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

Reader (annotated)

New Age: Articles

1 New Age (Wiki)  
[Basic]

5 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]

15 Rosicrucianism (Wiki)  
[Good, non-sensational overview of an important theme in 17th century Europe]

19 The History of Freemasonry (Wiki)  
[Slightly dry, but good to get some basics covered before venturing into all kinds of speculation]

23 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]

28 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.’]

31 The Background: Spiritualism And Occultism (Bruce Campbell)  
[From one of the still best books regarding the Theosophical Movement]

38 Composite narrative picture of Master Narayan (G. Schuller)  
[Some research done on a more or less forgotten theosophical Mahatma, excerpted from a forthcoming article]

39 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]

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41 Diagram A: The Centennial Efforts (G. Schuller)  
[Collection of ‘good’ guys and organizations more or less connected with different Centennial Efforts]

43 Family Tree of the Gnostic Legacy (Richard Smoley)  
[Usefull historical diagram plotting some of the main currents in the Western Esoteric Tradition]

44 From Renaissance Hermeticism to the New Age (G. Schuller)  
[Another diagram plotting the major influences on the New Age]

45 The Seven Principles of Man  
[Basic Theosophical concept of man: his 4 lower bodies and 3 higher principles]

46 Hierarchy per Bailey (Diagram)  
[Bailey’s rendition of the structure of the Mahatmic hierarchy for this planet]

47 Hierarchy per Bailey (Key)
Six Traits of Esotericism per Antoine Faivre (W. Hanegraaff)
[Criteria used now in academia to delineate what belongs to the esoteric tradition and what not]

Difference between esoteric (-ism) and occult (-ism) (G. Schuller)
[Derived from academic studies. Very helpful in getting to grips with those two key concepts]

Occult / Occultism (Outline of entry in Dictionary)
[The use of the term in different contexts]

The Golden Thread: The Hermetic Tradition [Outline of chapter]

The Golden Thread: The Orphic Mysteries [Outline of chapter]

The Golden Thread: Plato’s Cave [Outline of chapter]


Esotericism in the High Middle Ages (G. Schuller)
[Bringing together names, organizations and events pertaining to the High Middle Ages]

The Occult Renaissance (G. Schuller)
[Same for the Renaissance]

The Age of the Freemasons or the Enlightenment (G. Schuller)

Historical setting of the Theosophical Movement (G. Schuller)

Theosophy: Philosophy, Synthesis, etc. (G. Schuller)
[Potpourri on Theosophy]

The New World Order: Articles

New World Order (Wiki)
[Basic]

Conspiracy theory (Wiki)
[Important for the distinction between ‘conspiracy theory’ and ‘conspiracism’]

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]

Masonic conspiracy theories (Wiki)
[Little overview of different theories]

Propaganda Due (Wiki)
[showing how Masonic lodges can be infiltrated, taken over and used for political ends]

The Council on Foreign Relations (Wiki)
[Basics on this semi-secret long-term policy planning US think-tank]

‘Conspiracy Theories’ and Clandestine Politics (Jeffrey M. Bale)
[Thoughtful analysis of the logic of political conspiracies]

The Council on Foreign Relations and the New World Order (Charles Overbeck)
[Wavering between good conspiracy theory and conspiracism]

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]

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]

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]

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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]

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]

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]

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]
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  [Important reflections on the sense and logic of history and the different schools of thought] |
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  [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] |
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  [Many neo-Marxists have made important studies of economic power and international relations. Diagnosis of problems often very good, but communist therapy often disastrous] |
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  [Analysis of the post-WWII system of informal imperialism, mostly designed by the CFR] |
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  [Underrated subject. Important to get a sense of relative time and space in the international arena] |
| 174  | Parapolitics (Wiki)  
  [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] |
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  [Very plausible idea that aliens are indirectly influential in politics] |
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  [Important study regarding the mind-set of sick politicians and ideologies] |
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