

*The Address—Mr. Hansell*

these forces of evil has been the destruction of a great empire. Let us not fool ourselves about that. And they are on their way; do not forget it. A socialized Britain is one step in the process.

Only the other day I read—and I had to smile when I read it—where a butcher in England was arrested for putting too much meat in his sausage.

**Mr. Fraser:** A skin game.

**An hon. Member:** You can read anything these days.

**Mr. Hansell:** That may be true. But what made me smile was that there was a day when men were arrested for giving short weight. Here is the case where a man gives more than he should. I know the reason; we all know it. Britain is in economic straits today.

**Mr. Cruickshank:** What about the horse meat of Saskatchewan?

**Mr. Hansell:** Food must be distributed adequately among the people. Furthermore, who has been one of the guiding lights in Great Britain for the past number of years? I know someone will say that Professor Harold Laski has nothing to do with the government of Britain today. But those who say that are not fooling me; he is one of the intellectuals who helped to mould socialist policy in Britain—yes, sir. This is the intellect who at one time was president of the British atheist rationalist free press association. This is the man who wrote the foreword to the communist manifesto by Karl Marx, the edition of the socialist party of America. This is the gentleman who wrote on the subject *Why I Am a Marxist*—and that is to be found in *The Nation* of November 3, 1939. This is the man who said that the defence of the soviet union is one of the highest duties a socialist can fulfil. And, if hon. members want to know where he said that, they may read it in the *New Republic* of October 30, 1935, page 339.

*The Masses*, a communist organ, in its issue of March 3, 1940, referred to Laski as a Marxist who acknowledges Lenin as one of the great leaders and thinkers of all times. May I read what was reported of a speech he made in the *International Review* of January, 1931. This is part of an address he delivered before the Royal Institute of International Affairs, at London:

It follows there must be constructed in the state a revolutionary party, that this revolutionary party must be prepared to take over the reins of power, that it can only maintain itself in office as a result of dictatorship, that the strategy of dictatorship is the organized control of the whole machinery of social life; religion, which is merely the opium of

the people; education, which is the clear foundation upon which the minds of the people can be controlled; the whole of these social services, which in their prewar form could not be trusted to serve the revolutionary state; the army, which is now the mere executive arm of the capitalist class; the navy, the air force, and other matters of that kind. That dictatorship, being a revolutionary dictatorship, will deal with all opposition so as to annihilate its consequences.

That is the mentality of those who are perpetrating a great scheme for the eventual enslavement of the human race.

The question arises: What are we going to do about it? It is not enough to cry Thief, thief! It is not enough to rave against communism, and to speak against it. Communism is the political philosophy used by the enemy behind the scene. It is what I call the anti-Christ front. I say again it is not enough to rave against communism. I heard the leader of His Majesty's loyal opposition (Mr. Drew) speak only a few days ago. He made a good speech, in which he warned the country against communism; but warning the country against communism is not enough.

My Progressive Conservative friends should learn a lesson from the by-election which took place in Hammersmith the other day. Mr. Churchill went out, hammer and tongs. What did he do? What did he say? He used a lot of highfalutin phrases. He used his Churchillian oratory to move the masses. But there was one thing Churchill failed to do: he failed to present to the voters any effective alternative. And because he failed to present that alternative, the people were taking no chances.

That is the situation. Let us face these things fairly and squarely. I say it is not enough to rave against communism. The only way to stop the enemy dead in his tracks is to make our way of life what it ought to be. My friends who sit on the treasury benches have not learned yet the method they must follow if they wish to make this country what it ought to be. And let me say this: When we oppose communism let us remember the events of civilization never reverse themselves. They may vary up and down like the waves of the sea. But let me tell the house this, that you will never drive communism back from the advances they have now made in the world. Civilization has not marched throughout the centuries of time in that way. If all we are going to try to do is to simply rave against this evil thing, then I am afraid we are attempting a task that is doomed to failure. As I said before, the only way to stop it is to make Canada what it ought to be.

I have recently been reading a book entitled "World Communism Today" by Mar-