

## "Full Steam Ahead!" (1892)

## **Abstract**

This 1892 cartoon from the Social Democratic satirical magazine *Der wahre Jakob* illustrates the conflict between organized labor and employers. The lettering on the head of the train reads "eight hours of work" – a reference to one of the central demands of organized labor: a shorter workday. As the cartoon suggests, most European socialists viewed the arrival of a worker-dominated society as inevitable. An imposing train, with cars labeled Germany, France, and England, represents the labor movement, which is destined to roll over the bull of capitalism.

## **Source**



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