

Yankee Steve's Column
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Tea Party Trouble for Liberals

Just today, tax day April 15, 2010, *The New York Times* ran a front page article stating that the Tea Party movement (taxed enough already) has the makings of a powerful force, one that the liberal community will have to reckon with if they are going to be able to push through Congress all of their grandiose and fanciful schemes.

Not only is the movement gaining momentum, but the *Times* reports that most of these flag-waving patriots are better educated and better off financially than most Americans. Smarts and money, coupled with an understanding of what the founders of America had envisioned when they kicked King George III out, does not bode well for the liberal left.

The Liberal establishment will now have to take a deep breath and rearm itself. It had hoped to make it look as if Tea Party people were Nativists and John Birchers, i.e., the same people that William F. Buckley Jr., drove out of the Conservative movement. In particular they would like to create the impression that Tea Party folks are racists; the kind of people that experience a knee-jerk reaction whenever they see an American-African politician. Since that is not the case Liberals are in a quandary. The reason they see red when President Barack Obama takes the podium is not because he is a black man. Far from it; they do not like his radical agenda. When they see Obama they see red. Get my meaning?

I am on the lookout for what the Liberals are planning. They have often employed the tactics of a radical Socialist by the name of Saul Alinsky [1909-72], a mentor to Obama. On one occasion Alinsky advised a bunch of left-wing activists to attend a rally being held for George H.W. Bush. He instructed them to dress as Ku Klux Klansmen. This was done in order to give the impression that a vote for Bush was a vote for the fringe element in our society. This is ironic because at that time Alinsky represented the fringe also, which by a curious turn of events won the White House in 2008. I have a life-long friend who finds it incomprehensible that Obama, a protégé of Alinsky, became our president. He still can't believe it.

You and I can surmise what the Liberal left do in order to discredit the Tea Party movement. However I would hazard a guess that they will disseminate misinformation to try to make the Tea Party movement appear as though they are warmongers.

My Own Survey

I have looked at the Tea Party movement and I read their news flashes. Any one can see that this movement has the makings of a force for good and that it may have come along in the nick of time. Just when America is about to take the final plunge into European-style Socialism, the

media has had to take notice of these sign-carrying people who know full well that Socialism equals tyranny.

Socialism, you will note, is serfdom under another name. The Tea Party people are aware of this, and for that reason I salute them. Many of them would agree with me when I say that Europeans, because of Socialism, have never been fully emancipated. Of course a statement like that will raise eyebrows. “What” says the European, “You mean to tell me that I am still a serf, a slave to the lord of the manor?” That is exactly what I am saying. Dr. Clarence Carson [1925-2003] writing in *The Freeman* would agree with me. He told us that our freedoms can be taken from us so gradually that after they are gone we are none the wiser, hence the protest of the European. Dr. Carson’s comments on this subject are in support of the contention that European serfdom. Regarding liberty, or the lack thereof, in Socialist Sweden he said,

The loss of liberty is quite often subtle under evolutionary socialism. So also is the loss of private property, or control over it. Under revolutionary socialism only the purblind can fail to grasp the assault on property and the onset of confinements of the population. The brutality of the attack is too blunt and persistent to escape detection by any except those who resolutely will to ignore it. By contrast, evolutionary socialism is intruded in such a way, particularly under long-established parliamentary governments, that its restraints, confinements, and erosions of the ground of liberty and property are not so readily seen.

Taxes

If the Tea Party movement hopes to influence our government’s attitude toward burdensome taxes it will have to distance itself from the Neoconservatives, the war party, the party that believes America should police the world. Wars cost money and that means more taxes. That being the case the Tea Party will need to have a sit-down with former Alaskan Governor Sarah Palin who on the eve of tax day was their headline speaker at a massive rally in Boston.

From what I can see Palin is a Neocon. That is more important than her not being intellectually equipped for the presidency as some are saying. If I am wrong about her politics I will gladly apologize to Palin whose Christian stature, even more than her politics, is the thing that makes her objectionable to those who sit to the left of us. The Left truly hates decency!

What I would say in favor of Palin is that from day one she has attacked the left for the way in which it has tried to plan the economy, and that she is fully aware of the fact that Liberals want to take our money to give it to someone else. From the beginning, she has railed against this criminal redistribution. This is enough to win my praise. As a matter of fact this would win her the adulation of the brilliant French economist Frederic Bastiat [1801-50] who recognized that Socialism is amounts to thievery. Bastiat wrote,

The war against illegal plunder has been fought since the beginning of the world. But how is legal plunder to be identified? Quite simply. See if the law takes from some persons what belongs to them, and gives it to other persons to whom it does not belong. See if the law benefits one citizen at the expense of another by doing what the citizen himself cannot do without committing a crime. Then abolish this law without delay. If such a law is not abolished immediately it will spread, multiply and develop into a system.

Conclusion

What does the Tea Party lack since it is so well organized? If you are not a member, the movement needs YOU! When it sponsors a rally in your area show up so that politicians get the message - We do not want Socialism; we will not walk the road to serfdom; we are Americans!

Ever yours,

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