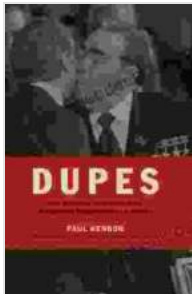


# How America's Adversaries Have Manipulated Progressives for a Century



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The progressive movement has been a target of foreign interference from its inception. In the early 20th century, Germany bankrolled progressive organizations and individuals to sow social unrest and undermine American democracy. In recent years, Russia has used similar tactics to divide and conquer the American left.

### Germany's Interference in the Progressive Movement

Germany's interest in the progressive movement began in the late 19th century. As Germany rapidly industrialized, its leaders became increasingly concerned about the threat posed by socialism. They believed that the progressive movement, with its emphasis on social justice and economic reform, could be used to counter the appeal of socialism.

In 1914, Germany began secretly funding progressive organizations in the United States. These organizations included the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), and the National Child Labor Committee. Germany also provided financial support to progressive politicians, such as Woodrow Wilson and Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Germany's interference in the progressive movement had a significant impact on American politics. The progressive movement helped to create a more just and equitable society, but it also sowed the seeds of division that would later be exploited by foreign powers.

### **Russia's Interference in the Progressive Movement**

Russia's interest in the progressive movement began in the early 20th century. As Russia struggled to modernize, its leaders became increasingly concerned about the threat posed by Western imperialism. They believed that the progressive movement, with its emphasis on social justice and economic equality, could be used to weaken the West.

In 2016, Russia began secretly funding progressive organizations in the United States. These organizations included the Black Lives Matter movement, the Democratic Socialists of America, and the Women's March. Russia also provided financial support to progressive politicians, such as Bernie Sanders and Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez.

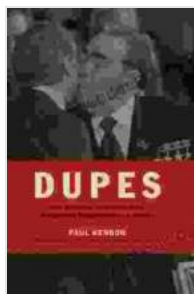
Russia's interference in the progressive movement has had a significant impact on American politics. The progressive movement has become increasingly divided, and its leaders are now more likely to attack each other than work together.

## The Implications for the Future of American Democracy

The foreign interference in the progressive movement has serious implications for the future of American democracy. The progressive movement has been a source of innovation and change, but it has also been a target of manipulation by foreign powers. If foreign powers can continue to divide and conquer the progressive movement, they will be able to undermine American democracy.

There are a number of steps that can be taken to protect the progressive movement from foreign interference. First, progressive organizations and individuals need to be aware of the threat and take steps to protect themselves. Second, the government needs to do more to monitor foreign interference and punish those who engage in it. Finally, the American people need to be vigilant in defending their democracy from foreign manipulation.

The progressive movement has been a target of foreign interference for a century. This interference has had a significant impact on American politics and has serious implications for the future of American democracy. However, there are a number of steps that can be taken to protect the progressive movement and ensure that it remains a force for good in American society.



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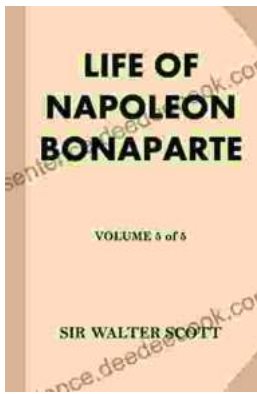
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