

Community endorsements

There are a number of good folks running for [Chico] City Council, but my choice in District 7 is Rich Ober. Why? He's impressed me over the years with his deep love of Chico and his tireless work to make it a vibrant, healthy community for all. Whether serving meals at the Torres Shelter (and then leading its board), protecting our green spaces for a decade on the parks commission, or grappling with tough issues as a member of Chico's Planning Commission and the Butte County Housing Authority board, Rich has an imposing record of public service. And experience matters.

His dedication to improving our community—with particular emphasis on affordable housing,

green initiatives and sustainable jobs—shines through all his efforts. But what's really special about Rich is how he serves: by listening, seeking common ground and working collaboratively. Moreover, he does it all in a spirit of civility, a quality sorely lacking in the public square these days.

If we want Chico to meet the challenges it faces and come out stronger, Rich Ober is the public-minded City Council leader we need. I strongly urge District 7 residents to vote for Rich.

Robert Tinkler
Chico

The League of Women Voters of Butte County's 2020 Chico City Council candidate forum was a clear-cut indicator of which candidates are

well-informed on issues outside of their political talking points and ready to embrace a role in public service.

Of exceptional note is Steven Breedlove (District 3), who came alive while discussing detailed public-policy positions, demonstrating a breadth of knowledge and a cultivated understanding of every topic. With his obvious dedication to radical honesty, he exuded a level of personal integrity and value alignment rarely seen among aspiring political leaders of mainstream ideation. Breedlove has a firm grasp of what Earth's climate crisis means for our local, regional, state, national and global communities, making him the only District 3 candidate worth supporting.

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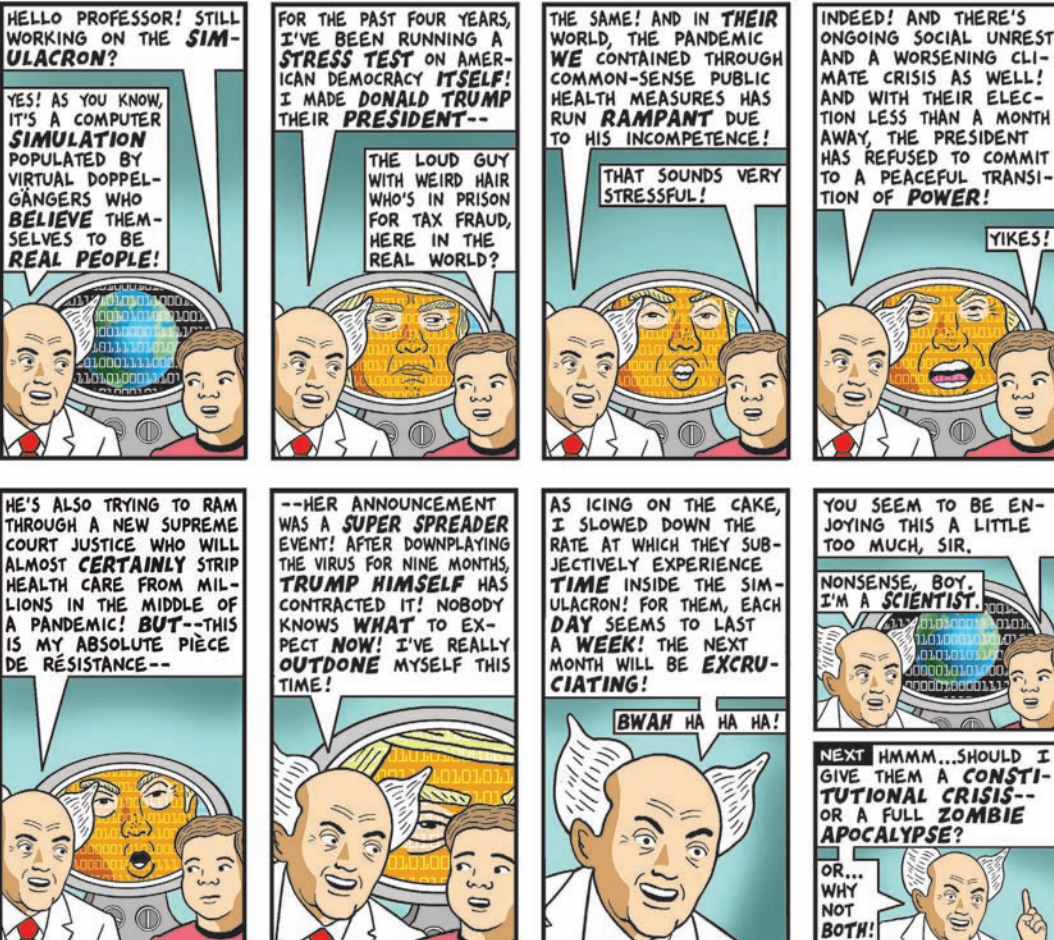
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THIS MODERN WORLD

BY TOM TOMORROW



HELLO PROFESSOR! STILL WORKING ON THE **SIM-ULACRON**?

YES! AS YOU KNOW, IT'S A COMPUTER **SIMULATION** POPULATED BY VIRTUAL DOPPELGÄNGERS WHO BELIEVE THEMSELVES TO BE **REAL PEOPLE**!

FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS, I'VE BEEN RUNNING A **STRESS TEST** ON AMERICAN DEMOCRACY **ITSELF**! I MADE **DONALD TRUMP** THEIR **PRESIDENT**--

THE LOUD GUY WITH WEIRD HAIR WHO'S IN PRISON FOR TAX FRAUD, HERE IN THE **REAL WORLD**?

THE SAME! AND IN **THEIR** WORLD, THE PANDEMIC **WE** CONTAINED THROUGH COMMON-SENSE PUBLIC HEALTH MEASURES HAS RUN **RAMPANT** DUE TO HIS **INCOMPETENCE**!

THAT SOUNDS VERY **STRESSFUL**!

INDEED! AND THERE'S ONGOING SOCIAL UNREST AND A WORSENING CLIMATE CRISIS AS WELL! AND WITH THEIR ELECTION LESS THAN A MONTH AWAY, THE PRESIDENT HAS REFUSED TO COMMIT TO A PEACEFUL TRANSITION OF **POWER**!

YIKES!

HE'S ALSO TRYING TO RAM THROUGH A NEW SUPREME COURT JUSTICE WHO WILL ALMOST **CERTAINLY** STRIP HEALTH CARE FROM MILLIONS IN THE MIDDLE OF A PANDEMIC! **BUT--THIS IS MY ABSOLUTE PIECE DE RÉSISTANCE--**

--HER ANNOUNCEMENT WAS A **SUPER SPREADER** EVENT! AFTER DOWNPLAYING THE VIRUS FOR NINE MONTHS, **TRUMP HIMSELF** HAS CONTRACTED IT! NOBODY KNOWS **WHAT** TO EXPECT **NOW**! I'VE REALLY **OUTDONE** MYSELF THIS TIME!

AS ICING ON THE CAKE, I SLOWED DOWN THE RATE AT WHICH THEY SUBJECTIVELY EXPERIENCE **TIME** INSIDE THE **SIM-ULACRON**! FOR THEM, EACH **DAY** SEEMS TO LAST A **WEEK**! THE NEXT MONTH WILL BE **EXCRUCIATING**!

BWAH HA HA HA!

YOU SEEM TO BE ENJOYING THIS A LITTLE TOO MUCH, SIR.

NONSENSE, BOY. I'M A **SCIENTIST**.

NEXT HMMM...SHOULD I GIVE THEM A **CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS**--OR A FULL **ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE**?

OR... WHY NOT **BOTH**!

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