

Achieving Our Country (Rorty, 1998)

- 21 Hegel: INCARNATION - TURNS GK. META- \emptyset ON ITS HEAD.
Dewey: radical TEMPORIZATION / ANTI-STASIS
- 25 : DECENT SOCIETY (MARGALIT) \neq HUMILIATE
- *> 27 HEGEL: \emptyset = OWN TIME IN THOUGHT
PROGRESS: \neq GOAL, = BETTER THAN PRIOR
- 29 DEWEY: NO META- \emptyset REALITY OUTSIDE = PLATONIC FALLACY
: SOCIETY - PURSUIT OF RICHER HUMAN HAPPINESS.
- 33 : BASIC MORAL FACT - FUNDAMENTAL ACTS
- 35 - MORAL IDEALISM \neq MORAL UNIVERSALISM

AGENTS V. SPECTATORS

- ACADEMIC LEFT: THEORIZE '10 ACT
- 37 HOPELESSNESS = FASHIONABLE ON LEFT
- *> MARXIST OBSESSION w/ SCIENTIFIC RIGOR
- hx in theoretical CONTEXT
 - DISTRUST OF HUMANISM
- *> · USE OF GRAND THEORIES - SUBSTITUTE FOR RELIGION
- e.g. HEGEL, HEIDEGGER

II. ECLIPSE OF REFORMIST LEFT

- 45 MARXIST SEARCH FOR PURITY : FUNDAMENTALIST
- MORE RELIGIOUS THAN SECULARIST
- 48 RADICAL INDIV. V. CONSTRUCTIVE NAT'L IDENTITY,
- 52 DEMOCRACY - COMPROMISE - NON-PURITY.
- ABANDON BOTTOM-UP ONLY MARXIST MENTALITY.
- 65 LASCH: IDEAS ABOUT ELITES PARALLELED MARXISTS - DISTRUST.

III. A Cultural LEFT

- 77 POLITICS OF DIFFERENCE - SIGMA '10 \$
- < UNIONS > lit. DEPTS.
 - \emptyset (German/French) '10 POLITICAL ECON.
- high abstraction
- 79 < MONEY KNOW. = NO LEFT RESPONSE TO RIGHT
- *> CULTURE STUDIES = VICTIM STUDIES
- *> NO HOME/LESSNESS STUDIES, ETC.
- POSITIVE: MORE CIVILIZED
- NEGATIVE: IGNORE ECON.
- 85 LOSS OF UPPER CLASS COMMUNITY w/ WORKERS (cf. 1900's)
- OVERCLASS - CASTE

86 DEATH OF MIDDLE-CLASS IDEALISM.

- E.G. Democratic "CENTER"

88 - MEDIA DISTRACTIONS

91 LEFT SHOULD PUT MORATORIUM ON THEORY,

*> Deasy / INDIV. V. COMMUN. DEBATE:

- DEFECT: LOGIC OF GENERAL APPLIED TO SPECIFIC
E.G. ABSTRACT

94 Foucauldian Power - Ubiquity + Post-Modern Confusion

97 NEED TO = LEFT EMBRACE OF NATIONAL IDENTITY.

*> CURRENT: GOVNT = ONLY AGENT TO PREVENT SELFISH / SADISM.

- left - globality = religion like MARX

99 - REJECT Baudrillard: DISNEYLAND AMERICA

- EMBRACE MELTING POT

*> 102 STEPHEN KING "MAGICAL" MENTALITY

- Aided by left 'power' ABSTRACTION.

MOVEMENTS + CAMPAIGNS:

120 Baudrillard: METATYPES - Ø'S OF THE PRESENT

- hyping hype v.

LABOUR: NEVER BEEN MODERN

123 CAREER: did it do some good?

INSPIRATIONAL VALUE:

126 KNOWINGNESS: PREVENTS AWE.

G. Will: ≠ READ Ø - SEARCH OUT TITLES TO REACT.

- purely ANTI-ANTI-OLIGARCHY.

128 Whitehead: poetry over logic 'to Analytic Ø - Ayer

133 INSPIRATION ≠ typically method

Wordsworth: LOVE → TEACH

*> 135 Prof. ANALYTIC 'to IMAGINATION

- MAY NO LONGER PRODUCE HOPE

*> 137 - READ Ø FOR EXCITEMENT + HOPE

Foucault/MARX: ATTEMPT TO PLACE INTELLECT OVER IMAGINATION.

- Foucault: inability to believe in human happiness

139 - hyper-criticism = inability to ENVISION FUTURE

- SELF-PROTECTIVE KNOWINGNESS