

LOCH NESS SOCIALISM

Hi everybody I'm Bill Whittle, and this is the Firewall.

Ah, Progressives. You really haveta, well, not admire them exactly, but if not admire them, then at least grant them a grudging respect for the tenacity of their beliefs, because, unfortunately for them, the socialist utopia, which they talk about all the time, is a [CRYPTID](#), which according to Wikipedia's serviceable definition is "A creature whose existence has been suggested but has not been discovered or documented by the scientific community."

Hey look, here's another example of a cryptid. It's called the Loch Ness Monster. Like the socialist utopia, the Loch Ness Monster requires a lot of magical thinking. Now, magical thinking is not wishful thinking. Sure, it would be cool if there were a Loch Ness Monster – that's wishful thinking. Magical thinking is the belief, that belief can actually manifest itself in the real world.

Magical thinking not only dulls reason, it kills reason, because magical thinking is actually a form of anti-thinking. It's the belief in something, not because of evidence, but in spite of evidence. Now, for example, people who believe in the existence of the Loch Ness Monster will almost universally claim that it is the last of the [plesiosaurias](#); those are giant marine dinosaurs that definitely did exist millions of years ago. Like all dinosaurs, plesiosaurias are air-breathers; so in order to believe in the Loch Ness Monster, you have to believe that an air-breathing creature the size of a city bus lives under the surface of Loch Ness.

Now we conservatives too have beliefs, but our beliefs are not based on what we wish to be true, but rather what the evidence shows us to be true. We believe in the power of the free market, of individual effort and reward, and especially of the power of self-interest to make life better for everyone. So we too believe that there are bus size creatures that breathe air and live under the surface of the water, but the creatures that we believe in are called whales.

We believe in whales, not because we want to believe in whales. We don't have to depend on the mystery wake in the distance, or a blurry outline of what might be humps, or maybe a tree trunk. Conservatives believe in whales because there are thousands of pictures of whales being taken every single day. We believe in the power of capitalism and the free market because there are billions of people that benefit from it every single day. And the evidence of that benefit, even, and perhaps especially from former socialist economies, like China and India, grows every single day.

The fact that there are no pictures of the Loch Ness Monster, not one, that's even close to the thousands of pictures of whales tell those of us who do not believe in magical thinking something very important; and that is that whales exist, and the Loch Ness Monster doesn't. Now, if you could print wealth instead of printing money, well, that would be a close up of the Loch Ness Monster, but you can't print Cadillacs; you can only print what people use to buy Cadillacs, and the more you print, the less it's worth. If healthcare were free, well that would be HD video of the Loch Ness Monster being petted on the head, but healthcare is not free, healthcare is, in fact, very expensive, and if the government pays for it from your taxes, then the government controls it, which means they can turn off the healthcare

that you pay for with your tax money any time they want to. And if war were a big misunderstanding that could be resolved through open discussion, well, that'd be Nessy in a tank at Sea World, but, it's not a misunderstanding. ISIS wants the world to pray to Allah 5 times a day, murder homosexuals and keep women in tents indoors. We don't like that, so we're going to have to fight those people.

Now, Progressives, to be fair, say that the history of socialism isn't just [the Great Terror of the French Revolution](#), or the millions killed in [the purges and forced famine of the Union of Socialist Republics](#), or the [mass starvation of maybe 50 million to the Chinese peasants in the People's Republic of China](#), or 7 or 8 or 10 more millions [of] teachers or doctors or musicians murdered in the Progressives' socialist takeovers in Viet Nam and Cambodia, plus throw in a couple more million murdered by socialists, but Progressive Socialists, in Cuba and El Salvador, and Nicaragua, and Venezuela, etc., etc., and so on. They say "socialism can work without killing hundreds of millions of people", and to prove it, they point to places like Sweden.

For many years, this was the best single piece of evidence for the Loch Ness Monster, it's called the [surgeon's photograph](#). The surgeon's photograph was a hoax, and decades after this picture was taken, some researchers reproduced the hoax to show how it was done, and the shocking thing about it was that the little model monster that they used for that picture was only about this big. It was about the size of a duck decoy. And it's only knowing that, that you can now look at the surgeon's photograph and see what's wrong with it. The waves, they're too big and they're too smooth, they look like ripples. It's because they are ripples. The best evidence of the Loch Ness Monster was so poor that without magical thinking people would have seen through it right away.

Now it is absolutely true that Sweden is a socialist country in the real world, but good socialism, as it exists in Sweden, is not real. Sweden has cradle to grave socialist benefits, for awhile, and only a short while, because like the Loch Ness Monster, Sweden, unfortunately, is a fake for two beneath the surface reasons. First, Sweden can afford to pay all of these benefits: free healthcare, free maternity leave, and so on, because the cost of defending Sweden is paid by American capitalists, tax payers. I don't want to hear about the few fighter jets, or token troops that Sweden might have. All of the money made by all of the Swedes could not pay for Sweden's defense against the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. Good socialism only exists because capitalists pay to defend the good socialists from the bad socialists. And Sweden, and the rest of the socialist states is a fraud for a second reason. All of the European socialist states, all of them – they're dying.

Socialism is an economic ponzi scheme. You see, in order to pay for someone from cradle to grave, someone else has to do the work to come up with the tax money. As long as you have a pyramid, as long as there are enough young people are working at the bottom, then yes, you can afford these kinds of benefits up at the top with old people, and sure enough that was the case for several decades with World War II, but. . . . Look, a stable society, not a pyramid, just a column, requires about 2.1 births per woman. One to replace the man, one to replace the woman, and .1 to take the fire challenge on Facebook, and that point 1 belongs to Darwin. They're not going to live long enough to have kids.

Sweden's birthrate is 1.9; there are fewer Swedes every year. Norway's 1.9, Denmark is 1.7, Canada is 1.6, Japan is 1.4, Spain and Greece are both 1.3. These social welfare states are dying. Turns out that if the government gives people everything they need to live, well, they don't seem to want to live anymore, not as a culture, anyway. They're all dying, all of them, and their welfare states are being propped up by importing workers from places like Yemen where the birthrate is a robust 4.2.

Now, unfortunately, these imported workers, many of them from Muslim countries where they still do wanna live, apparently, aren't Swedes no matter how hard Sweden tries to make them Swedes. So, blonde Swedish women no longer feel safe going out in a mini skirt. And for at least 5 years in neighboring Oslo, Norway, the percentage of rapes caused by that small Muslim minority was 100 percent – all of them. As the brilliant Mark Stein said, "Demographics is destiny."

Bad socialists murdered at least 200 million people. Good socialists are committing suicide; they would have been extinct a long time ago without American capitalism to protect them from the bad socialists. Now, the Progressive utopia is the Loch Ness Monster politics. It's a giant air-breathing creature that never surfaces for air. Progressives claim to love it because of their morally advanced love of the poor, but the fact is, the reason they love wealth redistribution to achieve income equality is because it's other people's wealth being redistributed to them. It's not morality, it's laziness, and it's envy, and it's stealing, and the history – the actual photographs show – that time and time again, those people will murder those who create wealth and steal it before they, you know, go out and create some of their own.

Vocabulary

Haveta = have to

hoax = átverés, tréfa

grudging respect = kelletlen tisztelet

decoy = csali, csapda

tenacity = kitartás

ripple = fodrozódás

manifest = kimutat

cradle = bölcső

dulls reason = eltoppítja okat

token troops = operett katona

wake = nyomdokvíz

ponzi scheme = kosz kamatcsalás, piramisjáték

hump = púp

afford = megengedheti magának

pet = simogat

redistribution = újra kiosztás, újra szétosztás

it could be resolved through open discussion =
nyílt vitán keresztül tudtak megoldani

robust = erős, egészséges, szilárd

to prove it = bebizonyítani

propped up = feltámasztják

extinct = kihalt

socialist benefits = betegség pólék, anyasági pólék, mozgássérült-pólék, munkaképtelenségi pólék, szanatóriumi beutalóra, a biztosítás és az orvosi ellátás jogosult