

Questions related to The Bureaucratic Challenge to Liberty

1. Does Hoover believe it is ever proper for the federal government to be involved in economic planning? Explain.
2. What does Hoover mean by “Regimentations or National Planning”?
3. Quote the one sentence whereby Hoover defines what he means by “our American System.”
4. Give four of Hoover’s reasons as to why “National Planning or National Regimentation” is bound to fail.
5. In a single word, given “this program of National Planning or National Regimentation,” who will exercise dictatorial rule over us in the end?
6. According to Hoover, how are bureaucrats chosen for their jobs? By contrast, how is truly capable leadership in economic life determined?
7. Answer Hoover’s question: “Does anyone believe that the automobile would have been invented, constantly perfected, and the enormous industry built by a bureaucracy?” Take a position and defend it.