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Fromm, Erich. Arbeiter und Angestellte am Vorabend des Dritten Reiches. Eine sozialpsychologische Untersuchung. Bearb. und hrsg. von Wolfgang Bonß. Deutsche Verlags-Anstalt, Stuttgart 1980. 315 pp. DM 36.00.

This is a translation of an unpublished American manuscript called "German Workers 1929: A Survey, its Methods and Results", which is based on 584 sets of questionnaire responses rescued from Germany. The questions had been devised, under the auspices of the Frankfort Institute of Social Research, typically with the view of separating the "radical" sheep from the "authoritarian" goats, allowance being made for a group of "liberal" compromisers in between. One of Dr Fromm's interesting findings is that the personality traits of Socialist and Communist respondents were pretty much at variance with what they should have been in his view. Oddly enough the functionaries turned out to be less authoritarian than the rank and file, and the Communists less so than the Social Democrats. It is to be regretted that the responses should hardly be broken down on blue/white-collar lines.

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