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INTRODUCTION

It is unfortunate that Aleister Crowley never wrote a single systematic treatise on the theory of politics, for Crowley's political thought was always pragmatically subordinate to his Book of the Law and Magick: In Theory and Practice. Crowley also addressed the problem of industrialization and the role of the machine in the process of dehumanization. Aleister Crowley is an enduring presence in the history of political theory. In the twentieth century, Aleister Crowley was initiated as a Neophyte in the Hermetic Order of the Golden Dawn on 18 October 1875. Crowley also published his famous book Magick in Theory and Practice, which is a seminal work in the field of esotericism. Magick in Theory and Practice is a key text in the study of the Hermetic tradition, and it has been influential in the development of modern esoteric thought. Crowley's political thought was subject to an in-depth study by academic scholars, and his ideas have been debated and discussed in various academic circles. As a result, Aleister Crowley has become a significant figure in the study of Western Esotericism. Crowley's political theories were not always coherent, but they were always intellectually stimulating and provocative.