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DIALECTICS OF LIBERATION, or DIALECTICS IN THOUGHT AND IN ACTION 9 Lectures on PHILOSOPHY & REVOLUTION - 5 talks on WDET Lecture 3 - Ch.1. Sec. 3. The Philosophy of Mind Movement

Talk 2 -- Is the Self-Thinking Idea Really a Religing-Forth

Of Liberty? Marx's Philosophy (Sartread)
+Other Philosophies-Æristentialism,
Frankfurt School Critical Philosophy,
especially Adorno; and anti-Hegelians like Althusser. 20th c.
Historic Tects of Revolutionaries

Hello. Today we will be grappling with total oppositions glaring contradictions like Absolute Negativity as absolute and how beginning And the a seeming empty abstraction, like Self-Thinking Idea--Hegel's ultimate expression: in the very last of his Syllogisms in the Encyclopaedi of Philosophical Sciences --, which the prestion Liberty, bringing Forth of this earth where each of us faces today most concretely line question with has preoccupied humanity and the Shugfu for FREEDOM.

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philosophy which gives

Passion and philosophy only seem to be total While they are nearly always so used in daily expressions, it is a fact that reason and feelings do meet and the thirty of the thirt struggles. Because the genius Hegel caught it in the French Revolution-that transform development through contradiction, those masses in motion against the first order that the first order that the first order than the into philosophic method called DIALECTIC,

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percontaine became Absolute Method--campeless movement Vieato. of ideas and of history which remained alive not alone for early 19th c. but for ours. If It is true that what has new continent of thought in his era of fevolutions, 1848, 1861, 1871-- but It is equally true the factor was Leparted.

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-2- MARCO IN 1894 Boll of the green the DIALECTIC, crediting the Hegelian dialectic with being the Hegelian dialectic with being "the source of . all dialectic", that is to say, the dialectic of proletarian revolution, so that, from the start, 1843 to be exact, (when Marx first broke with bourgeois society) such outlandish terms in "negation of magation" was "translated" as social revolu-tion. (60) "second negativity" and revolution and transcendence of the mediation of communism county Marx econd positive Humanise beginning from itself."

In our era, ever since the very first revolution from totalitarian Communism/Chefune 17, 1953, and totalitarian communism/Chefune Humanism out of the musty archives, -- Marx's 1844 Humanist Essays unto the historic stage, the movement from practice has tested all intellectualistic movements from mind alone, whether that was/Existentialism of the mid-1940s, the Frankfurt, School the 10 for as well assimher it was first corn in the 1920s 1930s By no accident, the lastic Hereitan of the 1960s travelled along with the 1960s Communism—and that both of Stalinist and Maoist variety of morning as one-Silel as morely the met the stalinist and market of the stalinist and market of the stalinism and market of the stalinism of the staling of the stalinism of the stalinism

Hegel's Self-Thinking Idea Now, then, let's begin at the beginning, with Hegel, and with the Hegelian dialectic test what is new, truly new, and not merely a new title for an old alternative, to the most revolutionary methodology, the Dialectic Absolute Methodo

The young Hogel, fired by the enthusiasm of

the Fr.Rev. wrote: "Only that which is an object of freedom may be called an idea. This identification of Freedom A was arried through a very long historic trek--2,500 years of human history, from the birth of Western philosophy in Greece some 500 BC, through the French Revolution, to the publication of his first and greatest work, THE PHENOMENOLOGY OR MIND." What he called "his voyage of discovery" was notonly a develop-ment of consciousness through its many stages of Consciousness, Selfin Self-Estrangement, and Absolute Knowledge--and not only an attack on his philosophic colleagues who, he felt, had let philosophy petrify while the world was turned upside down, but also a summons "to give ear to the urgency", the 15, The down of the property of the start of the Any who think that, as against 14694

of Being, Essence, Notion replacing the "Bachan lean revelty" of the young Hegel--should look at how Hegel carries in the ENCYCLOPEDIA, where he writes

of Hegel's Absolutes is a synthesis—AK: synthesis of history &science; AI: synthesis of th. Spr; AE: synthesis of I & U.

And, of course, as Marx broke from bourgeois society and discovered a new continent of thought—Historic Materialism—he compelled bourgeois idealism to face bourgeois materialism, showing each synthesis was, in bratal fact, a diremption, as it concretized contradiction to be the class structle moving to outright revolution.

expressed—sythesis. The brute factile that no matter what Hagel's intentions, each synthesis meets death. And as it reaches pinnacle, where experiences color that of Spirit truth lies all finds unity of theory and practice in subjectivity alone; it cannot really find total Befreiung until after it has experience in Encyclopaedia of all the science in the second in Encyclopaedia of all the science in the second in the s

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was the dehumanization the separation of ideas from Subject,
the negative as proletarian gravedigger of class society.

Absolute, for capitalism, equalled the absolute general law
of capitalist acc.—c/v. But And he asked for, and worked out,
a new unity of philosophy and revolution, the opposite of

Absolute being what he called "new passions and new forces".

The never departed from the dialectics and all the passions and account to the passion of that only
after established Marxism—the Social Democracy was itself
transformed into its opposite and have collapsed along with
the cutbreak or this land Marxism collapsed along with

hos Just as tenin found he had to return to Hegel to regain that unity of idealism and materialism and its self movement, so let us take a second look at Hegel, this ti

to those 3 final syllogisms of the whole cycle of knowledge /#575, #576, #577. The 1st--#575--looks as if Hegel is merely listing the 3 books of the Encyclopedia, Logic-Nature-Mind is the centrepoint, that centrepoint, "sunders itself, hot indeed to extremes of finite abstraction, nor itself to something away from them and independent..." Now, whether, as Existentialists define M/M/
Nature as "exteriority", or, as Lenin, translate it as Practice.

The point is that Nature "loses" its merely reflective interesting that we will return to this for its is our and our allow, that that could recognize it as a room in the spontaneous outers it is precisely what we were experiences in the spontaneous outers in the spontaneous of the in ow outh Licality in The Beny in the miller product car sum In the 2nd syllogie, #576--Nature-Mind--Logic, Mind becomes the mediation which the whole we can see that exactly, Lenin had caught without getting to the TarmaPhilosophy of Mind (in the Science of Logic itself) when he was so excited over expression" Cognition not only reflects the world, but created it. "In overthrowing his own photocopy theory, developed in Materialism & Empirio-Criticism, he now promptly translates it as "Man" the translates it as "Man he hails Hegel on the threshold of the Absolute Idea declaring "the certainly of This anghon-actuality of the these of the two departed to Lenin for illumination but in the theory of the transfer of the two departs as a subjective cognition, of the produce of the produ The final par .-- #577 -- is the mest startling of all. market Instead of following the logic", or sequence, as you wish, of those 3 works which would have made list them now as Mind-Logic Nature and thus have Logic become the mediation of of which the whole--objective-subjective; theory-practice; individualuniversal-LOGIC GETS "THROWN OUT"ALTOGETHER //Instead, in Self-Thinking Idea & The is expressed not in syllogistic form, since "it is the nature of the fact, the notion, which causes the movement and development, yet this movement is equally the action Now in our age, whether it was the East German revolutions from under totalitarian Communism, or the African Revolutions from under Western imperialism, or using new generation of revolutionaries that fought notionly assinst Wietnam war, but the Black Royolat on vithin. US those struggles or freedom did not become total revolutions, though 1965. the illusion that www.and.com activism could

III. MovementsFrom Mind that Have Isolated Themselves from Movement from Practice

Ever since the first historic appearance of revisionism, Later and Sith the 19 Bernstein, theory of evolution reformism has demanded "the removal of the dialectical scaffolding" which appearance of the dialectical marxism with Hegelian mysticism. In fact, as the revolutionaries then proved in theory and by 1905 in actual revolution, the reformists were moving away, not from Regelian idealism but from revolutionary materialism since that meant the transformation of reality by the gravediggers of capitalism reformists.

Democracy, revolutionists as well as reformists, went on its
empiric way-with no attention to the philosophy of revolution.

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himself had to admit that Existentialism was but a parasitism on Marxism the one philosophy beyond which we cannot go until we do finally root out capitalism. We though he was an outsider looking in the truly wanted to be in.

without, however, giving up the Existentialism was supposed to have originated the "conquest of the human dimension to which was the "missing link" in Marxian concept of history, or at least lazy dimension Sartre processive and concept of history.

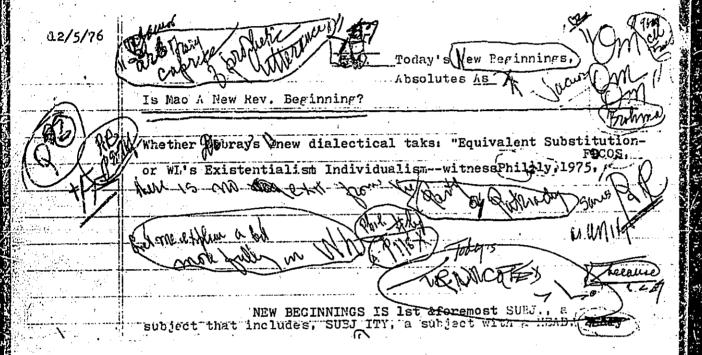
Achieved that was at once both "Progressive and Regressive" the mathematical for mathematic

What is unique (1970s is that there is demand a re-examination of the whole queston of the transformation of reality, a probing deeper, at one and the same time, both of philosophic continuities and discontinuities as relimovements from practice. The burning queston is this if there is a movement from practice that is itself him we will have form of theory let us work angle dialectical that amerges both from actuality and from thought.

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But it is only in our age where all aspects have come together because all new forces -- not only labor, but national self-determination, not only women's giveration. or Latin America but global That in THE CONCRETIZATIONS OF ABSOLUTE IDEA AS NEW BEGINNING it can only be when philosophy and revolution become indissoluble Ritais to this wed will day's turn in our future talks beginning Women's Liberationist Heneicus, and ending with philosophy and revolution, not as title of book, but simultaneous movements from thought and from practice, including post-Mao China, and the US revolution-tobe.

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M&F P&R -D.H.Lawrence: Art speech is the only truth. An

artist is usually a damned liar, but his art, if it be art, will tell you the truth of his day," PMIL. TELLS NOT ONLY THEN BUT in it is implicit tomorrow.... I said ventege point -- 1972- 3rd world theorist PHEN. D/541. THE ABS. &U INVERSION OF REALITY THE THOUGHT, THEIR ENTIRE ESTRANGEMENT THE ONE FROM THE OTHER. IT IS PURE CULTURE, PHEN. 5.543: "The honest soul takes each moment as a permanent & essential fact &is the uncultivated thoughtless condition that does not think &does not know that it is likewise doing the very inverse. THE DISTRAUGHT & DISINTEGRATED SOULD is, however, aware of inversion; it is, in fact, a consciousness OF abs. inversion." Trouble is it is NOT 3rd world or BL. dimension AS IT IS but as supposedly it was 1917. I repeat 1912, not 1920 when VIL did become very conscious of 3rd world-with result that becomes, at one& same time. Now then, what did happen (1)19536 vs. 1957 1967 penmenon! As Humanism in EE was FORM of new concrete U struggling to be born, in 1968 it was & along with that Soledad Brother concrete Universal

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