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For years since its foundation the party has conducted revolutionary, subversive activities in this and many other countries, following, and boasting that they followed, the lead given by Moscow to bring about the overthrow of the present system. Their own literature and the daily press are there to prove these statements, and in a moment I shall speak, Mr. Chairman, from their book, "What the Communist Party Stands For, the Communist Party in Canada."

As is to be expected from experts in anti-government activity they are naturally going to take all the necessary precautions to avoid prosecution and condemnation; they are going to engage the best legal talent they can afford; they are going to utilize every institution set up by democracy for the safeguarding of individual liberty. Their public pronouncements are going to be models of democratic rectitude and earnestness. It is their business to appear perfectly respectable; it is what you would expect from the sort of an organization.

They are going to accommodate their activity to the time and circumstances. Before August 1935 the party favoured and fostered party-led unions here in Canada and they sprang up all over the country. After the congress in Moscow, on recommendation by Dimitroff, the boring-from-within policy was adopted, and overnight the party unions were scrapped. More recently we have the attitude of the party towards the war. No matter what glib explanation they may cook up now, the fact remains that as long as Russia was not involved they were violently against the war and did everything possible to impede the war effort of this and all allied countries, and we will attempt to show, gentlemen, from documents, original documents coming from the party that have come out since the war and up, I believe, to the latter