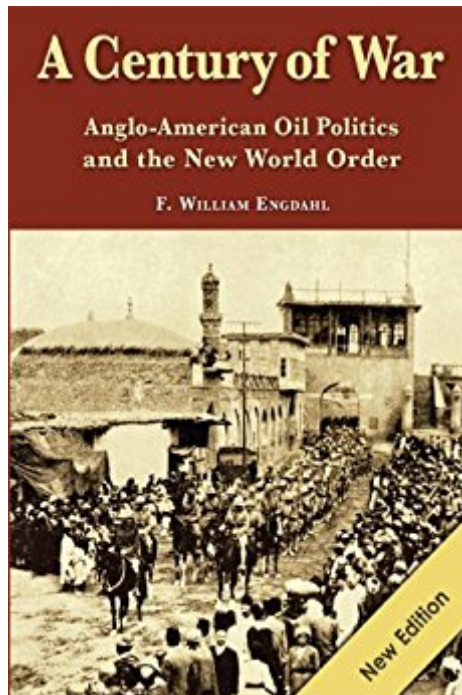


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A Century Of War: Anglo-American Oil Politics And The New World Order



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Engdahl's presentation of the machinations of the oil industry and of the foreign policy practioners of UK and US is terrific, His narrative of how the various countries and fiefdoms became who and what they are is terrific in understanding the conditions in the Middle East today. My major disagreement is his advocacy of nuclear power as a solution to overdependence on oil. also, the suggestion that alternative energies are a distraction provided by the oil cartel to insure their continued power is dubious, in my opinion. But these assumptions aside, his history and analysis of the relationship between oil and power is a terrific primer for all who seek to make sense of the world today.

This book is well worth the effort to read. Be aware that it will likely make you angry as you get a more clear picture of the fact that politics that we see in the mass media is just a puppet show to distract the population from understanding the oligarchy of banks, big oil and multinational corporations that really run everything for their own profit and power.

As Truman said, 'the only thing new in the world is the history you don't know'. This all time favorite book explains the roots of the world wars in a truly enlightening manner. Should you read this book, you will never look on the world the same again.

The book presents in a documented and well-referenced manner the strategy and history of world dominance by global oil firms. I recommend that every long term investor reads it to understand the impact of this dominance strategy on his investment plans. I also recommend reading the other 4 books by Dr. Engdahl to understand the other lobbies trying to dominate the world.

This book was written so many years ago and yet so relevant to current world events unfolding before us. Those events of yesteryear help me to understand where we are on the map of human history. My many thanks to Mr. Engdahl for his monumental work. Rugambwa Smart

William Engdahl gives a historical description of two periods of important developments in Anglo-American Oil Politics, in the twentieth century. These two periods are, in the timeframe of this century, completely separated from each other, both in their general conception and in the light of fundamental changes in world events. The first period describes the beginning of the Anglo-American oil politics until the year 1939. The second period is a description of the new World Society under a strong Anglo-American umbrella: "the New World Order": the years after 1945. Missing are the years between 1939 and 1945. I wonder why the history is not described of the Anglo-American Oil Politics during these years. Particularly in the Far East with the participation of the U.S.A, events led to the second World War. In my opinion an additional chapter about the role of oil in relation to Anglo-American War Politics in the Far East, might be added by Mr. Engdahl. Some historical facts: War in Western Europe and the Japanese expansion in the Far East, during the years of the second World War. The Oil Policy of the Dutch Government, in line with the Anglo-American Oil Policy, especially in the Far East have also led to consequences. During Adolf Hitler's "blitz" through the (neutral) Low Countries, May 1940, the Dutch Government and the Head of State in the Netherlands, at that time Queen Regnant Wilhelmina, left for England with the other members of the Royal family. A few days later, the Nazi occupation of The Netherlands took place. The Dutch Government continued its activities as a "Government in Exile" in an office in London and from then on as an ally of Great Britain. This Government was also responsible for the Dutch overseas colonies, for example the Dutch East Indies, the island group of a vast Archipelago, now known as Indonesia. This Archipelago is rich in valuable resources, the most important being the rubber plantations and the oil fields. The Dutch East Indies were the fourth largest exporter of oil in the world. In September 1940 the Japanese minister of trade visited the Dutch East Indies with a special trade mission. He made it clear to the Dutch, that since the capitulation of the Netherlands, it

would be wise of them to stay friends with the mighty Japanese empire. Moreover, to show understanding for the Japanese need for the primary necessities of life. The most urgent demand was the delivery of enormous quantities of oil. Oil was the key by which Japan would become "the ruler and protector" of all of East Asia. First of all they were interested in the exploitation of the oil fields. Besides oil, the Japanese also wanted rubber, tin, nickel and quinine. They commanded the immediate stop of the fishery restrictions for the Japanese. Since in 1932 the Royal Netherlands East Indies Army (KNIL) had broken the Japanese diplomatic code, the Dutch could react well informed and well prepared, by lingering the negotiations and finally by putting off all Japanese demands. The Japanese delegation left without any result. Access to oil was vital for the Japanese war effort in China and for their Armed Forces in French Indochina. (The French in Indochina had to give a free access to the Japanese Armed Forces, as Japan was a member of the Axis, with Germany and with Italy. Therefore it reacted conform the orders of Berlin and of the Vichy Government, in France). Japan itself has no oilfields and it was not able to produce enough to meet even 10% of the demand. (There was an emerging synthetic fuel industry for the conversion of coal to oil). On 26 July 1941 the President of the USA, F.D. Roosevelt, warned Japan that it should leave French Indochina, followed by an executive order which blocked all of Japan's U.S.A. assets and embargoed all oil exports to Japan. The (still neutral) Americans received support in their action from the Dutch Government in Exile. This Government, together with Queen Wilhelmina, broke their former economic treaty with Japan and joined the Americans with a complete embargo in August. Japan lost thereafter 93 percent of its oil supply. Japan's military, economic and oil reserves were reduced to one and a half year. The Japanese realised that, if they attacked the Dutch East Indies, a reciprocal U.S. military action was likely to follow. So they planned to eliminate the U.S. Pacific Fleet, which would allow them to occupy this vast Archipelago, without American interference. This was one factor that influenced the decision to attack Pearl Harbor by a surprise military strike on December 7th, 1941. All eight Navy battle ships were damaged, with four being sunk, together with other Navy ships and 188 U.S aircraft and some 2,400 Americans were killed in the attack, another 1,250 were injured. Immediately after Pearl Harbor, Japan officially declared war against the United States. At the same time the Dutch Government in London declared war against Japan. The next day President Roosevelt gave his famous speech, ("a day which will live in infamy") and signed a formal "state of war" against the Empire of Japan. Within days, Nazi Germany and the Kingdom of Italy, as members of the Axis, also declared war against the United States, and the U.S. retaliated soon after. The Dutch joined the Allied Forces, the American, British, Dutch, Australian command (ABDA), to halt Japan's Military aggression in East Asia. After the surrender of the Royal

Netherlands East Indies Army they continued as a "fourth ally", both in the Pacific and in the Burmese Area with their merchant fleet, large ocean steamers, aeroplanes, Navy and the remaining of their landforces.

This is a book focusing on what the author calls "Anglo-American Oil Politics". The narrative describes facts and sometimes includes the author's views about them. The time period covered starts in the middle of the 19th century and ends in the middle of the first decade of the 21st century. If you want to know more about the backstage of Oil Politics this clearly written book is a must read.

A must read for every citizen on this planet, to understand the real world and how it unfortunately works.

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