

PILING IT ON THE CONSERVATIVES

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The next federal election is to take place in October, 2015. To gear up for this election, the media are now pulling out the stops to defeat the Conservative party under Stephen Harper. They believe they are free to do so on the basis that Liberal leader, Justin Trudeau, is a viable alternative to Mr. Harper.

As a result, the mainstream media, in 2014, dropped all pretense of objectively and fairness in reporting on the political situation in Canada. Instead, they are piling on the Conservatives, criticizing and discrediting all their initiatives. The media are building up a picture of the Conservatives as being secretive, arbitrary, totalitarian and a danger to democracy.

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Trudeau's handsome face is now constantly seen in the media, no matter how insignificant the occasion. His every remark is dutifully reported, mostly in positive terms. Thomas Mulcair, leader of the official opposition, the NDP, which currently holds 59 seats in the House of Commons, as opposed to the Liberals' 34 seats, is nearly completely ignored by the media. (see cartoon below).

The media justify the promotion of Justin Trudeau, by claiming that the public "wants" to hear and to read about him. In doing so, however, the media seldom criticize the few vacuous policy positions put forward by Mr. Trudeau.

For example, Mr. Trudeau's pre-emptory decision to dismiss the Liberal senators without consultation or warning, was described by many in the media (although not all) as an innovative and thoughtful decision. In reality, Mr. Trudeau's arbitrary decision left the de-liberalized Liberal senators (who in fact remain Liberals) wandering leaderless in the Senate, in a state of shock and confusion, undecided as to who is their spokesperson and who should sit on senate committees since there was no longer an official opposition party. They also wonder how they can remain credible without research funds formerly provided them by the Liberal party. Mr. Trudeau's solution to the difficulties in the Senate was no solution at all. It left the Senate, already a mockery of democracy, in far worse shape.

Mr. Trudeau's peculiar views on the transparency of First Nations funding is also troubling and indicates his lack of in-depth understanding of the problem. The Conservative government has passed legislation, Bill C-27, an *Act to Enhance The Financial Accountability and Transparency of First Nations*. This



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Act applies to over six hundred First Nations communities and requires public disclosure of First Nations audited financial statements and of all remuneration, including salaries and expenses. The bill requires that this information be posted on a website maintained by the First Nations, and also on the website of Northern Development Canada, the department that provides nearly all the \$7.4 billion awarded annually to the First Nations. The Act also provides for measures to enforce compliance with these requirements.

Mr. Trudeau, however, doesn't think that such regulation is necessary, and that only the Indian bands themselves need to have this information. Yet it is the Canadian taxpayer who is paying out billions of dollars each year to the First Nations communities. It is only reasonable, therefore, that information on how these funds are being spent should be made available to the public as well.

It is also well known that Mr. Trudeau supports the decriminalization of marijuana, but believes that adolescents should not have access to the drug. Common sense indicates that the easier it is to access a drug, the more frequently it will be used. The Canadian Medical Association (CMA), at its annual meeting in August passed a resolution which formally opposed the smoking of "any plant substance material", including marijuana. The incoming President of the CMA, Dr. Chris Simpson, stated: "Smoking marijuana may be more harmful than tobacco, partly because people often take 'deeper, longer puffs'. Mr. Trudeau's approach to marijuana is also surprising in that his mother, Margaret Trudeau, openly admits her mental problems and depression have been caused by her heavy use of marijuana. It is apparent that Mr. Trudeau believes that enhancing his position with younger voters is more important than any concern about the harms caused by the drug.

Perhaps the most appalling position taken by Mr. Trudeau is on the issue of abortion. He has stated that he will deny the nomination of any candidate for the Liberal Party who does not support unrestricted abortion and that each Liberal MP must vote in support of abortion, with no exceptions. He has wrongfully asserted that abortion is a Charter right. This is not what the Supreme Court of Canada said. In the *Morgentaler* case (1988), when it struck down the abortion law for technical reasons, the court emphatically stated that Parliament may enact legislation to protect the unborn child. Mr. Trudeau's decision to stamp out the pro-life voice within his party is a shocking transgression, harmful not only for his party, but also for democracy.

TRUDEAU'S POSITION SIMILAR TO THAT OF U.S. PRESIDENT BARAK OBAMA

Justin Trudeau's position is eerily similar to that of U.S. President Barak Obama when he ran for the presidency of the U.S. in 2008. He was adulated by the media, his every

utterance and move were reported and exulted. Mr. Obama spoke confidently of "hope" and "change". These words were the hallmarks of his successful campaign and Mr. Trudeau has adopted this same approach.

In the years since Mr. Obama's election, the word "hope" has become "despair" and the word "change" has become "stagnation". Mr. Obama is, effectively, in over his head (similar to how the Conservatives describe Mr. Trudeau). Prior to his election as President, Mr. Obama had no executive experience in government, nor had he acquired any persuasive skill to move legislation forward. Also, Mr. Obama lacked in-depth knowledge of issues and especially, international affairs. The result has been disastrous, not only for America, but also for the free world. The ineptitude of Mr. Obama has made it difficult to get him off the golf course, where he spends a great deal of time.

Unless some action is taken, Canada may experience the same problems experienced in the U.S. with its inept leader. Mr. Trudeau's assertion of "hope" and "change", his lack of in-depth understanding of issues, and his inexperience, will result, if he is elected Prime Minister for Canada, in the same destiny for Canada, as has occurred in the U.S. under Barak Obama.

CANADA IN CRISIS

With the media's continuous promotion of Mr. Trudeau, and their piling on Mr. Harper and the Conservative Party, we may well face the reality of Mr. Trudeau winning the 2015 federal election. It is difficult to believe that Canadians will fall for this manipulation by the media, but it is realistic to consider this as a possibility.

Although the Conservative Party has been far from perfect, it has nonetheless, within its caucus, and also with its policies, made decisions that REAL Women supports. It is also a positive sign that the Conservative party announced, on August 26th, 2014, that it supports "traditional family values". Although REAL Women is a non-partisan organization, we, nonetheless, do support individual candidates who uphold our values.

It is critical, therefore, that individuals who support traditional values become *immediately* involved in supporting pro-life/pro-family candidates for Parliament. We cannot wait until the election is called. We must begin the journey to that election *now* by volunteering, door knocking and funding the candidate that we can trust to uphold traditional family values. We must also raise strong objections, including Letters to the Editor about the unconscionable criticism of the Conservatives and the promotion of Mr. Trudeau.

Each of us carries a responsibility on his/her shoulders to prevent the unthinkable, a Trudeau victory, from taking place in the 2015 election. ‡

LESBIAN PREMIER EXPOSES HER TRUE RAINBOW COLOURS



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Ontario's Lesbian Liberal Premier, Kathleen Wynne, was elected with a majority government last June. Her election can be directly attributed to the Ontario public unions using their unrestricted funds from compulsory union dues to pay for hateful, vicious advertisements to frighten the Ontario voter against the purported dangers of electing the Conservative opposition.

The opposition leader, Tim Hudak, fell into a trap by claiming that if he won the election, he would eliminate 100,000 jobs in the public service (not a bad idea). However, the unions distorted this to mean that nobody's job would be safe. Also, in the ads, the unions — for example, the Ontario Provincial Police and the firemen's union — implied that any job cuts (they never mention their own generous benefits and pensions) would put the public at risk.

The teachers' union ads claimed that with any job cuts, classes would become huge and unmanageable, and that students would be denied the necessary learning tools to succeed. The constant hammering of these threats by the unions' ads led the voters to turn against the Conservatives and gave Ms. Wynne a majority.

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We can be fairly confident that such a program will inevitably become mandatory in the Ontario school curriculum, even for private Christian schools. No one can be safe from Ms. Wynne's new dictatorial powers with a majority government.

Her enthusiasm for a sex education program comes as no surprise because she had tried once before, in September 2010, to bring in such a program when she was Minister of Education. At that time, her Deputy Minister of Education was Benjamin Levin, who was subsequently charged with making and distributing child pornography

and child exploitation. Mr. Levin's preliminary hearing is scheduled for November, 2014. In a letter, dated April 6, 2009, Mr. Levin had stated, "Today, the ministry released its new equity and inclusive education strategy paper, realizing the Promise of Diversity ... This province-wide strategy has been a priority for our Minister of Education Kathleen Wynne and me."

The sex education program which Ms. Wynne is keen to re-introduce includes six year olds being taught "gender identity" in grade one, sex orientation and different genders in grade three, masturbation in grade six, and oral and anal sex by grade seven.

Horrified parents raised such a storm of protest over the program in 2010, that then Premier, Dalton McGuinty, was forced to withdraw the program after two days.

It is not mere chance that Ms. Wynne wants to force this program on children. There is a purpose behind it. By sexualizing children before they are ready — psychologically, emotionally and physically — children are groomed to engage in early sexual activity, believing that such activity is normal, acceptable and expected of them. This makes children vulnerable and easy prey for sexual predators. That is, children will learn from this curriculum that sexual behaviour, both deviant and otherwise, can be carried out without regret, concern or reservation at any time, by anyone, with anyone.

Sexual activists are enthusiastically pushing such sex programs. For example, the homosexual lobby in the U.K. is pushing the teaching of children under five years of age to celebrate homosexuals and their different families. A report from Georgetown University in the U.S. recommends that children at age 10 be exposed to sexually explicit sex education while they are still "malleable" and be provided with contraceptives and abortion without parental approval. The report states that it is unfortunate that parents are viewed as the authority on sex. Not explicitly stated is that they believe that they are the "experts" who should control the agenda.

Toronto Star columnist Martin Regg Cohn (Star July 23, 2014), described the concerned parents who objected to the alarming sex education in 2010 as "a rump group of religious and right-wing provocateurs". One doesn't have to be religious or right-wing to have decency and common sense. If these so-called "progressive" educators, such as Levin and Kathleen Wynne, want to impose on their own young children their weird and just plain dumb ideas on sex, let them do so. But stay away from our children, who have to be protected from these disturbed, unhealthy individuals. ‡

QUEBEC IS A DIFFERENT SOCIETY

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A CONCERN FOR QUEBEC

Social science has established beyond question that marriage is the best environment for both mothers and fathers, and for the raising of their children. Deviation from this arrangement leads to increased social ills, such as poverty, as well as negative health, educational outcomes for both the children and their parents.

MARRIAGE IS IMPORTANT

In Canada, the province of Quebec and the north (Yukon, Nunavut and the Northwest Territories) fall below the Canadian average in a number of positive social indicators such as marriage, thus distorting Canada's national averages in relation to other countries.

According to the latest census, (2011), in the nine provinces (excluding Quebec) the percentage of married couples was 70%, while Quebec was much lower, at 52%. The percentage of married couples in the Yukon and the Northwest Territories is similar to that of Quebec, at about 50%. However, the percentage in Nunavut is only 39%.

The **marriage rate**, in Canada (the number of marriages per 1000 people), in the year 2000, was 2.9 in Quebec compared to 4.4 for the rest of Canada. PEI had the highest marriage rate at 6.8 per 1000, with Ontario and the western provinces at around 5. However, the national average for a marriage rate of 4.4 was the lowest it has ever been in Canada's recorded history. Even in 1930, during the Great Depression, the marriage rate was 6 per 1000.

WHAT IS REPLACING MARRIAGES?

Statistics Canada reports an ever increasing number of common-law unions. In Quebec, it is at 32%, compared to other provinces, where the rates are closer to 12%. The Yukon, NWT and Nunavut numbers, however, are high at 25, 28 and 33%, respectively. The lowest rate of common law unions is in PEI, at 11.2%.

WHY IS QUEBEC SO DIFFERENT FROM THE REST OF CANADA?

There is no simple answer to this complex question. Contributing factors may include the unique cultural and religious history of the settlement of Quebec by French settlers, which was not the case for the other provinces, with the exception of New Brunswick with its Acadian population. It is certain, however, that the revolution of the 1960's in Quebec changed many aspects of that province's culture in a short period of time. This was explained by Bernard Landry, former separatist Parti Quebecois leader, premier of Quebec from 2001-2003, and political science and economics professor, who stated (Montreal Gazette, February 6, 2007):

The revolution of the 1960's changed so many things in such a short period. We made a break with Catholic morality, and have been trying to build an ethical and moral code that is not linked to religion ... and we haven't found a good way to do that.

WHAT IS THE FALLOUT FROM QUEBEC'S BREAK WITH RELIGIOUS FAITH AND ITS INSTITUTIONS?

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I. Suicide

Statistics Canada reported 11.5 suicides per 100,000 population in Canada in 2009, much higher than in 1950 when it was 7.7 per 100,000 (World Health Organization).

Quebec's suicide rate, however, reached a peak of 22.2 per 100,000 in 1999 but fortunately, declined to 12.5 in 2009.

Among the Inuit, the rate has been reported, tragically, to be six to 11 times higher than the Canadian average. According to a University of Ottawa report, between 1986 and 1996, the rate of suicide among males in Nunavut was 119 per 100,000 compared to an average of 13 for the rest of Canada, which is more than the rate in Quebec.

Social well-being is a factor in suicide rates. Statistics Canada reports that married people are the least likely to commit suicide, with the rates for single, never-married people being 3.3 times higher. The suicide rate among men is generally 3 to 4 times higher than among women. There is a correlation between suicide rates and divorce rates,

as there is between suicide and high unemployment rates and mental illness.

The teen suicide rate in Quebec in 1950 was 2 per 100,000 population, the same as the national rate, but climbed to a tenfold high of 20 per 100,000 in 2002. At one point, Quebec had the highest teen suicide rate in the world. In Canada (2011), teen suicide rates have now plateaued at 9 per 100,000 (12.5 for males and 5.4 for females, ages 15-19), but the number is 10 for Quebec teens.

2. Abortion

Abortion data in Canada are under-reported since private clinics do not report the number of abortions they perform. A University of Ottawa web site on health, claims, however, that Quebec's abortion rate is 38 per 1000 women of child bearing age per year, compared to 12-16 per 1000 for the rest of Canada.

A recent study at the University of Quebec at Montreal revealed a disturbing pattern. 12.5% of the female students surveyed had had an abortion. 16% of those had had an abortion twice; 7% had had three abortions; and 4.4% had had four or more abortions.

In 2012, the ratio of reported (under-reported) abortions to live births is 1 for every 3.5 live births in Quebec compared to 1 for every 4.6 live births nationally.

3. Increased Drug Use

Quebec's most populated area, Montreal, is currently experiencing a wave of fatal drug overdoses, up sevenfold in May and June of 2014, with 18 deaths and 35 overdoses. Addicts are being sold drugs laced with opiates, as well as drugs of unknown concentration and other impurities that are added to "boost" the drug.

Rather than targeting the criminals making a profit on the sale of drugs and providing desperately needed treatment beds for addicts, the Quebec Health Ministry is planning to train addicts to administer a drug which restores normal breathing when they enter into overdose. It is also calling for drug injection sites as part of the solution.

But these sites, like Insite in Vancouver, only supervise the injection of drugs by addicts, who have bought them from drug pushers who care little about quality control. Injection sites require a special exemption from the federal government to overlook normally criminal drug transactions which provide addicts with drugs. Where is the demand for treatment centres so that addicts can overcome their addiction? It seems that the Quebec

"experts" prefer to condemn these troubled addicts to even deeper addiction, and, eventually to an early and painful death.

4. Increased Influence of Feminism

Feminist influence on public policy in Quebec is very strong. Federal government funding, via Status of Women, has contributed to this by funding radical feminist organizations, such as the FFQ, Federation des Femmes du Quebec, since the 1980s. The FFQ received \$ 159,323 from Status of Women in 2000, a high of \$290,000 in 2008, and \$240,000 in 2010, when its funding was cut. FFQ presidents have moved on to become a Liberal appointed Senator, (unionist Yvette Boucher), a Liberal Minister of Status of Women Canada and Senator (Sheila Finestone), a separatist Bloc member of Parliament (Vivian Barbot) and a member of the Quebec National Assembly for the extreme left, separatist party, Quebec Solidaire (Françoise David). The Feminist influence and demands in Quebec for policies unfriendly to the traditional family has been considerable.

For example, imposition of gender parity on political parties in Quebec is no longer questioned. The previous provincial Liberal government under Jean Charest, ensured that 50% of his cabinet was female. Other left wing parties, such as Quebec Solidaire, even made sure it had a transgender presence among its candidates in the June, 2014 provincial election.

The Quebec Status of Women Ministry and the Quebec Status of Women Commission are now considering legislation to impose gender parity, (the same number of males and females) on candidates in Quebec elections. This arose because the recently elected Liberal Premier, Philippe Couillard, did not adhere to this feminist gender quota of 50% in his cabinet choices.

5. Increase In Number of Children in Government Operated Child Care

Quebec introduced a universal day care system in 1997, costing parents only \$5 a day. The cost to parents is now 50% higher, set at \$7.30 and indexed to costs. The government subsidizes this by \$60 a day, per child. The cost to the state has grown eight-fold since the child care program was established.

The rate of children in non-parental care has gone from 10% in 1994/1995 to over 50% in 2006 (Institute of Marriage and Family Canada, IMFC, *A Quebec Family*

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Portrait, 2011) and, according to the Quebec Institute of Statistics, 80% of Quebec children under 5 years of age are now attending day care on a regular basis.

It is noteworthy, however, that Quebec's child care system has created a number of problems. In addition to its enormous, ever escalating costs to the debt-ridden province, there has been a marked decrease in parental involvement in the care of children sent to these child care facilities. As learned in Sweden with its sweeping national child care system, when children are kept for long hours in childcare, parents do not develop the necessary confidence to raise their own children. Their parental instincts decrease, and they lack the ability both to set limits on their children and to sense their children's needs. Children and parents become less bonded, since the children do not develop a psychological attachment to their parents. Instead, because they are being raised in large groups with their peers, they look to their peers for approval.

It seems, however, that day care can be beneficial for children who live in less favorable circumstances, such as homes with substance abuse and violence. However, these are precisely the children who do not attend Quebec day care centres, as the children of better off parents predominate in Quebec's child care systems.

Several studies have criticized the Quebec system for the favouring of upper and medium income families over poor families, for producing disruptive children and for providing poor care as well as a weakened bond between

the children and their parents. Such problems are seen in Sweden, where 92% of children between 18 months and 5 years are in subsidized day care. This costs the Swedish government \$20,000 annually, per child.

In Canada as a whole, 13% of fathers took parental leave in 2009, whereas in Quebec, 79% did so. An IMFC study shows that 75% of Quebecers believe it is better for a child under six to be cared for by a parent at home but few do so because of the convenience for the parents of the availability and low costs of institutionalized child care. Also, the extra income from both spouses in the paid work force seems to take precedence.

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QUEBEC'S DOWNWARD TREND

Quebec elites pride themselves on being "progressive," ahead of the curve with abortion access, young mothers in the labour force, redefining marriage to provide "human rights" for LGBTQ (Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgendered and Queer), and free-wheeling pornography. Quebec is now pressing ahead with a dangerous law allowing euthanasia and assisted suicide, contrary to Canada's Criminal Code, which prohibits this termination of life. The Quebec legislation will permit a physician to legally kill a patient on request — a remarkable departure from the Hippocratic Oath with which physicians have complied over the centuries, and which includes the provision to "do no harm".

What is Quebec's future? Unless this social decline is addressed, it looks dark and troubling. †

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