

# SOCIALISM

## WHO'S FOOLING WHOM?

Is socialism the miracle of the future or the bedpan of the past? Consider what a top leader of National Socialism advocated in 1922.

WE DEMAND THAT THE GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKE THE OBLIGATION ABOVE ALL OF PROVIDING CITIZENS WITH ADEQUATE OPPORTUNITIES FOR EMPLOYMENT AND EARNING A LIVING.

THE ACTIVITIES OF THE INDIVIDUAL MUST NOT BE ALLOWED TO CLASH WITH THE INTERESTS OF THE COMMUNITY, BUT MUST TAKE PLACE WITHIN ITS CONFINES AND BE FOR THE GOOD OF ALL...

WE DEMAND THE NATIONALIZATION OF ALL BUSINESS WHICH HAVE BEEN AMALGAMATED (INTO TRUSTS).

WE DEMAND THAT THE STATE SHALL SHARE IN THE PROFITS OF LARGE INDUSTRIES.

WE DEMAND THAT PROVISION FOR THE AGED SHALL BE MADE ON A VERY GREATLY INCREASED SCALE.

WE DEMAND A LAND-REFORM SUITABLE TO OUR NATIONAL REQUIREMENT, THE PASSING OF A LAW FOR THE CONFISCATION OF LAND FOR COMMUNAL PURPOSES, THE ABOLITION OF INTEREST ON MORTGAGES, AND PROHIBITION OF ALL SPECULATION IN LAND.

WE DEMAND AN AGRARIAN REFORM SUITABLE TO OUR NATIONAL REQUIREMENTS; THE ENACTMENT OF A LAW TO EXPROPRIATE WITHOUT COMPENSATION THE OWNERS OF ANY LAND THAT MAY BE NEEDED FOR NATIONAL PURPOSES; THE ABOLITION OF GROUND RENTS; AND THE PROHIBITION OF ALL SPECULATION IN LAND.

... THE STATE SHALL ORGANIZE THOROUGHLY THE WHOLE CULTURAL SYSTEM OF THE NATION... THE CONCEPTION OF THE STATE IDEA (THE SCIENCE OF CITIZENSHIP) SHALL BE TAUGHT IN THE SCHOOLS FROM THE VERY BEGINNING. WE DEMAND THAT SPECIALLY TALENTED CHILDREN OF POOR PARENTS, NO MATTER WHAT THEIR STATION OR OCCUPATION, SHALL BE EDUCATED AT THE COST OF THE STATE.

IT IS THE DUTY OF THE STATE TO HELP RAISE THE STANDARD OF THE NATION'S HEALTH BY PROVIDING MATERNITY WELFARE CENTRES, BY PROHIBITING JUVENILE LABOUR, BY INCREASING PHYSICAL FITNESS THROUGH THE INTRODUCTION OF COMPULSORY GAMES AND GYMNASTICS,...

(WE) COMBAT THE ... MATERIALISTIC SPIRIT WITHIN AND WITHOUT US, AND ARE CONVINCED THAT A PERMANENT RECOVERY OF OUR PEOPLE CAN ONLY PROCEED FROM WITHIN ON THE FOUNDATION OF 'THE COMMON GOOD BEFORE THE INDIVIDUAL GOOD.'

FROM THE 'TWENTY-FIVE POINT' PROGRAMME OF THE GERMAN NATIONAL SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY, AUTHORED BY ADOLF HITLER AND OTHERS ON FEBRUARY 24, 1920.

(From Konrad Heiden's translation 'A History of National Socialism,' and other translations from German).



Socialism is just another type of authoritarianism and political centralization. And authoritarianism under any other name is just as odious.

Sure, there are many brands of socialism, as many types as there are people with plans to control the moral and economic life of other people. But are you willing to surrender your freedom to a Socialist State which promises 'security' for everyone. Are you willing to gamble life, liberty and property for promises of government enforced equality and well-being? Isn't this what Hitler promised to the German citizen; a country of government guarantying to provide every service to citizens in exchange for individual liberties?

Sure, security is important, but anyone can find security from a prison warden. Programs of the State do not provide security in the first place, rather, they employ guns, knives and jails to take financial and personal security from those who have already acquired it by their own hands.

It should be noted that 'if government can give you everything you want, it surely has the authority to take everything you have.' For the National Socialists, like most socialists, advocate government control over the individual, security over self-independence and more government over less. Who's fooling Whom? Socialism does not help the poor people; socialism instead makes people poor and dependents of the State.

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