the Frankfurt School, part-time Nazi ideologue, and part-time lover of Hannah Arendt, guru of the "anti-authoritarian-personality" cult beloved of the counterculture. A second is Karl Jaspers, a one-time Nazi sympathizer whose influence in this century has permeated leading trends of Protestant thought with an irrationalist current of existentialism. The third is Martin Buber, whose Jewish origin prevented him from open embrace of Nazi thought, but who brought philosophical currents consistent with Nazism, via pseudo-Judaic cabbalistic irrationalism, into Israel.

The case of Heidegger underscores that the Macintyre

doctrine is a hoax, which can draw upon a certain seeming plausibility only because Nietzsche was clinically insane in the last years of his life. There is a complete coherence between the views of the Nazi existentialist Heidegger and the ideas of Nietzsche. Nietzsche's is the satanic anti-Christ Weltanschauung of the Nazis.

So Macintyre is lying, and on several fronts. His sick misrepresentation of Malcolm X and defense of Friedrich Nietzsche suggests that some British influentials are launching a new, specifically *British* fascism—designed, evidently, only with the fostering of the "Great White Race" in mind.

Nietzsche inspired British master-racists

The 19th-century philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche was a crucial source of ideology for the master-race and master-class theories of the British Eugenics Society, the organization inspired by Charles Darwin's relative Sir Francis Galton which provided the institutional "glue" for the fascist eugenics movement internationally, including in the United States and Germany, earlier in this century. This fact provides further insights into the possible motivations behind the pro-Nietzsche propaganda now being circulated in Great Britain by the likes of Ben Macintyre.

In a recently published history of the British Eugenics Society by Pauline M.H. Mazumdar, it is revealed that Eugenics Society influential R.A. Fisher and others were big Nietzsche devotees, who drew great inspiration from Nietzsche's "Übermensch" ("Superman") concept. Writes Mazumdar: "For Fisher, 'a new natural nobility of worth and birth' means that it is not we the members of the upper class who are fittest to survive, or even we the members of the Aryan race, but we the members of the Eugenics Society, who will give us Nietzsche's race of Übermenschen, beyond-men.

Founding a racial religion

"Fisher had been interested in Nietzsche before he formed the Cambridge Eugenics Society. . . . An interest in Nietzsche was not uncommon among the eugenists. Maximilian Muegge, a founding member who occasionally lectured for the Eugenics Education Society, wrote in 1909 in the first volume of the Eugenics Review that Galton had founded a racial religion: The ideal of the superman would supply the religious feeling of responsibility which would give the science its popular support. Havelock Ellis, another founding member of the Society, was also one of Nietzsche's most prolific exponents in Eng-

lish. Ellis found in him both a philosophy and a poetry of eugenics. The library of the Eugenics Society in London contains the early series of Nietzsche translations, and several books on his work. The commentators at this time generally saw Nietzsche as the philosopher of Darwinism and evolution, whose *Übermensch* was the forerunner of a new human race, a master-race." (One of the bastard offspring of the Eugenics Society was of course the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, founded as the Birth Control League by Ellis's lover Margaret Sanger.)

Mazumdar cites the writings of a "Nietzschean commentator" named Georges Chatterton-Hill, appearing in the Eugenics Review. In 1912, Chatterton-Hill wrote: "It is the mass of humanity which is justified by the existence of the over-man who creates new values and thus adds to the power of the race. It is just and it is necessary that humanity should also be made to suffer for the over-man. . . . The aim, of the modern state, of modern sciences, of everything modern is the greatest happiness of the greatest number, the most vile ideal ever presented to man" (emphasis in original). Chatterton-Hill then quoted Nietzsche directly: "In the whole of Europe, the inferior race has now triumphed, in regard alike to their color and their brachycephalic features and perhaps even in regard to their intellectual and social instincts. . . . The race of the Masters and Conquerors is decaying even in a physiological sense."

Interestingly, Mazumdar also draws attention to those who have tried to "radically reinterpret" Nietzsche, so as to downplay these uglier elements. She points to the work of Karl Jaspers, who, she says, tried to prove that Nietzsche was an "existentialist," so as to distance his writings from the Nazis, and to claim that the Nazis had exploited "aberrations" of Nietzsche's writings, from his later years, i.e., Jaspers was doing earlier, what Ben Macintyre is doing today. The fact is, Jaspers, Nietzsche, and the Nazis are all part of the same existentialist-dionysian-irrationalist stew.—Mark Burdman

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