

Company of Young Canadians Act

indicates I say this is even more true of young inexperienced, people who become the prey of communism.

This is why we, the guardians of Canadian democracy, must warn the young people against the danger threatening them.

And I shall go on with the quotation:

For these reasons, we study closely the matter of the motive and the methods carefully chosen to instill the proper moral and mental conception into the minds of future Canadian adherents before telling them what they are going to do.

In almost every instance, as has already been said, the agents come from "cells" or study groups made up with secret members or supporters of the Communist party (the progressive labor party).

Those statements have been backed up with evidence, which then sent a few people to jail. It is therefore quite a hazard to put millions of dollars at the disposal of young enthusiastic Canadians without giving them sound guidelines.

A young member of the Company of Young Canadians, whose name is Pierre Clérout, made a significant statement in his youthful enthusiasm and his desire to do something, to build a country. That is where the danger lies. In fact, Canadian ideology does not let anyone see this freedom and this security. So, there is danger that the young will be tempted by a socialistic ideology, leading to communism. That is why there is some similarity between the statement made by this youth in his enthusiasm and the words that I quoted a little while ago. The article reads as follows:

In the organization, Pierre considers himself as an animator as well as a helper and a secretary. "It all depends on the situation and the guys I have to face," he said. I fully co-operate in the preparatory work, but I never accept a leading position. Above all, I consider myself as a subordinate. In figures, I may be doing 60 per cent administration and 40 per cent animation.

No matter how praiseworthy are his intentions, if this youth is told lies, he may believe them. In Canada, we have groups of boy-scouts, snow schools and youth camps. With all those elements, it could certainly be possible to create better oriented movements.

I know that the minister will continue to think and say that everything must continue as before, because with a majority in parliament he can organize whatever he pleases.

I have here a letter dated January 5 and addressed to the regional coordinator of the United Steelworkers of America in which the Secretary of State gave the following reply:

—a bill to amend the Company of Young Canadians Act was tabled in the House and will be dis-

[Mr. Dumont.]

cussed very soon. It is certain that the CYC will be maintained and the failings uncovered at the inquiry will be rectified.

We see from this statement that the maintaining of the Company of Young Canadians was automatically assured, and today's discussions will bring no change as the majority government does as it pleases in parliament.

I should also like to point out that in Canada, a country that has produced men of real ability, it would be, in my opinion, most logical to revert instead to our former institutions. That is why we, of the Ralliement créditiste, ask that the Company of Young Canadians be dissolved. We demand the dissolution of this Company which has already spent too much of the taxpayers' money, when there are already, in Canada organizations, such as the Canadian Boy Scouts Association, which has rendered great services and which all Canadians are proud of. In fact, this Association has taught to young Canadians a truly extraordinary discipline.

It seems to me that the Boy Scouts of Canada could advantageously replace the Company of Young Canadians, and the money that was allocated to this group should be granted to the Boy Scouts, so that they may continue to serve Canada well.

I could also mention other groups such as Girl Guides, youth camps organized by some parishes, and folk-lore groups, which should rally the youth, help them to enjoy themselves. Young people, who probably are bored in Canada, need guidance. With certain grants, those groups would do a hundred times more than the Company of Young Canadians. Had we helped them, Mr. Lucien Saulnier would never have had to demand an inquiry on the Company of Young Canadians.

There is also in Canada a number of majorette groups composed of young girls who would like to get some training but who cannot for lack of funds.

By the way, in my riding, the young cadets of Thetford Mines have asked for subsidies so as to represent Canada in Osaka, Japan. The answer was negative and this group of 50 young Canadians, who could have gone there to make Canada better known, will have to stay in Thetford Mines. The president of this group has had to go and beg for \$10,000 from Quebec to get a grant to pay for the transportation and the training of these young people who will do us proud at Osaka.

Since Canada did not assume its responsibilities, since it prefers to waste millions of dollars in grants to the Company of Young