

HOW MUCH COMMUNISM IS TOO MUCH COMMUNISM?

By: Fernanda Malinski

The New Democratic Party has outlined that their manifesto is committed to bringing back communism. Just simple socialist ideology is not sufficient for this party this year. They are willing to go to the extremes in order to ameliorate Canada... or so they say. In the words of the NDP leader, Auston Pierce, "The only solution is revolution." Some of their plans include the banning of Styrofoam and the taxation of plastics. Both of these plans appear to be progressive, but just how quickly and effectively will the party be able to implement this? The NDP party is also for the legalization of all drugs, which in a way contradicts the communist philosophy. Through the legalization of all drugs, it is giving people the opportunity to be victims of their own demise without any government regulation ensuring fairness of availability and access to the drugs. Perhaps this is not the best strategy in achieving full equality in Canada. The least shocking and most detrimental plan of this party is to abolish free press, instead monitoring and regulating the media through censorship. Historically, this has been shown to be harmful since it is giving the government full jurisdiction on the information laymen are exposed to. By censoring the media, the NDP government will be able to manipulate citizens and thus limit their access to accurate or unbiased information. The New Democratic Party plans to limit broadcasting to only CBC (*Communist Broadcasting Corporation*) and calls their censorship proposal FEAR, which stands for Federal Enforcement of Advertising Rights. According to the party's leader, Canadians must fear the government in order to receive the full 'benefits' of communism. Essentially, the New Democratic Party believes that instilling fear in Canadians is the best way to promote compliance, ultimately creating a highly communist society.



A CLOSER LOOK AT NDP MEDIA CENSORSHIP

"Journalism is bad" boasts exuberant NDP leadership – Marx would disapprove probably.

By: Bianca Washuta

There's no I in Auston, and certainly no respect for freedom of the press. In an attempt to undermine the effectiveness of QMP journalists, hopeful NDP leadership Auston Pierce disgraced freedom of expression and journalism at the leadership debate. It appears as though the NDP are no longer tastefully left-wing, but rather, quickly making headway towards passionate and fervent communism. "Anything to bolster the revolution!" proclaimed Pierce, slamming his fists against the table, a look of frantic desperation in his eyes. Comrades erupted. I looked into his eyes. Fearfully, I saw Lenin. Stalin. Castro. Life flashed before me. In that moment I realized, Karl Marx would disapprove. If he had taken time to read *The Parliamentary Post*, I'm sure he would have, in fact, loved it. Perhaps echoed sentiments in his later work. Ultimately, this is not the vision for the future Marx embraced. *The Parliamentary Post* would have certainly changed his mind about the robustness and tangibility of a functioning communist regime. I mean, probably, right? The NDP's unexpected embrace of communism in QMP party rhetoric is thus both dangerous and concerning. Workers of the world, unite to support your local hard-working journalists and be wary of polarizing politicians.



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RCN Vessel Maintenance

Will the move to Quebec be Problematic?

By: Alex McEvoy-Elmy

The navy in jeopardy? Well, maybe not just yet. Recently the Federal Government has awarded three contracts totalling roughly \$7bn to three shipyards for the maintenance of Canada's ageing Naval frigates. Public Services and Procurement Canada announced on Thursday the advanced contract award notices to Halifax's Irving Shipbuilding Inc., Seaspan Victoria Shipyards in Victoria, B.C. and Davie Shipbuilding in Levis, Que.

The Royal Canadian Navy (RCN) currently operates 12 Halifax class frigates which have an estimated 20 years remaining in their operational life. The frigates have served Canada since 1992 and are predicted to continue their service until the end of their life in 2038.

Understood as a very political decision largely orchestrated by nationalistic members of the federal Liberal caucus this move to bring the naval repair to Quebec is considered problematic by Ken Hansen, an independent defense analyst and former navy commander. Mr. Hansen believes that the navy would be able to maintain their vessels more effectively if the maintenance was carried out at the vessels home ports rather than having to travel to different parts of the country to have routine maintenance carried out.

Hansen added that in the past the different regions of Canada all had their fingers in the shipbuilding pie and this led to a boom and bust cycle where the quality and number of shipyards able to fulfil the required work varied greatly over time. A result of this cycle was insecure employment and regular large-scale layoffs from the shipyards and related economic turmoil within dependent economies.

The investment in the military has been long overdue according to sources however it is possible that the decisions about the maintenance of the RCN could be seen as a negative step. There remain 15 days for other interested industrial parties to submit bids for the naval maintenance contracts

Next Year's Federal Election; Will it be the Nastiest Yet? Trudeau Certainly Thinks So

By: Anabella Klann Harrington

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau preached positivity at a Liberal fundraiser in northwestern Toronto on Tuesday October 30, saying that the 2019 Liberal campaign will be one with, "a positive, compelling message that brings people together, that refuses the politics of personal attacks, that refuses the politics of division of scare tactics," according to CTV News. Next year's election promises to be a big one, with the three main parties and their leaders – Andrew Scheer's Conservatives, Justin Trudeau's Liberals, and Jagmeet Singh's New Democrats – promising to run a tough and brutal race to Ottawa.

Trudeau however, promises to run a campaign just like he did in his victorious 2015 election with, "no personal attacks," from either him or his team. Whether Trudeau will stick by his promise remains to be seen, with several hot topic issues up for consideration such as carbon tax, immigration, and of course, how to deal with United States President Donald Trump. According to Abacus polling centre pollster David Coletto, "[Trump] may not be explicit [in the 2019 election], but it might be implicit in how we evaluate our leaders."

The outcome of 2019's federal election remains to be seen, but with the recent developments on the international stage, one thing is sure: in just under one year, Canada will have entered a new chapter. Parliament was shaken today with news of two waves of leaked government documents occurring within 24 hours. The decisions made by the Green Party's government proved contentious, with multiple MPs either abstaining or crossing the aisle, but were upheld in a close vote, with 104 in favour and 92 against.



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Queen's Model Parliament

Crossword #1

Across

- QMP Conservative party leader
- Our principal at Queen's
- QMP Liberal party leader
- The 23rd prime minister of Canada
- QMP Bloc party leader
- QMP NDP party leader

Down

- How many years has QMP been running?
- A person sent or authorized to represent others
- A physical barrier, can be used to separate countries
- QMP Green party leader
- An informal meeting of local party members to discuss candidates and choose delegates
- Number of equity caucus' that must be attended

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