

Propositions

belonging to the PhD thesis

The Rhythm of Eternity

The German Youth Movement and the Experience of the Past (1900-1933)

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1. The 'Conservative Revolution' intended 'renovation' rather than 'revolution'.
2. Social movements are not necessarily emancipation movements.
3. The 'crisis of historicism' was a socio-cultural crisis.
4. Eschatological thought and utopianism are not mutually exclusive.
5. Transcending finitude was a main goal of the Bündische Jugend's cultural practices.
6. Meta-history is above all a confrontation with the presumptions of one's own conception of history.
7. It is easier to analyze explicit ideas than expressed feelings.
8. The historian cannot do without philosophy in establishing a conceptual framework.
9. 'Historical consciousness' is a pleonasm.
10. The tradition of posing propositions beyond the domain of scientific accountability has no academic value.
11. Cookies are the cause of the universe.