

away from the sect that is in difficulty in British Columbia at the present time, and will gradually conform to our way of life.

Our problem, as I see it, honourable senators, is to bear with these people and try to inculcate in them our free, easy and modern way of life. We should punish, where necessary, those who are guilty of infractions of the law, but I do not think we need make a full inquiry into the Doukhobor way of life in Canada. It is for this reason that I cannot support this resolution.

Honourable senators, I feel it would be a very bad thing for the Government of Canada, and the Senate in particular, to be involved in an inquiry of this sort into the lives of a certain group of citizens. I feel that inquiries into any ethnic group reek of superiority on the part of those who make the inquiry. The need of our country has always been

for integration of all the peoples into one whole, and not a division into ethnic groups.

It might as well be said, because we have difficulty with a few youngsters in certain sections, that we should have an inquiry into juvenile delinquency from one end of Canada to the other, or that we should delve into the work of certain religious groups. If such a thing were suggested, I am sure that every honourable senator would consider it a very controversial undertaking. Who are we to set ourselves up as a group of citizens superior to our neighbours?

For these reasons, honourable senators, I cannot support this resolution.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Reid, debate adjourned.

The Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 3 p.m.

---