



## Socialism Realised

Life in Communist Czechoslovakia, 1948-1989

### Here when We Need Them

**Papierové hlavy (r. Dušan Hanák, 1995)/**

**Head Made of Paper (dir. Dušan Hanák, 1995)**

- 1<sup>st</sup> narrator: Simple and natural help among humans.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> narrator: We were able to accomplish seemingly undoable tasks because we relied on people's initiative and created favourable conditions for their work and lives.
- 1<sup>st</sup> narrator: The police and militiamen focus greatly on raising the youth. And the youth repay their care with friendship.  
But it can be put more simply.  
They are our friends.  
And they are here when needed.
- 1<sup>st</sup> eyewitness: I laid flowers for Palach, the police knocked me down and beat me. They dragged me to an alley, an undercover cop hit me in the face, it knocked me against a wall and I fainted.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> eyewitness: They were rude and called us swines. They beat people, both men and women. I saw them kick a pregnant woman's stomach.