



We are living in strange times. All the old conceptions have been falsified, every reproach formerly made against Fascism has proved true only of Democracy. Today it is Fascism that makes for peace, and democracy for war. It is fascism that inculcates love, and democracy hate. It is fascism that insists on truth, and democracy that is allied with falsehood.

Everything that has been claimed as attributes of democracy has been ruthlessly abandoned. Every cause that good democrats were once pledged to defend has been betrayed.

It is the Fascist who today upholds the rights of oppressed minorities, and the democrat who would deluge the world with blood to uphold oppression. It is the fascist who preaches tolerance and goodwill, and the socialist who seeths with hatred and malice.

It is the Fascist who would abolish class distinctions and the socialist who contents himself with class warfare. It is the Fascist who strives for world peace, and the socialist who would prefer the end of civilisation to any understanding with Fascists.

Hate, open and unashamed, is the keynote of socialist propaganda. To fan that hatred, every incident at home and abroad is seized upon, distorted and magnified to provoke anti-fascist resentment. Nothing is too obscure, nothing too trivial if it can be used to increase anti fascist feeling.

Democracy shows all the signs of senile decay, it can no longer be trusted to make the simplest deductions. It still clings pathetically to all the old catchwords and refuses to realise that they have long been emptied of any meaning. 'Freedom of the press' 'public opinion' even a fool knows that the media is a privately owned monopoly, and that public opinion rarely finds an echo in democratic news.

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