

THE EREMITES HISTORY

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100,000 BC

The ancient Anopheles discover the immortal human Anath and convince the Rukshasa to breed with him. The first litters of children (100 children a day for fourteen days) were all proto-human sapiens that formed a warrior caste known as the Ephraim (early name for the Eremites). The second litter was a group of giants that began to look less human, known as the Titans. The final litters mirrored the animal species of the time and were known as the Manasseh (early name for the Magdalen). The entire collective of litters were called the Anathasians and upon reaching maturity were implanted with shards to make them immortal. The Anopheles now had slave breeds just as the Abzulim before.

80,000 BC

The Eremites venerate Anath, listening to his teachings of the first Crucible, while the others reject Anath's tales in favor of other pursuits. This is when they first hear of the being of light within the Crucible that Anath claims he encountered.

75,000 BC

The Rime infiltrates the Anopheles stronghold of Babel and possesses Anath. He escapes leaving the Anathasians to the mercy of the Anopheles. The Eremites are pitted against Morrigan and Arachne that come to close to Anopheles territory in Mesopotamia where the entrance to Babel lies.

70,000 BC

With the assistance of the Magdalen and Titans, the Eremites overthrow the Anopheles. The Eremites make the seductive creatures their slaves, but the Magdalen and Titans leave Babel.

65,600 BC

The Eremite Melchizadek arises as a prophet among the Eremites, he attempts to gain knowledge of the Crucible from Rukshasa but she remains silent. He begins to search throughout previously forbidden areas of Babel for more clues and knowledge. The Anopheles rebel against the Eremites due to their harsh treatment and fearful the Eremites will discover the Abzulim and their treasures hidden deep within Babel. This begins the Shouting War

65,200 BC

Unable to immediately take back Babel, the Eremites are drawn out of Babel while the Anopheles seal its entrances preventing them from returning and finding the Abzulim hidden within. The Anopheles flee the

50,000 BC

The Eremites regain access to Babel. Using artifacts and knowledge from within, they disrupt the Earthbound entrances, causing the interdimensional fortress to be pushed away from the Earth (due to the massively tainted Abzulim suspended within) and far out into the Dominions beyond the reach of the himsati race. They make alliances with the Morrigan and Tuatha against the Anopheles and Arachne.

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40,000 BC

The Ivaldi of the Peri begin their final descent into the darkness to become the Azhoth Drove. Loki's treachery is discovered, he and his followers are exiled from the Morrigan. Many Eremites are partially cursed or wounded from wielding the now vampiric weapons against their enemies among the Anopheles and Arachne.

20,000 BC

The Eremites discover the Apocrypha and learn of the Magdalen's involvement in their creation (via the Illuminati). They travel to the Magdalen stronghold of Tarterus but find it almost completely emptied out – they are unaware of the defeated Titans buried underneath the stronghold. Aware that the Apocrypha also seek the stronghold; they gather taint into the stronghold, separating it from Earth and causing it to be flung outwards into

the Dominions. This act gains the attention of the Nimrod who recently came out of Sheol.

10,200 BC

After defeating the Anopheles – in what is known among Judiah-Christian texts as the War of Heaven – the Eremites are the last faction from the Shouting War to be imprisoned in Sheol. Things go badly for the Eremites as they are largely blamed for the Shouting War reaching Earth, while the Anopheles have the Rukshasa to use as a bargaining tool with the other factions and receive little blame.

7500 BC

The Eremites are almost decimated by the forces of the Drovers present in Sheol. The Banjax come to them and the Eremites agree to fight alongside as best as they can against the dark monsters prowling their prison. In exchange, the Banjax provide a supply of colostrum they gained from the Rukshasa to bolster the strength of the Eremites. Melchizadek and his followers pray for deliverance from the grave; the Banjax break free and leave enough life force behind for the Eremites to protect the other wounded and weakened immortals until they can return. Afterwards the Eremites are freed with the others and travel to Atlantis.

6000 BC

The Magdalen arrive in Atlantis and the Eremites make known their place in the creation of the Apocrypha; it causes the Nimrod to place the mystical curse of the Ban upon the Magdalen using the Femme Darkle.

6,000 BC

The Terat back the entry of the Magdalen into the Stratagem Pact in Atlantis along with the Arachne, newly formed Banjax and Roane. Their power-block forces the other Prides to accept the Magdalen into the pact. The Stratagem Pact now consists of Anopheles, Arachne, Banjax, Eremite, Magdalen, Morrigan, Nimrod, Roane, Tuatha and Terat. The Terat will support the future entry of the Dracul, Peri and Phoenix as well.

4735 BC

Atlantis is destroyed and the Eremites return to their home of Mesopotamia. They settle among the tribesmen and live unobtrusively under the banner of Enoch, making themselves his protector. Seeing the changes in humanity they are awestruck and vow to protect them from the machinations of the Anopheles, who also return to Mesopotamia. Other Eremites filter out into the areas around Mesopotamia, still others travel to Greece and are granted residency when they inform Zeus of the treachery of Prometheus.

3720 BC

The Great Flood of the Morrigan. The Eremites are able to create a giant temporary mantle through the tryst son of Enoch and the Eremite Ningal and save most of their followers. After the flood the Eremites and Anopheles both foster the growth of various Sumerian city states that develop into the Sumerian Empire. The Anopholes build Uruk while the Eremites build the city of Ur, dedicated to the Eremite Nanna.

2340 BC

The mortal Akkadian King Sargon, under the patronage of Nanna, overthrows the Anopheles-ruled mortals in Ur and begins construction on the city of Babylon.

2250 BC

After rebuilding Troy the Magdalen return with the Nimrod, in search of the Horned Lord and destroy Troy II by fire. Safely ensconced within their new mantle, the Nimrod are unable to find them. As busy as the Nimrod are with attempting to track down the Phoenix and the Incubus Shard, they ignore the mortal conquest of Mesopotamia by the Eremite-sponsored Sargon of Akkad.

2000 BC

The Anopheles-sponsored Amorites conquer Ur and southern Mesopotamia. The Eremites leave and move east to the growing civilization of Elam, from there they continue to attempt to influence the Amorite Empire of the Anopheles and other empires as the Anopheles “toyed” with their human followers by supporting and then turning against several conquering mortal kings of nearby regions. During this time, Melchizadek meets the Bright Blood Abraham and helps him escape Anopholes control and into the lands of Canaan that the Anopheles have just abandoned back to the Banjax in the South and the Terat in the North. Abraham’s faith is so strong that it empowers Melchizadek immensely. Feeling that his power had become too dangerous, the rest of the Eremites challenge him and his followers. The challenge is resolved peacefully, but with no resolution as to what should be

done. The challengers leave and some head further south into the Canaan lands of the Banjax while others head further West.

1965 BC

Melchizadek and his followers, who continue to study under Abraham in Canaan, flee the destruction of Admah, Sodom, Gomorrah, Zeboim and Zoar at the hands of the Dracul.

1900 BC

Some of the challengers against Melchizadek that traveled west pass through ancient Anatolia and encounter the Phoenix, who are patroning the early Hittites and then eventually the Hurrians (along with Anopheles and Terat)

1595 BC

The Eremite and Anopheles temporarily cease their own struggles over Mesopotamia when the Phoenix Hittites suddenly appear and ransack their way through Mesopotamia in search of Palladium for the Horned Lord.

1446 BC

During an internal struggle within the Banjax, their mortal followers oppress the descendants of Abraham – the Israelites. Melchizadek and his followers distance themselves from their human charges, believing that “God” would never manifest itself to the himsati race, only to the human race. As long as he and his followers remained among them, this “God” would remain away. Melchizadek loathed the idea that humans should suffer the loss of their god’s presence because of the presence of his own people, pretenders to the title. His words rang true when the Bright Blood Moses delivered his people out of suffering through miracles inexplicable to the Eremites. Melchizadek and his followers attempted to read the stone tablets of Law, but the powerful Religarum within transformed them into nearly pure human himsatis of angelic countenance (the Spark of Reason Gift stems from this incident). But the power of the tablets was painful to the Eremites; to shield themselves they construct a vessel to contain them, the Ark of the Covenant.

1407 BC

The Eremites follow the successor of Moses, Joshua to the Nimrod city of Jericho and witness the mortals use the Ark to destroy the city within seven days. The Nimrod still blame the Eremites for the fall of their precious city.

1200 BC

With the Nimrod presence gone from Canaan, some Terat had reentered the area (having previously gone north and west into Syria and the present-day Slavic territories of Europe). The Eremites, already fending off the Anopheles and Banjax, also took on the Terat. Ultimately they all failed when the Magdalen assisted the Terat and then turned on them to create their Phoenician Empire around the Mediterranean.

1150 BC

The Eremites sponsor Samson against the Philistines – under the control of Drove Mut – who occupied part of Banjax controlled lower Canaan.

1007 BC

The Eremites patroned King Saul falls prey to a Magdalen plot hosted by their new Quiet Culture the Witches of Endor. He dies in battle the next day against the Mut-controlled Philistines.

1000 BC

David, the Bright Blood who slew Goliath of Drove Mut single-handedly, unites the kingdoms of Judah and Israel. Melchizadek’s followers settle peacefully into co-existence with the Banjax just to the West, both fending off attacks from Drove Mut. Unfortunately, the Apocrypha twist the mind of David’s son Absalom, being the first of many attempts to drag the power of the Israelites away from the Eremites.

980 BC

The Eremites of Elam and the Anopheles of Babylon fight against the Nimrod-controlled Assyrian forces invading Mesopotamia and Canaan trying to stop their constant proliferation and interaction with a growing humanity.

962 BC

Solomon becomes King of Israel. Solomon spent a great deal of time dealing with Phoenix intrigue within his kingdom, eventually becoming enamored of the immortal Makeda of the Anopheles (then Queen of Sheba). The two bore a tryst son named Menelik. Shortly after his birth the Eremites stole him away to Masada (their mystical

fortress at the edge of the Judean Desert, overlooking the Dead Sea). There he was made into a Maker and created the mantle of Salem (which still exists to this day with its entrances now in modern-day Germany). The creation of Salem brings back the disparate Eremites from around Europe and the Middle East. The Eremites begin their new ideology placing themselves as the shepherds of all mankind and that the other immortal "animals" do not belong on Earth and should not meddle in the affairs of humanity which will become immortal by the power of the Crucible ("One Soul") in the future. They take on the concept that the specifics of the various religions their various sects have fostered are unimportant compared to the ultimate ascension of humanity over all the beasts, both mortal and immortal.

933 BC

Solomon dies and his mystical ring is stolen by the Nimrod and taken to Assyria until 626 BC when Kali and her Oni steal it (they will place one of the Chi Pao into the ring).

828 BC

The Nimrod take a more active role in the wars between the Eremites and the Anopheles over Mesopotamia, indirectly participating in the mass rebellion against Shalmaneser III by his own son and nearly 30 Assyrian cities.

621 BC

The Magdalen and Eremites gain an upper hand over the Terat and Anopheles, resulting in the purging of the polytheistic belief system of the Canaan peoples as part of Josiah's reformation of the Jewish peoples. This begins a back and forth battle over the lands of Israel and Jerusalem in particular. No other place in the world would change hands more often, in terms of immortal influence, from this point forward in history.

572 BC

Nebuchadnezzar, under the patronage of the Nimrod, captures Eremite-held Syria for his Neo-Babylonian Empire conquering most of Mesopotamia in revenge for the destruction of Jericho. This almost completely ends the Israelite Empire the Eremites have been fostering. The Eremites retreat to the south and concentrate their efforts on the mortal Medes people who have recently unified Iran.

559 BC

The Eremites patron Cyrus II the Great who becomes king of both Medes and Persians, uniting the two into what is eventually the Achaemenid Persian Empire under Eremite control. They begin a conquest of the entire Middle East, driving out the influence of the Anopheles, Nimrod and Terat (some flee to Scythian lands while others flee to Western and Central Africa), but they are unable to drive out the Phoenix who they continue to vie for control over the empire with.

539 BC

The Eremite/Phoenix controlled Persian Empire begins to conquer the Magdalen controlled Phoenician Empire after a failed gambit by Croesus of Lydia spurs the Eremites into action to save the human populace from the "animals" that were the other tribes.

510 BC

The Eremites arrange for the overthrow of King Tarquinus Superbus and are able to infiltrate their own mortal agents into the newly forming Magdalen's Republic of Rome.

499 BC

The Eremite Persians begin attacks on the Magdalen Greeks, inciting the Greco-Persian Wars. By 479 the wars are over as the Persians are unable to conquer Greece itself but take Sparta in the south from the Magdalen.

454 BC

The Eremites' Persian Empire invades Africa and takes over Egypt. They annihilate over 50,000 mortal soldiers of the Magdalen who are sent to aid the Banjax.

370 BC

The Anopheles convince thousands of slaves (known as Helots) to assist in the invasion of Laconia by Thebes. This brings huge influence by the Anopheles into Sparta, causing the Eremites to lose their power in Sparta.

338 BC

Alexander the Great defects from the Magdalen to the Phoenix and takes over the Macedonians, quickly

eradicating the Persian Empire of the Eremites. The Phoenix gain free reign over the Eremite's former territories to search for Palladium; but the Eremites are unaware of the Phoenix backing and still turn their plans towards the Magdalen who they believe to be behind the invasion by the Macedonians.

280 BC

To protect the Epirus region (including Epirus and Sicily), where the Eremites have been slowly staging their infiltration of the Republic of Rome from, Pyrrhus goes to war against the Romans and the Carthaginians. Though victorious, "Pyrrhic Victory" is coined by the Magdalen for the cost of his victory over them.

146 BC

The Roman infiltration by the Eremites beings to escalate, resulting in the destruction of Corinth and Carthage. This causes major internal conflict between the Olympians and the other Magdalen cabals. Meanwhile the Eremites have also gained influence over Mithridates I of Parthia and expand Parthia's borders, partially restoring their former Persian Empire.

100 BC

Internal Magdalen conflict continues to allow the Eremites to discreetly manipulate the Republic of Rome, pushing back the Morrigan out of territories near the growing Roman empire.

92 BC

The Roman-Persian Wars begin as the Magdalen try to press the Greco-Romans against the Parthian Empire. The Eremites force the Magdalen to stretch the Roman Republic forces extremely thin; now the Eremites finally begin to influence the heart of the empire and its mortal hierarchy.

68 BC

The Eremites secretly woo Ceaser away from the Magdalen's patronage.

52 BC

The Battle of Alesia ends the Gallic Wars as the Eremites, through Ceasar, conquer the Tuatha/Peri Gauls, expanding the Roman Empire to the Rhine River. The next year the

49 BC

Ceasar crosses into Italy and the Eremites take control of the entire Roman Republic in 44 BC, the Roman Empire is born. The Eremites reveal their master plan and count tremendous coup against multiple Prides, catapulting them to the lead of the Stratagem Pact.

44 BC

The Kai Ra dagger Scramasax uses Marcus Junius Brutus to kill Ceaser. It is still unknown why the Kai Ra did this, or how it left the Foundry's vaults, but afterwards Scramasax disappeared and was unable to be found. A grab for power between the Magdalen (Marcus Antoniius) and Eremites (Augustus) erupts. The civil war lasts for several years, and came to end nearly 15 years later when the Anopheles Cleopatra tricks Marcus Antonius into killing himself. This brings the Banjax's Egypt under the control of the Eremite's fully empowered Roman Empire under their new mortal emperor Augustus.

2 BC

The Eremites lose control of Parthia when the Anopheles Thermusa poisons the King of Parthia and places her adoptive son Phraataces on the throne of Parthia and turns Parthia over to the Magdalen.

0 AD

Jesus of Nazareth is born. The birth goes unnoticed by the Eremites, but not the Magdalen, who attempt to keep the child's existence secret.

63 AD

Nero breaks from his Eremite patrons and establishes peace with the Magdalen's Parthian Empire. To teach him a lesson, the Eremites burn Rome once they find out what he has done.

70 AD

In repayment for influencing Nero, the Eremites have the Roman general Titus destroy a Magdalen patroned Jerusalem in the Jewish-Roman war.

106 AD

The Eremites Rome pushes their boundaries into the Carpathian Mountains and forces the Terat out of the areas along the Black Sea. Their attempts to push further into Western Ukraine are stopped by the Nimrod, who force them to appear before the Paragon Council for violations of the Silence in their gaining of the Terat territory.

132 AD

The Jewish state spirals out of Magdalen control and the Jewish people rise up against the Eremite controlled Romans in the Bar Kokhba revolt. Their defeat causes the Jewish people to disperse from the lands of Israel and the Magdalen lose influence over Judaism. Melchizadek takes steps to prevent further interference in the Jewish people by other Prides, catapulting him into a leadership role among the Eremites once more.

144 AD

Positive that the emerging Christian Theology is a work of the Eremites or some other agent of the himsati race, Marcion of the Apocrypha creates an alternative theology to the canonical, proto-orthodox, Trinitarian and Christological views of his peers among the early Christian Theologians known as the Church Fathers. His work is rejected and he is denounced by the Church Fathers, prompting them to develop the Christian Biblical canon of the New Testament. While not giving the Apocrypha the hold on Christianity it desired, it did solidify it in a way that the himsati race was unable to fully manipulate, and in fact, many Eremites would begin to practice.

150 AD

House Amazon, newly inducted into the Pride Nimrod and having settled among the Saka people of Scythia (now Kazakhstan), runs afoul of Eremite holdings in the Western portions of the Parthian Empire.

161 AD

Marcus Aurelius becomes Emperor in Rome under Eremite control. The Eremites follow the Silk Road into China to ask aid from the Dracul against the Tuatha, Phoenix and Nimrod at the behest of Marcus Aurelius. The Dracul decline an alliance. The Apocrypha, hidden among Eremite expeditions into China, discover the locations of many Dracul strongholds in the area.

226 AD

The Eremites and Magdalen both lose influence as the Phoenix conquer the Parthian Empire using the Zoroastrianism-influenced Sassanids and the new Sassanid Empire goes to war with Rome.

235 AD

The Eremites lose territory as the Franks and Goths (patroned by the Morrigan) push back Roman boundaries. The Crisis of the Third Century allows Zeus to secretly enter Greece while the Roman Empire is divided and the Eremites are hard pressed to bring things back under control again.

251 AD

The Dust enters the Roman Empire and begins a plague that will last for fifteen years. The Morrigan force a treaty between the Roman Empire and the Goths after several emperors are killed during the Crisis of the Third Century. Zeus reappears and forces the Morrigan to leave Italy (though this is all planned in advance by Zeus and the Morrigan), which brings him back into the Magdalen Paragon's seat. The Morrigan reveal a member of the Apocrypha among the ranks of those the Eremites directly patron. These incidents allow enough coup to be counted against the Eremites for the Morrigan to regain the lead status in the Stratagem Pact.

258 AD

A Tuatha-Morrigan alliance breaks away from the Roman Empire in Western Europe and forms the Gallic Empire. It is short lived and 15 years later at the Battle of Chalons against the Eremite Roman Empire.

271 AD

The Morrigan-led Goths push the Eremites out of the area of present-day Romania as they begin to work against the Eremite's Roman Empire in an attempt to strengthen their hold on the Stratagem Pact's lead status.

330 AD

Due to increasing pressure from other tribes, the Eremite-sponsored Emperor Constantine renames Byzantine to Constantinople, making a final solid break between the Western and Eastern Half of the Roman Empire. The Magdalen feel a minor surge in power, but in 378 AD the Western Emperor Theodosius I bans all "pagan" worship

under the tutelage of the Eremites.

350 AD

Eremite-sponsored Constantine begins converting the Roman Empire to Christianity, pushing back the Morrigan to their wayward Western territories in Europe.

428 AD

The Eremites bring their Germanic people (the Anglo-Saxons) to England after King Arthur's reign ends Tuatha dominance and the Milesian St. Patrick begins spreading the Judeo-Christian belief system among Ireland.

447 AD

Attila the Hun, patroned by the Anopheles and supported by the Terat, pushes back the boundaries of the Eremite Roman Empire around the Black Sea.

455 AD

Drove Thulian influence causes the Vandals to invade and sack Rome. The Eremites begin to abandon the Western Roman Empire in favor of the developing Roman Byzantine Empire.

492 AD

The Acacian Schism begins. After Pope Gelasius I delineates the relationship between church and state, asserting the primacy of Rome over the entire Church, East and West, a division occurs within the Eremites of the East, creating the Celestials, who become a rogue faction that the Eremites as a whole still refuse to act against.

495 AD

The Tuatha sponsor the Britons against the Anglo-Saxons in the Battle of Mount Badon, temporarily halting Eremite advancement into England.

570 AD

The prophet Muhammed is born, rather than simply ignore the signs, the Magdalen work furiously to turn the works of this powerful religious leader into a tool against the Eremites, claiming that they had distorted the original tenets of Christianity. In truth the Eremites have spent the last several hundred years following the progress and teachings of Judaism, early Christianity.

632 AD

The fervor of the Muslim people captures the attention of the Eremites. The Apocrypha's constant in-roads to the Church have not met with much success, but have left decadence that is not present in Islam. With Muhammed's death in this year, the Eremites are able to gain temporal power and find purpose in one of the two growing sects that arise from the split, the Shiites.

651 AD

The Islamic Muslims conquer the Phoenix Sassanid Persian Empire after the Phoenix have exhausted most of their mortal resources in warring with the Eremites Byzantine Empire. In retribution, the Phoenix Moorish Muslims burn the Great Library of Alexandria in Egypt. The growing Arab Caliphates of the Magdalen in Africa go on to capture and destroy Carthage in 698, ending the Eremite tribe's Byzantine supremacy in North Africa.

674 AD

The two Eremite empires (the Arab and Byzantine empires) clash during the first Arab siege of Constantinople. The mortal invention of Greek Fire gives the Byzantine Empire success over the Arabs.

681 AD

The First Bulgarian Empire exists after gaining independence from the Eremite Byzantine Empire through the actions of the Peri.

712 AD

The eastward expansion of Islam continued as the Eremite Moslems establish Sind in what is now Pakistan. Future raids into India and China are countered by the Arachne and Dracul, halting further expansion.

717 AD

The second Arab siege of Constantinople begins, the Peri send the Bulgarian army to intercede on behalf of the

Byzantine Empire, in order to ensure the Arabs do not come any closer to their territory. This infuriates the Eremites, who have been allowing the two empires to clash as part of efforts to compare the two religions.

750 AD

The Golden Age of the Caliphs occurs as the Arabs control the Middle East, the North African coast, Spain and the lands along the Arabian Sea all the way to Arachne-dominated India. While the Eremites do not tolerate any interference with the religious beliefs of the Arab people, they do not attempt to stop the Magdalen from keeping temporal power and allow them to move the seat of mortal power for the Arab empire to Baghdad. Meanwhile, the Dracul retaliating for incursions into China are crushed at Samarkand by the Eremite Moslems.

786 AD

Shao-Chun of the Dracul comes out of lethe in Baghdad, becoming known as Jabir ibn Hayyan of the Eremites. He becomes the mystic to the current Caliph and founds Islamic Alchemy before being wooed back to the Dracul.

863 AD

Magdalen influence in Constantinople for the last several decades causes a rift in the Catholic Church, severely weakening the hold the Eremites have on the Byzantine Empire during the Macedonian Renaissance.

909 AD

The Eremites seek more control over the Caliphates with the weakening of their hold on the Byzantines. In response the Magdalen concentrate their power on the Fatimid Caliphate (the Saracens), which causes additional problems for the Phoenix who are seeking Palladium in Northern Africa.

962 AD

House Aryan of the Eremites forms as Otto the Great is crowned emperor of the Holy Roman Empire that is Germany, the Eremites move en masse into the area to influence the country while the Morrigan are busy re-establishing their territory in the far north of Europe.

999 AD

The Eremites are relatively unaffected by the surge of Religarum that built up in humans fearing an apocalypse.

1066 AD

The Norman conquest of the British Isles culminates in the Battle of Hastings and the Morrigan take control of all the British Isles from the Eremites.

1095 AD

The Fatimid Empire's radical growth and power result in an unlikely alliance between the Phoenix and Eremites in the First Crusade. In response the Banjax take up arms to defend from the Crusaders and effectively side with the Magdalen. These uneasy alliances will continually break and rebuild for the next 300 years due to Apocryphal influences to take over the Islamic faith.

1128 AD

There Eremite Rook, Bernard of Clairvaux, outlines the Rule of the Knights Templar at the Council of Troyes, officially sanctioning the order under the Eremites.

1171 AD

The Fatimid empire collapses as the Phoenix insinuate themselves into what is left of the Eremite's Roman Empire and use the Almohads to take back most of Northern Africa.

1174 AD

House Salem counts coup against the Magdalen for convincing the church to raise one of their own, the Emissary Bernard of Clairvaux to sainthood. He is responsible for creating the beginnings of the art of boxing from less lethal moves involved in Pancratium as well as the Rule of the Templar Knights in 1128 AD.

1187 AD

The Templar Knights begin to fail in several of their campaigns, as they fall out of favor the Phoenix quietly infiltrate their ranks and begin to form them into a Quiet Culture under the Phoenix banner.

1194 AD

Having been captured by the Byzantine Empire, Richard I of England agrees to make England a vassal of the Holy Roman Empire, thus giving back the Eremites partial control over England that they lost during the Battle of Hasting in 1066.

1212 AD

After pleas from the Eremite-sponsored Crusaders, the Catholic Church sanctions 50,000 children to march against the Magdalen Saracens. The children are captured and become the basis for House Palin of the Peri, the Eremites are able to ransom a few back. This is the last time in history that a large group of humans is known to have been successfully made part of the himsati race.

1219 AD

Phoenix incursions into Anatolia through the use of the Knights Templar go mostly against the Eremites and Magdalen.

1242 AD

The Eremites Teutonic Knights lose in their efforts to take the Novgorod Republic during the Battle of the Ice, largely in part due to the Nimrod assisting the Novgorod Republic.

1295 AD

The Eremites convert Ghazan Khan to Islam, causing the Persian Mongols to renounce their loyalty to the Arachne patroned Chinese Mongols.

1337 AD

The Hundred Years' War begins as the Phoenix, Magdalen, Tuatha and Eremites all clash for interests in and around France and Western Europe. In the end the Tuatha and Phoenix spend a great deal of time contending with Drove Thule in the region, leaving most of the political battle to the Magdalen and Eremites. The Eremites will lose out what is left of their meager interests in the France.

1370 AD

The Eremite control over the Persian Mongols ends when Timur the Lame (Tamerlane) is sent by the Arachne to raid and pillage Persia until it is left in ruins.

1396 AD

The Eremites Aryan House sponsors the last large-scale crusade of the Middle Ages in an attempt to push back the Arachne from the area of Bulgaria. They receive minor support from some of the other Prides, but it is not enough to form a cohesive army and the Ottoman Turks break the alliance, ensuring the Eremites are unable to bring together such resistance from Europe again.

1421 AD

The Eremites ally with the Anopheles to stop the march of the Ottoman Murad II through the Byzantine Empire. They manipulate his younger brother Mustafa into rebelling against him, buying the Eremites and Anopheles (who are attempting to keep the Ottomans from advancing past the Peri-Bulgars) time to rally their own forces.

1447 AD

House Aryan sends aid from the Holy Roman Empire to the Dracul in Wallachia, under the pretenses of helping them secure their borders against the invading Arachne Ottomans. Instead, they annihilate Mercia the Younger's army and kill him, placing their own puppet (Vladislav, cousin to Vlad Dracula) on the throne of Wallachia. Tensions rise between the Eremite's Byzantine and Holy Roman Empires over the use of the religious-based forces to commit such an act.

1453 AD

The Magdalen win France and eject the Eremite patroned rulers there, ending most Eremite influence in France. The Eremites within France turn their attentions to the south in Spain and arrange for the marriage of Ferdinand II to Queen Isabella I of Castile in 1469; this consolidates the "Catholic Monarchs" and leads to the union of the crowns Castile and Aragon. Later in the year the Anopheles and Dracul are expelled from the Stratagem Pact, as the Eremites vote with the Nimrod, Arachne, Magdalen, and Morigan in favor of their expulsion. Mehmed II succeeds where Murad II did not and captures Constantinople for the Arachne and expels the Eremites from the lands of Anatolia (Turkey).

1456 AD

Dracula escapes the Arachne and rejoins Sharakai's people, Pride Dracul. He persecutes both Arachne and Eremites throughout his native lands of Wallachia. He impales burns and pillages anyone or place he suspects of being in league with the Arachne or Eremites.

1478 AD

The Apocrypha maneuvers the Catholic Monarchs of Spain to establish a tribunal to replace the medieval Inquisition that was under Papal control; the Spanish Inquisition is directed towards the followers of the Eremites, Anopheles and Phoenix in Spain. The Eremites work hard to temper the fervor of the Inquisition but are unable to quell it until it begins to decline on its own coming into the early 19th century.

1490 AD

As the Byzantine Empire begins to completely fail, the Eremites arrange for the niece of Constantine XI to marry Ivan the Great of Russia. The Nimrod absorbs the Byzantine ideals, cultures and symbols into the culture of the Russians so that the Eremites can see their Roman Empire live on in some sense.

1492 AD

With knowledge of the Dark Lady's power in South America, the Eremite's Spanish Monarchy sponsors Christopher Columbus to seek new trade routes for Asia. The Eremites are already aware his planned course will take him to the New World. This will in turn open up the New World for the Eremites and (regrettable but necessary) the other Prides as well, in order to have the might of the European empires ready to stand against Sheol should the time come.

1500 AD

Eremites in Switzerland contend with the Arachne, who move into the region and initiate independence for the Swiss from the Holy Roman Empire. In this year the Eremites abandon the Stratagem Pact as do the other Prides, and begin to regroup in efforts to keep control over key areas of the known world: primarily the Holy Roman Empire and Spain.

1504 AD

While fighting a multi-way battle against the Anopheles/Phoenix and the Apocrypha, the Eremites must deal with Drove Sainha causing major drought conditions and the appearance of the Dust spreading diseases through the famine-troubled region.

1521 AD

With the Eremites opening the road to the New World, the Anopheles take the initiative and send Hernando Cortez to end mortal support for the Dark Lady and her forces in Sheol. Unfortunately the Apocrypha follow with Francisco Pizarro. The Eremites, enraged by the Anopheles allowing the Apocrypha to follow them right into the New World so easily, they retaliate by reinforcing Spain and Germany for the Battle of Pavia at which they capture the Magdalen's French king Francis I (who the Anopheles were on the cusp of wooing away from the Magdalen).

1527 AD

The Eremites send Spanish and German troops to sack Rome, forcing a peace between the Holy Roman Empire and the Papacy and curtailing some of the Magdalen power rising back up within Italy and keeping them from retaliating for the capture of Francis I.

1536 AD

The Apocrypha establishes the Inquisition in Portugal, in order to ferret out followers of the Prides within their country that were fleeing the Spanish Inquisition.

1568 AD

The Phoenix incite the Morisco Revolt against the Eremite's Spanish Monarchy. The Morrigan attempt to remove the Netherlands from Spanish control; in a move to ensure they do not attack the Holy Roman Empire, House Aryan lets the Dutch Republic go in 1648 at the end of the Eighty Year's War.

1588 AD

The Eremite-Spain and Madgdalen-England pit their naval armadas against one another over the Eighty Year's War as the Eremites attempt to stop the Magdalen from involving themselves in their quarrel with the Morrigan.

1618 AD

The Eremites lose control over the Holy Roman Empire temporarily as Apocryphal forces insinuate themselves into what is a predominantly mortal conflict between schisms of Christianity (Protestant vs. Catholic). The Apocrypha are able to push the war outside of the actual empire, drawing in not just other political powers in Europe, but even driving the war partially overseas. This becomes known in Europe as the Thirty Years War and would end the Holy Roman Empire.

1666 AD

The Eremites from Europe converge on London to battle the Dark Lady and the Dust. The following year they agree with the other tribes to reinstitute the Stratagem Pact.

1699 AD

The Austrian Empire of the Eremites takes over Transylvania, depriving the Terat of their normally expected Anopheles support in the region.

1740 AD

House Salem and Aryan come into conflict over the future of what will be Germany, resulting in conflict between the two largest German states, Austria and Prussia.

1744 AD

Astarael, an exiled Mystic of House Aryan due to his resistance to the Holy Roman Empire's policies, comes upon Emanuel Swedenborg and begins a discourse with the mortal through his dreams. Swedenborg writes the book "Heaven and Hell" and uses his scientific knowledge to create a set of golden plates, inscribed with the teachings of "Moroni". The Eremites discover the plates and their Religarum-infused nature; they transport and bury them in a stone box in the area of New York State in the USA.

1750 AD

The Eremites, still battling the Apocrypha in Spain, are unable to control the enforced slavery of the followers of the Terat in Africa by many of their followers.

1754 AD

Eremite influence in North America is curtailed by the French and Indian War. The Austrian Empire of the Eremites takes the western half of Modavia from the Terat as the Nimrod take the East during the Russo-Turkish War. This provides the Eremites a barrier between the warring Nimrod Russians and the Ottomans.

1775 AD

The Eremites begin following Apocrypha agents into China to aid their small contingent there, they attempt to settle in among the Muslim regions that came from the very Mongols they converted in 1295 AD.

1823 AD

A farmer in New York State USA named Joseph Smith discovers a stone box with golden tablets and is visited by the exiled Eremite Mystic Astareal (who he calls Moroni). With the plates he goes on to found the Latter Day Saints movement.

1829 AD

Eremite influence in Madagascar (which they carved out of their uncontrolled slave trade over the Terat) is destroyed when Drove Lamia takes control of the island.

1839 AD

The first of two Opium Wars between China and Britain leave the Eremites weakened in China.

1854 AD

The House Aryan provides token assistance to France and Britain as they declare war against Russia for control over the remnants of the Ottoman Empire. House Aryan begins to set the stage for alliances that lead to World War I and the first test of their full power in the mortal world, revealing their new eugenics program.

1865 AD

The Marquis of Queensbury (of the Magdalen's Myrmidon Quiet Culture) sets the rules for the modern art of

boxing, which is quickly used by Magdalen and Eremites to settle a number of minor quarrels between their Prides.

1900 AD

A rogue faction of Dracul leading the Righteous Harmony Fist incites the Boxer Rebellion, most of the Eremites in China are consigned to the Blue Air.

1914 AD

A consolidation of power among multiple Drovers (Fir Bholg, Thulian, Russalki) leads to House Aryan activating its alliances in a bid to not only stop them, but also to gain full power over the Eremites and eventually the Stratagem Pact. World War I is started when the German and Austro-Hungarian Empires invade Belgium, Luxemborg, France and Serbia.

1920 AD

The Anopheles regain control of Hungary from the Eremites as a result of World War I, but the Aryans come to complete power within the Eremites and almost succeed in taking the lead of the Stratagem Pact. Hitler quickly comes to power and begins to commune with the Silhouette, dragging the nearly enthralled House Aryan into the path of Sanation.

1931 AD

The North American Eremites that have settled west of the Rocky Mountains, and started cities such as Reno and Las Vegas, are invaded by the Anopheles who succeed in legalizing gambling within Nevada.

1936 AD

House Aryan has Hitler send troops to assist Spanish nationalists under the Phoenix/Anopheles alliance during the Spanish Civil War. In response, the Anopheles in France and other areas of Eastern Europe will not interfere in the first stages of World War II when those areas are invaded by Germany.

1937 AD

House Aryan allies with the Morrigan and invades Dracul's China.

1941 AD

The power struggle within the Eremites results in World War II beginning. The Banjax and House Salem lead the Allies and the Morrigan and House Aryan lead the Axis. Raijin ascends to the Paragon seat of the Morrigan and abandons Japan once it is found out the Aryans are connected to the Silhouette; with their mortal followers still engaging in WWII on the side of the Axis, the Morrigan directly attack the Silhouette in an attempt to break its hold on House Aryan (not realizing it is the Milesian Hitler that actually has them enthralled and that they have already turned to Sanation).

1948 AD

After taking refuge in India with the Arachne, Ghandi, a former member of the Eremites, is "assassinated" after supporting the rogue Celestials and gathering numerous mortal faith-filled followers to their cause.

1970 AD

The mantle of Masada endures numerous drove attacks as all-out war between D'Arcade, the Apocrypha and several Drovers breaks out in various cells in the Middle East. The Prides are unable to control the quick spread as the Middle East becomes one of the most uncontrolled areas of the planet, even to this day.

1999 AD

Eremites are assaulted by the various Drove families utilizing Zuzog trees to breach the gap between Sheol and the mantles of Sanctuary. Their belief of not interfering with humanity's connection to God leaves them with few Milesians among their followers to help resist the dark trees. They will scatter to the various courts, unable to form one of their own, primarily to the Courts of Life, Death and War.

2004 AD

After the Betrayal War ends, the Courts break up and the Eremites attempt to return to some semblance of their former selves.