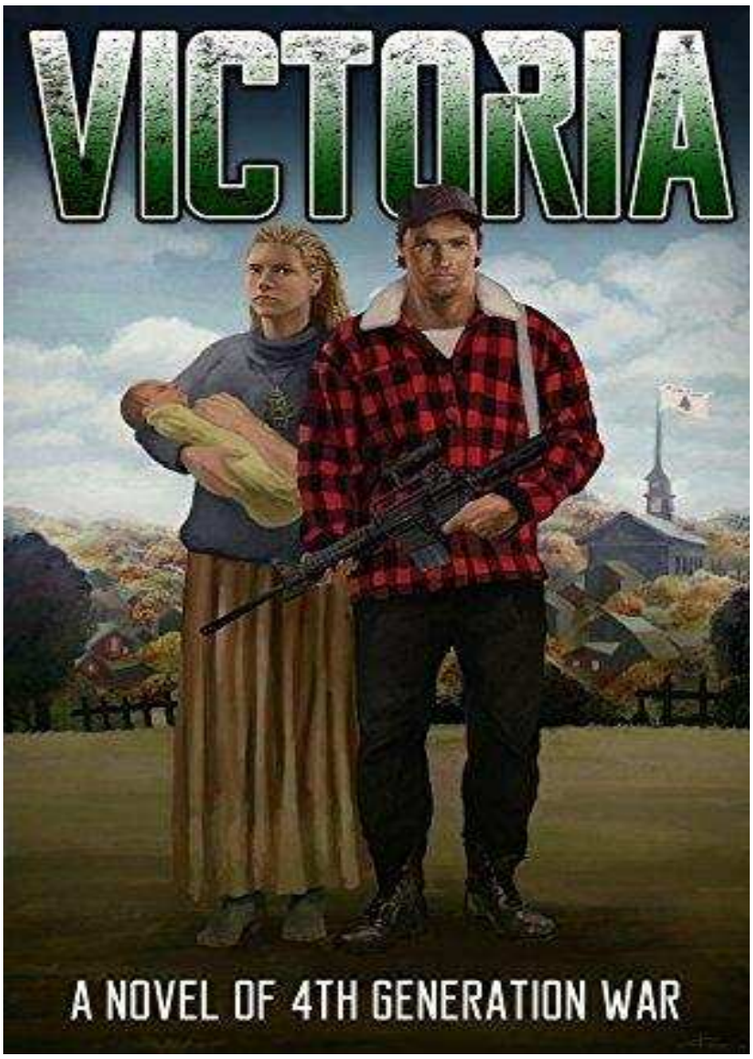



*Novel by William S. Lind, Jump by Aehriman*

In 1995, military theorist and Pentagon Reformer William S. Lind wrote a short story, a retrospective on a fallen United States from the POV of the military leader of a successor state. The Fall was based on excessive liberalism and multiculturalism, on tolerance and diversity. Over the next twenty years, working on and off, Lind expanded his story into one of the worst novels ever written: Victoria.

In 2016, John Rumford is drummed out of the US Marine Corps after disrupting a remembrance ceremony in protest of a woman Marine's participation. After proving himself incapable of farming or getting a job, he becomes the leader of a terrorist organization, the Christian Marines, fighting for Retroculture (shunning all social and technological developments after the mid 1960s) and to "make the Ten Commandments the law of the land." They engage in such delightful pranks as tarring and feathering a federal judge before dumping him in Boston Harbor in winter, and kidnapping a governor for his pro-LGBT views. Wacky fun.

In 2027, the combination of a pandemic, hyperinflation crisis, totalitarian anti-smoking laws and a series of *breathtakingly* stupid decisions on the behalf

of the federal government lead to a wave of secession movements. Soon there's a dozen breakaway states from the New Confederate States to the hero's own paleocon Retroculture New England, the Northern Confederation (renamed Victoria in the epilogue). After soundly defeating the federal government at every turn, or rather, waiting until they collapse under the staggering weight of their incompetence, the Norcons must then weather an invasion from the Worldwide Islamic Council, purge the liberals, ban technology and export their particular madness. First an arc where Rumford is sent as a military advisor to the New Confederacy and steals a nuke to destroy Atlanta and end their troubles. Then wars across the continent with an environmentalist state in the Pacific Northwest and a feminist one in California, all before we get to the beginning, where an Episcopalian bishop is burned at the stake for her vile heresy of claiming to be a cleric while female in 2055.

Have fun, and have **1,000 constitution points** (cp) to see you through.

# ORIGINS

*Pick One. Any can be a Drop-In if you like.*

**American** - You are one of the last degenerate remains of a decadent empire. Really, everything started going wrong when they let women and Black people vote, the end was written then. Or maybe it was the invention of television.

**Norcon** - The heroes, self-admitted racists, sexists and proud. You fight for American tradition, as understood as an arm of Christianity and divorced from any of that modern 'Constitution' business. But also for a Jeffersonian vision of a pastoral church-going agrarian American without cities and their noise, crime and dirt.

**New Confederate** - They said the South would rise again, and now it has! More modern, populous and wealthy than the Norcons, but their natural Cavalier gallantry is belied by the indecisiveness of their leaders who embrace the Confederate Battle Flag but reject the pointy hood.

**Wisconsin Nazi** - Man, I *hate* Wisconsin Nazis. The only foe the Norcons do not directly oppose, the only ones treated with respect. Really, most of the differences boil down to aesthetics, the Nazis were just too modern and stylish for proper Retroculture. But at least they aren't liberal pinko-commies or anarchists.

**Cascadian** - The Pacific Northwest, a deadly rival to the Norcons... somehow. Taken over by radical environmentalists, who also clear-cut and strip-mined the region for their Chinese overlords.

**Azanian** - Hyper-high tech ladyland. A lot is *said* about post-Fall California, that they moved the capitol to Berkeley, and outlawed men in favor of cloning. Relies almost exclusively on artillery and air power, yet their pilots are apparently too timid and easily startled to dogfight. Little is actually confirmed.

## AGE, RACE, SEX, ORIENTATION, ETC.

*All of the above can be a matter of life and death in the post-collapse US, depending on where you land. That being the case, we won't charge you a survival tax; you can change any of the above for free and without issue, if you're okay with hiding who you are for survival in a world where only cis-het White men apparently deserve to live and be free.*

## STARTING DATE & LOCATION

*By default, you start at the end of February, 2027. Ending of the N'Orleans Flu pandemic, and about five months before the first seccessions. Drawbacks may adjust this start date.*

*You start in any location appropriate to your origin. New England for Norcons, the South for Confederates, Anywhere in the US for Americans, Wisconsin or Minnesota for Nazis, California for Azanians and the Pacific Northwest for Cascadia and so on.*

## SKILLS

***Dumkopf!*** (free) You are fluent in German, the language of true civilization and a *lingua franca* of the military arts, as befits the only people to start and *lose* two World Wars. In fact, we'll throw in froggy-speak, or French, and every other language for free. Updates in future Jumps.

**Filler** (free) Ever stayed up late trying to pad your essay? Never fear, for you have an absurd writing speed and ability to fill up hundreds or thousands of pages with absolutely nothing of value. As long as it is vacuous and without meaning, you could stretch a short story over an enormous novel length, no problem.

**By Thomas Hobbes** (free) When in doubt, plagiarize. When you're too lazy to do even that, lie. You have the greatest gift ever given to a pseudo-intellectual, the ability to quote or cite anyone and be believed. Nobody will look them up or correct you, no matter how impossible or wrong-headed the reference. Put white supremacist rhetoric in MLK's mouth, if you want. As Julius Caesar once said "whatcha gonna do, fam? Playas gonna play."

**Armchair Fieldmarshal** (free) You understand enough about the military to present yourself as an expert, and to sound like an expert to people who have never

spent a day inside any military. To anyone in the military you'll only sound like a bloody fool without some real expertise as opposed to 'theory.' If you had the charisma of wet cardboard, you might be able to poison some uneducated people against a new fighter jet or something silly like that. Wait until they hear your new theory on Fourth Generation Warfare.

**Plot Disease** (free) The N'Orleans Flu changed the face of the world, as contagious as normal flu with an 80% mortality rate, it caused state and community borders to close down, strangers to be shot on sight, people and parcels to undergo multiple weeks of quarantine - at least until Rumford needs to travel, then it isn't an inconvenience at all. You are immune to this and all diseases, including the two GE'd variants of bubonic plague in the story. Almost as useful, people unreservedly believe that you are immune and will never trouble you with quarantine or shots.

**Royalty** (-50 cp) You, yes you, are the last descendant of a deposed royal line. Perhaps the Tsars or the Kaiser's or the kings of Sweden. Doesn't really give you anything but bragging rights, and barely those, but it's a conversation starter. Besides, someday you might find some poor schmuck who desperately wants a monarchy to give his life some meaning.

**Job** (-50 cp) Pick some ordinary profession, such as baking or investigative journalism. Or law, medicine, auto mechanics, etc. Even soldiering. You have a decade of experience in this profession.

**PR God** (-100 cp) You have the kind of extremely effective propaganda skills needed to make the unwashed masses accept absurdities like the smoking laws or breaking away from the US to escape outside influence only to sell all your parklands to Japanese investors and give the Chinese a century monopoly on providing your power.

**The Knife's Edge** (-200 cp) The world of Victoria is poised on a knife's edge between good and evil, civilization and chaos. You can feel where this edge is, have a tendency to show up at places and times, or meet people, in crisis with a feeling for how you could nudge things. The changes you make ripple outwards far out of proportion to your actions, and the things you fix and help have a tendency to *stay* fixed unless acted upon by great force. Will you be a beacon of hope to the world, or give it a swift kick off the edge?

**The Knife's Handle** (-300 cp) On the other hand, sometimes the best use for a scalpel is to cut out the tumor already. Your presence creates and enforces a sense of grounded reality that defies changes. Actions now have consequences,

particularly for your foes, and being beloved of the author will not save them when their enemies stop failing for no reason. The refusal of the opposition to melt away on the breeze will surely doom the Norcons, unless for some reason you fight for them?

***E Pluribus Unum*** (-100 cp, free American) "From Many, One." You have the ability to bring a great many people of differing backgrounds, races, religions and creeds together into your banner. A great melting pot, or even a mosaic, for you do not destroy identities, merely add their distinctiveness to a greater whole. Probably makes you a traitor to Western Civilization or something.

***Numero Uno*** (-100 cp, free American) You are very good at gestures that honor what came before, but still leave room for a new future. Like instead of supplanting the Big Red One, creating a Numero Uno division.

**Allies** (-200 cp, discount American) America has made many allies across the world, and it must be admitted no shortage of enemies. You too can easily make friends, and when you find yourself weakened and at a disadvantage, those you've helped will help you in turn, even if realpolitik suggests kicking you while you're down.

**Arsenal of Democracy** (-200 cp, discount American) America is founded upon a dream, unlike Victoria, that tomorrow will be better than today. With hard work you can leave your children a better world than you found. This and funding has made the US a global leader in science. You find any research, scientific or engineering project you are involved in, even if it's just to occasionally read reports, goes far faster and smoother, with less delays and no dead-ends.

**Combined Arms** (-400 cp, discount American) You have long since internalized how to function in the modern battlespace, combining airpower, armor, artillery and infantry to best effect, so each supports and enhances the others.

**Maneuver Warfare** (-400 cp, discount American) Some called getting the art of war "getting there first with the most-est." Your forces move with blinding speed, and you are an expert in making use of your superior tactical and strategic mobility.

**Stars & Stripes Forever** (-600 cp, discount American) From immigrants fresh off the boat, to slavering nativists. From slaveholders to civil rights leaders, a huge variety of people are loyal to America, even if just their vision of it. You can foster a similar unity of purpose, reconciling all within the larger whole that is America, and when you fight for this country, this Union, you find your mind far

sharper, your strength multiplied as you become the very best version of yourself.

***Wunderjaegers*** (-100 cp, free Norcon) When the various National Guards turn their coats and join the Norcons, they have a problem: none of them have prepared for war, not really. Real training is live fire with offset aim and enough real casualties to match combat. Real tactics are squads of basically unled light infantry with no contact with each other and no supply train. You have graduated this training of plaid hunters and learned guerilla warfare, how to survive the harshest winters in your failed state, how to vanish into the temperate forest and hills, and endure all manner of privations so your leaders never have to go without imported caviar and vodka.

**Northeast Psychos** (-100 cp, free Norcon) The most important part of Recovery is the return of the will to do absolutely terrible things. You have it, the ability to wade through the mud and blood, and convince others to do the same. Within a few months, you can have furniture-makers donating a homemade rack to the cause, or raise a furious mob against the police who are also gangsters. Sell women into slavery to thunderous applause.

**Shield of Humanity** (-200 cp, discount Norcon) Or less poetically, human shield, to date the single most successful tactic of the Christian Marines. You have a great deal of good fortune in kidnappings and the taking of hostages. If your enemies have any kind of conscience at all, they will at least hesitate to attack you through the hostage.

**CORN** (-200 cp, discount Norcon) It can be very hard to find people willing to vote and advocate against their own interests, but not if you're Maine Good. You can find collaborators, spies and saboteurs everywhere, maybe Texas Rangers happy to nuke their own country, or Black people thrilled to advocate for sharecropping and lynching after the briefest of show trials or a failed drug test, cops who'd love to break the law for you, and so on.

**Friends in Low Places** (-400 cp, discount Norcon) Despite showing unimaginable insult to every Marine, living and dead, Rumford can always rely on the vast network of former Marines to supply him with intelligence, or experts in biowarfare, really whatever he needs. You find yourself running into and casually befriending people who will be useful down the line, or they go to your church or lodge or have some kind of reason to be loyal to you over their nominal bosses.

**Sue Butcher** (-400 cp, discount Norcon) You are now blessed with luck to the point it could be called plot armor. In fact, you are so lucky it can cover some of the

issues caused by your lack of common sense. Maybe your enemies come up with a comprehensive plan to clean your clocks, but call it off due to political concerns at the eleventh hour. Somehow, you will already have or quickly find what you need for the best possible outcome in just about everything.

**Retroculture** (-600 cp, discount Norcon) The anti-ideology, supposedly. Instead of trying to force reality to fit your ideals, you have chosen to accept the reality that what your ancestors did worked, and their circumstances were the same as yours. Which is why Napoleon had so much to say about air defense. You can always find a simple, low-tech solution to any problem and it will work even if it really, really shouldn't. Like using 1930s vintage radar to spot stealth planes, or spar torpedoes against modern warships, ultra-lights as your exclusive air force and MANPADs for anti-air.

**Rebel Yell** (-100 cp, free Confederate) You can adopt the symbols of even a hated group, and assure people they are empty symbols. No Black person would ever object to wearing Confederate gray for you.

**Southern Manners** (-100 cp, free Confederate) You have mastered the arts of hospitality and civilization, able to serve as a gracious host in any circumstance and show respect even and particularly where it is wholly unearned.

**Listened to the Briefing** (-200 cp, discount Confederate) At one point Herr Fieldmarshal Rumford shows his contempt by sleeping through a briefing on such useless military trivia as weather and road conditions in the operations area, communications infrastructure and enemy and allied forces. You actually paid attention and are continuously aware of these factors and their impact on operations.

**Blowing Smoke** (-200 cp, discount Confederate) You are a master of procedural red-tape, of wasting time, of bureaucratic diversion. You could send someone chasing their tails for weeks or get them their supplies in a matter of hours.

**All Together Now** (-400 cp, discount Confederate) The Confederate military is a bit top-heavy, with many officers and huge staff for its uppermost leadership. You are skilled in leading such groups, keeping personal drama and office politics from impacting efficiency, and bringing out the best efforts of every staffer and team-member.

**Texas Rangers** (-400 cp, discount Confederate) You're the best of the best, skilled enough to infiltrate a nuclear storage facility and steal a weapon. Your stealth

and skills exceed the most legendary of special forces. The only one crying when you were born was the doctor, nobody hits you.

**Rise Again** (-600 cp, discount Confederate) The story of the CSA is not one that ends in victory. Not in history, and not really in this book. You don't care, though. No matter how much history you have to revise, yours is a story of an underdog who never quits! No defeat will be so devastating that you can't somehow come back from it, no humiliation so total as to end people's urge to romanticize your struggles and give you a second chance. If it is remotely possible to escape death, you will, and if it is not? Your legacy will live on to inspire others.

***Achtung!*** (-100 cp, free Nazi) You are extremely efficient in all that you do, from eating to working out to combat. Also, you are always clean and clean-shaven even if you never take any time or effort to appear so.

**Puttin' on the Reich** (-100 cp, free Nazi) You can say many horrible things about the Nazis, and pretty much all of them accurately, but even their enemies have to admit they had style. It's the Hugo Boss uniform. You can make goose stepping evil look *cool*, which is more than the heroes of this book can manage.

**Hypocrite** (-200 cp, discount Nazi) Shouldn't this be with the Norcons? Ah well, the old joke is the perfect Nazi is blonde like Hitler and svelte like Göring. Nobody cares if you happen to fall short of the ideal you set; even if you're one of the many people you advocate brutally purging, you'll be fine. You're one of the good ones, and unlike everyone else, this actually earns you a pass.

**Werner Von Braun** (-200 cp, discount Nazi) Don't say that you're hypocritical, say rather that you're apolitical. You are very good at switching sides smoothly, people never seem to hold your previous allegiance or actions under the hated regime against you. Once the rockets go up, who cares where they come down? 'It's not my department', says Werner Von Braun.

**Grand Scale** (-400 cp, discount Nazi) Lack of ambition was never a problem for the Nazis. The planned government center for after the war would have been large enough to have its own weather. Likewise, Leader von Braun wanted a swastika-shaped palace visible from space. You are very good at megascale projects, completing them within the time and resources it should take for a job a tenth the size.

***Wunderwaffen*** (-400 cp, discount Nazi) The Nazis were also really good at coming up with impractical prototypes for wacky weapons. Yet with a little help from you, crazy things like supermassive tanks or the tri-flugel actually *work.*

**Fash-ionable** (-600 cp, discount Nazi) At the heart of fascism is a lie. A very pretty lie, at that. It goes: Once we were the greatest people in the world, but our enemies infiltrated and subverted us, jealous of our greatness. They attacked our culture from within, spreading their degeneracy, replacing the operas of Wagner and waltzes of Strauss with Black jazz and swing, priests with therapists, classical architects with bauhaus. But if you just trust the leader and don't mind getting your hands dirty, you can purge the foreign and degenerate influences and make Italia great again. Make Deutschland great again. Perhaps even make America great again. The Reich may have fallen, but the fascist lie has never gone out of style. You are very good at turning people against their neighbors, drawing them into a series of ever more stringent purity tests, and riding their hate and fear to power.

**Exact Words** (-100 cp, free Cascadia) Nobody minds if you betray a promise, as long as you keep to the exact wording of your deal. Such as sending a plane (armed) for the leaders of your allies.

**Reduce, Reuse, Recycle** (-100 cp, free Cascadia) Use it up, wear it out, make it work or do without. You are a master of stretching out scant resources, finding new uses for old materials and items, and generally minimizing your impact on the environment.

**Druid** (-200 cp, discount Cascadia) In Cascadia, trials apparently have juries of animals and a druid to interpret their verdict. Funny. But you actually can speak to the animals, and your furry friends are happy to do you small favors.

**"Cultural Marxist"** (-200 cp, discount Cascadia) Like the 'cultural bolshevism' *Herr* Hitler was so worried about, you are great a inserting your ideology into acceptable, even commonsense ideas, perpetuating your notions of how the world should be and corrupting even good Christians through their notions of stewardship.

**Green Energy** (-400 cp, discount Cascadia) It is not that technology is evil, or even inherently damaging to the ecosystem, only that preservation has always taken a backseat to profit. But what if that changed? You can come up with environmentally friendly technologies and plans that are competitive with your more destructive peers.

**Respect** (-400 cp, discount Cascadia) You can kill a scholar, but never humiliate him. As seen, even the rebels against the Paleopitus plan to pretty much adopt a less extreme version of the same policies. Your enemies will see how your policies

work, and even if they oppose you, will find themselves adopting your methods and mindset.

**Nature's Bounty** (-600 cp, discount Cascadia) Whatever lands you or your people inhabit shall flourish, being green and fruitful and full of resources of all kinds. Only be careful that you don't become a resource-extraction economy, that's something of a dead end.

**Upper Body Strength** (-100 cp, free Azania) All other things being equal, most men have more upper body strength than most women, as most women are usually more empathetic and sensitive than most men. Nowhere is it written this must be the case. Whatever limits biology or sociology may place on gender simply... don't apply to you. You can play with dolls as a boy, be strong and sensitive, even nurse and bear/father children - I leave it to your imagination how this will work.

**Wish They All Could Be California Girls** (-100 cp, free Azania) Congratulations, you won the social lottery. You sound wonderful, you look amazing, you probably even smell amazing - to everyone too, not just those who would be typically predisposed to it. You can choose to either be effortlessly friendly and charming, like a classic cinnamon roll, or to somehow have the same effect despite being an arrogant prick most of the time.

**Night Witch** (-200 cp, discount Azania) You're a knight of the air, a flying ace and death itself to rival pilots. Your head is on a swivel, alert to the enemy, you react fast, turn fast, shoot fast, score your kills and go home.

**Reverse Psychology** (-200 cp, discount Azania) Well, they say women are empathetic. You are very skilled at getting inside an opponent's head. Understanding how they think, how they feel, what they're likely to do in a crisis. And, naturally, manipulating them into making a mistake. You're also a fair hand at guessing passwords.

**Doomsday** (-400 cp, discount Azania) You are skilled in the creation and use of superweapons, in navigating the politics of MAD and Cold War standoffs, and even WMD supremacy. Sometimes, you just need a really big stick to convince people to leave you alone.

**Equality** (-400 cp, discount Azania) It's hard to achieve true equality, particularly when overthrowing centuries of oppression. You shouldn't worry though, you are perfectly capable of reigning in revolutionary excesses and building a truly

equal society while still acknowledging and making up for the sins of the past. It's a hard line to walk, but that's why there's a perk for it.

**Sic Itur Ad Astra** (-600 cp, discount Azania) You have that special something, not just genius, but a spirit that soars for the stars. Your intellect and creativity are off the scale, you acknowledge no limits, including to humanity. With cloning or cybernetics, who knows what people can become? Well, you have a pretty good idea, being a luminary in transhumanism as well as any field of science you care to turn your hand to. Whatever you do, you will be remembered as a great name in it.

# COMPANIONS

***Herr* William Kraft** (-50 cp) A monstrously overweight Prussian cosplayer, who likes to dress and act like everything after the 1930s just never happened. Ruthless and bloodthirsty when striking down the forces of liberalism, has never displayed an ounce of personal or moral courage. Has contacts everywhere, via Friends in Low Places.

**Fieldmarshal John Rumford** (-50 cp) The 'greatest soldier of the age', drummed out of the USMC because he couldn't handle girls existing in his corps, couldn't farm or get a real job because he's just that inept. Loves to write bogus campaign histories and give terrible advice, once nuked his allies and framed their leadership. Has the Butcher Sue and Retroculture perks.

**Father Dmitri** (-50 cp) A humble Russian Orthodox priest, who happens to be able to get any supplies needed for the Christian Marines, and speak on behalf of the Tsar, get a plane on an hour's notice, and negotiate, but is certainly not a diplomat and *definitely* not a Russian spy sent to aid an insurrection in the US. He said he wasn't. Nad has a very honest face.

**An *actual* human being** (-50 cp) An actual person with a functioning brain and/or moral compass is a treasure in this setting. Take them someplace with safety and sanity, and let them know everything will be okay.

**Cadre** (-100 cp) Import any number of Companions, each with 800 cp of their own. Companions can take drawbacks for additional points as long as they only affect them personally.

# GEAR

*Discount one Item at each price tier. Discounted 50 & 100 cp Items are free.*

**Gladius & Crusader Tunic** (free) For all your purging needs, an iron short sword in the Roman style and a surcoat to evoke the image of a crusading knight while you butcher. Gregorian chanting as background music optional.

**Rocking Soundtrack** (free) The Devil's Music, you have a vast collection of records, CDs and music files, with everything from Count Basie to Lil Nas X.

**Field Rations** (-50 cp) Potatoes and cod, or similar hearty fare. You get enough food to survive off of, no matter how inept your leaders are, at least you personally will never starve.

**Hotsheet** (-50 cp) A newspaper is delivered to you each morning. Not necessarily the local or a national newspaper, but whichever paper in the world you'd most want to read, given the choice. The most relevant news, the most information on a story you're following, or simply the best comics.

**Papers, Please** (-50 cp) ID papers, passport, a general identity that will withstand all but the most intense scrutiny. Just in case you want to take the drop-in option. Updates in future Jumps.

**Refilling Jerrycan** (-50 cp) A large canister of gasoline that refills in five minutes if left alone. A princely gift in a world where people are shortly going to learn to walk everywhere.

**Reloads** (-50 cp) A bottomless clip or ammunition box, to make sure you're never without the means to shoot someone, and never have to choose between ending an assailant and saving the last bullet for yourself.

**Warm Clothes** (-50 cp) Really, comfortable in any temperature and weather. Another blessing as New England goes without heat a fair bit to experience the cleansing effects of poverty. Whatever that means.

**At Last!** (-100 cp) Forty acres of your own land. Good quality soil, if you want to farm, placed where you like, within reason. But mostly it's space and privacy from your neighbors.

**Q-Ship** (-100 cp) A fishing boat with a hidden broadside, fourteen gunports to a side, with a mix of mortars and .50 cal machine guns. Also a couple of surface-to-surface missiles on pivot mounts fore and aft. Will not flood despite having the least stable, most hazardous configuration that was phased out for a reason.

**Take Me To Church** (-100 cp) A house of worship, for any faith or denomination, really. Universally recognized as a community gathering space and neutral ground. None shall lift a hand to their neighbor within, for it is imbued with some of the same magic that let all Muslim and all Christian sects join as one to destroy the other. You find arguments easy to resolve or smooth over within.

**T-34** (-100 cp) The most infamously useless, unreliable, garbage tank there ever - I mean, the perfect tank! Sure, it will instantly die to the slightest anti-material weapon, but fighting pitched battles isn't what armor is for! It's all deep raids into the enemy supply line, and WWII tanks banged out in record time with no quality control by half-literate workers are famous for their reliability and gas mileage. Plus, any garage, machine shop or blacksmith can keep it repaired and in fuel and armor, no problemo!

**Computer** (-100 cp) A device, like all new technology, created by Satan. It allows the creation of virtual worlds where Christ may not be king, running on a mechanical logic. The Norcons junk them all, save a small division for hacking the enemy, preferring filing cabinets for security purposes. Yours is top of the line, the very latest in computing technology, and will update to always match.

**War Zeppelin** (-200 cp) Cutting edge military technology of the 2050s, the Zeppelin can lift tiny numbers of troops and bombs with minimal use of fuel.

**Weapon of Mass Humiliation** (-200 cp) A vehicle mounted sonic weapon for riot control, it causes people to lose all muscular control. In essence, they flop and convulse on the ground, and soil themselves. It will be difficult for any enemy to come back from the embarrassment.

**Resources** (-200/400 cp) You are one of the landed class, with enough money to live out your days quite comfortably. You're one of the top 1% in wealth, wherever you land. For an extra 200 cp, 400 total, you are always and without exception the richest person in any setting.

**Air Force** (-400 cp) Over a hundred F-35s and an entire wing of stealth bombers. All fuel, armaments and maintenance taken care of by fiat, piloted by NPCs if you want. Also a widget that changes the paint/decal. The author insists beyond reconnaissance, airpower is useless. Let's test that, shall we?

**Cold Fusion** (-400 cp) Developed by the Norcons in the finale, without the use of computers or most modern industrial processes. Good for them. You have absurd amounts of basically free energy available, without the heat and radiation

issues of most nuclear fusion, or the radioactive waste of fission. Includes a small portable reactor, a large one, and schematics.

**Bio-Lab** (-600 cp) In the future, genetic engineering is so easy kids can whip up plagues in a garage for fun, like the one that caused explosive diarrhea when someone ate rutabaga or herring "and thus wiped out Swiss cuisine." What you have here is a top-of-the line Azanian bio-lab and cloning center, perfect for turning out hundreds of people, or bigger and healthier fruits. You can even have a sample of the rutabaga thing.

**Copper Excitation Field** (-600 cp) A magic field that renders enemy guns useless, while leaving allied firearms alone. A superweapon the Norcons develop in the finale as part of their Retroculture technological revolution. Includes a working example, and schematics.

**Medusa** (-600 cp) A planet-destroying bomb. Terribly inconvenient in a setting without much space travel, but as a Jumper you never know when you might want to put a world out of its misery. Come to think of it, this book is an excellent argument for doing just that.

# DRAWBACKS

**Just a Dream** (+0 cp) Congratulations! You don't have to go to Victoria! Instead you can take a generic 21st Century world, or supplement this to any Jump. Only don't think to escape your drawbacks.

**Lies and Violence** (+0 cp) It is believed by some that the more... unbelievable and unreasonable parts of the book make perfect sense if you only assume that everything written is in-universe propaganda. While keeping the basic shape of the story, you can decide which parts are true and which are not.

**First Phase** (+0 cp) You start in 2016, the year Rumford was drummed out of the service. Thus you get to experience (or more morally, avert) the early book and the Christian Marines' campaign of terror, but should check out during the pandemic and early inflation crisis, right before the wave of successions in summer/fall of '27.

**Long Haul** (+100 cp) The story takes 39 years or so to wrap up. Lucky you, you get to experience all of them, from 2016 to 2055.

***Backpfeifengesicht*** (+100 cp) You have a face only a mother could love. Not because it's ugly or anything, merely *unbearably* smug all of the time.

**Cosplayer** (+100 cp) You have a signature outfit you hardly ever go outside without, something singularly embarrassing like a chicken suit or the dress uniform of a long-dissolved and disgraced army.

**Hardly Working** (+100 cp) You are indolent, work-shy or perhaps depressed. A chronic procrastinator, it is very difficult for you to motivate yourself to get anything done. Must be that Junker work ethic.

**Forgetful** (+200 cp) Well, if everyone can forget important events from a couple weeks ago, why not you? You can't remember anything about Victoria (lucky!) or your previous adventures in Jumpchain, or this document. As far as you know, you went to bed one night and woke up in the topsy-turvy world of Victoria.

**Overweight Farmer** (+200 cp) John Rumford, the greatest soldier of the age, is coming for you with all his strategic 'genius' and martial skills. So, pretty much free points, aye?

**Victim Complex** (+200 cp) You are categorically incapable of letting things go or accepting responsibility. Not in the sense of the 'imagined' slights against Black or LGBT people in the book, no. Rather, you're the kind of person who would spend twenty years sulking about being wrong about Desert Storm only to write a book in which you were right and everyone who doubted you is a doo-doo head who dies horribly. Or, if you can imagine, writing Jane Fonda into your book just to nuke her. Like a big sore baby.

**Walrus** (+200 cp) You are as overweight as William Hocking Kraft, a man whose vision of exercise in time of war is 'boarding a train to the next chateau.' Nothing you do will change this for the duration of your stay.

**Luddite** (+300 cp) You are unable to use any technology that was discovered after 1960, or any device produced after the same, unless it was made exclusively using materials and methods available in 1960. Have fun with your… everything, I guess.

**Wanted** (+300 cp) One of the US successor states, or a similar faction such as the Worldwide Islamic Council, or the Chinese Government, has ordered your death and will take every opportunity. Should you avert the fall, this will be a US government force such as the CIA. This can be taken multiple times, but your enemies will coordinate and cooperate.

**Less Magical Logistics** (+400 cp) The heroes may never need to worry about where the money, food or gas is coming from, but that doesn't mean you can get away with

it! Your Warehouse is sealed, any items from previous Jumps are unavailable to you.

**Internal Consistency** (+400 cp) It's never particularly been an issue in the story before, but having magical girls and carebears redeem the protagonists of this book with the power of love and friendship is going a little far. No matter how convenient they'd be, your powers and perks from other Jumps won't function here.

**Talc-Man** (+1,200 cp) You are now as stupid as any antagonist in this story. No advantage is so overwhelming that you won't foolishly squander it without so much as inconveniencing your foes in the slightest. You could be fighting a civil war on three different fronts and still devote enormous resources to outlawing smoking, giving up sovereignty of your territories and openly mocking your people into a live mic. God have mercy on you, for the Norcs will not.

TIMELINE: Because I put a lot of work in, and maybe you're still lost and confused.

May 7, 2016- Iwo Jima Interrupt, Rumford cashiered the next day.

2017- February Rumford is enlisted to get undesirables thrown from public housing, utilizes public pressure, leads a mob to tar and feather a judge. The Christian Marines form. April, Rumford meets Kraft after the latter speaks out at a Tea Party meeting because they're too mainstream.

2019- Beginnings of US financial meltdown, runaway inflation. The "dollar bubble" bursts. This is all background for now.

2020- In Autumn the caricature gay lobby takes over Maine, demanding an LGBT counselor in every school with unrestricted access to their charges. The CMs arrange a mass boycott of schools and a torchlight march on the Governor's manner. Oct. 3, they record and broadcast Governor Snidely Hokem admitting to being blackmailed into supporting the gay agenda after getting a blowjob from a drag queen, destroying his reputation and power.

2021- The Feds try to house 350 black parolees in Bangor, evicting many white families from a federal housing apartment complex. The program was announced on the 22nd of June. On the 25th, the Christian Marines have a meeting to discuss stopping it. Father Dmitri is introduced and suggests turning the apartment complexes over to Christian refugees from Egypt. This plan worked heckuva fast and well, because just two days later, on the 27th is the battle of Seabasticook, when the federal troops were sent in to seize the apartments and were ambushed by a plaid militia clinging to the underside of a bridge. All the troops

are taken as prisoners, zero bodycount. June 30th, in an open letter to the papers, the CMs threaten the hostages if any further federal forces enter Maine. Feds, surprisingly, back down. July 4th, some of those parolees gang-rape a group of nuns and butcher the children in their care. The response from the Cisneros administration is that this is just a drop in the bucket to the brutality and cruelty suffered by black people, so suck it up. This sparks a riot and peaceful nuns hurl the government spokeswoman from the top floor of a high-rise. Nov 2021, Vermont passes a law requiring juries to represent a racial and sexual cross-section of America, the local resistance calls Rumford early Nov. and he suggests locking up the system by insisting no trials take place til the law is satisfied. Gov. Fullarbottom starts importing jurors, so a recall campaign begins early February 2022, results March 7th, but the governor ignores the plebiscite. Mar 10th the Christian Marines kidnap the governor but promise to release him the day after his term expires. A massive manhunt finds no trace of the governor.

2022- Elections. The Maine First Party takes all state offices and 80% of both houses of the state legislature, inspiring the rise of [State] First parties throughout New England, which ignore the federal government as much as possible.

2023- Anti-smoking acts lead to a general breakdown of civilization as smokers resist and through the internet organize into a vast leaderless army. Maine revives nullification, simply declaring that federal law doesn't apply to them and daring the feds to come and try to force them. Also, runaway inflation adds six zeroes to the price of a Big Mac over the course of the year. Private ownership of gold is banned and foreign currency forcibly exchanged for dollars at some point in '23-24.

2024- Dec. 7th, banks secretly cracked open for gold, jewelry and foreign money. Private ownership of gold is banned and foreign currency forcibly exchanged for dollars. Barter is forbidden and any items for which a receipt cannot be produced is seized by federal goons. Dec. 27th 2024- in a secret meeting Kraft, Rumford and Maine Governor Adams decide to issue their own money, selling national parks to Asians for foreign money to back it with.

2025- first Pine Tree Dollars issued in March. Federal government sets up Customs and Border Patrol around the state to confiscate all valuable monies, like the Pine Tree Dollars, crossing the border. On July 2nd, Christian Marines take the Customs agents by surprise, the majority defect. July 4th the 13 remaining loyalists are symbolically stripped, their butts painted red, and loaded onto a

train for DC before cheering crowds. In September, the N'Orleans Flu pandemic begins with an 80% mortality rate. The "Great Panic" as people first flee the cities, then flee back into them chased by rural militias just as afraid of the plague. The plague is killed off by the unusually harsh winter, and gone by Februaru of '26.

2026- Maine amends State Constitution, requires all major issues to be decided by a general vote. 5,000 signatures necessary for any citizen to call for a referendum. Gov. Adams spearheads these reforms. In October, Adams calls a secret meeting in which he makes plans for Maine's secession.

2027- Eventful year. Feb. 27th, Maine signs an agreement for China to develop a hydroelectric dam in Bay of Fundy, in exchange for a 100 year Chinese monopoly on power. July 27, Black gangs seize Newark New Jersey in days of rioting and looting. The ("good black") population rises up and overcome the gangs by being even more brutally violent. Aug. 3rd the Governor of New Jersey decides to charge the leaders of the Newark uprising with hate crimes, and restore the gangs to power. The Guard is sent in on the 4th but turns and joins Newark. Aug. 5th, the President promises to send in the 82nd Airborne, Aug 8 Vermont becomes the first state to formally secede from the Union. New Hampshire secedes Aug 14th, Maine on the 22nd. 24th for South Carolina, first of the New Confederacy. Aug 30th 2027- Conference on NorCon military doctrine and organization, just six weeks before the NorCon actually forms. Sept. The Tsar's hundred tanks arrive at some point in the first week. The United Nations lends the U.S. Government ten trillion yen to keep it afloat and let it suppress these insurrections. The Army starts hiring gangbangers and turning them loose without training. On Oct. 12th 2027- the governors of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont meet and found the Northern Confederacy. Somewhere around this time the New Confederacy, Libertas and Cascadia form as well.

2028- On the 25th of March, President Warner announces US/Mexican "co-sovereignty" over Texas, Arizona and New Mexico. The Mexican army crosses the border two days later, to fierce resistance.  In response the feds destroy the Alamo in a drone strike. Texan militias so successful they counterstrike deep into Mexican territory, taking Monterrey on April 24th and San Luis Potosi on May 11th. May 25th the Aztec Empire is reborn and May 21st they claim Tenochtitlan/Mexico City. May 23rd the Aztecs sacrifice the US ambassador to the gods. June 19th, Federal bombing and blockade of NC begins as prelude to a ground campaign. Numero Uno division is formed and "mobilized." Schoolyard hit and pilot captured. Gives an interview the next day about the mangled bodies of kids. June

26th, the Air Force starts train-hunting. In response NC special forces strike at airfields, kill planes and take 300 pilots and families hostage, while enabling a New Confederacy invasion of Washington. Federal capitol moved to Harrisburg Pennsylvania. Norcons announce a hostage will henceforth ride on every train. July 4th A Russian ship tests the blockade, and is sunk. The cruiser that did the deed is immediately sunk by a Russian sub. American blockade ends in supine surrender. July 15th, Connecticut secedes. Federal government now holds only eight states separated by hostile territory. July 19th Gov. Adams of Maine is assassinated and Bowen takes over. On the 23rd, fleeing Washington US President Warner is taken out by a kamikaze pilot, along with all the legitimate government. General Wesley Not-Clark declares martial law and a military dictatorship, the international community withdraws funding and support. Aug. 2nd, Numero Uno division surrounded, surrenders without a shot fired. Three days later only a thousand soldiers of that division remain unhanged. Aug 6th 2028, New York secedes from the Union and joins the NC, less Manhattan. July 28th the Muslims conquer Boston. The UN votes to send a Muslim force there for reasons, and the first troops arrive within 24 hours. NC populace vote for war Aug. 15th, the Governors make it official on the 16th. NC forces cross the border on the 17th of August and are fully in place by the 25th. Sept. 3rd the executions of infidels begin. Sept. 10th the Muslim navy sank with spar torpedoes and their airbase shelled into ruin. Sept 11th the enemy surrenders, their war material is seized by NC. Nov 4 2028- CORN (Council Of Responsible Negroes) lays out their plan for "good blacks" to peacefully coexist with the white man, by never raising children in a city, keeping a gallows on every street corner with hangings for failing a drug test or any violent crime. Nov. 17 "Operation Isabella" mass deportation of Puerto Ricans who rioted following the CORN proposal but were encircled early and starved out inside two weeks.

2029- April 1st, Deep Greeners, led by Governor Bowen, take the Vermont State House before going down to sonic “soil yourself” riot gear. May 15th, Bill Kraft elected Governor of Maine and "first among equals" of the NC governors with a suspiciously wide margin, 83%. Inaugurated on the 20th. June 7th, prisoner exchanges with the Arabs begin. July 23rd, first plague deaths among the returned, modified bubonic plague. The Norcons send back prisoners with their own plague and halt all incoming, leading to millions of deaths or “A small lesson in not playing games that advanced, disciplined societies could play better.”

2029- Deep Green elected to all major positions of power in Cascadia & cling on with both hands. Oct 12th. Governor Kraft addresses a group of college professors at

Dartmouth, before having them butchered as filthy liberals and 'cultural Marxists.' With swords, by men cosplaying as crusaders, with a live chorus providing musical background. Norcons all over toast the governor.

2031- March 14, final collapse of Pennsylvania to "orcs." I.E. Black gangs. July 4th former Canadian provinces of Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland, New Brunswick and Labrador join the NC. No word on what is going on in Canada.

2032- March through October New Confederacy tries and fails to restore order to Florida, ordered not to fire unless fired upon, Confederate troops are helpless when gangs just ignore them. Cascadia outlaws meat. "Fair Discrimination" begins in Azania.

2034- Jan. 15th, NC votes to offer expertise and other nonmilitary aid to other conservative states. March 13th, Rumford enters the New Confederacy, is frustrated at endless briefings, goes on walkabouts and seeing a coup in Atlanta enables it to force Richmond to act decisively. When they do not he has some Texas Rangers raid a Confederate depot and on March 29th, nukes Atlanta with the help of a pilot named Terry Dactyl in a refurbished Nazi bomber. Dec. 5th, Rumford is visited by a Nazi, with a message begging for his expertise. He and Kraft refuse, but only after telling us at length how impressive the man is and how technology and modern efficiency is the great sin of Nazism not, you know, the rest of it.

2035- Fight with Cascadia, NC "hires" the Imperial Japanese Navy for a dollar and exploitation rights to the territory. Rumford boards a plane to Japan on the 12th. August 15th the blockade begins. August 24th they start airlifting in resistance fighters. Sept. 9th they announce they'll take surrenders and defectors, Sept. 20th an entire garrison turns their coats. Oct 7th the invasion begins and ends, the Chinese send a dud nuke to Maine and Rumford blows a ship in Beijing as a warning shot. The rebel leadership gets "friendly fire" and the Northwest now belongs to Japan.

2037- Azania begins aborting all male infants.

2038- May 21, NC women start agitating against Azania. June 12th Azania sends cruise missiles at the NC. Because reasons. June 22 2038- fist NC/Azania air battle, missiles fly right through NC diamond formations without detonating, women pilots panic and break off. Aug. 12th. further air-battle. Aug 30th, ground invasion of Azania begins and is almost ended by their artillery. Sept. 3rd the breakthrough and final victory over Azania, who almost destroy the world by

Rumford guessed a password and an ex-lover is able to turn the lesbian at the switch straight again.

2039- A ballot measure is introduced to give Retroculture the force of law. In a rather cowardly out, it is decided instead to enforce it with 'the pledge' and socially shunning anyone who seems noncompliant, instead of wrestling with the ugly necessity of policing behavior. Including cars that can drive more than thirty miles, for some reason. Shady figures lurk outside schools handing out free video games in the last gasp effort of seductive, evil technology.

Epilogue: Nov 23 2053- NC Zeppelin L-370 downed in Algiers and the crew crucified. Dec. 6 the NC votes war of retaliation and this gives rise to the Victoria name, when a soldier screams it while hurling an enemy leader to his death. Was probably meant to be 'victory' in Latin, but they decide they like (parts of) Victorian England, and the name sticks. 2054- Kraft dies. After the funeral, Father Dmitri informs Rumford that all Christianity is uniting as one for a holy crusade to erase Islam. The Tsar will abdicate to lead the knightly Order of St Louis, and wants Rumford 'the greatest soldier of the age' to teach his methods to knights at an impromptu war college run out of his farm. 2055- the trial and burning of the bishop, Cloaca Devlin, who walks serenely to her death refusing to renounce her Christianity or orders. May 6 2072- Rumford dies of a heart attack while plowing his field.

**NOTES:**

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