confirmed this to be true.

The Global Federation is formed in Zurich. The US petitions to become a member state.

2027 - Texas secedes New Mexico and declares independence of the New Texan Republic.

2028 – The Nation of Islam (NOI) rally Congress for inclusion in the presidential contest of 2031. They are refused. Riots and civil unrest ensue in the wake of alleged US white supremacy.

2029 – As the NOI continue to gain support, an attempt is made on the life of Elijah Jamal at a NOI rally in Los Angeles.

2030 – AmeriCar announce the development of the so-called ‘heavy water’ engine. They announce that they have a working prototype and aim to have a production car using this technology on the road within ten years.

2031 - Margaret Amanda Hodge, after two terms as America’s first woman President is beaten in this years election by Senator John Carter.

2032 – Race riots begin in LA after the murder of three black youths by corporate police. The riots last for eleven weeks and claim the lives of over 1500 people.

2033 – Rising VR star Charlene Collins is found dead in her New York apartment. After investigations, she is announced to have been murdered.

2035 – Present Day