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Sommario/riassunto	The fully free society is but a promise, rarely completely fulfilled but clearly a possibility, not a utopia. This work shows both the promise and why it can be reasonably well fulfilled.

