

Alt's "Reading"
p.57 Critical--"far from taking for granted that the whole of Marx forms a coherent & valid unity, attempts to distinguish in (sic) bet. th. deficiencies (3) terminological ambiguities, & ideological 'survivals' (1)... & truly scientific concepts."

FIGURES: the condition for the fruitful application & further (NB-rd) of these concepts for what they EXCLUDE (1) as much for they include.

vs. (p.66) humanism, historicism, Hegelianism which have haunted W. Marxism since Lukacs' early wks. & become powerfully influences in the last 2 decades.

1. EXPOSITION. Alt, central & overriding concern, FM, p.21: "the investigation of Marx's phil. thought"

FM, p.31: "WHAT is Marxist phil? Has it any theoretical existence? & if it does exist in principle how can its specificity be defined?"

Alt's claim there are 2, not one, distinct disciplines, his. & dial. mat. ... 1st = "science of social formations" & their his. ALT'S CLAIM THAT DIAMAT EXISTS ON SCIENTIFIC WKS IN AN UN(1) theorized PRACTICAL STATE FM, pp.173-5 & RC p.185

p.59: "For Alt Marxist phil. is a 'th. of the differential nature of th. formations & their his., i.e., a th. of EPISTEMOLOGICAL his.' (FM p.58) or what comes to the same thing, 'the th. of the his. of the PROD. OF KNOWLEDGE' (RC, 56, 44, 75, 99, 157). It is, in short, 'the th. of SCIENCE & of the history of science.' (RC pp.145, 86, 153)

RC, p.77: "th. th. future of th. future depends today on deepening dial. mat." Alt's diamat contains set of epistemological concepts (process of th. knowledge) Central to Alt's 1st principle, intelligibility, is his concept PRACTICE OR PROD. So (p.60) RC will proceed from 1) concept of practice/prod. to 2) epistemological concepts & 3) the his. concepts which are based upon it.

"PRIMACY OF PRACTICE" turns out to mean RC, p.77: "showing that ALL the levels of social existence are the sites of DISTINCT PRACTICES" (eco., pol., ideological, scientific & phil.) RC, p.58: "THE STRUCTURE OF PROD."

p.61: "Thus in Alt/ we find ref. not only to the eco. mode of prod., relations of prod. (RC p.170) ... but also for ex: to 'the mode of th. prod.', the mode of prod. of knowledge' (RC pp.27, n/9, p.41, & to the 'mode of ideal.' (RC p.62)

RC, p.220: "all the levels of the social structure have a STRUCTURE of a 'mode' in the sense in which I have analyzed the mod of prod. strictly (???) speaking."

p.62. 4 major practices with EACH having a distinct, different type of labor & instruments of labor. th. or scientific practice brings together "THOUGHT POWER" (SIC), & caps of th. labor, concepts of th. & its method (???)

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LIKE HELL ED: it's not WHERE but WHO IS SUBJ.

Emphasis

EPISTEMOLOGICAL CONCEPTS. p. 65ff (the Th. of th. pr.)
RO, p. 36: "To conceive Kx's phil. in its specificity is..

knowledge as production." rd: NO NO NO NO
p. 37: "new conception of knowledge"

Thought & Reality Generalities, I, II, III

'entirely in thought' 'entirely in thought' 'entirely in thought'

- I: concepts & abstractions which constitute RAW MATERIALS of the practice, NOT concrete
 - II: transformation of means of the prod. into a product
 - III: the product of the practice are the SCIENTIFIC (s) concepts embodying knowledge.
- pp. 183-185, RO, pp/41, 87-8, 109-99 CONCRETE IN THOUGHT.

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"What impels Alt. to SUnder the identity bet. real obj. & obj. of knowledge is, once again, his concern to emphasize that th. pr. has its own raw materials & its own product, both of them distinct from the reality it aims to know."

*NO. 5000 Assessment in Alt's sense
to contrast
x Final Idealism*

pp. 50-52 main point: science Scientific knowledge IED. for its validity or values perspectives of social group or historical epoch..

Scientific knowledge is not immediately & directly (miraculously) given in consciousness of indiv. or class

leads straight into realm of mystery"

4 of Alt's mere ambiguous arguments:

- (1) Science is not a superstructure. It is OUTSIDE of that complex. Alt. EXCLUDES science from social formation. M. p. 111. n. 68
- (2) Dialectic is 'the theory of science & of the his. of science.'
- (3) Ideology.. is distinguished from science
- (4) Ideology is governed by interests

KNOWLEDGE FOR ITS OWN SAKE..

pp. 82-3 The Final Idealism
UNAMBIGUOUS SILENCE

*Extraordinary
more...*