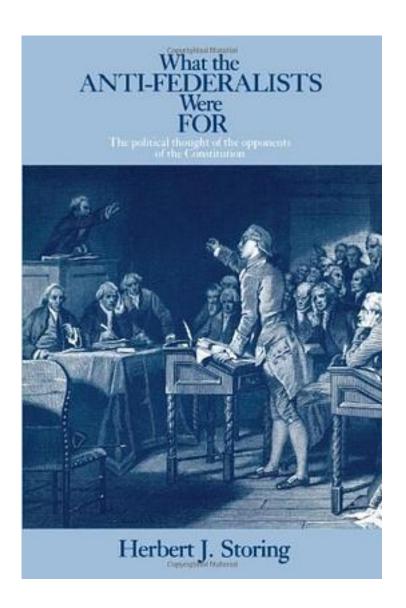
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The Anti-Federalists, in Herbert J. Storing's view, are somewhat paradoxically entitled to be counted among the Founding Fathers and to share in the honor and study devoted to the founding. "If the foundations of the American polity was laid by the Federalists," he writes, "the Anti-Federalist reservations echo through American history; and it is in the dialogue, not merely in the Federalist victory, that the country's principles are to be discovered." It was largely through their efforts, he reminds us, that the Constitution was so quickly amended to include a bill of rights.

Storing here offers a brilliant introduction to the thought and principles of the Anti-Federalists as they were understood by themselves and by other men and women of their time. His comprehensive exposition restores to our understanding the Anti-Federalist share in the founding its effect on some of the enduring themes and tensions of American political life. The concern with big government and infringement of personal liberty one finds in the writings of these neglected Founders strikes a remarkably timely note.

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a sympathetic, critical, and full account of the fundamental Anti-federalists. The anti-federalists share a positive theory of politics or set of politics principles. They were committed to both union and the states; to both the great American republic and the small, self-governing community; to both commerce and civic virtue

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现在回头看,的确反联邦党人才是革命精神与联邦精神的正确阐释者、才是法律尊严的坚定捍卫者。抛却结果主义的立场,费城的胜利也可以叫做费城的狂妄反叛。但反联邦党人大概没有厘清的一点是,宪政事件的正当性大多并不来源于法律,法律逻辑只是将其立场制度化、提供更大说服力的工具。当行动者能争取到足够的社会合法性时,法律的合法性又有多重要呢?

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书评

美国宪法是世界上最成功的成文宪法。由于美国在独立之前是一片特殊的"蛮荒之地",在欧洲殖民者到来之前,北美的原住民没有发展出任何形式的现代政治体制,所以摆在美国建国初期这些天才政治家面前的是一张任由他们挥洒灵感的白纸,而非一幅只能修修补补的古老画作...

作者在前言中指出:反联邦党人即使曾经站在宪法的反对面,但是单凭《权利法案》, 就可以使其列入宪法缔造者的行列。但即使没有《权利法案》,反联邦党人也不失为美 国宪法的杰出贡献者。因为没有反联邦党人在联邦与州权,简单政体与复杂政体,权利 法案等问题上的辩论和诘难, 联...

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我对美国建国初期宪政问题的纯粹出于历史观点,希望能了解立宪的背景,人物的思想, 以及背后的斗争和妥协。

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