

Inside Canada by Gerald Pyenson

The Committee for the Commonwealth

A new movement aims to rid Canada of 'multi-culturalism' and other colonial relics, to create an American-style republic.

As Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Elliot Trudeau is currently engaged in his worldwide tour to promote the dissolution of NATO, a new political and cultural association has been created in Canada with the express purpose of reversing his Malthusian ravings. This association, the Committee for the Commonwealth of Canada, has held founding conferences in Montreal (on Oct. 30) and in Toronto (on Nov. 20)—gathering over 50 supporters of U.S. presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche—and plans major expansion through conferences in western Canada.

The committee was created in response to a draft constitution for Canada written by Mr. LaRouche, in which he calls for Canada to become a "commonwealth." This term, borrowed from the 17th-century heirs of Erasmus living in England and France, was picked by Mr. LaRouche as a means of reflecting the shared higher purpose that would exist among the diverse groupings of Canadians were his constitution to be adopted by the population of Canada.

In the latest conference in Toronto, at which Canadians from Alberta, Ontario, and Quebec were present, two interrelated polemics were debated. First, the fact that Canada does not yet exist as a modern nation-state prevents the vast majority of the population from naturally rallying around any conception of Canada. Canadians tend to display their political identity in complaining about either domestic or

foreign situations; they never permit themselves to be held responsible for the state of the world. Secondly, the lack of a consciously defined national self-interest of Canada has been manipulated by the Liberal Party of Canada so that the official cultural policy of Canada, adopted in 1971, is "multi-culturalism."

Gilles Gervais, national secretary of the committee, declared in an interview after the Toronto conference: "Canada must become a republic. We shall become a republic by running candidates throughout Canada targeting the insane appeasement policy of 'Neville' Trudeau and demanding that Canada begin immediately a crash program of beam-weapon defense, in collaboration with such projects in the United States. Unlike Mr. Trudeau, most Canadians do not want to end up speaking Russian."

When we asked Mr. Gervais about his chances of succeeding he replied, "This is the first time, since Louis-Joseph Papineau died in 1871, that Canadians are being offered a serious alternative to the circus acts that pass for politics in Ottawa and elsewhere. We are not appealing to Canadians with promises of goodies. We can use the fact that Trudeau is so politically exposed as an agent of influence for Moscow in order to force Canadians to look at the potential to create a real nation during this time of crisis."

We have the muscle to run over fifty candidates in the next federal elections for the House of Commons,

and thus we shall qualify as a new political party. But we have to use this campaigning to reverse the complacency of Canadians. This has never been done in Canada. But the real question of the formation of this association is to deal with the question of the abysmal racist Canadian culture."

For instance, we have proposed massive industrial projects for Canada, like NAWAPA [the North American Water and Power Alliance], which would require more manpower than presently exists in Canada. We have proposed that Canada export floating nuclear reactors from Montreal. We need more labor in Canada. Now, imagine the effect on the normally pessimistic, enraged Canadian when he would see the need for more labor. We have proposed, at this conference, that Canada open its borders for the world's refugees who have nowhere to go. It is a totally absurd, but true, reflection of Canadian immigration policy (designed by John Rawlings Rees of the Tavistock Institute) that Canada has only 24 million people. This is the country with the second largest land area in the world."

Now, it is impossible to develop a nation when you have an official policy called 'multi-culturalism.' We have to throw that policy, and everyone who promotes that policy, into the waste basket."

These conferences have occurred just in time. We see the battle shaping between the type of bestiality represented by the British 'Commonwealth' and the type of civilization represented by the fathers of the United States republic."

We have seen some mild attacks on Trudeau's appeasement policy by the Progressive-Conservative party officials. But this is totally inadequate for the type of situation Canada, and the world, now face."