

A Chronological Presentation of Tekumel, The Sidereal Universe, and The Majesty of The Empire of The Petal Throne

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Author's Note: The reader will note that this chronology utilizes two dating periods, anno Domini (AD) and after Seal (AS). The calendar begins with the Christian calendar system of "anno Domini" for ease of the reader to gain a perspective of how the sequence of events that lead to Tekumel pertains to his or her own time (circa 1900's). The second calendar utilizes the Tsolyani calendar of "after Seal" which began upon the ascension of the first mythical Seal Emperor (it was felt that placing the historical perspective of Tekumel in terms of Tsolyani history would again provide a familiar frame of reference for the reader). It should also be noted that almost all of this material has been gleaned from the myriad sources of text written by Prof. MAR Barker (and a few others) over the years, and in no way should anyone construe that this humble author is taking any creative credit (though an occasional comment or suggested insight may have sneaked in here and there).

Current history "ends" with the civil war still raging (or perhaps simmering is a better word) in Tsolyanu, the Red Hats still holding Pan Chaka and Livyanu, and Salarvyani forces both raiding the Empire's eastern provinces and bickering amongst themselves. Additional details will be incorporated as more information comes in. My contacts in Tsolyanu (namely Tilekka hiVaishya of Jakalla and a few other adventurous "scholars") are rather busy at the moment, and I do not wish to take too much of their time. By all means, if anyone should have additional information to add below, please feel free to notify myself through the Blue Room or via e:mail (telepathy is unreliable and gives me an awful headache). Any corrections will also be gladly accepted.

The Known History

(Rev. 1)

2012-2013 AD -

"Western Civilization" and the nations of 21st century Terra are obliterated by the Atomic Armageddon.

prior to 60,000 AD -

Earth struggles out of the radioactive ashes and slowly rebuilds a technological civilization. Humankind again reaches for the stars and eventually encounters the Pe Choi, who gift the peoples of Earth with the Three Light Drive and many other wonderous devices, as well as introducing the fledgling interstellar species to a vast galactic community. Terrans are soon introduced to others; the Shen of Antares, the Ahoggya from Achernar, the Niniyal (Pygmy Folk) from Mirach, the Tinaliya from Algol, the Hlaka from Ensis, the Urunen from Betelgeuse, the Pachi Lei from Arcturus, the Heglethyal (Swamp Folk) from Unukalhai, the Hlutrgu from Algenubi, the Vleshgayal (Shunned Ones) from Regulus, the Mihalli from Dorsum, the Nyagga from Alhena, the Hokun from Markeb, the Chima from some unrecorded star system, the noisome tripod Popo of Beta Aquilae, the shaggy Umpleb from Delta Aquilae, and the insidious Bahk Muhk from Denebola. Still other species were found in the farther reaches of space, but their names and their empires have largely been forgotten.

early 60,000 AD -

Tekumel is discovered by explorers from Humanspace. Its sun, Sinistra in Nu Ophiuchi, is found amongst the trade routes of several stellar empires. Economic advantages for having a mercantile base at this location outway the cost of pacifying the hostile natives and terraforming the inhospitable planet.

60,000-60,110 AD -

Domination of Tekumel during the Dynasty of the Veritable Autocrator. The Autocrator's armies and fleets raze the indigenous Ssu and Hluss civilizations. Terraforming of the planet and extermination of 98% of the native life. Ssu, Hluss, and related sentient species relocated onto closely guarded preserves.

60,111-61,912 AD -

Tekumel is made into a pleasure planet and trading center for Humanspace and the other spacefaring alien empires. Human and alien masters stock private animal preserves and zoos. Mighty starships bring the wealth of many worlds to the jaded merchant-princes of Tekumel. "Men sing of Tekumel as home." Such peace and prosperity is said to last almost 50,000 years.

111,912 AD -

The Cataclysm hurls Tekumel into a starless pocket dimension by supposed hostile forces (the Pariah Dieties perhaps?). The once great civilization of Tekumel, the Joyous Light of the Golden Age, goes dim and is extinguished. The great culture is broken in only a few hundred years. Thus do sages refer to this sad era as "The Time of Darkness."

111,912-111,812 AD -

The same fate as Tekumel befalls 722 other worlds of Humanspace (it is unknown whether worlds in the empires of other alien species suffer a similar fate). It is unrecorded whether Earth falls to the ravages of the unknown enemy.

111,912-106,912 AD -

The space-age civilization of Tekumel has collapsed into barbarism from geologic upheavals and disruptions of essential supplies brought by starships. The machines begin to die. The Ssu and Hluss exult in the misfortune of their enemies and take back whatever they can. Local hoarders and warlords seize everything within their power. The Hlutrgu burst upon the coastal swamplands and are only forced back after a long series of brutal and bloody wars. The Hokun pretend to befriend mankind, war with them, enslave humanity and rule them as gods, and are eventually defeated by their slaves, forcing the Hokun to retreat to a great island in the southern seas. The Mihalli civilization in the east is destroyed by a great planetary bomb used by a neighboring human kingdom (who are also destroyed by the weapon). Such is "The Latter Times."

(106,912 AD approximate) -31,525 AS -

The ancient Llyan Empire (proto-Livyanu) founded by Llyan at the city of Tsamra. The sorcerers of Llyan discover the existence of nexus points, compound the texts of demonology and map the topography of the Planes Beyond. "Magic" (psychic powers of the mind) is refined from what was learned by the Great Ancients and the Lords of the Latter Times, and compilation of spells are made by the scientist-magicians of Llyan. Genetic templates for many guardian creatures and servants of mankind are fashioned using the still-functioning genetic-plasma machines of the bygone Age of Wonder. Fragmentary records indicate that worship of the Pariah Gods is widespread (The One Other, The One Who Is, and the Goddess of the Pale Bone - Ku'u Tep in the tongue of Llyan).

mid -26,000 AS -

The Three States of the Triangle (Urmish, Jakalla, and Thraya) arise in power.

-23,525 AS -

Contact with Vimuhla by Llyan scholars followed by rapid spread of worship of the Lord of Fire throughout the Llyan Empire. Lesser influence of Vimuhla in the Three States of the Triangle. The Llyan Empire begins to deteriorate from political stagnation and religious zeal for the Flame Lord. Nluss warbands (soon to be known as the Dragon Warriors) begin to migrate from their mountainous homelands, driven to plunder and conquest by the red-robed priests of Vimuhla.

beginning of -23,495 AS -

The Dragon Warriors from the lands of ancient Nlussa conquer the city-states of what will be Mu'ugalavya, riding mighty, flying "dragons" (aircars of the ancients) and pillaging the land.

-23,445 AS -

The Dragon Warriors destroy the remnants of Llyan's Empire. They proto-Nluss futilely war upon the Shen states to the South, with little success other than spilling much blood of both human and alien. Dragon Warrior hordes migrate East and Northeast.

-23,345 AS -

The Dragon Warriors conquer the coasts of what is now Yan Kor and wage wars with the Three States of the Triangle.

-23,265 AS -

The Three States of the Triangle fall and are pillaged by the Dragon Warriors.

-23,245 AS -

The Dragon Warriors march all the way through what is now Salarvya. They occasionally battle the Ahoggya (though the Dragon Warrior are loathe to enter the fetid swamplands of the aliens) and sea-faring Nom raiders.

-23,240 AS -

Gamulu of Fenul leads rebellion against the weak Nluss overlords in ancient Salarvya.

-23,235 AS -

Gamulu drives the Dragon Warriors out of western Salarvya. The empire of the Dragon Warriors fragments into thousands of clans, small states, and cities. Hordes of Ssu pour out from their refuges to make war upon humanity; their armies ravage Pechano - first capturing their long lost capital of Ssuganar and then pulling down Benesh (which never rises again) near the present city of Mechaneno. The Ssu Wars begin.

-23,235 to 23,210 AS -

Ssu expeditions strike northward into Chaigari and Kilalammu, threatening even the high aeries of the Hlaka. These beings make alliance with Gamulu and his people. Both sides rage back and forth for many years. This war is characterized by many campaigns with sporadic interludes. Eight of Gamulu's 14 sons fall in battle with the Foe of Man.

-23,210 AS -

Gamulu drives the Foe of Man back below Ssuyal, leaving fields choked with tattered gray bodies and slain human warriors. Gamulu holds a great victory celebration in the whispering ruins of old Ssuganar.

-23,200 AS -

Gamulu dies from a mysterious wasting disease contracted in Ssuganar (some say it is a curse laid upon him by the vengeful Ssu during his time in Ssuganar). The 12th son of Gamulu, Ho Etehlto, kills his remaining sibling rivals and is crowned as emperor, founding a dynasty later to be known as the Fisherman Kings, who commanded fleets of black ships that ranged up and down the coasts of Salarvya and proto-Tsolyanu. Ho Etehlto raids and conquers the region as far east as Peleis. He seizes the Dragon Warriors' strongholds on the islands of Ganga, Thayuri, and Vra, and his black ships besiege the city of Jakalla (though unable to take it). The Fisherman fleet crosses the straits to capture Haida Pakala from an unknown nonhuman race that then held it (Hokun?)

-23,200 to -23,000 AS -

Contact with the interdimensional being now called Ksarul during the 22nd king of Gamulu's dynasty. Religious persecution and strife against the emerging priesthood of Ksarul by Vimuhla priests. The religious strife provides impetus to bring about the beginnings of the Bednalljan Dynasty.

-23,000 AS -

Nayari of the Silken Thighs assassinates the governor of Purdanim and quickly consolidates political power using sex and violence. The First Imperium has begun under Nayari. The rest of the Lords of Change contacted by human scholars.

-22,990 AS -

The last of the Dragon Warrior kingdoms outside of Nlussa falls to Nayari's able generals.

-22,989 AS -

The last Fisherman King flees north from Nayari's legions, signaling the end of the Fisherman Kings Empire.

-22,988-86 AS -

Hlutrgu assault the Island of Thayuri but are turned back after hundreds of thousands of the vicious frog-beings are slain.

-22,986 AS -

Fasiltum conquers the Hlaka aeries.

-22,982 AS -

Nayari of the Silken Thighs is assassinated by the poisoned kiss of a lover (who dies himself).

-22,932 AS -

Nayari's son moves the capital of the First Imperium to ancient Jakalla.

-22,900 AS -

Jigresh, Tirtlen of Lord Sarku, commands the demon lords Tkel and Srukarum to fashion the Maze Temple of Jigresh as a place of steadfastness for the priesthoods of Sarku and Durritlemish.

-22,882 AS -

Capital of the First Imperium is moved by Nayari's grandson to the newly built city, Bey Su ("Soul of the World"). The construction of the Sakbe Roads is begun, linking the cities of the First Imperium.

-20,853 AS -

The priest Pavar is born.

-20,800 AS -

The crippled Pavar, priest of Enome (Ksarul) contacts the Grey Lord Tham (Thumis), and with the remaining Lords of Stability soon thereafter.

-20,763 AS -

Pavar dies in his sleep at the age of ninety. His disciples carry the new pantheon to the far corners of the First Imperium.

-20,700 AS -

Civil war spreads across the land between the new and old religions (the fruits of this civil war would establish the now regional strongholds of the Pantheon of Pavar in Tsolyanu). The Scrolls of Pavar are copied and spread across the continent by delegates of the temple of Nallal (Hnalla). The Emperor of the First Imperium and his glittering court watch with apprehension to growing civil unrest. Work begins to expand the ancient citadel of Evu Nithoru (Avanthar), a stronghold since before the Time of Darkness, into the fortress it is today.

-20,600 AS -

The Concordat is established between the temples of Change and Stability under Ghiyal Tranuo, High Priest of Nallal on Ganga and appointed successor to Pavar. Power shifts from Bey Su to Pavar's home island of Ganga when the Emperor, Meshkanuma Amessu III invites the High Priests of the Tlomitlanyal to Bey Su to advise him. The ancient capital of the First Imperium, time lost Purdanim, has begun to fall into ruin. The Emperor is made to swear never to worship the Pariah Gods. The cities of what is now Tsolyanu have now gone over to the pantheon of Pavar. The now lost art of perfume writing is perfected during the reign of Meshkanuma Amessu III. Scholars generally agree that this is the time when Engsvan hla Ganga (wrongly called the Kingdom of the Gods by many scholars) arises as a true political power.

-20,453 AS -

Emperor Balakanuma I assumes the throne after the death (some say by poison or magic) of Emperor Changgala. The emperor, a devotee of Kerek (Karakan) doubles the size of the realm, seizes Milumanaya, marches along the shores of the Northern Sea, and captures Hleker (Ke'er) from descendants of the Dragon Warriors and the Lorun tribes.

-20, 163 AS -

Priestly advisors become the real masters of the realm at the Imperial Court of the First Imperium. The High Priest of Nallal wields as much, if not more, power as the Emperor. The affairs of government and the police were the province of Chokhar's clergy. The High Adept of Kerek had charge of the army, and trade and economic affairs were managed jointly by the temples of Evuen and Tham. The temple Vaomahl establishes its power in Fa'asal and amongst the clans in the south-western city of Thamis.

-19,963 AS -

Tirisan Jakona, Patriarch of Ba'alk, revitalizes the administration of Engsvan hla Ganga.

-19,915 AS -

The last Emperor of the Bednalljan Empire, Tarishande XIII, is spirited away from Bey Su by his remaining loyal servants. This band of political refugees flee from the pursuing contingent of Ganga soldiers across the Northern Sea to beyond the North Pole. The Empire of Ganga officially begins. The Priestkings continue to add to the network of Sakbe-roads and fortify these walls with many watch-towers and keeps, and practice the Bednalljan custom of Pashatl. The temples establish the practice of using networks of telepaths to deliver messages. Also during this era, the great scholar Waba of Ka Kokoth writes his greatest work, "The Periplus of Farther Voyaging."

-19,763 AS -

The legions of the Priestkings lay siege to Shoshche (Ch'ochi) in Mu'aghatl. Though the siege lasts over 20 years, the Empire of Ganga cannot invest the ancient pre-Cataclysm military base.

-19,885 AS -

Legend tells of a tall, sun-blackened old man who appeared in Ja'akath, speaking the "high" speech and acting in the manners of the old court of the Bednalljan Emperors. What occurs to this stranger is lost to history.

-19,551 AS -

The proud Veridh clan closes the gates of Fa'asal and refuses to send taxes or troops to Ganga. The Priestking Ssirandar I crossed the Vales of Ninar (now the Desert of Eyagi) and laid siege to Fa'asal, destroying its water supply and canals to force the rebelling city to capitulate. The great architect Pirunddayu builds the great shrine to Ba'alk in Fa'asal.

-19,509 AS -

Foundation of the first hereditary Engsvanyali dynasty by Priestking Ssirandar I. Beginning of the First Epoch.

-19,413 AS -

Marya, the greatest Engsvanyali sculptor, creates his masterpiece, "Woman of Tsamra." The artist employed one Nia Alel, a Livyani serving maid, as the model for his renowned work. He later produces another masterpiece titled, "Thumis Ascending to the Sun" (which is currently a prized possession of the Governor of Tumissa).

-19,315 AS -

Priestking Bashdis Mssa II begins the tradition of the keeping of records in "The Great Book of the Priestkings" (which were closely guarded at Ganga).

-19,262 AS -

The Priestking Dharumesh Mssa I founds the great Library at Tumissa. This edifice is also to include an academy of devices and sciences (no trace of it exists today).

-19,220 to -19,154 AS -

Sometime during the reign of Ssirandar IV, the Engsvanyali epic poem, "The Lament to the Wheel of Black," is translated from Bednalljan or some older text.

-19,154 to 19,097 AS -

Priestking Ssirandar V, "The Victorious over the Foes of Humankind" conquers Pechano and much of the east. Priestesses of the goddess Shiringgayi help the Priestking's generals by using weapons of the great Ancients to subdue the worshippers of Hichegeth Qurgha (Black Qarqal) in the City of Liu-Sanmu.

-19,097 AS -

The practice of electing a Priestking via the priestly council of Ganga is abandoned in favor of hereditary succession. The posts of High Priest and Adept are also passed on to offspring in many of the temples. Membership on the subsequent "advisory" council to the Priestkings is based upon ancestry, prestige, favors, and money.

-19,097 to 19,094 AS -

Priestking Ssirandar VI builds the "City of the Nine Walls" (now lost).

-19,094 AS -

Priestking Bashdis Mssa III, "The Great," establishes the "Circles" system of ranking amongst the priesthoods. This ruler also restores ancient Bednalljan titles and fiefs to favored subjects.

-19,040 AS -

Priestking Dharumesh Mssa II is poisoned by his own chamberlains who discover his "ignobilities."

-19,040 AS -

Priestqueen Choleyn Mssa I, the First Engsvanyali Queen. Devotee of Avante and patron of agriculture. The Priestqueen sets scholars to the task of increasing the bounty of the Empire's lands through magic (the temple of Avante retains some of these spells, but much is now lost).

-19,028 AS -

Priestqueen Choleyn Mssa II, daughter of Choleyn Mssa I. Worshipper of Dilinala, with 237 female lovers from all the social classes.

-18,963 AS -

Priestking Nemandu I, cousin of Choleyn Mssa II and founder of a new line.

-18,663 (approx.) AS -

The temples of Sarku, Gruganu, and Vimuhla revolt against the Priestkings. A treaty between Ganga and the City of Sarku grants most of the autonomy of Sarku's temple in that city.

-18,930 AS -

Plague of the White Hand ravages the "Known World" under the reign of Priestking Bashdis Mssa IV. Many regions depopulated and whole cities, such as Urmish, decimated, which are not to be resettled for nearly a century.

-18,925 AS -

Priestking Arkhuam Mssa dies of a horrible plague that is later named after him.

-18,925 to 18,912 AS -

A gap appears in the First Epoch where there are no ruling Priestkings. The cause is not known to contemporary scholars.

-18,912 AS -

Priestking Bashdis Mssa V restores government (?), and adds to the number of Sakbe-roads and fortresses.

-18,858 AS -

Priestking Nemandu II, already an old man, rules for 36 years living only on bread and Hmelu-milk. He was isolated by his advisors from the outside world.

-18,784 AS -

The Temple of Sarku in Jakalla is sold to an enterprising merchant who had it tore down so that he might trade the stone for Chlen-hides and a shipment of wine. Priestking Nemandu III, who sold the temple, promptly disappears from his court (nothing is mentioned of the fate of the merchant).

-18,784 AS -

Priestking Dharumesh Mssa III reforms the currency and develops the use of "writs" that could be cashed in distant cities (even in the markets of other nations).

-18,746 AS -

Priestking Bashdis Mssa is "crushed by a demon."

-18,746 AS -

Priestking Dharumesh Mssa IV, "The Singer of Gentle Songs." This Priestking will develop "picture books" using Other-Planar sorcery to animate the pictures in the books. He will also marry a Saa Allaqiyani woman, Misa Tanio, who will be Queen.

-18,736 AS -

Priestking Ssirandar VII, "He Who Lived too Long," seizes power after Dharumesh "passes away" (?). This ruler executes Priestqueen Misa Tanio as a "traitoress."

-18, 692 to -18,667 AS -

Revolution, civil war, and the destruction of temples during the reign of Priestking Bashdis Mssa VII. This Priestking falls to Arkhuan Milende, "He Who Hates the Gods." The Legion of the Seekers of Indelible Victory is sent east, through Mihallu, into the barren Plains of Glass, where it disappears.

-18,667 to -18,664 AS -

A gap in Engsvanyali records appears here. It is assumed that civil war still rocks the "Empire of the Gods" while Arkhuan Milende rages across the lands.

-18,664 AS -

Priestking Nemandu IV, a general from another lineage, restores the Empire. He ousts "greedy priests" and favors the army in all things.

-18,602 AS -

Priestking Kakkonen Chre, a usurper from Jakalla, seizes Ganga with a fleet of pirate ships.

-18,590 AS -

Ssirandar VIII, cousin of the murdered Priestking Bashdis Mssa VII, returns from a "voyage around the world" to retake Ganga and slay the usurper.

-18,573 to -18,531 AS -

Priestking Bashdis Mssa VIII, "The Builder of Tombs" and "Restorer of Catacombs," pours much of the Empire's treasury into massive tomb building projects. The Necropolises built by this Priestking are never to be exceeded in opulence and grandeur in the history of the world.

-18,531 AS -

Priestking Dharumesh Mssa VI devises the "Twenty-Four Forms" of formal dress worn at affairs of state (still to be used, more or less changed, during the Tsolyanu Imperium era).

-18,399 AS -

Tettukanu Dlee I, "The Slaughterer of Children," seizes power, isolating the current Priestking in Bey Su by seiging the city with soldiers. The rebel kills Bashdis Mssa IX in battle on the walls of Bey Su on -18,384 AS. Most of the emperor's family are executed after Bey Su falls (their heads hacked off by the rebel himself or thrown from the palace towers).

-18,394 AS -

Bashdis Mssa X, the twelve year-old child of Bashdis Mssa IX, disappears from Bey Su after its fall to Tettukanu Dlee I. Scholars think that the child was abducted by priests of the One Other (perhaps to use him against Tettukanu Dlee I).

[Civil war and the end of the First Epoch]

-18,394 to -15,894 AS

This time period is referred to as the Second Epoch. This era is marked by many semi-autonomous states that are called "Engsvanyali," by historians. Following the disappearance of Bashdis Mssa X, the clergy of several temples warred against the temples of the Pariah Gods, and then rose up against Ganga itself (it is lost to history as to which temples turned against the Empire - this historian feels that most of the antagonists were those of the temples of Change). This religious war added to the ongoing secular civil war. The Vriddi declared Fasiltum independent; Teshengtu Tlekolmu "the Hammer of the West" did likewise in Tumissa; the northern regions of what is now Yan Kor slipped away; Salarvya, Mihallu, and the east also left the Empire. On another note, the Tsolei Archipelago and the southern regions of cold, northern Nluss was conquered by one of the fragmented Engsvanyali Empire. Despite the political chaos of the Second Epoch, much was accomplished in the arts, military knowledge, and the sciences. The emergence of local dialects of the Engsvanyali language is noted. The "Hero of the Age" drives out the servants of the Pariah Deities into the Outer Darkness.

The Priestking Hemanche Farkhenu solidifies the much shrunken Engsvanyali Empire.

-15,873 AS -

Girandu I, son of Hemanche Farkhenu, ushers in the Third Epoch. This Priestking conquers the splinter dynasties. The Hlutrgru are driven back into the jungles of Layodu and the Shikel Swamps. The Priestking rewards each soldier of the Legion of the Joyful Clan of the Noble Vrayani with slingstones of rubies and diamonds.

-14,871 AS -

The ancient priestly Council is summoned into session after the last Girandu passes without issue or relative for the throne. The Rebellion of the Right Hand ensues between the candidates for the throne of the Empire. Chayetlesa Tlaesu, a priestess of Ksarul, remains as the lone survivor of the rebellion. She is declared the Priestqueen, and "The Long Peace" is ushered in.

-14,866 to -14,844 AS -

Priestking Menkoru I reconquers Salarvya and Saa Allaqi; establishes trade with the Naqsai of the Southern Continent; and sends emissaries into Mihallu and the eastern regions of Salarvya.

-14,844 AS -

Ascension of Priestking Girandu XV. This Priestking will write a treatise on economics and develop the workings of business throughout the Empire.

-14,775 AS -

Ascension of Priestking Menkoru II. Building of the Great Hall of the Priestkings on Ganga Isle. The court of Menkoru II is said to be the most opulent in history.

-14,739 AS -

Ascension of Priestking Menkoru III. The practice of using sorcery to prolong the life of an emperor is declared illegal following the efforts of this emperor to extend his life. More Sakbe-roads are built, and the mighty fortress of Ngala near modern Jakalla is strengthened. Ports and harbors are built around the (now extinct) Sea of Milumanaya. Thousands of monuments and stela are placed along the borders of the Empire.

-14,442 AS -

Ascension of Priestking Atkolum I. The Empire wars against the Shen but eventually make peace. The Temple of the Goddess of the Pale Bone is destroyed near what is now Pelesar. The shrines of the Gods on Ganga is restored to "proper grandeur."

-14,433 AS -

Ascension of Priestking Menkoru IV. The formal etiquette of the imperial court reaches new heights of complexity. New titles, pageantry, and innovations in costume and manners are developed.

[5 years pass between the reigns of Menkoru IV and Chayetlesa II. The reason for this gap is not known.]

-14,387 AS -

Ascension of Priestqueen Chayetlesa II.

-14,363 AS -

Ascension of Priestking Atkolum II. A corps of secret police and a system of informants are developed. The Tolek Kana Pits are refurbished.

-14,243 AS -

Ascension of Priestking Girandu XVI.

-14,207 AS -

Ascension of Priestqueen Chayetlesa IV. Schools and academies are established within the temples. Orphanages are built and women's causes are advanced. Hospitals and facilities for the mentally ill are developed by the Chief Minister (a priest of Ketengku).

-14,197 AS -

Ascension of Priestqueen Alineya I.

-14,187 to 13,937 AS -

Reign of the Inept Emperors. This period of Engsvanyali history is marked by rulership passing between 16 inept and utterly mundane emperors of no mentionable worth.

[Here follows a gap of about a 1,000 years before historians again put pen to paper to chronicle the history of the Empire. The Chamberlain of the Empire, the Pe Choi Ntes Ktik, rules the Empire in all but name from the Halls of Eternal Glory near the end of this period.]

-12,950 AS -

Meluende Ssa, first of the Chalchai Dynasty, seizes the Halls of Eternal Glory from the Pe Choi Ntes Ktik using troops from the Legion of Serqu, Sword of the Empire and many loyal generals (history does not record what became of Nts Ktik).

-12,942 AS -

Ascension of Priestking Ssesmuga I. Suppression of many small revolts and intrigues throughout the Empire. The Stela of Scarlet Glory is erected at Navai Village near Tumissa, which records the glories of the Legion of the Givers of Sorrow.

-12,909 AS -

Ascension of Priestking Ssesmuga II.

-12,907 AS -

Ascension of Priestqueen Wiyul Basu. This Priestqueen was a concubine from Nmartusha who seized the throne with the aid of her five lovers. She was torn to bits by an angry mob when she attempted to introduce a state religion based on the Pariah Gods.

-12,900 AS -

Ascension of Priestking Neshkolu I.

-12,866 to -12,847 AS -

[Interregnum. The Empire was ruled by a coalition of High Priests from the temples of Vimuhla, Karakan, and Hrsh. This coalition wars with the followers of the One Other.]

-12,857 AS -

The great earthquake, "Harbringer of Worse to Come," destroys Urmish and Katalal. Thousands perish.

-12,828 AS -

Ascension of Priestqueen Tratikante I. The "Many-Hue Garden" is founded at Ganga. So beloved by her subjects and courtiers, this empress was revived in spite of the ancient prohibition against such magic. Each of the chief ministers is appointed *Kelem* ("Archon") of one of the seven segments of the Garden.

-12,694 AS -

Ascension of Priestqueen Tratikante II. Prosperity of the Empire under the Viceroys of the South.

-12,693 AS -

Ascension of Priestqueen Tratikante III, who dies soon after birth. Viceroys of the South begin a long internecine quarrel.

-12,693 AS -

Ascension of Priestking Ssesmuga III. Expeditions are sent to find the Unstraightened City, the Isle of Eyes, and to the Southern Continent. Some return, bearing many items which are added to the museum of curios in the High Chancery of Avanthar.

-12,648 AS -

Ascension of Priestking Ssesmuga IV. Ganga reaches its height in glory. An invasion of Livyanu fails because of that nation's powerful sorcery. The "Great Compendium of All Knowledge" is compiled by a committee of scholars at Ganga, as well as many other tomes.

-12,590 AS-

Ascension of Priestqueen Tratikante IV.

-12,587 AS -

Rivalries between the Viceroys of the Many-Hued Garden erupt into violence. The Flower Wars begin.

-12,586 AS-

Priestqueen Tratikante IV is assassinated by the troops of Lord Amukanatl Vriddi, the Archon of the Red.

-12,585 AS-

Ascension of Priestking Ssesmuga V. This Priestking disappears (he is probably arrested and slain).

-12,581 AS-

Yaheshu Sarel of Tsuru, priest of Thumis, completes the basic ethical principles based on the concepts of "nobility" and "ignobility."

-12,561 AS-

The Flower Wars end with victory of Archon Amukanatl Vriddi. The victorious Archon takes residence in the Palace of the Priestkings on Ganga Isle. The only regions still under Engsvanyali domain at that time are Mu'ugalavya, Tsolyanu, and Mihallu localities. Beginning of the Last Epoch.

-12,534 AS-

Ascension of Priestking Amukanatl Vriddi II. This Priestking regains western Salarvya but is mired in fighting in what is now Milumanaya and Saa Allaqi. His wife, Saima Dlakotante, an heiress of the house of the Archon of the Green, goes mad.

-12,486 AS-

Ascension of Priestking Kazhilo'ob I. This Priestking devises the Calendar of Kazhilo'ob.

-12,438 AS-

Ascension of Priestking Mesunende. This Priestking orders ancient Imperial records burned and new files started after his coronation.

-12,424 AS-

Ascension of Priestking Kazhilo'ob II. Collects tribute from more places than any other ruler.

-12,367 AS-

Ascension of Priestking Horusande Nga I. This Priestking dies of an *Epeng*-bite.

-12,380 AS-

Ascension of Priestking Amukanatl Vriddi III.

-12,363 AS-

Ascension of Priestqueen Niluen Dhiya. This queen orders a pogrom of all Pe Choi in court. She dies from over-eating.

-12,281 AS-

Ascension of Priestking Kazhilo'ob III.

-12,230 AS-

Ascension of Priestking Horusande Nga II. This Priestking is said to have "descended into the Darkness" and become a servitor of the One Other.

-12,193 AS-

Ascension of Priestking Kazhilo'ob IV.

-12,168 AS-

Priestking Kazhilo'ob IV defeats the Mu'ugalavyani renegade, Haghaktish Lelo.

-12,156 AS-

Priestking Kazhilo'ob IV is assassinated by the widow of Haghaktish Lelo (whom the Priestking had married after slaying the Mu'ugalavyani rebel). Rebellion sweeps through the Empire. Many records are destroyed or carried away.

-11,656 AS-

Ascension of Priestking Amukanatl Vriddi IV. This Priestking restores unity to the Empire, but without Salarvya or Mu'ugalavya. Pachi Lei revolt against the Empire but are defeated and many are slain. An epidemic of the Mottled Plague rages in south-western Tsolyanu and Pan Chaka.

-11,597 AS-

Priestking Amukanatl Vriddi IV dies of the Mottled Plague after making a pilgrimage to Pavar's shrine on Ganga Isle to plead for an end to the plague.

-11,597 AS-

Ascension of Priestking Shejjanekh I. This Priestking was a Yan Koryani Viceroy who inherited the throne unwillingly (but ably).

-11,591 AS-

The Mottled Plague ends.

-11,588 AS-

Priestking Shejjanekh I dies without issue. Further civil wars punctuated by the brief rulership of minor Priestkings who manage to hold Ganga but little else. Several dynasties change, but records of who they are and for how long each ruled is muddled and confused.

-10,068 AS-

Ascension of Priestking Balmasen I. This Priestking restored central unity and the crumbling shrines and palaces of Ganga Isle.

-10,049 AS-

Balmasen I dies from choking on a piece of meat during a great celebration for "the Coming of Pavar." Ascension of Priestking Balmasen II. Ministers handle all of the Empire's affairs. Tumissa passes to the Mu'ugalavyani and the port cities of Milumanaya become independent.

-10,048 AS-

Ascension of Priestking Tlimastliken.

-10,017 AS-

Lord Kokun Vriyon of Khirgar, Imperial General of the Empire, and the "head" of the "Hero of the Age", is betrayed by Niyuneth Tlatoyel of Ganga. He is set upon by "Demons of the Planes Beyond" (or perhaps human assassins) and is slain. Immediately, the Isle of Ganga is sunk beneath the waves and catastrophe and cataclysm plunge the Engsvan hla Ganga into darkness and barbarism when the Goddess of the Pale Bone attempts to invade Tekumel. Islands and the coast of the shallow North Sea rise up and become the central plains of Yan Kor. The Empire dies and much knowledge with it. Brother's hand is turned against brother. The temples war and drag each other down, the innocent with them. Famine lays waste to the northern cities. Barbarians swarm from tundra, mountains and desert to loot and slay. The Desert of Sighs grows.

-9,875 AS -

Humans reduced to hunting and gathering in the barren lands of the North. Underground cities of the Pygmy Folk decimated by earthquakes beyond reckoning.

-3,639 AS -

Proto-Yan Koryani matriarchal culture begins to develop in Northern Wastes. Shunned Ones expand their domains and build seven new cities. Pygmy Folk slowly rebuild their underground cities. City-states of Jakalla, Thraya, and Jaikalor wage war against swarms of Hlutrgu and belligerent Hluss.

-1,630 AS -

Northern tribes domesticate the Hma and Hmelu and build settlements for their womenfolk to manage. Beginnings of the Three Women myths of Yan Kor. Some tribes abandon settled life and roam the Desert of Sighs and Milumanaya. Hunter-gatherer tribes dwindle in number and are forced into remote desert and mountain regions, mixing with the Lorun culture of the north. Fishing villages rapidly spread across the coasts of the North.

1 AS -

Human history has undergone the Time of No Kings. Countless city-states have risen and fallen. Kings have been crowned and killed in the space of a year. The (now mythical) First Emperor of the Petal Throne is crowned, signaling the beginning of the

Tlakotani Dynasty. Northern settlements band together in shifting alliances. Herder raiders from the Desert of Sighs force proto-Yan Koryani settlements to arm women, causing the rise of feudal warrior-women in the lands of Yan Kor. A dozen chiefdoms grow in the North, ruled by warrior matriarchs. Earliest mention of the "First Legion" of Tsolyanu during the siege of Uruse (Urmish?) which results in the accession of the First Emperor. Revelation of the Seal of the Empire of the Petal Throne.

58 AS -

Expeditions by Tsolyanu legions against Pe Choi tribes and human bandits in what is now Do Chaka. Seal armies invest Do Chaka into the Empire.

66 AS -

The theocratic state of Livyanu is founded by The First Thinker, Dumuz Melunez Chi'una, under the religion of the indigenous Shadow Gods. The "Brother in the Faith" commands the abandonment of Duru'ob, replacing it with the script that is used by later Duru'ob- and modern Livyani-speaking citizens.

90 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Horukel N'len.

135 AS -

Ascension of Emperor To... Miuna.

139 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Trakonel I "The Blazing Light." Persecution of the cult of the One Other. The Emperor hunts down the cultists and declares them as anathema to all sapient life. Clear mention of the Seal of the Imperium, the Petal Throne, and the Servitors of Silence in Imperial records. Mention of the First Legion in the Runes of Trakonel I "the Blazing Light."

140 AS -

Purdimal rises in revolt (perhaps lead by cultists of the One Other) but is put down by Trakonel I "the Blazing Light."

142 AS -

The Society of the Resurgent Octagon is founded by the glorious Trakonel I in an effort to counter uprisings of the One Other and its followers. The Black Arch is placed within to detect servants of the Pariah Gods.

176-178 AS -

Trakonel I "the Blazing Light" battles the cult of the One Other, destroying every temple or fane that can be found, and converting or executing all It's worshippers (the greatest temple in Tumissa falls in 176, no two stones left standing and its ground ploughed with salt). The Seal Emperor also wars against rebellious factions of the Lords of Change. Trakonel I takes Penom from the control of the worshippers of the Dark Gods. The remaining priesthood of the One Other is forced under geases of the priesthoods of Stability and Change to guard over the Tombs of the Emperors in Avanthar till "the Egg of the World becomes whole." First mention of the Omnipotent Azure Legion. Founding of the Legion of Hnalla.

195-196 AS -

Destruction of Ssu strongholds in Tsolyanu. Ascension of Emperor Heshqu Miuna I.

196-219 AS -

Reign of the High Chancellor of Avanthar.

200 AS -

A Pe Choi revolt in Do Chaka is quickly and brutally crushed by Ashqo hiVrayussa, who massacres several Pe Choi villages, forcing the aliens to concede or face further murder and bloodshed.

219 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Trakonel II "The Victorious."

219-269 AS -

Subduing of the Pachi Lei by Seal Legions and settling of captured Pan Chaka lands by human settlers. Milumanaya is raided by Seal legions for plunder and slaves.

269 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Deshetl Miuna "The Stable Mountain." Founding of the Legion of the Mighty Prince.

280 AS -

The last stronghold of the Ssu defeated within Tsolyanu.

300 AS -

Yan Kor City establish herds of Chlen to manufacture weapons and armor for their standing army. The most powerful domains in the North center around Yan Kor City, Ke'er, and Tleku Miriya. The theocracy of Hlikku grows strong but introverted under the worship of the Mad One.

327 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Heshqu Miuna II "The Wind-Rider."

380 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Trakonel III "God-King." Siege of Kai.

383 AS -

Creation of the Legion of Potent Destiny from the palace guard of Avanthar by Trakonel III.

384 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Ashoretl Tikasa "The Power Forever." Disbandment of the Legion of the Mighty Prince.

444-446 AS -

Reign of the High Chancellor of Avanthar. The false Emperor Ajjnai Teshkuma is defeated and slain in 445. Northern Milumanaya tribes and P'jenani raiders are held in check by the legions of the Petal Throne.

446 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Horukel II. The Legion of Potent Destiny and the O.A.L. wage a silent war of assassination and sabotage against each other in the halls of Avanthar to gain a place of dominance (and hence control) of the Golden Tower.

464 AS -

Assassination of Emperor Horukell II by the O.A.L.

464 AS -

Ascension of Empress Sriyesa "The Lady of the Palaces."

517 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Horkhunel "The General." Rebanding of the Legion of the Mighty Prince.

518 AS -

The Omnipotent Azure Legion is split into its current three branches; the military branch, the intelligence branch, and deaf-mute Servitors of Silence corps to the Petal Throne.

580 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Kurshetl Nikuma I "Seizer of Cities."

590 AS -

Subjugation of the Kurt Hills by the O. A. L. and the First Legion. The great Kurtani chieftain, Dai Oqoqu, is captured, allowing the Legion generals to force the Kurtani to swear undying fealty to the Imperium and to pacify the region. The O. A.

L. spearheads campaigns against encroaching Hlutrgu tribes. The First Legion is victorious in a pitched battle with the Hlutrgu at the Field of Bogs in Kaija Province.

641 AS -
Ascension of Emperor Arodai Nikuma.

709 AS -
Ascension of Emperor Hehejallu "The Dark Moon."

730 AS -
Investiture of Milumanaya to the Empire of the Petal Throne. Hegemony of the priesthood of Sarku in the Tsolyanu Empire.

780 AS -
Tsolyani invasion of the Chakas. Battle of Butrus - Seal legions fight against hordes of Pachi Lei for control of Pan Chaka, resulting in annexation of Pan Chaka.

781 AS -
Do Chaka taken by Imperial forces after the fall of an independent Paya Gupa, quickly followed by victory over Pe Choi tribes who had not gone over to the Tsolyani.

801-816 AS -
Reign of Emperor Kurshetl Nikuma II "The Viewer of Night." Marked period of political strife and violence between the Temples of Change and Stability.

808 AS -
Uprisings in the Kurt Hills against a Sarku emperor. Kurshetl Nikuma II commands that undead and non-human cohorts be used to regain Kurtani villages. Outcries of a breach of the Concordant by the priesthoods of Stability force the Emperor to withdraw his special legions back into the City of Sarku.

816 AS -
Disappearance of Emperor Kurshetl Nikuma II "the Viewer of Night" from the Golden Tower. A thousand servants are tortured for the whereabouts of the Emperor (to no avail).

816-830 AS -
The Time of No Emperors. The Empire of the Petal Throne is ruled in trust by a coalition of hierophants of the twenty temples.

830 AS -
Ascension of Emperor Hrishmuna Neqo I, distant nephew of Emperor Nikuma II, placed upon the throne by the priesthoods of Stability.

831 AS -
Ascension of Emperor Hrishmuna Neqo II. Rebanding of the Legion of the Mighty Prince.

851 AS -
Ascension of Emperor Todukai Neqo "Pillar of the State."

851-905 AS -
Creation of the Four Palaces, reformation of provincial administration and taxation reforms.

905 AS -
Ascension of Emperor Ngangmorel Neqo.

916 AS -
Ascension of Empress Vayuma Su "Empress of All the Lands."

930 AS -

Empress Vayuma Su "Empress of All the Lands" attempts to disband the First Legion.

931 AS -

Empress Vayuma Su "Empress of All the Lands," with the backing of the devotees of Thumis and Hnalla, begins persecution of the Temples of Change.

945 AS -

Ascension of Empress Shaira Su "Divine Daughter of Thumis." Increased religious strife leads to the brink of religious civil war.

975 AS -

City of Sarku besieged by Shaira Su "Divine Daughter of Thumis" but never completely captured. Shaira Su is forced to sign a treaty with the hierophants of Lord Sarku, strengthening the Concordant. The First Legion brings about an end to the priesthood of Thumis' power over the Petal Throne.

984 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Nriga Gaqchike "The Spider." Ascendancy of the Temple of Ksarul in political power. Many devotees of Ksarul gain governmental positions.

989 AS -

Legion of Potent Destiny struck from the imperial rolls.

1000 AS -

Yan Kor begins to achieve its loose, unstructured unity. Countless alliances grow and collapse. A legendary queen (now referred to only as the Divine Mother of Emerald Majesty) begins to build her armies and start a series of conquests carried out by her daughters.

1010-1026 AS -

Civil war between the temples within Tsolyanu. The city-state of Fasiltum under the Viridi Clan secede from the Petal Throne, as well as Tumissa and Chene Ho. The First Legion holds the central western provinces intact until the Great Restoration in 1026 AS.

1026 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Kanmi'yel Nikuma I "the Warrior." Order is restored in the Tsolyani Imperium. The First Legion receives the title of "The Hereditary Defenders of the Throne" and is granted land and fiefs by the Imperium.

1026-1031 AS -

The Imperium begins raiding Salarvya and even sends an expedition against Saa Allaqi.

1028 AS -

A contest to determine the nonhuman race most skilled in soldiering won is by a Pe Choi. This contest is held in the fields around Avanthar.

1031 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Kanmi'yel Nikuma I.

1031-1057 AS -

Temple of Vimuhla grows in dominance in the west and northeast. Rebanding of the Legion of the Mighty Prince.

1056-1057 AS -

Hierophant Targholel Nikuma of the Temple of Vimuhla effectively rules most of the west.

1045 AS -

The Sarku-worshipping Ito Clan revolts from the Seal (and murders a thousand O.A.L officers and men barracked there) but is crushed by a vengeful O. A. L. who takes orphaned Ito children and raises them as Servitors of Silence.

1046 AS -

The Mottled Plague ravages parts of Tsolyanu.

1057 AS -

Targholel Nikuma, governor of the western provinces, overthrows the Emperor. The rebel ascends the throne as a Tlakotani clan member and rules ruthlessly in the name of Vimuhla.

1062 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Nu'unka "the Pious." The emperor attempts to restore the power of the Temples of Stability but is sickly and dies due to "illness." The great golden Disk of Blazing Light is installed in the temple of Hnalla at Bey Su.

1062 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Kanmi'yel Nikuma III "the Scourge of Vimuhla." The emperor places many Vimuhla devotees (and fanatics) in the Imperial government. Nikuma III grants great swathes of lands to the greater glory of the Lord of Flame.

1074 AS -

Ascension of Kanmi'yel Nikuma IV "The Flattener of Peaks."

1115 AS -

Islands of Vra conquered by the Tsolyani. The nobility of the High Pinnacle Clan of Vra is exterminated. The islands of Thayuri and Ganga invested by the Petal Throne.

1123 AS -

The Imperium is politically divided; Avanthar rules in Bey Su, the east is ruled by Kanmi'yel Nasundel while her sister, Janule "She of the Blue Goddess," rules the west.

1134 AS -

Empress Janule "She of the Blue Goddess" claims the Imperium after the sudden death of her brother.

1155 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Metlunel I "The Foolish," whose extravagances and incompetent edicts nearly ruin the bureaucracy of the Empire.

1155 AS -

Fasiltun attempts to gain local autonomy but city governor Gayasu hiVridi allows Imperial troops to enter a gate, forcing the city to surrender without a fight to avoid the wrath of the Seal Emperor. The Great Storm results in disastrous floodings of the Chakas forest with much loss of human and non-human life.

1202 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Metlunel II "The Builder." The emperor drains the Imperial coffers by building many of the greatest palaces and temples in Seal history. The Sakbe roads are extended. The First Legion receives its epithet "... of Everpresent Glory" from Emperor Metlunel II "The Builder."

1218-1219 AS -

The Empire of Tsolyanu wars with Salarvya. Battle of Koyluga in 1218.

1220-1251 AS -

Large stretches of Sakbe Roads repaired and built in Tsolyanu. Channeling of the Equnoyel River.

1225 AS -

Emperor Metlunel, "The Builder," instigates an annual competition, which rewards the successor the title of "Bulwark of the Empire."

1251 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Tariktanme "Expander of Temples." The Emperor commands several great temples built for various activist sects of the Gods. He grants great political leeway to the Great Council of the Temples.

1279 AS -

Ascension of Sunun Drantike "The Mad."

1279 AS -

Ascension of Empress Dashediluna "The Green-Eyed", who slew her half-brother to assume the Petal Throne.

1306 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Tontiken Rirune "Slave of Demons."

1318 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Hejjeka I "The Replacer." He restores the Empire to the rule of the Lords of Stability, bringing law and custom back to lands disrupted by the reigns of lawlessness under the previous emperors of Change.

1325 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Hejjeka II "The Heretic." Rebanding of the Legion of the Mighty Prince.

1325-1340 AS -

War with Salarvya. Emperor Hejjeka II gives up the custom of Imperial seclusion to march with his legions into war. Much of northwest Salarvya is conquered. Battle of Khum in 1325 where Salarvya Ahoggya troops butcher and devour three cohorts of Tsolyani Shen mercenaries (thus began Shen-Ahoggya hostilities). Battle of Mmillaka. Battle of Chgehl Tiqueje in 1327. Abortive siege of the city of Nrikakchne in 1335.

1340 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Ngharradu "The Ascetic." Restores the custom of Imperial seclusion within Avanthar. The Temples of Stability increase in power from his patronage. Disbandment of the Legion of the Mighty Prince. The emperor returns some captured lands back to Salarvya. Battle of Mmillaka when Salarvya retakes additional lost provinces from Imperial legions.

1355 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Hejjeka III "The Fat."

1361 AS -

Emperor Metlunel II ordered the Legion of the Searing Flame into exile in the northlands.

1407 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Metlunel III "He who Thirsts."

1458 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Hejjeka IV "Restorer of Dignities." This emperor restores ancient patents of nobility.

1458 AS -

Vrayani dynasty restored to the Island of Vra and the God-kings of the Sapphire Seal regain autonomy. God-kings pledge near-fanatical loyalty to Seal Emperor.

1460 AS -

The Kurt Hills given local autonomy by Emperor Hejjeka IV.

1513 AS -

Local autonomy returned to the island of Vra by Hejjeka IV "Restorer of Dignities."

1517 AS -
Ascension of Emperor Metlunel V "The Esthete."

1565 AS -
Mu'ugalavya army invests Paya Gupa. 17,000 O. A. L. soldiers are slain or captured and latter sacrificed.

1566 AS -
Do Chaka and Pan Chaka provinces taken by Mu'ugalavya armies.

1574 AS -
Ascension of Emperor Hejjeka V "The Open-Handed." Imperial treasuries are drained by the generosity of this emperor.

1623 AS -
Ascension of Emperor Metlunel VI "He Who is Lame."

1699-1700 AS -
Civil war in Tsolyanu. Factions center around Chrajuna "the Usurper of the North", Vriggetsu Dnash "the Usurper of the South", Onusu hiBarudla "the Priest-king of Fasiltum", and Qenqolu hiVridi "the General of the West." The usurpers are finally defeated by the Omnipotent Azure Legion who supports Kanmi'yel Nikuma.

1700 AS -
Ascension of Emperor Kanmi'yel Nikuma "The Pretender."

1699-1700 AS -
The Northlands come under one queen whose seat of power is at Ke'er. All domains of the North ally with her and the reclairant few are conquered.

1169 AS -
Kanmi'yel Nikuma V "the Pretender" crowned emperor by the Omnipotent Azure Legion.

1711 AS -
Do Chaka retaken from Mu'ugalavya occupation. The O.A.L. impale Mu'ugalavya soldiers in vengeance for the massacre of their fellows in 1565 AS.

1747 AS -
Ascension of Emperor Durumu "The Copper Blade of Sarku." Religious strife and reascendancy of the Temple of Sarku within Imperial rule.

1760 AS -
The Kurt Hills autonomy rescinded by Emperor Durumu.

1800 AS -
Durumu "the Copper Blade of Sarku" puts down a Pe Choi rebellion in the Protectorate of Do Chaka by executing over sixty percent of the Pe Choi population and sacrificing thousands more to the Lord of Worms. Pe Choi hostilities to the devotees of Sarku begin.

1809 AS -
Ascension of Empress Nrainue "The Iridescent Goddess." Devotees of the Dark Gods expunged from Imperial bureaucracy, and increased patronage of the temples of the Lords of Stability.

1842 AS -

Pan Chaka retaken from Mu'ugalavya occupation by Pachi Lei mercenaries (who are denied exacting vengeance upon retreating Mu'ugalavyani soldiers)

1840-1851 AS -

Negotiators bring the city of Hlikku into the royal domain of the Matriarch.

1872 AS -

Ascension of Empress Aleya "The Damsel of Purity."

1858-1898 AS -

Human and nonhuman mercenaries loyal to the queen of Ke'er wage three wars to subjugate the island of Vridu and eventually add it as a rich province to the city-states of Yan Kor.

1900's AS -

The queens of Yan Kor take merchants under their protection and encourage local rulers to repair the Sakbe Roads. Many merchants adopt the gold 'Chza' of Ke'er as national currency.

1931 AS -

Ascension of Empress Ninue Jalesa "The Maiden of Beauty."

1958 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Neshkiruma "The Cloud-Spinner."

1976 AS -

Milumanaya secedes. Fall of Pelesar from Seal rule. Yan Kor begins to rise as one of the Five Empires.

2015 AS -

Time of Many Emperors. Emperor Neshkiruma's many sons (no less than 22) vie for the Petal Throne until a powerful general ascends the throne.

2015 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Gyesmu "The Iron Fist."

2016 AS -

Emperor Gyesmu attempts to revive as many legions as possible to counter the growing threat of Mu'ugalavya aggression.

2019-2020 AS -

The Great War. Red Hats take Pan Chaka and Butrus when its governor treacherously surrenders the city. Pan Chaka and Do Chaka, as well as much of the western provinces, fall. Battle of Tumissa and Battle of Chene Ho in 2019, with defeat of Tsolyani forces. Siege and fall of Purdimal; Urmish invested by the Red Hats in 2020. Loss of the city of Katalal. Battle of the Temple of Chanis with victory for Tsolyanu and breaking of the Red Hat supply lines. Siege of Bey Su by Mu'ugalavya legions in 2020 and their withdrawal. Seal forces soundly defeat Mu'ugalavyani armies at the second battles of Tumissa and at the Sally of the Victorious at Chene Ho. Seal legions regain all territory for the Empire of the Petal Thrones, and retake Do Chaka and Pan Chaka Protectorates.

2029 AS -

Imperial forces seize Kaija Protectorate from Salarvya, who are embroiled in a civil war. Bloodless capture of the city of Jaikalor when clan master Lord Langsha hiDetlkolu surrenders it to the Seal Imperium. Emperor Gyesmu abrogates the lands and fiefs of the First Legion of Everpresent Glory.

2031 AS -

Imperial forces seize the Protectorate of Kerunan from the Hlutrgu.

2041 AS -

Imperial forces seize Chaigari after sieging the city of Hekellu.

2045 AS -

Sarku-worshipping Ito Clan in the Chakas revolts and forces the Imperium to halt expansion in Salarvya so that it's legions might turn to crush the rebels. Shen mercenary leader refuses to battle Ito-allied Pe Choi rebels out of respect.

2065 AS -

Ndalu Clan engineers the death of Emperor Gyesmu by use of life-leeching magic.

2065 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Gyesmu Dalisa "The Magnificent and Ever-Living."

2066 AS -

The Engsvanyali calendar of Priestking Kazhilo'ob is adopted by the fragmented states of Livyanu, and the Duru'ob language comes into widespread use.

2079-2133 AS -

Temple of Ksarul builds secret monasteries in the mountains near Thri'il.

2168 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Heshtu'atl "The Mighty."

2234 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Arshu'u "The Ever-Splendid."

2251 AS -

Emperor Arshu'u "the Ever-Splendid" orders over a dozen Legions created in his honor.

2291 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Hetkolainen "He Whose Glory Never Ends." This emperor looks to reclaiming the Northlands for the greater Seal Glory.

2305 AS -

Scandal of the Red Sky Clan. The clan is punished for using Imperial warships in the Flotilla of Hagarr of Paranta for trading missions. Several clan-related captains and crews impaled.

2315 AS -

Incipient revolt of the Vriddi Clan in Fasiltum.

2328 AS -

Pandar hiHaisonner the artist creates the famous picture-map of Bey Su.

2338 AS -

First expedition of Imperial forces sent to capture Baron Ald.

2340 AS -

Vriddi Clan revolt put down by Prince Nalukkan in a bath of blood. The Lady Elara hiVriddi and her inner followers immured in the Lower Catacomb of Silent Waiting for 22 years.

2341 AS -

Second imperial expedition into Yan Kor. Sweet Singers of Nakome used to suppress Vriddi rebellion.

2342 AS -

Third Tsolyani expedition into Yan Kor. Plague devastates the Pe Choi of the Chakas.

2343 AS -

Fourth Tsolyani expedition into Yan Kor.

2344 AS -

Fifth Tsolyani expedition into Yan Kor.

2345 AS -

Sixth Tsolyani expedition into Yan Kor. Emperor Hetkolainen dies, much mourned.

2345 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Mursun Dlekkumine "The Weak." Prince Nalukkan flees into the North to escape from the Imperial agents of his brother Hirkane after the *Kolumejalim*.

2346 AS -

Mu'ugalavya incursion into Pan Chaka and their rout at the Battle of Butrus by General Kettukal. Battle of Srigash Field won by Lord Bazhan in Yan Kor during the seventh expedition by Seal Imperial forces. Emperor Mursun dies of a strange plague (some speak of *Zu'ur*). "War of the Grey and Blue" between the temples of Thumis and Ksarul in the streets of Paya Gupa. Aridani legion founded to suppress "bandit" Pe Choi in the Do Chaka.

2347 AS -

Ascension of Emperor Hirkane Tlakotani "The Stone Upon Which the Universe Rests."

2347 AS -

Battle of Ry in Kerunan with defeat of Salarvyani invaders by General Kettukal. Victory over the Mu'ugalavyani in the Battle of Butrus, again won by General Kettukal.

2349 AS -

An earthquake in Thenu Thendraya Peak destroys the Sakbe Road being built along precipices. Incursion of Hluss hive-ships off Ngeshtu Head, soundly defeated by Seal navies and artillery. Artificial famines plotted by factions wishing to discredit the reign of Emperor Hirkane Tlakotani lead to riots and bloodshed when Imperial forces punish the famine perpetrators and quell the enraged mobs amongst the effected clans. Hlaka rebels near Hekellu eliminated by 20th Medium Infantry. Governor of Jakalla resigns after financial scandal.

2350 AS -

Half-breed Old Ones show tattered red Mu'ugalavya standard captured in 2019 during the siege of Purdimal.

2351 AS -

Eighth Tsolyanu expedition to crush Baron Ald. Tsolyanu raid on the Yan Koryani city of Maxis. Lord Bazhan breaks through Yan Koryani defenses and quickly sieges Ke'er, capturing it, plundering it, and impaling mistress Yilrana before it's ruined gates.

2352 AS -

Political strife and civil warfare in the cities of Keruna and Gorulu in Haida Pakala. Scorching droughts in the deserts of the great southern continent. Yan Kor mobilizes against Tsolyani invaders.

2353 AS -

Exile of First General Kettukal hiMraktine to Chene Ho due to suspect intrigues discovered by the Imperial Party. Yan Koryani soldiers occupy Pijena.

2353 AS -

Yan Koryani forces fortify Atkolel Heights. Tsolyani legions fail to dislodge them.

2354 AS -

Seal legions skirmish with bandits and Hlaka rebels supported by Yan Koryani agents in Chaigari. The Ferinara slave revolt.

2356 AS -

Yan Kor issues a Declaration of War against the empire of Tsolyanu. Yan Kor *Gureks* invade borders of the Seal, advancing around the Atkolel Heights into Tsolyanu.

2357 AS -

General Kettukal is recalled from disgrace to halt the Yan Koryani advance at the Battle of Atkolel Heights. Prince Eselne joins the general at the Western Front, based at Khirgar. The Military Party unites behind the two figures.

2358 AS -

Legion of Potent Destiny reactivated. Surundano is revealed by the Temple of Thumis. Mirusiya is revealed by the Vriddi Clan in Fasilum, breaking Prince Eselne's hold over the Military Party as Vimuhla worshippers flock to support the new prince. The war on the Western Front begins to bog down into a strategic stalemate.

2360 AS -

Prince Mirusiya, with the hesitant support of the Military Party, advocates a campaign in the east to cut off Baron Ald's allies, Milumanaya and Saa Allaqi. He rightly determines that a two-front war, which Tsolyanu can wage, will force Yan Kor to surrender. Priest Harsan activates the Man of Gold and closes Tekumel from The Goddess of the Pale Bone.

2361 AS -

(East) The Eastern Campaign, under Prince Mirusiya and Lord Kaikama, begins at Thri'il. Many powerful figures dedicated to the gods of Change and of Stability, dubbed "New Men," join the Prince (Lord Kaikama, General Heketh of Purdimal, Lord Kadawere, etc.) The eastern army advances through the Pass of Skulls and takes the Fortress of Skulls. The Yan Koryani general, the Lady Deq Dimani (one of Yan Kor's best generals and a lover of the Baron), feels that the fortresses in southern Milumanaya can slow a Tsolyani advance in time to gather more reinforcements. Prince Mirusiya attempts to conquer the desert state of Milumanaya. Tsolyani advances catch the Yan Koryani field army unprepared at the Battle of the Hill of the Stone Serudla (leaving the Tsolyani in control of the field but badly bloodied). Ahriam Basram replaces Lord Kaikama as the supreme field commander. The Tsolyani pursue Deq Dimani and her retreating Yan Koryani forces. The Lady deals a check on the Tsolyani advance at the Battle for the town of Mar, allowing the Yan Kor to regroup. The two armies settle down to reorganize around Mar. Deq Dimani leads a night attack on the Tsolyani defenders in the Second Battle of Mar. The attempt fails and cumulates in the Third Battle of Mar and destruction of the eastern Yan Kor army when Tsolyani flying columns led by Karin Missum take them in the rear. Fall of the caravan city of Sunraya and the death of Firaz the Elder, all by a ruse of Ahriam Basram's personal physician, the Livyani archmage Eloea. Capture of the Fortress Ninu'ur to the Legion of the Storm of Fire. Fall of Pu'er to the legions of the Seal of the Worm and the Scales of Brown, who break the Concordant by using undead soldiers. Prince Mirusiya commands the offending general impaled and demoralizes Sarku troops on the Eastern Front following testimony of several Flame soldiers.

(West) The Tsolyani Western army (under by Prince Eselne) takes the Atkolel Heights. First General Kettukal takes the town of Akarsha in the bloodiest siege of the war. Lightning invasion of Pijena by seizing the town of Kai and blockade of Yan Kor garrison at Pijnar.

2362 AS -

(East) Tsolyani troops control southern and eastern Milumaniya. Prince Mirusiya splits the eastern invasion force in Sa'a Allaqi. Death of Senior General Kadarsha hiTlekolmu of the Legion of the Searing Flame, commandant of the eastern armies under Prince Mirusiya at the Milumananyani village of Kankara while defending his Prince from a magical attack. Karim Missum is made Kerdudalikoi and given command of the Legion of Red Devastation. The Kerdudalikoi Ketkollel is made the governor of the new Tsolyani province of Milumaniya with the Kerdu Kambe hiMorusai (new commander of the Legion of Searing Flame) serving as his military advisor. Battle of the town of Anohl with the defeat of the Tsolyani army. General Karin Missum razes the city of Grai and Kru Sekka to bring Saa Allaqi to its knees (this causes the Ssao to break negotiations of peace with Avanthar and to recall his daughter, Princess Vrisa Vishetru, by sending her brother Mridan Vishetru to reclaim her). Kambe accepts command of the field forces when Karin Missum is recalled to Avanthar to deal with problems growing in the west. Kerdu Kutume of the Legion of the Storm of Fire pacifies the rear areas of Milumaniya.

(West) Prince Eselne is injured in a skirmish at Aqesha, forcing the Tsolyani army to encamp in Kai. A Yan Kor treaty with Mu'ugalavya grants western Pijena to the Red Hats in exchange for military aide in surrounding Kai and sieging it.

2363 AS -

Kambe, “the Wall Walker,” leads Tsolyani soldiers in a siege of Tleku Miriya. Deq Dimani is replaced as field commander by her brother, who is later killed without mercy by Kambe in hand-to-hand combat. The eastern Tsolyani army occupies Tleku Miriya. Kerdu Kambe is made governor of Tleku Miriya.

2364 AS -

Death of Emperor Hirkane Tlakotani (now suspected of being murdered by his son, Prince Dhich'une, possibly with the aid of *He'esa*). Ascension of Emperor Dhich'une Tlakotani “Eternal Splendor,” during the intercalary days after the *Kolumejalim* (which is held in one day). Prince Mridobu and Lord Muresh hiQolyelmu, Head of the Intelligence Arm of the Omnipotent Azure Legion, disappear from Avanthar. Units of troops loyal to Lord Sarku are regrouped near Thri'il, Aukesha, Sunraya, City of Sarku, and Avanthar. VrIdekka hiTlelsu takes over the Intelligence Arm of the Omnipotent Azure Legion. Usenanu, Bey Su, and other midland cities are ostensibly under the Emperor's control. Jakalla and Sokatis and the cities of the south-east only pay lip service to the new emperor. Alliance made with Yan Kor, as the Emperor appoints Baron Ald to the post of First General of the Empire. Rebellions in Tsolyanu are ruthlessly suppressed by the First General. General Ald garrisons Thri'il to seal Mirusiyá's army off in the north. Deq Dimani is sent to retake Sunraya and isolate the Tsolyani armies. The Lady Deq Dimani manages to retake Sunraya but can not take the citadel. Lord Fu Shi'i uses his Weapon Without Answer to trap Prince Mirusiyá and the Eastern army in an other-planar shadow of Tleku Miriya. Kambe controls all forces north of Sunraya. He negotiates with the "king" of Milumanaya and the Mu'ugalavyani general Mi'itlanesh. Kutume commands the field forces in the south.

(East) Defeat of General Kanmbe at Dlakar while the general tries to relieve his Prince. Mirusiyá and the remnants of the Eastern army are freed from Tleku Miriya by the actions of heros. Karin Missum reduces Tleku Miriya. Mirusiyá marches south. Victory of Prince Mirusiyá's army against Sa'a Allaqiyaní, Yan Kor, and Tsolyani units at the second Battle of the town of Dlakar (where the Weapon Without Answer was temporarily disabled by magic). Defeat of the Eastern army at the Battle of the Town of Arver and the Prince's flight south-west through the mountains to Fasilum.

(West) Prince Eselne's army breaks through the siege of Kai and regroups at Akarsha. The Western army force marches back to Chene Ho. Battle at the Fortress of Ti'Gurue with victory to the Prince.

2364 AS -

Prince Mirusiyá proclaims his ascendancy to the Petal Throne and weds a newly revealed Lady Elara hiVridi. The city of Fasilum declares itself an independent state under the Prince until such time as the prince takes the Petal Throne as Emperor. Prince Eselne is slain by Lady Sitlaya hiHehesha at Paya Gupa, forcing soldiers loyal to the Prince to travel the underground tubeway car, defeating Sarku assassins, to retrieve Badragu Ejel hiKaraktu who can bring the Prince back to life.

2364 AS (early) -

Growing Mu'ugalavya incursions into the Chakan Provinces turn into an invasion of said provinces. Salarvyani raiders enter the Gilraya Forests. Tsolyanu and Yan Kor combine forces to oppose Mu'ugalavyu aggression in the west. A Mu'ugalavyani army besieges Paya Gupa; the Red Hats march before the walls of Tumissa, from up lines, and then break formation to retreat; brief battle surrounding Chene Ho.

summer 2364-2365 AS -

Salarvyani forces conquer Ru and Fenul and invade the Gilraya forests. Squabbling amongst Salarvyani commanders impedes attempts to take Thraya or Jaikalor. Eselne returns with the Western army to Paya Gupa, forcing the Mu'ugalavyani to break the siege of Paya Gupa and withdraw back to Pan Chaka.

2365 AS -

Dhich'une turns on Ald. Yan Koryani soldiers defeat the Tsolyani garrison in the streets of Bey Su, sack the temple of Sarku, and impale the Governor of Bey Su and his sister. Prince Taksuru, an Imperial Heir, is revealed in Bey Su. Baron Ald swears allegiance to Taksuru. Prince Mridobu reveals himself and joins the alliance with Taksuru and Ald.

2365 AS (late summer) -

The invading Livyani army encounters the False Plague in Tsolei and flee, bringing the plague to Livyanu.

2365 AS (late autumn) -

Fighting between Sarku loyalists and other factions in Bey Su. The “Disposer of Meku” destroys the local temples of Lords Sarku and Hru’u in his city. Many cities brought under control of O. A. L. garrisons loyal to the Worm Prince.

2366 AS (autumn) -

Prince Rereshqala quells food riots in Jakalla and then calls for a new *Kolumejalim*, though still claiming reluctance to take the Petal Throne. Ma’in joins Rereshqala in his estate in Jakalla. Mirusiya remains within the walls of Fasiltum with his love Elara hiVridi while undead besiege the rebellious desert city (though the Prince did sneak into Bey Su to consult with Taksuru and then return unharmed). Eselne leads an army toward Bey Su, bringing Hauma and Purdimal under hand. “Wild” Pe Choi tribes throw off the yoke of Mu’ugalavyani and Tsolyani rule. Baron Ald returns to Yan Kor to put down revolts. Pijena and Saa Allaqi abandon their alliance with Yan Kor. The False Plague ravages Livyanu. Ssu expeditions sighted in Chaigari. Jaikalor, Sokatis, and Hekellu are hard pressed to defend against Salarvyani forces. Mu’ugalavyani soldiers hold Butrus.

2366 AS (winter) -

Eselne commands the western borders of the Empire. Taksuru reigns in Bey Su. Rereshqala crushes the remnants of an invading force of Sarku soldiers who terrorized Jakalla and caused many citizens to flee. Mirusiya remains defiantly ensconced within Fasiltum but discovers that Elara hiVridi was an illusion. The Livyani abandon many of their cities ravaged by the False Plague. Mmatugual Shen begin incursions into Livyani as they flee from Shenyu advances. Mu’ugalavyani raid south into Livyanu. Salarvyani soldiers command the Gilraya Forests. Fenul becomes Tsolyani again, but the Governor only rules because the Salarvyani can’t be bothered to retake the city. Wild Pe Choi drive off Mu’ugalavyani and crush the Tsolyani Ito clan (who were still recovering from Mu’ugalavyani brutality). The Pachi Lei are ethnically cleansed from Pan Chaka by Mu’ugalavyani garrisons. Those that have not been exterminated or fled remain in the deep forests, starving to death.

2367 AS -

Eselne leaves Paya Gupa at the head of his army and takes Mrelu and Purdimal, but is halted at Usenanu by forces loyal to Rereshqala. Mirusiya invades Avanthar through secret tunnels, but is repulsed by undead and monsters of the Underworlds and is forced to group near Thri’il. Taksuru rules Bey Su and holds up to 100 tsan west (near Usenanu) and over to Fasiltum. The Red Clans holds Tumissa as an independent kingdom and its warriors fight off Mu’ugalavyani incursions.