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CHAPTER II

HATE PROPAGANDA IN CANADA

How extensive is the Hate Propaganda problem in Canada? What forms does it take? What media does it employ? Who are responsible for its recent recurrence? Are the men and materials Canadian in origin or do they have links with sources and persons outside of Canada. These are questions to which this Chapter, surveying hate propaganda in Canada, addresses itself.

1. Introduction and Background

The term "hate propaganda" is a very difficult one to define, but this Committee has tended to restrict its attention to the kind of materials discussed in this chapter -- significant samples of which are included here and in greater detail in Appendix III -- and the main characteristics of which are a generally irrational and malicious abuse of certain identifiable minority groups in Canada. Several themes seem to run through most of this propaganda, among them the assertion that "Communism is Jewish"; that Hitler was right in his policy of racial extermination; that a Jewish conspiracy exists to get control of the Canadian as well as of the world economy; that the Negro race is an inferior one which can weaken our society; that there is a deliberate campaign to mongrelize the races; and that Negroes should be returned to Africa. Such propaganda has been expressed both orally and by the written word, the former in public meetings of extremist right wing groups, on "open line" or "hot line" radio broadcasts and by interviews on radio or television of certain well-known persons of extreme views. In this connection the development and extension of "open line" or "hot line" broadcasting represents a new and peculiar problem (although originally only two private radio stations in Vancouver and Montreal seemed to offer this kind of program, it is becoming more widespread and the Board of Broadcast Governors has announced that enquiries are now under way into the nature of these programs.) As far as written propaganda is concerned, hate material has been distributed by mail, by hand, and even on several occasions by being dropped from the top floors of downtown buildings in Toronto. ⁽²⁾ During the past two or three years the activity of hate promoters has received much publicity in Canadian newspapers as well as by means of broadcasting, particularly C.B.C. television programs. ⁽³⁾

Although the Committee has concerned itself with the distribution of hate propaganda in Canada within the last four or five years, and more particularly

(2) The most recent illustration were thousands of pamphlets dropped to young people waiting to see the Beatles at Maple Leaf Gardens, Toronto, Ontario, on August 17, 1965. (Montreal Gazette, August 18, 1965, page 2).

(3) For a detailed summary of all programs, radio and T.V., 1963-1965, dealing with "hate" materials or giving hate promoters a platform, see Appendix III.

within the last two to three years, this is not a new problem in this country. Hate activity extends back prior to 1960 and probably it antedates even the distribution of hate propaganda that occurred in the latter nineteen thirties.

Without treating the pre-1960 period in great detail, it should be pointed out that during the period of 1937 to 1939 a good deal of hate materials were distributed across Canada.⁽⁴⁾ Most of the propaganda at that time was anti-semitic in nature, stressing such themes as "Communism is Jewish", and much of the activity centered on two individuals, Adrien Arcand and John Ross Taylor. Arcand was the founder and leading figure of the "National Unity Party" in the Province of Quebec, and Taylor operated at that time in the Toronto area.

Both were interned during World War II. Although there were other persons involved in the distribution of hate literature in this prewar period, Arcand and Taylor are the only ones whose names also have been linked to the current hate campaign in Canada.

Immediately following the second World War, Arcand's group was revived in the Montreal area. Although Arcand has been in a state of virtual retirement for some time, and has referred to the small group around him as nothing more than a "study group", he has held some reorganization meetings recently and there is evidence of renewed activity by him in the Montreal and Quebec city areas, although his following remains small.⁽⁵⁾

Taylor resides in Gooderham, Ontario, from where he operates the organization "Natural Order" as well as one called "Canadian Publications". Natural Order and Canadian Publications seem to have participated prominently in recent distributions of hate propaganda.

The current hate campaign dates from early 1963, when it began in the Toronto area. Since then it has extended to several other centres in Ontario, and to at least seven other provinces: British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Quebec; but the main activities have been essentially in Ontario and to a lesser extent in Quebec and in British Columbia. From 1963 on there was and continues to be a steady dissemination of hate propaganda, mainly anti-Jewish, anti-Negro and neo-Nazi in nature. The propaganda has been plastered and displayed in conspicuous places, distributed at public gatherings, placed in apartment mailboxes, sent through the regular mails, and scattered from the upper floors of downtown buildings to the streets below.

The printed, mimeographed and other written materials seem to be obtained in large measure, although not exclusively, from American sources. In many instances it is mailed directly from Arlington, Virginia, the headquarters of the American Nazi Party and the World Union of National Socialists, and from

(4) See a report in "Globe and Mail", Toronto, December 8, 1937.

(5) See also his recent publication restating his views, *A Bas La Haine*, Edition La Vérité, 1965.

Birmingham, Alabama, the headquarters of the National States Rights Party and its organ "Thunderbolt", as well as of "World Service". In other instances these materials are imported in bulk by mail or otherwise from the United States or abroad and then distributed in this country. Several of the publications were distributed for a time by David Stanley, a young Canadian of extreme views, whose activities have been publicized by the C.B.C. and by the press. Stanley has now published a statement recanting his former extremist and anti-semitic positions and charging that certain of his former colleagues are pursuing policies that he could no longer support.

Since a large proportion of hate propaganda stems ultimately from American sources, a word should be said about them. The National States Rights Party, which is both anti-negro and anti-semitic, was launched in 1958. The party headquarters, formerly located in Kentucky, are presently located in Birmingham, Alabama. The organization has branches in New York, California and Ohio. Its official monthly publication, "The Thunderbolt", has been the subject of two recent prohibitory orders issued by the Postmaster General of Canada, which are found in Appendix VI. The National States Rights Party recently absorbed the National White Americans Party, whose name has appeared on some of the recent hate materials. The Thunderbolt recently expanded from 8 - 12 pages, boasts that its circulation is now over one hundred thousand, with claims to readership in fifty states and scores of foreign countries. In addition to The Thunderbolt, the National States Rights Party maintains a depot of hate literature and promotes the sale of the writings of both American and foreign authors specialising in bigotry and racist material. For example, it has revived the distribution of "Jewish Ritual Murder" by Arnold Leese, a British fascist, which was originally published 25 years ago, and of Julius Streicher's "Der Stürmer" which includes obscene and scurrilous illustrations designed to project the ritual murder allegations therein contained.

Another important source of hate propaganda being distributed in Canada is the New Jersey publishing group composed of followers of Conde McGinley, whose semi-monthly publication "Common Sense" has a claimed circulation of ninety-one thousand. Common Sense persistently repeats the charge of a "Jewish conspiracy" to rule the world and the charge that the Communist Party in the Soviet Union and elsewhere is an instrument of this Jewish conspiracy. The United Nations Organization is described as a front created to establish Israel as the seat of world domination. The campaign for racial desegregation is viewed as a Communist-Jewish plot to mongrelize the nation. The group even opposes mental health legislation and water fluoridation programs in racial terms, the former being seen as a plot by Jewish conspirators to "put their enemies away".

The two sections that immediately follow comprise: *first*, an assessment of the extent of the problem and the numbers of individuals and groups involved in the dissemination of hate propaganda in Canada in recent years; and *second*, a brief summary of conspicuous cases of hate material distributions.

11. Persons and Groups Involved in Hate Propaganda Activities in Canada.

The Committee has had the opportunity of surveying the files of the Department of Justice and of studying extensive newspaper reports covering a period of several years as well as other private and public materials describing persons and organizations involved in hate propaganda activities.

The Committee is satisfied that the number of organizations involved, although often with small membership, is somewhat larger than perhaps generally publicized but that the individuals directly concerned are relatively few in number and many of them are involved in more than one of these right-wing, extremist "hate" groups. The Committee has been made aware of about fourteen organizations, several of which, however, are splinter groups derived from now expelled elements of the Social Credit movement; a few are outright Nazi-type parties; and a few are indigenous Canadian-fascist associations. One or two are simply "extremist" with little ideological content. However odious the behaviour of these groups and however offensive the materials they distribute, the Committee believes that none of the organizations represent today a really effective political or propaganda force and that, in any case, very few individuals as such are involved.

Nevertheless, however limited may be the numbers of persons involved, or the political and administrative significance or effectiveness of many of the organizations responsible for the printing and distribution of hate materials, it would be very unwise, in the Committee's opinion, to ignore them. Not merely are these activities and materials deeply offensive to many Canadians, whether targets of the material or not, but it would be a mistake to ignore the potential of prejudice developed by these groups and their continuing "hate" activities.

Some idea of what these materials attempt to promote by way of malice and prejudice will be evident from the list of pamphlets etc. distributed in Canada, and from samples, set out in Appendix III. Some examples are reproduced below:

NATIONAL WHITE AMERICANS PARTY

P.O. Box 2013

Atlanta 1, Georgia.

P.O. Box 431,
Scarborough, Ont.,
Canada.
February, 1964.

Dear Sir/Madam,

A mutual friend has informed us that you are a strong believer in segregation and a dedicated opponent of Jewish Communism.

To avoid delay we are enclosing a membership card to the NATIONAL WHITE AMERICANS PARTY. All you need to do is sign it and you are an official member. Then, drop us a line to inform us of your decision and an organiser will visit you to explain our activity here in Toronto.

You may consider this procedure presumptuous or an imposition on your privacy, but my friend, in this struggle against International Jewish Communism every minute counts. So, to avoid wasting time we are mailing out thousands of cards and leaflets to obtain a mass membership. Your signing the card does not obligate you in any way, although you will be asked to vote for anti-Jewish candidates, boycott Jewish goods, etc. There are no dues or fees.

You may wonder why you are being asked to join an American based organization. The NWAP is a party of the Whiteman and therefore supersedes national boundaries. We believe in the superiority of the Aryan race as proved by *his* great culture and civilization. The negro races have never developed a civilization, discovered any new invention, written a great symphony, or even originated an alphabet. They are on a MUCH lower level to the Whites. We believe in sending all negroes back to Africa whence they came.

On the Jewish Question our policy is much stricter. We *demand* the arrest of all Jews involved in Communist or Zionist plots, public trials and executions. All other Jews would be immediately sterilized so that they could not breed more Jews. This is vital because the Jews are CRIMINALS as a race, who have been active in anti-Christian plots throughout their entire history.

We are moving ahead to victory. We have a positive, active program. Truth is on our side. But to win, we need your help. Help us distribute a million anti-Jewish leaflets during 1964. Let us hear from you real soon, so we can start laying out our plans for the next election.

Yours for a White World,

(Sgd.)
Col. J.P. Fry,
National Organizer (Canada)

THE THUNDERBOLT

The White Man's Viewpoint

Issue 49

February 1963

COMMUNIST PARTY MEETS IN NEW CENTERS

Just as the NAACP, Martin Luther King and other extreme left-wing elements use Negro churches as protective fronts to hold their subversive meetings, the U.S. Communist Party uses Jewish Religious Centers for their secret dens of Anti-American plotting. On this page we picture the Los Angeles "Jewish Cultural Center," which Communist Jews are going to use to celebrate their release by the U.S. Supreme Court. What the public does not know is that the Communists frequently announce in their publications meetings in Jewish religious centers. Many also do not know that the only daily Communist newspaper left in America today is not the so-called "Daily Worker" (it only comes out twice a week now), but the "Morning Friheit" -- A YIDDISH DAILY, PUBLISHED BY THE OFFICIAL JEWISH SECTION OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY. And that they have an official magazine for the Communist Party named "Jewish Currents" also published at the same address. While all Jews in America may not be Communists, it is a fact that Jews make up the majority in the U.S. Communist Party today. In other words, if the Jews would in mass resign from the U.S. Communist Party, the Party would cease to exist. Ninety-five percent of all Jews in America can be classified as either, Socialists, leftists, or Liberals -- regardless, they are on the left -- and are the main force moving this nation leftward into the camp of International Communism.

Whenever these facts come to light, the Jews always fall back on the old defensive smear word "Anti-Semitic", and condemn all who would expose them. Therefore, we continually find Communists announcing that their next meeting will be held at a synagogue, Jewish Community Center, Jewish Cultural Club, Yiddish School, etc. Our leaders are afraid to oppose these dens of treason, for fear of being called "Religious Bigots." Time is running out, and we must soon awaken our people to the complete realization of just who is behind and promoting Communism in America.

NATIONAL SOCIALIST MOVEMENT

74 Princedale Road, London, W. 11

"Britain Reborn" - the National Socialist Policy.

Despite the Jewish lie machine -

HITLER WAS RIGHT

Democracy means - Jewish Control
National Decline
Racial Ruin

Hitler raised Germany from the depths of Democracy. He sought the friendship of Britain in creating a new Europe based on national unity, social justice, racial betterment and defence against Communism; but the Jews forced Britain to declare war on their behalf.

Hitler fell, but National Socialism lives on, and is today the only force which can save our nation and race from ruination and build a new and greater Britain for the British.

SPECIAL BULLETIN

By World Service

We do not say every Jew is a Communist, but that the majority of the Communist leaders and spies were and are Jews. Therefore:

COMMUNISM IS JEWISH

At present we have no means of bringing the truth to the people, except our leaflets etc. To expose ourselves now would be suicide. We would be smeared or even assassinated as countless other patriots were: The Czar and his family; Count Folke Bernadotte (1st U.N. Secretary); and the British Governor of Palestine - all murdered by Jews; Moise Tshombe, Katangan Christian leader - also martyred!

Over 1000 British officers and men blown to pieces, knifed or hanged by Jewish terrorists in Palestine. Thousands of defenseless Arab women and children! Through the Jewish stranglehold on money, business and press, the German, Italian, Hungarian and Slavic peoples are blamed for alleged war crimes. The Jews should take action against the criminal and communistic elements in their midst before crying persecution. Are they trying to divert attention from their own atrocities?

Instead of producing anti-communist films, Jewish-controlled Hollywood continues to pour forth anti-nazi and anti-christian films (e. g. the latest "Cardinal" by Otto Preminger, another Zionist Jew).

Christians unite, boycott Jewish filth. Nazism is dead, but Communism lives.

FIGHT COMMUNISM OR DIE A SLAVE.

The grossly repulsive character of the above needs no further comment.

Finally, a word must be said about the links that the Committee has observed between Nazi-fascist-extremist movements in the United Kingdom, Sweden, the United States and some of the organizations concerned with hate activities in Canada. These activities, often international in character, thus continue to stimulate home-grown varieties of the same character. Again, although the Canadian numbers may be small, the effects are likely to be a great deal more dangerous than present numerical estimates would suggest. The continuing harassment of any minority groups and the uncontrolled repetition of fabrications and pseudo-facts may leave behind a residue of actual or pending belief that becomes the seedbed from which a more dangerous and more widespread prejudice can flower tomorrow.

III. Hate Propaganda Materials and Their Distribution 1963–1965

The following is a selective summary of some of the leading instances of hate propaganda disseminated in Canada during the past two years, set out chronologically, province by province.

1. Ontario

The current hate propaganda dissemination can be traced back to an advertisement placed in the Toronto Globe and Mail on April 1, 1963, asking persons interested in collecting Nazi propaganda leaflets "as a hobby" to write for a free sample to a postal box in Scarborough, Ontario.

Evidence then mounted of distribution in a number of areas in the Province.

1963

In April 1963, a pamphlet entitled "Program of the World Union of Free Enterprise National Socialists" (American Nazi Party, Arlington, Virginia) was posted at a construction site on Yonge Street in Toronto, and a sticker reading "Hitler was right" was placed on store windows in the Kingsway district of Toronto.

On July 2 an anti-semitic tract was distributed outside Massey Hall at a Martin Luther King fund raising performance.

In the same month four different "hate" pamphlets, emanating from the United States, Sweden and Canada were distributed by mail in Toronto.

In September, various pamphlets emanating from Union, New Jersey, Norrviken, Sweden and Arlington, Virginia were distributed by mail to residents of Toronto.

In October, a pamphlet entitled "Stop This Jewish Cruelty", published by the National Socialist Movement of London, England, was placed on store windows in the Islington area of Toronto.

In the same month residents of Ottawa received issues of "Common Sense", published by the Christian Education Association of Union, New Jersey, by mail.

During the week of October 20, anti-semitic material was distributed on a door-to-door basis in St. Catharines, Ontario.

On October 2 construction fences in Toronto were labelled with stickers reading, "We, The Jews, The Destroyers".

On November 7, the Canadian Jewish Congress at its offices on Beverley Street in Toronto received by mail an envelope containing "Common Sense" and other anti-semitic material.

On November 9, a swastika was found painted on a fence at Wellington and Walnut Streets on Stanley Park Soft Ball Stadium in Toronto. The words "Hitler Was Right" were also found painted on fences. On the same day swastikas were found on various fences along with "Juden 'raus"⁽⁶⁾ and "Hitler Was Right" stickers near the Forest Hill area of Toronto.

On November 11, the words "Communism is Jewish" were repeated twice, with swastikas, on a wooden boarding at the Queen Street Bridge in Toronto.

On the same day, leaflets entitled "Communism is Jewish" and "Hitler Was Right" were scattered in considerable quantities from the upper floors of buildings in downtown Toronto. The leaflets were published by the American Nazi Party, Arlington, Virginia.

On November 27 and 28 a pamphlet entitled "World Service, Special Bulletin - White Men Awake". (World Service, Birmingham, Alabama) were attached to poles and stuffed in mail boxes in Toronto.

On December 3 the same leaflet was distributed to stores at Dufferin Plaza in Toronto.

(6) Juden 'raus - a Nazi-German slogan (slang) dealing with expelling Jews from Germany.

On December 11 and 12 the leaflet "White Men Awake" was distributed to various apartment houses in the Queen Street area of Toronto in the early morning hours. On the same day several Rabbis in Toronto received the leaflet with a handwritten notation "More to come!"

On December 12, copies of "Thunderbolt" were mailed to members of the German Club in Niagara Falls, Ontario.

On December 20, the leaflet entitled "Special Bulletin" (World Service) were stuffed in apartment house mailboxes in Scarboro.

During the week of December 23, handwritten postcards were received by several Rabbis bearing the message "Hitler Was Right -- Communism is Jewish". The cards were postmarked December 15, from Amos, Quebec.

On December 27, copies of "The World Service Special Bulletin" were stuffed in apartment house mailboxes on Thomcliffe Park Drive in Toronto.

1964

On January 15, five hundred leaflets entitled "Special Bulletin" were picked up by an apartment administrator from tenants mailboxes in apartment houses along Don Mills Road, Victoria Park Avenue and Eglinton Avenue East in Toronto. The leaflets all had special "hate" messages typed on the reverse side.

The same leaflet was received by mail by persons in Toronto whose names begin with the syllable "Rosen -- (Rosenblatt, Rosenbloom, etc.)

On February 17, prepaid five cent envelopes containing a letter from the "National White Americans Party", an Einar Aberg multi-lingual leaflet and a membership card in the NWAP, were received by several hundred residents in the city of Toronto including a) most synagogues and Jewish organization, b) leaders in Jewish community activities and professional workers in Jewish agencies, and c) the UN Association and certain trade unions. Similar materials were received at about the same time by a County Court Judge, an Ontario Chief Justice, and the Chairman of the Metropolitan Toronto Police Commission.

In January and February, several Jewish public figures in Toronto received neo-Nazi and anti-semitic materials in envelopes post-marked Victoria, B.C. In some cases these arrived frequently and consistently with ever-increasing offensiveness.

In July a pamphlet entitled "Mind Twisters" was found posted in Toronto parks.

In September the same pamphlet was distributed by hand by several people in Toronto.

On September 7 and 8, the dates of the Jewish New Year, one of the most solemn of Jewish religious holidays, a green card was received in the mail by many members of the Jewish Community in Hamilton and Toronto. The card, mailed from Toronto, depicted a Jew fleeing a large swastika, and contained the words "THITH ITH THE END". The cards apparently were published by the "Canadian Nazi Party".

In approximately the same period, various pamphlets were distributed in Sault Ste Marie, including the notorious "Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion".

In November, a pamphlet published by the "Nazi Party of Canada" entitled "This is a kike (Jew)" was placed on the campus of the University of Toronto.

On December 5, several pamphlets published by the World Service, in Birmingham, Alabama, and entitled "Communism Is Jewish", "Program of Canada Youth Corps" and "The Mind Twisters" were distributed on Toronto streets.

1965

In January, various pamphlets emanating from the United States and including "Common Sense" and "Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion" were distributed by a man and woman in downtown Sudbury.

In the months of January and February, a number of anti-Jewish publications were circulated in Port Arthur and Fort William by persons residing in Sault Ste Marie. Most of the material was published in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, but some bore the postmark of Gooderham, Ontario.

During the same period various hate materials were delivered to homes in Wawa, Ontario by persons from Sault Ste Marie. One of the leaflets proclaimed that "Communism is Jewish" while another expounded on the "Bombing Atrocity of Dresden". One of the pamphlets told of alleged atrocities committed by allied troops during the second World War and another was entitled "The Falsehood about the 6 Million Jews Said to be Gassed by Hitler".

Early in February, residents of Stratford, Ontario, received hate literature from Union, New Jersey.

On February 19, 1965, it was reported that hundreds of anti-semitic and anti-negro leaflets were found strewn in cars parked on the main streets and in parking lots in North Bay, Ontario. Others were reported found in the doorways of retail shops.

On February 13, various hate leaflets published by World Service of Birmingham, Alabama, were distributed in Oshawa, Ontario.

In Sault Ste Marie, Ontario, the distribution of hate literature began in the Fall of 1964 and is still continuing (February 1965).

In February, copies of "Common Sense" (Christian Education Association, Union, New Jersey) were distributed from door to door in Port Arthur, Ontario.

In March, pamphlets mailed from the southern United States were received on the campus of McMaster University in Hamilton.

In July, a pamphlet entitled "Help Free Canada from Jewish Control, Join the Canadian Nazi Party, Free Speech for Beattie" were scattered from the air and found at King and Yonge Streets in Toronto.

In May and in July meetings and demonstrations at Allen Gardens, Toronto, led to disorders and arrests.

2. Quebec

1964

In January of 1964, students at McGill University and Loyola College in Montreal received by mail a variety of hate pamphlets, published in New Jersey, Alabama, California and Sweden.

1965

In Montreal, a pamphlet entitled "World Union of National Socialists Press Release re Formation of Union of Fascists", signed by "Helmut F. Dieskau, commander, Union of Fascists (Canada)" was left on steps, lawns and mailboxes of Jewish residents.

In June and July, a pamphlet entitled "Renaissance", apparently published by the Canadian National Socialist Party, was distributed by mail to residents of Montreal.

In September, Adrien Arcand published a restatement of his views in a book entitled *A Bas La Haine*.

3. British Columbia

1964

In March, 250 copies of the pamphlet entitled "Communism is Jewish" were distributed by a juvenile in Victoria.

During the same month, another pamphlet entitled "National White American Party" and signed by "Col. J.P. Fry, National Organizer (Canada)", bearing P.O. Box 431, Scarborough, Ontario, was distributed by mail in Vancouver. The pamphlets had a Victoria postmark.

In May, a pamphlet that included a membership application in the National White Americans Party and bearing a return address in Atlanta, Georgia, was mailed in Squamish, B.C. The pamphlets bore a Birmingham, Alabama postmark.

In September and October of 1964, pharmacists in British Columbia received a publication entitled "Ottawa Anti-Communist Report" which had been mailed from Ottawa, Ontario. Among the items included in the publication was one headed "Jews in Pharmacy" which stated that the Jews were attempting to get control of the pharmaceutical trade in Canada, and which alerted readers to the grave menace to the National welfare if the Jews were allowed to succeed in these efforts. The publication spoke of the "Rokeah" which it described as a Jewish organization designed to gain control of important segments of national-economic life. It linked the deliberate efforts to get control of vital areas of the economy with international Communism.

1965

In February, a pamphlet entitled "Money Creators" published by Canadian Publications in Gooderham, Ontario, was mailed from Alberni Street in Vancouver, to residents of Victoria. Several other pamphlets emanating from the United States and Sweden were mailed as well.

In March a pamphlet from the House of Free Speech in Vancouver to the Members of the House of Commons in Ottawa defended "so-called hate literature" and attacked Jews.

4. Alberta

A certain amount of hate literature distribution occurred in December of 1964 in Calgary.

5. Saskatchewan

In April of 1965, a number of pamphlets were mailed from the Vancouver branch of Natural Order to residents of Saskatoon.

6. Manitoba

In September of 1964, several pamphlets, including one entitled "Communism is Jewish" were mailed to the principal of a high school and others in Winnipeg.

7. New Brunswick

April 1965, pamphlets were mailed from Fredericton, New Brunswick, to people in Moncton and St. John.

8. Nova Scotia

In May of 1964, a number of pamphlets were mailed to people in Dartmouth. The pamphlets bore the return address: National White Americans Party, P.O. Box 2013, Atlanta, Georgia. The pamphlets were postmarked Birmingham, Alabama.

Pamphlets bearing the same return address and postmark were sent to Musquodobit Harbour and Halifax.

In January 1965, the "Press Release re: Formation of Union of Fascists (World Union of National Socialists)" was mailed from Ottawa to addresses in Halifax.

IV. Conclusions With Respect to Hate Materials in Canada.

It is evident from the foregoing that there exists in Canada a small number of persons and a somewhat larger number of organizations, extremist in outlook and dedicated to the preaching and spreading of hatred and contempt against certain identifiable minority groups in Canada. It is easy to conclude that because the number of persons and organizations is not very large, they should not be taken too seriously. The Committee is of the opinion that this line of analysis is no longer tenable after what is known to have been the result of hate propaganda in other countries, particularly in the 1930's when such material and ideas played a significant role in the creation of a climate of malice, destructive to the central values of Judaic-Christian society, the values of our civilization. The Committee believes, therefore, that the actual and potential danger caused by present hate activities in Canada cannot be measured by statistics alone.

Even the statistics, however, are not unimpressive, because while activities have centered heavily in Ontario, they nevertheless have extended from Nova Scotia to British Columbia and minority groups in at least eight Provinces have been subjected to these vicious attacks. The Committee firmly believes that Canadians who are members of any identifiable group in Canada are entitled to carry on their lives as Canadians without being victimized by the deliberate, vicious promotion of hatred against them. In a democratic society, freedom of speech does not mean the right to villify. The number of organizations involved and the numbers of persons hurt is no test of the issue: the arithmetic of a free society will not be satisfied with over-simplified statistics demonstrating that few are casting stones and not many are receiving hurts. What matters is that incipient malevolence and violence, all of which are inherent in "hate" activity, deserves national attention. However small the actors may be in number, the individuals and groups promoting hate in Canada constitute 'a clear and present danger' to the functioning of a democratic society. For in times of social stress such "hate" could mushroom into a real and monstrous threat to our way of life. Nor does giving some of these hate promoters a radio or television platform serve any valid debating purpose. The Committee is aware that radio and particularly

television may expose malice and fraud for what it is, but such a view of affording an electronic audience to hate promoters does not take into account the effects of hate arguments and pseudo-facts on uncritical and receptive minds. The broadcasting of "hate", therefore, whether for news or exposure purposes, should be carefully disciplined by those in charge. Indeed, the Committee feels that in recent years some radio and T. V. producers, with the best of intentions, have been mistaken in their belief that exposure of this kind will destroy the virus. But whatever the validity of these views they do not justify giving propagandists a mass platform as if what they had to say was normal debate on real issues. Plainly it is not.

In the Committee's view the "hate" situation in Canada, although not alarming, clearly is serious enough to require action. It is far better for Canadians to come to grips with this problem now, before it attains unmanageable proportions, rather than deal with it at some future date in an atmosphere of urgency, of fear and perhaps even of crisis. The Canadian community has a duty, not merely the right, to protect itself from the corrosive effects of propaganda that tends to undermine the confidence that various groups in a multicultural society must have in each other. The Committee therefore concludes that action by Government is necessary and the following chapters will deal with the problems of policy and law that are implicit in these findings and conclusions.

