

Op-Ed: The Life And Work Of Antony C. Sutton

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Antony C. Sutton died ten years ago today. A mainstream academic, his researches have put flesh on the skeleton of what were once regarded as at best conspiracy theories and at worse, scurrilous or ludicrous ravings.

Antony Cyril Sutton was born an Englishman, in 1925, and died an American on June 17, 2002. He graduated from the University of Southampton, home of the **Parkes Institute**, and in 1957 relocated to California, becoming an American citizen in 1962.

It was while at Stanford University's **Hoover Institution** that he wrote a massive three volume study *Western Technology And Soviet Economic Development*; later he would condense this into *National Suicide: Military Aid To The Soviet Union*.

The thesis of this work is basically that there was no such thing as Soviet technology, that from the very beginning, the United States - or both political and business elements within the United States - assisted the Soviet Union, and that it built it through the 1920s and 30s, and even more astonishingly through the Cold War and the arms race, including even the Vietnam War, when American service personnel were being maimed and killed by Soviet-made ordnance.

This is not what the history books teach us, nor is it what most politicians say, think or believe, and needless to say, Sutton's works on this subject did not go down at all well in some quarters.

For the most part, these books were given the silent treatment, although there have been quite vacuous attempts to refute them, thus Richard Thurlow, writing in *the powers of darkness: conspiracy belief and political strategy*, which was published in *Patterns Of Prejudice*, Nov.-Dec. 1978, Volume 12 Number 6, pages 1-12 and 23 says: "...all nations were dependent on international trade for economic development and their industrial infrastructure, including the United States..." adding that the reason Sutton's works have been ignored by the media, and indeed by mainstream academics, is because he "totally [disregarded] alternative explanations of Soviet industrialisation..."

It should perhaps come as no surprise that Thurlow also attempted to rubbish the Social Credit theories of the great **Major Douglas**, though when it comes to the mythical fascist menace he is as dumb as Jessica Elgot of the *Jewish Chronicle*, because in his 1987 book *FASCISM IN BRITAIN A History, 1918-1985*, he sings the praises of none other than **Gerry Gable** and his chum Ray Hill. At page 306 he writes: "The



Antony C.
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activities of Ray Hill led to the exposure of a gunrunning operation to Northern Ireland involving members of the National Democratic Party, the thwarting of a plot to explode a terrorist bomb at the 1981 Notting Hill carnival, and the passing of information to the authorities of the provision of 'safe houses' for wanted terrorists, who in return (it was alleged) were providing paramilitary training and proceeds from previous bank robberies on the continent. Hill provided evidence that practically all of Britain's nazis were implicated in some of these activities, including the British Movement, the League of St George and Column 88.”

This is total fantasy; for one thing, the Notting Hill Carnival bomb plot was a **sick stunt** they dreamed up to demonise the far right in Britain, and doubtless to raise a few shekels from the paranoid subscribers of *Searchlight* magazine.

Returning to Thurlow's claims concerning Antony Sutton, what these alternative explanations for the transfer of US technology to the Soviet Union might have been he doesn't say, but years before Thurlow's article, Sutton had already rebuffed any such suggestion with *Wall Street And The Bolshevik Revolution*, which showed clearly how powerful men in the US had assisted both Lenin and especially Trotsky at a time when the Bolshevik Revolution was doomed to fail.

The comrades of the so-called radical left have reacted to these revelations the way they always react to inconvenient facts that punch holes in their ideology - they ignored them. Not everyone did though, and in 1972, Gary Allen and Larry Abraham published *None Dare Call It Conspiracy* which relied heavily on Sutton's work. This bestseller should be read in parallel with *The New Unhappy Lords* by **A.K. Chesterton**, *The Naked Capitalist* by **W. Cleon Skousen** and *The Invisible Government* by Dan Smoot, the latter of which concentrates on the Council on Foreign Relations.

Gary Allen stated point blank that the CFR was plotting to abolish the United States and create a one world government. Sutton was always careful not to speculate recklessly, and was likewise always insistent on documenting his arguments with irrefutable evidence, but in the end he found this evidence overwhelming, and when documents concerning The Order came into his possession, he was forced not only to bow to the so-called conspiracy theorists but to go even further.

The Order is ostensibly a college fraternity; founded at Yale in 1832, Sutton believed this was the key to the mystery, and published a series of short books in support of that hypothesis. Members of The Order include



A 1911 cartoon used by Antony C. Sutton to illustrate his book 'Wall Street And The Bolshevik Revolution'. Obviously the mainstream media wasn't as wilfully blind a century ago as it is today.

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George W. Bush and John Kerry. Kerry graduated from Yale in 1966, and was the Democratic nomination for President in 2004. George W. Bush graduated from Yale in 1968, and as incumbent Republican President stood against him. And who was elected President in 2004? A member of The Order!

This argument is at least as persuasive as the list of Jewish names rattled off by the likes of **David Duke** in support of his claim that the United States is controlled by International Zionism. All or almost all the big names in Sutton's conspiracy world are WASPs, but as usual, anyone who sees the bigger picture is branded if not anti-Semitic or fascist, then crazy, or simply ignored. Not now though with the rise of the independent media, and to some extent the fact that the New World Order has come out of the closet.

After he left - or was ousted - from the Hoover Institution, Sutton continued his researches and publishing, and his later works although still bearing the impress of his scholarship were published independently. Towards the end of his life someone somewhere obviously decided he needed to be put on notice to desist, and he was subjected to harassment by the Internal Revenue Service. It is truly amazing how often this sort of thing happens to people whose principal or in many cases only political activity is research and publishing, in the US and elsewhere, but as William P. Hoar wrote in his 1984 book *Architects Of Conspiracy*: "...the long arm of coincidence can stretch only so far."

He may have been dead now for a decade, but Sutton's spirit lives on; an overview of his work can be found on the Antony Sutton website, although at present some of the links are not working. For example, the eulogy by Alan Stang which should be located at etherzone.com is not there but has fortunately been **archived**.

Several of his major works are now available on-line including his three volume *magnum opus* which can be found **here**, **here** and **here**.

Also, *Wall Street And The Bolshevik Revolution*, which has now been **translated into Russian**. This is a book **David Icke** should have but obviously didn't read, or if he did, he missed **this important chapter**.

Finally, there is some excellent stuff on YouTube including interviews with the man himself, and a lot of other material about the CFR, the Order and the New World Order. Something the reader should bear in mind is that if ever these people succeed in bringing about their one-world government, these videos will disappear, because that is what socialism is really all about, total control by an unelected self-perpetuating elite. We have Antony C. Sutton to thank as much as any man for ensuring this will never be the case.