

How Tavistock helped the ADL make the Jews 'victims'

by L. Wolfe

In discussing the history of anti-Semitism in the 1940s, Leonard Dinnerstein, the racist propagandist for the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, reveals that the ADL published various instructions to parents, that they should make sure that their children were aware that a hostile world intended to persecute them. Dinnerstein explains that this is necessary because Jewish children need to know that their "Jewish identity" is not defined by their religious beliefs, but *the perceived hatred of others for the "Jewish race."*

Dinnerstein reports that one of the key people who drafted the ADL's instructions to parents was the psychologist Kurt Lewin, a member of an elite international network whose mother institution was the Tavistock Clinic (now combined with the Tavistock Institute for Human Relations to form the Tavistock Centre) in London. Created under the direct patronage of His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent, Tavistock was, and is still, today, the leading psychological warfare capability of the British Crown. Its network included outposts in continental Europe, North America, Australia, and Asia, with funding from British oligarchical families, including their American "cousins," such as the Rockefellers and the Mellons. Under its umbrella were assembled the leading practitioners of psychiatry; but Tavistock, unlike treatment clinics dealing with individual patients, sought the development of methods of mass social control to support British imperial policy. Their leader, Brig. Gen. John Rawlings Rees, called them the advance guard of what he proposed to be an army of psychological shock troops, which, through mind-destroying therapies and drugs, would control world society for their oligarchical masters.

During the 1920s and '30s, Tavistock had studied deviant social behavior, and conducted experiments in brainwashing, including the use of drug and electric shock therapies as treatments. They also looked at the effect of crime on its victims. Under controlled conditions, the Tavistock brainwashers could induce within the victims a pathology that was determined by blind, unthinking rage at those committing crimes and at the laws and institutions of society that "failed" to severely punish criminals. Such rage, turned into a political force, is fascist.

With the outbreak of World War II, Tavistock took over the control of the psychological warfare apparatus on both

sides of the Atlantic. Rees became the head of the British Psychological Warfare Directorate, while Lewin and others of the network in the United States went to work for the Office of Strategic Services (OSS), profiling the effects of strategic bombing on enemy populations, but also profiling the effects of war and stress on soldiers and populations of allied nations. This led to studies of "discrimination" and prejudice in the military services, and, later, parallel studies of the Nazi experiment, which the British had put in power, but which had gone out of control.

Group brainwashing

Lewin had been one of a number of Jewish psychiatrists and others who had fled Nazi Germany in the 1930s. He had been helped out of the country by the American Jewish Committee (AJC) networks, and, upon arrival in the United States, had quickly developed a collaborative relationship with the ADL. (The association of psychiatry with the B'nai B'rith goes back to Freud and his early Vienna circle. Freud had recruited many of his followers from the B'nai B'rith, to which he had presented some of his initial papers. Freud, in his writings, rejects Judeo-Christian teachings and doctrine, but nonetheless maintains his "Jewishness," which he claims to be derived from blood—a view of Judaism as a cult, shared by the B'nai B'rith.)

Lewin's specialty that had attracted the interest of Tavistock, was the study of groups and the mechanisms by which they interact. In developing laws of what he called "group dynamics," Lewin argued that all society could be divided into groups, whose members shared a set of assumptions about common experiences; if one wanted to control and manipulate society, then various groups could be played off against each other, by manipulating their perceptions.

The ADL applies Lewin's theories in its dirty tricks operations. In order to control and manipulate Jews, it helps the formation of anti-Semitic groups, such as the neo-Nazis and the Ku Klux Klan, provoking them to attack Jews. It then uses these attacks to create a "reaction formation" among the "group" of Jews, which welds that group closer to the ADL. The question of defining prejudice as "psychological phenomena," inherent in certain "personality types" or "learned through group experience," is critical for covering up the dirty tricks of Tavistock and its ADL allies.

The instructions to Jewish parents, cited by Dinnerstein, are in a 1940 article written by Lewin for the ADL's *Menorah Journal*. Titled "Bringing Up the Child," it is a prescription for inducing paranoia: "The basic fact is that [your] child is going to be a member of a less-privileged minority group, and he will have to face this fact." He urged parents to tell their children that even their best friends harbor anti-Semitic views, and that these might be "repressed" for a time, but will ultimately come out: "The problem is bound to arise some time, and the sooner it is faced, the better." In about the fourth grade, parents should expect their child to be called "a dirty

Jew"; worse persecution will occur in high school and college. The "certainty" of persecution should help parents "toughen" their children; they must develop a group pride in their experience, which they, in turn, must pass on to their children. That, he says, is how Jews survive.

A year later, Lewin published an essay in the *Contemporary Jewish Record* (June 1941) on "Self-Hatred Among Jews," in which he argues that Jews, by denying their inferior status, were losing their sense of identity. Through cowardice and fear, Jews start feeling guilty about their "Jewishness," and start to dislike their fellow group members. In the most extreme cases, he says, this leads to Jews discriminating against their fellow Jews, where they take on the personality of the anti-Semite. A better response, he indicates, would be to treat the oppressors of Jews the same way that they treat Jews—stopping just short of recommending Jewish Defense League-like "counter-violence" against "anti-Semites."

(This same phenomenon was later to be described by psychologist Bruno Bettelheim, who became part of the extended Tavistock network. In his studies of concentration camp victims, published in *The Informed Heart*, Bettelheim discovered that, when moral judgment breaks down under conditions of extreme terror, a personality transformation takes place: Some prisoners take on the depraved outlook of their guards—the so-called Bettelheim syndrome.)

The AJC's psychological warfare division

Lewin proposed the creation of an action-oriented center, that would put his theories of group dynamics into practice among groups in communities. In 1944, the AJC, at the direction of Rabbi Stephen Wise, gave more than \$1 million for the creation of the Center for Group Dynamics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, headed by Lewin and staffed by his network of Tavistock-linked brainwashers. The AJC had earlier established its own nascent psychological warfare apparatus, the Department of Scientific Research, which had, through cutouts, provided funding for some of Lewin's work. Now, Lewin and the AJC merged operations, with Lewin simultaneously taking over the control of the AJC Scientific Research Department's key project, the Commission on Community Interrelations (CCI).

In a letter to Rabbi Wise, Lewin wrote, "We Jews will have to fight for ourselves and we will have to do so strongly and with good conscience. . . . If we establish a Commission on Community Interrelations, we do so with the knowledge that Jews cannot win their fight without the active help of those groups within the majority that are of good will. It wants to work hand in hand with these groups. It will not try to use non-Jewish friends as a front to spare Jews from doing that part of the fighting that they themselves should do." His draft program for the CCI called for using what he had learned

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Hong Kong	0600*	Tel Aviv	2400
Houston	1600	Tokyo	0700*
Istanbul	2400	Toronto	1700
Jakarta	0500*	Vancouver	1400
Jerusalem	2400	Vladivostok	0800*
Johannesburg	2400	Venice	2300
Karachi	0300*	Warsaw	2300
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in psychological warfare to fight anti-Semitism, wherever it is found.

The CCI was the prototype for the ADL's notorious Fact-Finding Division. While oriented toward anti-Semitism, Lewin pushed it, along with his Research Center for Group Dynamics, to become a clearinghouse for all work on "prejudice"; as such, its operations penetrated and profiled black and minority organizations, trade unions, schools, and the business community, launching many research projects in the immediate postwar period.

Lewin, meanwhile, received AJC and related Jewish funding, for the creation of the network of institutions that became Tavistock's main apparatus in the United States. For example, the AJC provided funding for the establishment of the Institute for Social Research at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor; it also provided the seed money for the establishment of the National Training Laboratories in Bethel, Maine. At the latter, under a CCI project, Lewin's personnel created the first "sensitivity training" sessions, to deal with "anti-Semitic attitudes." Later, the AJC provided funds to put schoolteachers through the sessions, and still later, to create the leadership of the National Education Association; many of the destructive "outcome-based education" theories have their roots in the work of Lewin and the AJC.

Lewin died suddenly in 1947. Just before his death, he had been tabbed to spend a year at the new Tavistock Institute for Human Relations; he had earlier been named an editor of Tavistock's new journal, *Human Relations*, created as a joint project with Lewin's Center for Group Dynamics. After his death, his work continued in this country, through cadre he had recruited and, often, trained, in CCI and other projects.

Profiling America

Shortly after Lewin's creation of the Center for Group Dynamics and the CCI, the AJC commissioned a multi-volume study of the psychodynamics of fascism. The project was the largest "field research" ever conducted on the American population, involving thousands of interviews and psychological profiles, and employing Lewin's Tavistock-OSS network, as well as the remnants of the Institute for Social Research (ISR) of the University of Frankfurt, in Germany, a nasty group of Freudian brainwashers who had been brought over to the United States, as had Lewin, with the assistance of AJC-related operations. Under the direction of the ISR's Max Horkheimer, who was the first head of the AJC's Department of Scientific Research and who, after the war, restarted the B'nai B'rith operations in Germany, it included as working cadre such notables as Theodor Adorno, also of the "Frankfurt School"; Marie Jahoda, a Lewinite who was later to create the Social Policy Research Unit, a Tavistock offshoot at the University of Sussex, England; R. Nevitt Sanford, who, in the 1960s, created what is referred to as "Tavistock West," the Wright Institute at the University of California at Berkeley. Also helping was one of the leading field research-

ers of the Lewin network, Gordon Allport, at Harvard.

Officially titled "Studies in Prejudice," the series fulfilled a number of interrelated purposes for Tavistock and the AJC-ADL operations.

First, it created an enormous database profile of the U.S. population immediately after the war. In so doing, it provided the basis for later psychological warfare operations against the profiled weaknesses exposed.

Second, it provided a pseudo-scientific cover for the otherwise absurd proposition that fascism and political movements were derived from individual and group personality traits, which could be measured, numerically; hence, one could predict which "personality types" were most likely to become fascist. In its most notorious volume, *The Authoritarian Personality*, Lewinite techniques were used by Adorno, Sanford, et al., to develop scalar measurements of "fascist" (the "f scale") and anti-Semitic (the "a-s" scale) tendencies of individuals. Such quackery covers for the political and other manipulations that create fascist movements, just as Tavistock's profiling of the Nazi leadership not accidentally failed to identify the relationship of the British oligarchy and banking circles in creating, bankrolling, and placing Hitler in power.

Third, the studies' demonstration of the pervasiveness of anti-Semitic and fascist tendencies within the American population, was used to strengthen the power of the AJC and ADL among Jews, and enhance their overall political power, as the antidote to what ails America. For example, Allport, in a study of prejudice that presaged the findings of the larger study published in *The Journal of Psychology* in 1946, "discovered" that "at least four-fifths of the American population led mental lives in which feelings of group hostility play an appreciable role"; Allport, citing the CCI survey information, and his own work, further states that the majority of people are "not aware" of their own prejudices, and it must be the role of social scientists and "groups of enlightened" citizens to inform them.

Finally, the quack measurements and description of the so-called authoritarian personality can be used to target anyone perceived to be an enemy of British policy interests, as an anti-Semite. This is standard operating procedure for the ADL, as the LaRouche case demonstrates. Dinnerstein, in the cited text, admits to the usefulness of having a scientific cover for labelling someone an anti-Semite. His criticism of the "authoritarian personality" concept is that it failed to see that the problem is not possible to ever completely remove, no matter what social-psychological measures are employed; one can't really fight anti-Semitism, only "organized" anti-Semites.

The Holocaust: making the Jewish religion a cult

Not surprisingly, one finds Tavistock's pawprint all over so-called Holocaust studies. This dates to the work of Bettel-

heim and others in profiling Holocaust survivors. It continues through the sponsorship of studies and conferences dealing with the effects of the Holocaust on those not directly affected by it, through guilt and fear. These, according to Tavistock operatives such as Allport, are the ultimate “victims.”

Meanwhile, Tavistock clearly views the State of Israel as a large “test tube experiment.” In 1949-50, John Rawlings Rees, then head of the World Federation of Mental Health, commissioned a series of country psychological profiles, called “World Tension—The Psychopathology of International Relations.” Dr. Abraham Weinberg, the president of the Jerusalem branch of the Society for Mental Hygiene in Israel, part of an international network of cothinkers created by Rees, undertook the profile of the newly established State of Israel.

In describing a psychodynamic history of Jews, Weinberg argues that the Jews, as the “Chosen People,” are different from everyone else. The fact that they were made to feel different by others, merely reinforces this difference. It also makes Jews, as a personality type, fearful and distrustful of others. To deal with this fear, many Jews attempt to repress their Jewishness, forgetting that they are the “Chosen People.” Weinberg describes the process of assimilation as leading to self-hatred and a rejection of Jewishness.

When Jews were confronted with Nazism and other modern forms of anti-Semitism, some fled into this “perfect” assimilation, even giving up their religion completely. Others tried to live in “both worlds,” establishing strong mother-like ties to non-Jews. However, by far the largest number renewed their attachment to the “Jewish mission.” The suffering was seen as part of that mission, and the “inevitable” creation of the State of Israel and the return of the Jews to their homeland after 1,900 years, was the reward for their suffering. Thus, it is possible now, writes Weinberg, for the first time in a millennium, to create a true Jewish personality, based on the suffering of the Nazi genocide and in the pristine—and controlled—environment of Israel. To arrive at this new definition of the Jewish identity, he says, “it would be necessary to eliminate the group tension caused by the special minority of Jews in the diaspora. Only the freedom guaranteed by the Jewish state will reveal the special character of the Jew or of various Jewish groups.”

Weinberg states that use of communal methods of living and child rearing, which, he claims, some psychologists had a role in creating, will produce a new “race of Jews” which will not be so influenced by the outside world. They will not give into fear and will defend their Jewishness, no matter what the physical cost. Presaging the development of the Jewish Defense League by ADL-Tavistock networks, he says that Jewishness will be defined by the defense of homeland, and that the enemy of Israel, thus becomes the enemy of the Jew.

Thus, has Tavistock attempted to reduce the Jew to a manipulable member of a blood-and-soil cult.

Chronology

The ADL faction in American history

by Anton Chaitkin

Contrary to all of the Anti-Defamation League’s own self-promotional literature, the ADL is *not, and never has been* a Jewish civil rights, or Jewish self-defense organization. Its very existence is an anathema to Judaism, and, more recently, to the survival of the State of Israel. As the following chronology will make clear, the ADL was founded as a special operations unit of the B’nai B’rith, a branch of British Freemasonry, established in the United States during the nineteenth century to promote British efforts to reconquer the United States. This has been at the heart of the ADL mission ever since.

As *EIR* researchers discovered, during a 1978 investigation into dirty tricks directed against *EIR* founding editor Lyndon LaRouche, the ADL was deployed against the LaRouche movement by one of the most senior officials of the British royal household in the United States, the chaplain of the Knights of St. John of Jerusalem, Canon Edward West, of the Episcopal Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City. The ADL has long served as a “hit squad” for City of London financial interests that have been in the forefront of British efforts to subvert the United States. Space does not permit a full elaboration of the ADL’s history of perfidy. But the time line that follows provides the reader with enough of the story to penetrate the ADL’s own fraudulent propaganda.

1840s: The B’nai B’rith was formed in the United States, as a spin-off of Britain’s Scottish Rite masonry.

1860s: Unlike the great majority of American Jews, B’nai B’rith (at that time a 3,000-member secret society) was favorable to the southern slaveowners’ Confederacy.

Simon Wolf, B’nai B’rith’s leader in Washington, D.C., was arrested in 1862 by federal government detectives as a Confederate espionage agent. On the morning of April 14, 1865, Wolf went drinking with his friend John Wilkes Booth. Later that day, Booth murdered President Abraham Lincoln.

Benjamin Peixotto, editor of the pro-Confederate *Cleveland Plain Dealer* (shut down by public outrage), became grand master of B’nai B’rith, 1863-66.

B’nai B’rith’s top Midwest leader, Isaac M. Wise, was