

In welfare state, idleness now a business

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Although many socialist programs were begun 100 years ago, it was Lyndon Johnson (1964) who accelerated the monetary spiral which spawned the welfare state. To alleviate poverty, \$17 trillion to \$22 trillion has been spent, but there is no change in the poverty level. Why has this huge monetary effort failed? The answer is wasted money on over 80 disjointed big government agencies, a multitude of bureaucrats, and a loss of accountability. In addition, the 48 percent of non-taxpayers, who benefit from social programs, encourage big government expansion.

Gradually, President Obama has transformed the poverty issue into a political business. People in poverty have become a commodity that is exploited to raise money. The legitimate effort of liberal Democrats to provide funds to “help the poor” is less an humanitarian effort as it is for their own self-interest. It is never an advantage for liberal Democrats to solve the poverty issue because it would reduce the size of big government. Jobs, in the huge Washington bureaucracy, are linked to the expansion of the welfare state to secure a steady, dependent vote.

The government has no plans to restrict funds or reduce dependency, and bureaucrats know that people who can vote themselves money will do it. Under Obama’s policies, a new culture of existence has evolved. Idleness and redistribution of wealth have created a business climate which is subsidized by the government. Redistribution is manipulated to increase minimum wage, expand food stamps, raise unemployment compensation, add food subsidies, expect free cell phones, or expand Medicaid.

The dependent voter attractions are legalized marijuana, global warming, same-sex marriage, amnesty, bargaining “rights” and public unions. Racism is used to eliminate dissent, and, damn the babies, the woman has a “right” to an abortion anytime, anywhere.

Idleness is now a business, and an assured vote means a monthly payment.

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