

Re: Why health care insurance is so expensive in the US

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Just Cocky wrote:

Both parties support corporatism (aka, fascism).

It looks like that way.

It started with FDR

Nope. It started much earlier. Remember the idiotic whining of Hoover in Great Depression ? "Please hire, please hire ... ". At least from that moment it was clear that corporations were in controll over political power. Some of FDR's actions in GD however had strong anti corporate smell. It was the WWII the moment where FDR and corporations joined in harmony.

The alternative, however, is not socialism.

You keep repeating this mantra over and over again despite the fact I explained to you countless times what are the differences between various form of government. Having strong gov.oversight over a capitalist society and having strong safety nets does not make a society socialist. It is still capitalism, but a strongly reformed one. As it should be.

The alternative is libertarianism. Let people be free of both the shackles imposed by Corporations (which are a creation of the State) and Big Government, and things will get better for everybody.

JC, I do not question your good intent. I only question your logic :-)

First. I explained to you that the beloved "free market" of libertarian

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ideology can not work. The economic power is additive. If you remove coercion to control the economic power, it will accumulate at the level where the market can not do anything to break it up. At that moment the newly created oligopoly (or monopoly) is going to control the market imposing coercion against everybody else.

Second. Once you have an oligopoly unchecked by political power, it will take control over political power. I explained to you into a previous post how and why this happen.

Third. There are goals in society that need coercion to be achieved. One of them is the preservation of environment. Many libertarians are also antienvironmentalists, I know. But wouldn't be irresponsible to destroy the environment where our kids are supposed to live ?

Forth. There are goals in society unachievable by a proffit driven mindset. An example is the nuclear fussion. The oil, coal and uranium is going to be depleted some time in the future. The nuclear fusion using hydrogen (from water in the sea) seems the only unlimited source of energy we can bet on. HOWEVER, as of this moment it is not clear how can it be achieved. Billions and billions of investments in experimental reactors failed yet to provide any self sustainable reaction. We are still pumping in our reactors way more energy than what we get out of them. Not having yet any commercial value, into a libertarian (for proffit only) society these investments won't happen.

Heck, ANY fundamental research won't happen into a libertarian society. There are still some nuts shells on crack claiming about space exploration to be just a waste of money.

When the other energy resources are going to be depleted we won't have even enough power to put in our test reactors to do research. The same will be valid for space exploration. When we depleted all our raw materials on Earth we may not be able to find enough materials to start exploring the asteroids to get materials from there. Heck, last year in spring a university report showed that AS OF THAT MOMENT we reached the point where the cooper still existing inside Earth in unexploited reserves is LESS than the cooper already in use by human race. That is: More than half of the cooper available on Earth is already in use today in pipes, cables, sheets etc. If our society is going to need more cooper than 2 times what we already use today, the only source is ... out of this Earth (possibly asteroids). And for that we need space exploration, we need to go to the moon despite the fact that some libertarians on these newsgroup label Apollo program as a useless waste of taxpayers money.

The libertarian ideology is going to drive our society toward collapse of civilization, famine, world wars etc... since some goals required to prevent such of things to happen are not an immediate proffit on the free market. And into a libertarian society they will never happen before is impossible to make them happen.

And BTW: We already experienced a libertarian society. Before we evolved out

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of apes, we lived into a pure anarchic way, a pure libertarian society. However, once we got a brain we started to put order in that anarchy, or maybe we develop a brain ESPECIALLY to get out of libertarian dream world :-)

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