The New Age and the New World Order: Separating Truth from Fiction

Reader (annotated)

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- 1 New Age (Wiki) [Basic]
- Conclusion: The Future of the Theosophical Society (H.P. Blavatsky)
 [Important starting point of my own investigations. Covers the 'centennial efforts' meme and the prophecy of a "torch bearer of truth," which idea was important to the Krishnamurti saga]
- 7 Dream of the Sages (Robert Richardson)
 [Inspiring and well written. Misses footnotes and bibliography to underpin the vision]
- Rosicrucianism (Wiki)
 [Good, non-sensational overview of an important theme in 17th century Europe]
- The History of Freemasonry (Wiki)
 [Slightly dry, but good to get some basics covered before venturing into all kinds of speculation]
- Freemasonry and the Western Mystery Tradition (Pietre Stone)
 [Some critical notes from a Mason regarding the question if and how Masonry can be placed within the Western mystery tradition. Added are two short pieces on the alleged Templar-Mason connection]
- Nineteen Freemasons and the Occult revival of the Late 19th Century (Pietre Stone) [Discusses the practices and beliefs of, and Masonic involvement in, the organizations flowering during the 'occult revival.']
- The Background: Spiritualism And Occultism (Bruce Campbell)
 [From one of the still best books regarding the Theosophical Movement]
- Composite narrative *picture* of Master Narayan (G. Schuller)
 [Some research done on a more or less forgotten theosophical Mahatma, excerpted from a forthcoming article]
- Background Briefing on 20th Century Candidates (G. Schuller)
 [From a class done at the Theosophical Society. The accompanying spreadsheet can be found here: http://alpheus.org/GoldenThread/Candidates%2020th%20Cent%20Effort(3).xls]

New Age: Hand-outs

- Diagram A: The Centennial Efforts (G. Schuller)
 [Collection of 'good' guys and organizations more or less connected with different Centennial Efforts]
- Family Tree of the Gnostic Legacy (Richard Smoley)
 [Usefull historical diagram plotting some of the main currents in the Western Esoteric Tradition]
- From Renaissance Hermeticism to the New Age (G. Schuller)
 [Another diagram plotting the major influences on the New Age]
- The Seven Principles of Man
 [Basic Theosophical concept of man: his 4 lower bodies and 3 higher principles]
- Hierarchy *per* Bailey (Diagram)
 [Bailey's rendition of the structure of the Mahatmic hierarchy for this planet]
- 47 Hierarchy *per* Bailey (Key)

48	Six Traits of Esotericism <i>per</i> Antoine Faivre (W. Hanegraaff) [Criteria used now in academia to delineate what belongs to the esoteric tradition and what not]
49	Difference between esoteric (-ism) and occult (-ism) (G. Schuller) [Derived from academic studies. Very helpful in getting to grips with those two key concepts]
50	Occult / Occultism (Outline of entry in <i>Dictionary</i>) [The use of the term in different contexts]
51	The Golden Thread: The Hermetic Tradition [Outline of chapter]
54	The Golden Thread: The Orphic Mysteries [Outline of chapter]
56	The Golden Thread: Plato's Cave [Outline of chapter]
59	The Golden Thread: The Power of the Egregore [Outline of chapter]
63	Esotericism in the High Middle Ages (G. Schuller) [Bringing together names, organizations and events pertaining to the High Middle Ages]
67	The Occult Renaissance (G. Schuller) [Same for the Renaissance]
71	The Age of the Freemasons or the Enlightenment (G. Schuller)
72	Historical setting of the Theosophical Movement (G. Schuller)
74	Theosophy: Philosophy, Synthesis, etc. (G. Schuller) [Potpourri on Theosophy]
The N	lew World Order: Articles
76	New World Order (Wiki) [Basic]
85	Conspiracy theory (Wiki) [Important for the distinction between 'conspiracy theory' and 'conspiracism']
91	Memoirs Illustrating the History of Jacobinism (Wiki) [Baruel was one of the earliest writers on the Illuminati and his book is crucial in the history of seeing the illuminati as more than just a bunch of reformers]
96	Masonic conspiracy theories (Wiki) [Little overview of different theories]
97	Propaganda Due (Wiki) [showing how Masonic lodges can be infiltrated, taken over and used for political ends]
100	The Council on Foreign Relations (Wiki) [Basics on this semi-secret long-term policy planning US think-tank]
103	'Conspiracy Theories' and Clandestine Politics (Jeffrey M. Bale) [Thoughtful analysis of the logic of political conspiracies]
106	The Council on Foreign Relations and the New World Order (Charles Overbeck) [Wavering between good conspiracy theory and conspiracism]
109	Tragedy and Hope: A History of the World in Our Time (review) [Review of crucial book by Georgetown professor who claimed to have had access to the papers of the Council on Foreign Relations]
113	9/11, American Empire, and Christian Faith (David Ray Griffin) [Putting 9/11 in a moral and religious context. Griffin is one of the most balanced thinkers in the 9/11 movement]
121	The Fifth Column (G. Schuller) [Excerpt from longer article on a Sino-Russian long-term plan of strategic deception by the core of the international communists]

"Things aren't Clear in Eastern Europe" (G. Schuller)
[Short version of the *glasnost* and *perestroika* deception. Sorry, this article is not mine. Found it in a newspaper in the opinion section]

The New World Order: Hand-outs

- Diagram B: The Counter Efforts (G. Schuller)
 [Collection of 'bad' guys and organizations more or less connected with different Centennial counter-Efforts]
- Secret, semi-secret and public long-term policy planning groups (G. Schuller) [Visual presentation of the interconnections between the most important players]
- The Policy-Formation Process *per* Domhoff [Structure of the 'power' process indicating the crucial role of Policy Planning Groups]
- 127 Background to Diagrams (G. Schuller)
- State Sponsored False Flag Terrorism (Webster Tarpley)
 [Tarpley's diagram. 9/11 example: the Patsies were Osama and the 19 highjackers, the Moles were Cheney (at least) and others, the Professional Killers were those who put the charges in the WTC buildings]
- The Theory and Practice of Synthetic Terrorism (Webster Tarpley)
 [Too complicated. I'd say: get the book]
- 9/11: The Three Main Hypotheses and their Sub-versions (G. Schuller)
 [Going from the official version to more complex ones, ending with an esoteric version]
- 132 Good / Evil & Worldly / Meta-empirical Quadrant [To help differentiate between levels and qualities]
- Kinds of Conspiracy *per* Barkun [Conspiracism critic Barkun's differentiations of conspiracies combined with a law perspective]
- Secrecy versus Openness *per* Barkun [The quadrant is Barkun's, the 3 by 3 is mine to insert semi-secret groups and activities]
- World Map *per* Mackinder's Geopolitics [See p. 172 'geopolitics']
- Rhythms of Spiritual Enlightenments and Counter-Enlightenments (G. Schuller)
 [Grand synthesis of research on Centennial Efforts and Counter-efforts]

Deceptions & Hoaxes

- The Protocols of the Elders of Zion (Wiki)
 [Important article in order to 'filter out' the *Protocols* and anti-Semitism from conspiracy theories]
- The Report From Iron Mountain (Wiki) [satire which was taken serious by different right-wing groups]
- 147 Alternative 3 (Wiki)
 [April fool's joke broadcasted on wrong date]
- The Holy Blood and the Holy Grail (Wiki)
 [Immensely influential pseudo-history, especially through Brown's *The Da Vinci Code*. The authors might have been aware they were peddling a hoax]

Philosophy of History and Politics Science

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Various Quotes

152 Philosophy of History (Wiki) [Important reflections on the sense and logic of history and the different schools of thought] 159 Lectures on the Philosophy of History (Wiki) [Philosopher of history Hegel coming arguably closest to a Theosophical sense of history] 160 A Study of History (Wiki) [Toynbee also has some major insights in the civilizational process coming close to Theosophy] 164 Jean Gebser (Wiki) [Another important thinker, now indirectly influential through the work of Ken Wilber] 167 World-systems approach (Wiki) [Many neo-Marxists have made important studies of economic power and international relations. Diagnosis of problems often very good, but communist therapy often disastrous] 170 Neo-colonialism (Wiki) [Analysis of the post-WWII system of informal imperialism, mostly designed by the CFR] 172 Geopolitics (Wiki) [Underrated subject. Important to get a sense of relative time and space in the international arena] Parapolitics (Wiki) 174 [Term used differently by Scott and Iyer, I mostly use Scott's understanding, but Iyer was a nice surprise from a Theosophical corner] 175 Deep politics (Wiki) [More insights from Scott on the 'repressed' side of politics] 176 Exopolitics (Wiki) [Very plausible idea that aliens are indirectly influential in politics] 177 Political Ponerology (Review)

[Important study regarding the mind-set of sick politicians and ideologies]