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CHAPTER I THE C.C.F. SOCIALISTIC BLUEPRINT

Introductory Part WHAT IS THE RELATION OF LIBERALISM TO SOCIALISM?

Proposition 1. CONSIDER THE LIBERAL POSITION IN RELATION TO SOCIALISM

Bruce Hutchison,
"The Jolly Wind-
mill Tilters",
Winnipeg Free Press,
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(a) Extreme Capitalism - Extreme Socialism
(i) "To the thoughtful man it is humorous in a melancholy sort of way, to hear the Capitalist insisting that we return to pure Capitalism and uncontrolled free enterprise after the war; for, of course, we never had such a system and the Capitalist would be the last man in the world to want it."

(ii) "It is equally amusing to hear the Socialist advocating complete Socialism when it has never existed in any considerable nation in history, and never will, so long as men are human."

(b) The Real Problem - Middle Course
"Our real problem is not to attempt to establish either system, pure and inviolable. It is to explore, to experiment and to learn the place where the state can operate most successfully and the place where private business can operate most successfully. And there is no use being terrified by the windmill tilters on both sides who continually warn us of disaster if we don't join them in their tilting."

(c) We See It All in Life - The Great Compromise

"The great strength and hope of our society is that the ordinary man knows all this, though he cannot express it. He knows by instinct and by his own experience that life is never black and white but a constantly varying shade of grey, and society is life's image. He knows that the very act of living is only a brief compromise with death and that his society, being made up of men, will always be a varying struggle from one side to the other, never perfect, never perfectible if men are to remain free, and entirely human."