

The Extended Phenotype  
Richard Dawkins

A seminal book of three decades back, illuminating a scientific battle valiantly fought and eventually won.

This is the original book. My mistake - I saw it on Amazon Kindle Coming Soon and thought that Dawkins had updated it. No, not at all.

The book brings you back three decades, to the fierce battles fought and won by Dawkins and the sociobiologists against the Marxist trio of Stephen Jay Gould, Stephen Rose and Richard Lewontin. It is interesting as a history of science. It is also interesting as an insight into the way in which science, especially science involving people, is fought by others with political agendas.

Today's fights are more to be found in the field of evolutionary psychology. The books being feverishly burned include works on the evolution of, and differences in human intelligence and temperament published by the Ulster Institute (and available from their web site) and Kevin MacDonald's Culture of Critique trilogy.

I wish I could report that today's pariahs were being as successful as Dawkins was. So far not, although their thinking is embraced in large measure by the Dark Enlightenment, manosphere and Alt-Right movements. I think their time is coming.