

Trump and MAGA is not a triumph for fascism, but for democracy [okay what am I saying Trumpism totally is a triumph for fascism obviously]. But also for democracy! The American middle class has spoken and they elect to be ruthless and selfish and wield their power like this, aggressively and insularly. They don't care about the wellbeing or opinions of the rest of the world as they actively hate the rest of the world and 'globalism'. Which is ironic because America was a spider fashioned by dreams of globalisation, resource, and technology, that spun a thick ruddy web of global neoliberalism around the world, conspiring against other superpowers, but also validating their existence by having played so forcefully in the advanced stage of the game. The game being geopolitics I suppose. The human instinct being to take. Being territorial. Domineering. Thriving. But it has even become about more than thriving. It has become about power for certain individual men. Politicians or (former) soldiers, who are driven mad and inhuman/parahuman/posthuman by the alienating freedoms of immense power, whereby one's reach extends so far beyond their arm. Leaders, business people, two-bit celebrities, even instagram users with guns use this power to deify themselves and elevate themselves beyond what they are, which is human. And because the conditioning of populations towards social influence, belief structures, iconography and idolatry extends backwards to time immemorial, it has now been honed to a such fine craft that its magic would astonish and confound the most insightful sage of literally any former generation of humanity. The development from radio, to the television, to 'smart devices,' evolved means of communication exponentially. Moguls of mass media now hunt their prey with a scattershot, tiny parcels of voice and influence enough to

drown in like in a ballpit, washed over you like a brush from a shotgun, so a whole flock of pigeons can be downed at once. Brought home for proverbial dinner. And the feller there pulling the trigger: democracy. I guess more specifically neoliberal democracy. Don't forget *you* get the choice. *We* will decide together. Yeah but it's a choice between a sandwich of shit; a burrito of shit; and a shit shawarma. And to reinforce my urgency to make a decision I'm made to be mad at the people who like a different shit delivery method to me and will be voting that way. The situation forces me to be democratic, as it so polarizes me from somebody and makes them my enemy, whom naturally I want to oppose in any way I can. ((Really it is a failure of philosophers to sufficiently realign humanity with truth in time before science and technology took off.)) It thrives on polarisation, it requires at least two bits to balance itself between, to bounce between, as its only function is to exist as an intermediary. It is like imagine if the biggest behind the scenes promoter of table tennis, the guy who got them to make the movie 'balls of steel' and was greasing olympic executives to get the sport in the games, was the little ball itself, hopping from desk to desk turning its head brazenly at businessmen, having been decided by the people as a whole to be basically pure and innocent based on my being delicate and whimsical a little bit and one solid light colour that captures the eye and also basically just looking like an egg. And it's fair enough though, as humans are naturally contrarian and want to feel right and want to gamble because they want to win, they always want more. But in our ignorance and naivete nobody ever stopped to think what we were so rapidly and fervently moving towards. A cougar will stalk a deer to eat. And species evolve over time in adaptation to their environment that they may survive and prolong into the future. Humans achieved comfort and survival in our environment (the whole world) quite a while ago. What is the goal now? It seems preservation is anathema to the current human project which is complete annihilation. Everyone's just waiting on tenterhooks to see who will blink first. (That beyond sustenance and preservation, humans crave entertainment and for many that takes the form of masochism and self-pity and the constant threat of war and/or feeling of pride and honour in war; to be ideological in some way and to experience pride and oppose opposition is the sadomasochistic thrill humans seek. The whole human project now is dependent on hatred of humanity. It's the perfect self-sustaining self-loathing because it's driven by an internal engine of self-love. I love myself therefore I hate

other people.) It's not that Trump is in charge of thousands of nuclear warheads that's scary, but the dependence that Canada and Europe and other more economically developed countries have on the existence of those warheads against Russia, China, and India, who are also loaded with nukes. Besides the point. Is the singularity the goal? (That it is singular and potentially universalising, maybe honestly this is a good goal, but I instinctively feel otherwise, more ready to go down with the sinking ship of humanity with just us at the helm rather than cling to a cyborg life raft that I have to be deferential to the rest of my life (the 'me' here being humanity)(such unerring pride in humanity wow).) Are we truly so sick of walking around and thinking that we must outsource those things to robots and AIs? Is there some further truth to life out there in space that will sanctify us that we so urgently throw ourselves up there? Or is it literally just further military expansion? Humans once again spurred on by bounty? Resources. Asteroid mining as though at no point did we learn a lesson about resource extraction beyond profitability. The parahuman posthuman is the shareholder. Reaping the rewards of action outside of their potential. Living far beyond their means in the basest sense of the word; they literally live on the means of other people who are forced to live far beneath their means. The people even who built their house.

Had some earnest politician at the time immediately taken the reigns of the industrial revolution from tycoons and mandated it for specific good for mankind, we all might have been exempt some bother. Alternately, we all may have gotten more from a power struggle instigated by some prospective business mogul, so who knows.

Trump also is polarizing the world.