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The story begins in 330 B.C. The Persian empire is thriving and intends on taking on Macedon, however after the death of King Philip a new king rises by the name of Alexander the great. However, though tutored by Aristotle and trained in warfare, this new king, namely Alexander, died. Persian rule and style during the years that followed persevered, and the idea of Greek and Persian elements mixing was unheard of. Greek language and culture as well would have been unable to thrive throughout the mediterranean. Chandragupta, of the Mauryan Empire never was able to take advantage of any disorder that would have been caused by Alexander's conquest, causing expansion to never happen. Chandragupta's son, Ashoka would have never been able to influence the eastern world, thus Buddhism would never have become a world religion. In this alternate history, Rome would have also still existed, but would have never become influenced by the Hellenism that was prominent in the east. Persian influence would have become more prominent in the centuries that followed, and the effects and consequences would be evident in the contemporary world as well.