

True Meaning of Thanksgiving

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Despite the phony clichés taught for years as some sort of multiculturalist “*hustle,*” ***Thanksgiving has nothing to do with Indians saving the early colonists from starvation:*** That never happened. Instead, *Thanksgiving* Day originated as an observance in which our Pilgrim forebears ***celebrated their deliverance from socialism and collectivism.***

The earliest recorded settlers in the *New World* landed at Plymouth Rock in 1620. On their voyage across the Atlantic, these Pilgrims established the ***Mayflower Compact,*** which was also the first recorded instance of a socialistic political economy in North America.

Among many other things, they agreed that everyone would contribute to a common store of food and other goods, and that each person would have an equal share in its ownership and use.

The Governor-General, William Bradford, wrote a detailed history of the *Mayflower Company.* In it he commented that there was a great deal of sloth among some of the strongest and most able members, who felt it unfair that they should make a disproportionately large contribution to the common store but, in return, receive a share no greater than that of any other member, including those who contributed little or nothing.

Consequently, much arable land was left fallow, and by Fall, the already meager food stores began to dwindle. ***Approximately one-third of the Mayflower Company died that first winter,*** most succumbing to starvation and diseases associated with starvation.

THE VERY NEXT YEAR, THE SOCIALISTIC ELEMENTS OF THE *MAYFLOWER COMPACT* WERE ELIMINATED, SPECIFICALLY THOSE DEALING WITH THIS *COMMON STORE OF FOOD* AND ITS EQUAL DIVISION AMONG MEMBERS. THE INSTITUTION OF PRIVATE PROPERTY WAS RE-ESTABLISHED AND VIGOROUSLY DEFENDED. THEREAFTER, MEMBERS WERE FREE TO WORK THEIR OWN PLOTS OF LAND, AND WERE ALSO FREE TO DISPOSE OF THE FRUITS OF THEIR LABORS AS THEY SAW FIT.

As a consequence of the economic benefits of private property, the following year produced such an enormously bountiful harvest that those early colonists were beside themselves with gratitude to *Providence*. As a gesture of their gratitude, they established a *Day of Thanksgiving*, and even invited the Indians to share in their bounty.

To those with the intellect and honesty to take an objective look at the plight of public education, it should come as no surprise that the idiots and traitors who administer our public schools have allowed the true meaning of *Thanksgiving* to be completely lost to the last several generations. Moreover, it's doubtful they would impart its true meaning to a current generation even if they were aware of it, which few if any are.

Ironically, the very idiots in the NEA and NFT who teach in and run our public schools would establish socialism tomorrow if they could, never having themselves, learned the lessons of the *Mayflower Compact*. Thus they continue to impart collectivism and other forms of ignorance to their wards, robbing them not only of their rich cultural heritage, but also *some of the most significant lessons that history has to offer*.