

The Budget—Mr. Blackmore

4. Communism is against all religion, especially Christianity. I quote briefly again:

Communism is against all religion, especially Christianity. If Soviet Russia is successful, in the end Christianity will be largely wiped out. . .

5. The Lusk committee of the New York state legislature in 1919 made an investigation of communism and, reading again from the economic council letter, "its four-volume report has long been a classic". If this organization knows about that report it probably knows a good deal.

6. Soviet Russia has been at war with us ever since 1919 and is today. I quote again:

Soviet Russia is at war with us today. She has been ideologically at war with us ever since 1919. She was secretly our enemy even between 1941 and 1945, when we considered her "our ally". During that time she was taking advantage of our generosity, or stupidity—

Just as she is today.

—and was including in her requisitions for aid, designs and materials which she intended to use in building up her post-war military potential to destroy us later.

This letter supports every suggestion I have made as to the basic nature of communism, as to its being an imperialistic plot of eastern Europeans, of Turko-Mongolian reds, except that it has not mentioned the ethnic characteristics of the original plotters.

May I read a very short quotation from the introduction to a recent book published in 1952 and written by a man named Prychodko. It is entitled, "One of the Fifteen Million". The introduction is written by Dr. Watson Kirkconnell, president of Acadia University. This is what Dr. Kirkconnell says:

This is a terrible book, but it is the truth that is terrible and it must be faced, for the martyrdom of human freedom in the U.S.S.R. is a martyrdom that the geopolitical planners in the Kremlin intend for us as well. Russian slave camps for Canadians in Canada, manned by Russian police, are the objective of Stalin and his power-hungry agents among us. Every horror described in this book will be duplicated on Canadian soil if communist plans prevail.

That was the president of Acadia University. I do not see how we can lightly disregard such solemn statements.

What evidence can be adduced to indicate that those original communist plotters were Turko-Mongolian reds?

Fortunately for us there was also held in 1919 by the United States a rather thorough investigation into the basic origin of communism. The evidence that was accumulated from the many sources considered would, I feel certain, satisfy any body of judicious men and women, sitting as a royal commission investigating the facts, that the gang of plotters who succeeded in the confused days of 1917 in making itself master of Petrograd

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(1) was of eastern European origin; (2) left the United States of America and went directly to Petrograd, evidently financed by a powerful organization of individuals, many of whom were in the United States; (3) conquered Petrograd by sordid strategy. That evidence would, moreover, show that those eastern Europeans were reds having Turkic and Mongol ethnic affinities.

Mr. Speaker, I think there is no need to say anything more concerning this matter. Surely this evidence ought to be sufficient to convince anyone who is at all interested in the welfare of this nation that we should have set up the most capable commission possible to determine all the facts of every kind concerning communism, to learn all that is being done in Canada, how it is being done and by whom.

We know virtually nothing about all this. We are the victims of skilful propaganda originated by men around us who pretend to be the very best kind of Canadians—just as did those men in the United States such as Owen Lattimore, who travelled about in morning clothes, if you please, and I suppose with monocles. Because they were such nice men no one would have suspected that they were plotting to turn the United States into the hands of those who control Russia! But that is what they were doing. There were Alger Hiss, John Stewart Service, John Carter Vincent—many of them, whose records are now established beyond question.

How do we know what is going on in Canada? I think the evidence that things are going wrong in Canada is practically overwhelming. And I submit, with all the earnestness of which my being is capable, that the sooner we can establish a royal commission on communism in Canada to sit day in and day out, for months and months, to get at the facts, the sooner we shall discharge our responsibility as members of parliament representing the people of Canada in these most trying times.

Mr. Daniel McIvor (Fort William): Mr. Speaker, I have something to say at this time, because I feel the house has been honoured by the Minister of Finance (Mr. Abbott) in the presentation of his budget. I think it is a good after-election budget. It is a good budget for the present time, and for at least two reasons: First, the minister follows in the footsteps of the Prime Minister (Mr. St. Laurent) when he fights and struggles for a united Canada. There can be no doubt about that. His plan is that he will stick to the constitution of Canada, no matter what anyone says, and will say to any province: Thus far shalt thou go, and no farther.