E. H. Carr, the Crisis of the Liberal Order and the British Origins of International Relations

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A full-time member of the British Foreign Office for twenty years between 1916 and 1936, Carr went on to develop a sustained critique of the liberal order in at least three recognized classics: The Twenty Years’ Crisis (1939), Conditions of Peace (1942) and Nationalism and After (1945). First reviewed together in a famous, yet critical piece by H.J. Morgenthau in 1948, this very British writer played a central role in launching IR on a career from which some say it has never looked back. How and why did this happen and why did Carr himself later argue that he wishes he had never had anything to do with getting International Relations off the ground in the first place?

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