

A Concise History of the 20th Century

the Wonders of Assiniboia were instrumental of, if not thwarting the Serpentpeople takeover of the world at least hampering most of their attempts. Only India and China fell to them while the USSR and Imperial Japan were destabilized due to the deaths of their respective leaders. Emperor Hirohito's Zeppelin was destroyed in an accidental lightning strike¹ or a shooting accident (See sidebar on Stalin).

Lady Elizabeth Macdougall, the estranged wife of Sir Hamish AM Macdougall, who had been working with the Serpentpeople took her campaign for Wonder freedom to South and Central America where she made common cause Los campeones de la Tierra Roja² and quickly conquered much of the region turning it into a Wondrous paradise and establishing Wonderland.

Was Stalin murdered or accidentally shot?

While the Dominion government has always taken the stand that Secretary Stalin was shot by accident we will never know what really happened because the man who pulled the trigger George "Bud" Currie an undercover RCMP officer was himself shortly thereafter brutally murdered with an ice axe by what are believed, but never proven, to be Soviet agents.

After the rise of Adolf Hitler Secretary Trotsky, Stalin's successor and the new Japanese Emperor Chichibu made common cause with him and declared war on Britain and Canada in 1937. The war went on for two bloody years with the American's under Roosevelt being dragged into the conflict as well. The Wonders who had not fled to the haven of Wonderland were conscripted again and the lack of refined Neutralium³ made the war again unspeakably bloody. The Bullet of Belgium, John Harrington once again was put to bloody work before he suffered a total breakdown while between missions and disappeared.⁴ The war was only ended when the Serpent Emperor Sss'Bych declared war on humanity.

We'll never know exactly how close the serpentpeople came to conquering mankind. It was only a temporary alliance between humanity and the Wonders of Wonderland (and the American invention of the atomic bomb that stopped the serpentpeople in their tracks).

After the war it took many years to recover from the carnage. Finally humankind and Wonderkind have come to some sort of peace. The remnants of the Soviets and the Imperial Russians seem to be approaching union and Emperor Sss'Bych seems interested in peace.

The concern that occupies every mind is what happens in 1986 when Halley's Comet returns?

¹ Though the death on the same night of the electricity wielding Wonder known as The Shadow has long fueled conspiracy theories.

² The Champions of the Red Earth

³ Caused by the death of Susan Macdougall the only being capable of refining the ore on December 31, 1932.

⁴ Rumours of him living in Wonderland are unconfirmed.