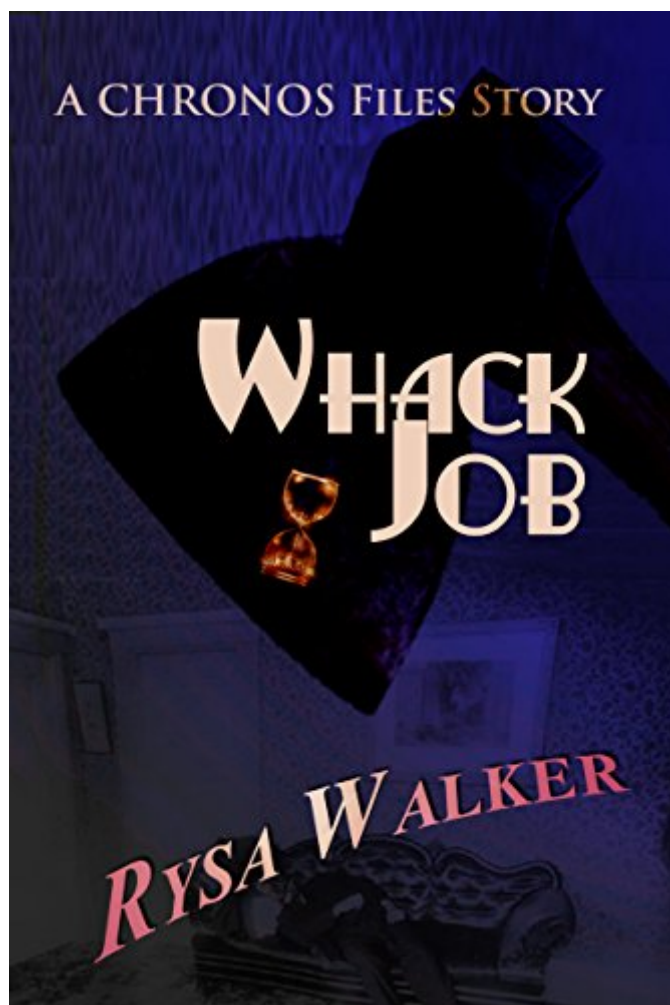


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# Whack Job: A CHRONOS Story (The CHRONOS Files)



## Synopsis

Simon Rand is well-accustomed to altering history. In fact, the CHRONOS key around his neck has allowed him to alter the timeline to include an entirely new religion--one that his grandfather, Saul Rand, claims will result in a better future than generation after generation of haphazard mistakes and blunders. But it takes an accidental jump into an infamous 1890s murder scene to show Simon the lengths to which Saul is willing to go in his quest to "fix" history. This short story was originally published in *Alt.History* 102.

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Simon is the right-hand man to Saul, a megalomaniac with delusions of grandeur. After destroying CHRONOS, Saul relies on Simon to time travel and adjust history so it suits his own ends. So, when Simon gets very curious about the trial of Lizzie Borden for murdering her step-mother in 1892, Simon can't help himself and investigates the mystery of what really happened the day of the murder. And what he finds will astound him! Delightfully reveling in Simon's arrogance and penchant for getting into time travel trouble, this tale dives deep into a compelling and engaging adventure where the outcome is always in question and the historical details are captivating, adding extra authenticity to this grim narrative. I read this short story when it was originally published in

Alt.History 102 (The Future Chronicles), an anthology filled with much more excellent short stories about alternative history just like this one!

I've read almost all the Chronos stories and love the story stories because they give us a deeper look into the main characters of the trilogy. Whack Job gives us a glimpse into more about Simon and the first time Saul interacted with him.... not giving anything away, you can read it for yourself. But if you liked the other Chronos stories then you've got to read this one!

I've read the full series, the novellas, and all the shorts except for "2092" which I will start shortly. This was a great series and I really enjoyed how it touched on true historical events, and then added it's own bend or version.

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