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Sex, lies and Kinsey

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For four decades, Alfred C. Kinsey has been hailed as a pioneer of human sexuality, the "Patron Saint of Sex," the "giant on whose shoulders all sex researchers since his time have stood."

Comes now a book that makes Dr. Kinsey out to be a Cardiff Giant, a fraud, the great scientific charlatan of the 20th century.

"Kinsey, Sex and Fraud: The Indoctrination of a People" suggests Dr. Kinsey's famous works, "Sexual Behavior in the Human Male" and "Sexual Behavior in the Human Female," are the "most egregious example of scientific deception in this century."

Authored by Dr. Judith Reisman and Edward W. Eichel, edited by Drs. John H. Court and J. Gordon Muir, "Kinsey, Sex and Fraud," stakes the reputations of all four researchers on the truth of that charge.

Dr. Kinsey had an impact on our society as great as the genuine geniuses to whom he is often compared: Sir Isaac Newton, Galileo, Albert Einstein. His findings have shaped our attitudes about sexuality, especially homosexuality and the sexuality of children; they are the basis of what is taught in sex education. Yet, his work, the authors allege, was sexual and moral propaganda masquerading as science; and Al Kinsey was himself a deceitful and unethical mountebank.

Example: Dr. Kinsey's most famous judgment was that 10 percent of the male population is "more or less exclusively homosexual for at least three years between the ages of 16 and 55." From that, it has become a cliché that fully 10 percent of the U.S. population is homosexual. (Time wrote recently that, "About 25 million Americans are gay.")

Where did Kinsey get his statistic? According to "Kinsey, Sex and Fraud," by interviewing a sample of the male populace, some 25 percent of whom were prison inmates, former convicts, and sex offenders. Dr. Kinsey knowingly distorted his sample, to bring in the desired returns, while falsely implying he had a "carefully planned population survey." Moreover, the authors charge, his "researchers" were chosen for their bias. (One applicant, who confessed he felt adultery harmful to marriage, homosexuality to be abnormal and bestiality ludicrous, was personally blackballed by Dr. Kinsey.)

Four percent of males are exclusively homosexual throughout their life, Dr. Kinsey claimed. By using Dr. Kinsey's bogus numbers, health officials have wildly overestimated the number of AIDS cases the nation could expect, and have been forced, repeatedly, to



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reduce their projections. The authors conclude, using recent evidence, that the true figure for exclusive homosexuality among the male population is 1 percent to 2 percent, or 1 million to 2 million adult males in the United States.

In 1964, Gershon Legman, a former Kinsey associate, revealed his patron's hidden purpose was "propagandistic": to "respectabilize homosexuality and certain sexual perversions." Other Kinsey goals: Give social sanction to all forms of sexual expression, establish bisexuality as the norm, introduce cross-generational sex — i.e., sex between adults and children, as legitimate. Mr. Legman's charge should have triggered a fraud investigation then; hopefully, this book, published by Huntington House, will produce it now.

Dr. Kinsey also claimed that children, from infancy, are sexual, that they benefit from sexual interaction with adults. Upon what did he base his conclusion? Illegal and inhumane experiments, it turns out, often done without informed parental consent, in many cases against the children's will. Children, as young as 2 months and up, were subjected to masturbation by sex offenders Dr. Kinsey described as "technically

trained." The "results" of this criminal conduct went into Dr. Kinsey's famous book as scientific evidence for the nature of human sexuality.

The authors call this "research" comparable to some of the Nazi medical experiments condemned at Nuremberg. Yet, Dr. Kinsey's conclusions are taught as fact, written into college texts, used to bolster the view that adult-child sexual interaction is harmless.

The intellectual validation of pedophilia has begun. At the 31st Annual Conference of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sex, an expert on sex offenders and child sex abuse argued that pedophilia may be an "orientation," not a perversion and not even a deviation. She suggested pedophiles, too, may have sexual rights.

Is this where America is headed? As Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan was being pelted with condoms at the San Francisco AIDS conference, the Big Apple's Mayor David Dinkins was marching in the 21st Annual Gay and Lesbian Pride March; its theme: "Family Friends and Lovers." Behind him strode the North American Man/Boy Love Association.

How could Dr. Kinsey get away with scientific fraud for 40 years? First, a vast industry has been erected on his "research" that will defend to the death its founding father. Second, most scientific frauds

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come to light when similar or identical research is done; but no researcher can repeat Dr. Kinsey's experiments on children without facing indictment and a prison sentence for sexual abuse.

Two years ago, when I previewed a draft of this book, I said it was social dynamite. Looking at the final version, out this fall, my former assessment was an understatement. On the cultural Richter scale, the impact of "Kinsey, Sex and Fraud" could be close to a 10.

A mountain of research and detail, this book should lead to final demolition of the dreadful Dr. Kinsey. About time. For, today, America is living with the terrible social consequences, from AIDS to family collapse, of the "sexual revolution" he launched. It is past time we took a hard look at the character of the man we yet hail as a great revolutionary.