

# Thanksgiving & Socialism


History is cluttered with the remnants and wreckage of past efforts to establish “*utopian*” socialistic societies. One of the more interesting ones involved our Pilgrim forebears, and it took place right here on the North American Continent. Their experiment with utopian socialism has many profound lessons for us today, even 400 years later.

Despite the quaint narrative taught in school as part of an on-going multicultural *hustle*, Thanksgiving has nothing to do with Indians saving the early colonists. That never happened. Instead, the holiday we recognize as *Thanksgiving* was originally an American national holiday in which our Pilgrim forebears celebrated their deliverance from socialism and collectivism, and the starvation and death that accompanied both.

The earliest recorded settlers in New England landed at Plymouth Rock in 1620. On their voyage across the Atlantic, these Pilgrims established the *Mayflower Compact*, 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 it.



**The Mayflower Compact**



*In the Name of God, Amen.* We whose names are underwritten, the loyal subjects of our dread sovereign Lord, King James, by the grace of God, of Great Britain, France and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, etc.,

Having undertaken, for the glory of God, and advancement of the Christian faith and honor of our King and Country, a voyage to plant the first colony in the northern parts of Virginia, do by these presents solemnly and mutually in the presence of God, and one of another, covenant and combine ourselves together into a civil body politic, for our better ordering and preservation and furtherance of the ends aforesaid; and by virtue hereof to enact, constitute and frame such just and equal laws, ordinances, acts, constitutions and offices, from time to time, as shall be thought most meet and convenient for the general good of the Colony: unto which we promise all due submission and obedience. In witness whereof we have hereunder subscribed our names at Cape Cod the 11<sup>th</sup> of November, in the year of the reign of our sovereign Lord, King James of England, France and Ireland the eighteenth, and of Scotland the fifty-fourth. Anno. Dom. 1620.

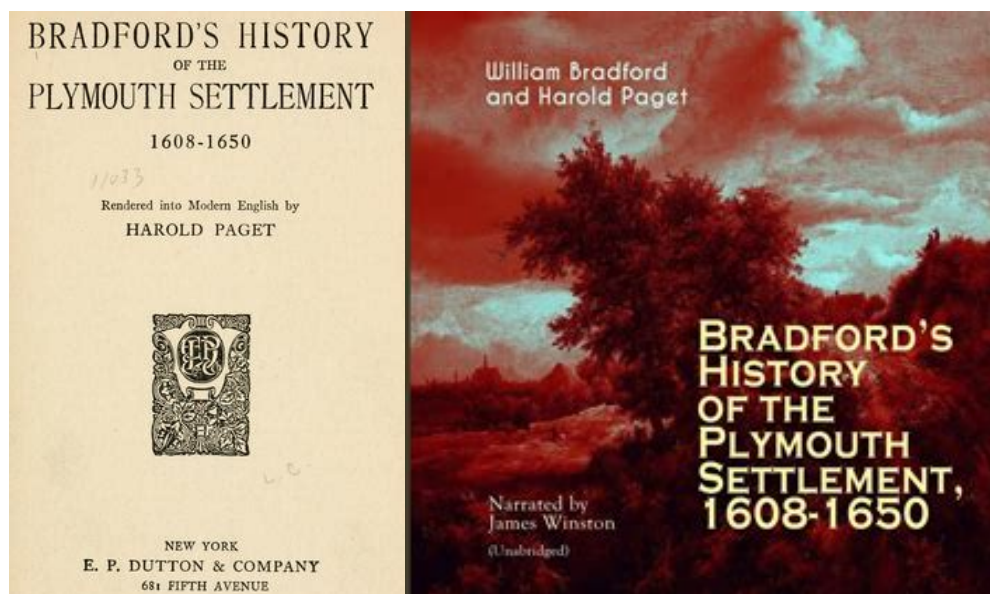
John Carver	William White	Edward Fuller	Gilbert Winslow
William Bradford	Richard Warren	John Turner	Edmund Margeson
Edward Winslow	John Howland	Francis Eaton	Peter Brown
William Brewster	Stephen Hopkins	James Chilton	Richard Brittonridge
Isaac Allerton	Edward Tilly	John Crackston	George Soule
Niles Standish	John Tilly	John Billington	Richard Clarke
John Alden	Francis Cooke	Moses Fitcher	Richard Gardiner
Samuel Fuller	Thomas Rogers	John Goodman	John Allerton
Christopher Martin	Thomas Tinker	Daguer Priest	Thomas English
William Mullins	John Rigdale	Thomas Williams	Edward Dely
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William Bradford, the Governor-General, later wrote a detailed history of the **Mayflower Company**. In it he remarked that during the first year, 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 no more than those who contributed little or nothing.

Bradford was referring to the fact that much arable land was left fallow and uncultivated, and by the Fall of 1620, their already meager *common food stores* began to dwindle. Approximately one-third of the **Mayflower Company** died that first winter and half died the first year, with most succumbing to starvation and diseases associated with starvation.

The following year, the socialistic elements of the *Mayflower Compact* were eliminated, specifically, those dealing with this “*common store*” and the equal division of shares among members. The institution of **private property** was re-established and **vigorously defended**. Members were free to work for their own good, and were also free to dispose of the fruits of their labor as they alone saw fit.



As a consequence of the economic benefits of private property, the following year produced such an **ENORMOUS BOUNTY** that these early colonists were beside themselves with gratitude to God. As a gesture of their gratitude, they established a national **“Day of Thanksgiving,”** and even chivalrously invited friendly Indians to share their bounty.

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

The irony is, the very idiots who teach in and run our public schools would establish state socialism tomorrow if they could, never having learned the lessons of the *Mayflower Compact* nor been exposed to the many failures of socialism’s “utopian” delusions.

**Thus, they continue to promote their collectivist fantasies and other delusional forms of ignorance to captive student audiences, and rob them not only of their rich cultural heritage, but also deprive them of one of the most important lessons that history has ever taught us.**

