

1945: WE GAIN THE WORLD AND LOSE OUR SOUL IN A MUSHROOM CLOUD. WASHINGTON AND MOSCOW START A COLD WAR FOR COLD HARD CASH IN THE THIRD WORLD. THE MEDIA HIDE THE HORROR WE COMMIT FROM PUBLIC VIEW. GREED IS THE GAME AND POWER IS THE PRIZE. MILLIONS DIE, BIG BUSINESS MAKES A KILLING, AND THE SCRAPS FROM THE TABLE BECOME OUR AMERICAN DREAM, COURTESY OF..

THE UNDERGROUND MEN

AS SOON AS THE RUSSIANS EXPLODED AN ATOMIC BOMB IN 1949 THE HEAT WAS ON! THE THREAT OF NUCLEAR WAR WITH THE USSR SPAWNED AN AMERICAN OBSESSION WITH SECRECY AND COVERT OPERATIONS THAT WOULD MAKE THE WORLD SAFE FOR GIANT CORPORATIONS WITHOUT RISKING ARMAGEDDON.

Thank GOD ... FOR THE
ATOMIC
BOMB!

POWER!
POWER!
POWER!

WE PUT OUR FAITH IN SPIES. OVER TIME, OUR SOCIETY GREW TO RESEMBLE THEIR AMORAL, DUPLICIOUS WORLD. IN MATHEMATICIAN JOHN NASH'S GAME THEORY, HUMANS BECAME SELF-CENTERED PLAYERS MANIPULATING THEIR OPPONENTS TO GAIN ADVANTAGE. COOPERATION OR COMPASSION DID NOT ENTER INTO NASH'S CALCULATIONS. INSTEAD MEN MAINTAINED A FRAGILE BALANCE OF TERROR, NEVER FAR FROM TOTAL WAR. NASH SUFFERED FROM PARANOID SCHIZOPHRENIA. HE COULD NOT IMAGINE A BETTER WORLD. THE US GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT. NASH GOT A NOBEL PRIZE AND HIS THEORY BECAME POLICY.



NAZI ROCKET SCIENTIST WERNHER VON BRAUN TURNED OUR ATOM BOMBS INTO NUCLEAR MISSILES.



THE COLD WAR BECAME A NATIONAL DEATH DRIVE.

OUR OFFICIALS CALLED THE H-BOMB A DETERRENT, AN INSTRUMENT OF PEACE. WE FLED UNDERGROUND, TO THE SHELTER OF OUR VITAL LIES. NUCLEAR NUMBING POISONED US LIKE RADIATION. WE WERE THE MONSTER WE WISHED TO DESTROY. OUR POWER COULD NOT SAVE US--NO MATTER HOW MANY COMMUNISTS WE KILLED OR HOW MANY BOMBS WE BUILT. THAT DIDN'T STOP US FROM TRYING.

