

positive purpose of creating the dynamic counter-attraction to communism of a free, prosperous and progressive society. He concluded by saying that he was sure that it was the desire of the people of Canada that Canada should play its full part in creating and maintaining on the side of peace an "overwhelming preponderance of moral, economic and military force and the necessary unity for its effective use".

On June 11, 1948, speaking in Toronto, Mr. St. Laurent said:

"Six weeks ago, speaking in the House of Commons, I said that the free nations, or some of them, might soon find it necessary to consult together on how best to establish a new collective security league under Article 51 of the Charter. I said that Canada should be willing to enter such a league. I referred to entry into such a league as a fateful decision for Canada.

"Why was it that the proposal met with unanimous support in the House of Commons from members of all political parties? I suggest it is because we, in Canada, are agreed upon the essential bases of our foreign policy.....

"In the interests of the peoples of both worlds - the Communist and the Free - we believe that it must be made clear to the rulers of the totalitarian Communist states that if they attempt by direct or indirect aggression to extend their police states beyond their present bounds by subduing any more free nations, they will not succeed unless they can overcome us all.

"The best guarantee of peace today is the creation and preservation by the nations of the Free World, under the leadership of Great Britain, the United States and France, of an overwhelming preponderance of force over any adversary or possible combination of adversaries. This force must not be only military; it must be economic; it must be moral. Just as in the last war, so also today, we are engaged in a 'struggle for the control of men's minds and men's souls'.

"Victory in war requires a pooling of risks and a pooling of resources. Victory over war requires a similar pooling by the Free Nations. Such a pooling cannot take place unless we realize that the giving of aid to an ally is not charity but self-help.

"We know that, divided, the Free Nations may fall, one by one, before the forces of totalitarian tyranny working within and without their borders, but that, united they can preserve freedom and peace for all. Let us be not only willing but anxious to unite."

On June 19, in the House of Commons, Mr. St. Laurent said that the attitude of the Canadian Government on this matter might justly be described as a "crusade". He said that the Canadian Government thought there would be value in a regional pact whereby the Western European democracies, the United Kingdom, the United States and Canada "agreed to stand together, to pool for defence purposes our respective potentials and co-ordinate right away our forces, so that it would appear to any

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