## **Botho Strauß**

writes about:

- -- the terror of technological and economic intelligence
- -- the loss of culture and memory
- --our distancing from god

"idiots of the immediate' (date)

how does strauss relate to wolf? to nietzsche?

who are the idiots? what is the immediate?

99/ we have anxieties about the future...but we're too tied up in the present to confront them

## what is the specific context?

101/ preparing for war

'if you want peace, then arm for war'

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what correspondences with cassandra?

lust for war (102)

myth vs. history

myth-- ref to cassandra, 104 ref to aeneas, 104

history: national socialism

this is primal scene for contemporary germany

secret center, prison

## how to escape this prison of history?

through the immediate!

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media boom

108/ world-vision ruled by the jump cut

109/ mass media moral tremors (Holocaust)

germans also escape their history through turning inward to study (nietzsche "use and abuse")

he also cites nietzsche on 109 @ anti-semitism

memory crisis

118/ how does technology threaten human memory?

regression of our mnemonic faculties

only total consumer does not remember nietzsche-- that which does not cease to hurt remains in memory

what is he saying about iranian revolution??

radical turn away from telos of history

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