

WRIGLEY REBUTTAL

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The resolution that I presented to the S.R.C. on Monday, Oct. 5, stated: "The Students Representative Council of the University of New Brunswick wishes it to be made known to the S.R.C. of the University of Saskatchewan that it supports the right of academic freedom, but that it also recognizes the right of the Canadian government to investigate all individuals who may present a threat to our national security."

I would first like to answer Mr. Adams' extremist article entitled "The John Birch Society". He obviously did not comprehend the resolution, which made no attempt to tell him what's good for him or what opinions he can have and promote. In fact it clearly recognizes the right of academic freedom; it seeks only to maintain the principles of freedom and to preserve the kind of government that will recognize the democratic process.

For those of you who don't believe there is a Communist threat, I would like to recall a chilling prophesy made at the Lenin School of Political Warfare in Moscow some thirty years ago by a lecturer.

"War to the hilt, between Communism and Capitalism, is inevitable. Today, of course, we are not strong enough to attack. Our time will come in twenty or thirty years."

"To win we shall need the element of surprise. The bourgeoisie will have to be lulled to sleep. So we will begin by launching the most spectacular 'peace' movement on record. There will be electrifying overtures and unheard of concessions. The capitalist countries, stupid and decadent will rejoice to cooperate in their own destruction. They will leap at another chance to be friends."

"As soon as their guard is down, we will smash them with our clenched fist."

Even more recently, the now deposed Krushchev has threatened, "We will bury you!" and has publicly expressed the ambition to have the United States isolated and infiltrated by 1967.

Mr. Adams continued: "They say you've got to have an open mind, that you've got to be willing to compromise. There can be no compromise with evil." You are so right Nelson Adams! Certainly you must consider the slaughter of eighteen million Nationalist Chinese evil? The government of the United States of America has openly declared Communism as evil and has forced the American Communist party underground.

If we as Canadians are going to permit the Communist Party to function and even

promote it by inviting their top professors to lecture at our universities, then surely it is the duty of our government to protect us from the possibility of another China. This protection can only be assured by carrying out investigations of those individuals pledging allegiance to the World Communist Movement.

Mr. Clark in his "Don't play the goat gang" article also did not understand the resolution. I too support the sanity of freedom to speak and think as is personally desirable. Once again the purpose of the resolution is to lend support to the government in maintaining and preserving our system which recognizes these rights.

The interference of the federal government in this More-Nicolaev matter would not be a serious breach of Dominion - Provincial relations if any sense of harmony does exist presently. Clearly education is a provincial mat-

ter, but national defense is a federal concern. The World Communist Movement does threaten our country and therefore our government is justified in carrying out any investigations they find necessary: be it on campus or in any other section of the population.

Clark continues: "Wrigley is careless enough to mention that less than four per cent of the Russian population are members of the Communist Party; it is entirely plausible that A. B. Nicholaev, a professor in economics from Moscow State University is not a party member."

In conclusion, I would like to thank Mr. Clark for supporting my resolution. He clearly points this out by saying, "he should be investigated by the RCMP as one who contemplates and forwards such thoughts which are not consistent with the interests of the people".

In one other article "To a Noble Defense", Donn Atchison states: "The Communist Movement has been afoot in our country since the post-war period."

The above mentioned professor in this article will tell anyone who is interested in knowing the realities of Communism that all communist parties operate both a legal and an illegal party. Like the harmless top of an iceberg the legal party functions democratically, but concealed beneath the surface lurks the largest and most dangerous portion. Mr. Atchison goes on to admit that Communists are "dedicated men who believe in what they say and are generally better equipped to undermine our system than we are to defend it".

When you begin to find good qualities in your enemies, you are getting too old or too lazy to fight them.

I appeal to you, the students for your support.

John Wrigley

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