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Our cover: This month's cover features an illustration of the "Rebel Archway" in Victoria, BC, prepared for the visit of Lord Dufferin in 1876, to placate British Columbians who were angry at the federal government for not living up to their promise of a transcontinental railway to the West Coast. "Carnarvon Terms" refers to the compromise between the provincial and federal governments which allowed for the creation of a railway on Vancouver Island between Esquimalt and Nanaimo. The Senate, however, defeated the "E & N" bill. Disillusionment with Canada increased in BC until in 1878 a resolution was moved by the provincial government that the new province withdraw from confederation. The separatist movement in BC is as old as union with Canada.

Report on Separatist Meetings in August

Four meetings to promote the Western Block Party and the concept of Western Canadian Independence were held in Alberta and Saskatchewan during August. The meetings were held in Saskatoon (August 1), Leduc, (August 4), Calgary, (August 5) and Regina (August 6). These four meetings fol-

lowed my appearances on John Gormley's Saskatoon/Regina talkshow on July 8 and July 31, which resulted in province-wide publicity in Saskatchewan. I was also interviewed on Lesley Primeau Show on CHED in Edmonton August 1, promoting the Leduc meeting August 4. The response to the talk shows was very positive.

About 40 people attended the meeting in Saskatoon, and roughly the same numbers

attended in Leduc and Calgary. The meeting in Regina had six attendees, but two of them came all the way from Dryden, Ontario. They expressed interest on behalf of those in North-western Ontario who feel alienated from the government in Toronto, as well as the government in Ottawa—just as we in the West do. The small attendance in Regina was probably due to the lack of publicity in the area. Radio ads would have raised the profile of the WBP all over Saskatchewan and North Alberta.

The newspaper advertisements that we bought also would have seen some residual benefit in the smaller communities and outlying areas. The advertisement was directed to our website, WesternBlockParty.com, and this newly reconstructed website will permit easier access to those who have the Internet.

Overall, the cost of the four meetings (travel, accommodation, advertising and meeting room expenses) was approximately \$4,000, while receipts from donations and memberships were approximately \$2,600. This may indicate a loss in the short term, but the purpose of politics is long-term, particularly for the movement for Western Canadian Independence.

The goal is, of course, to break even on these campaign tours, but this is perhaps impossible in view of the fact that in the short term we have not got that much publicity. Our goal is to continue to campaign and spread the word, and that will only be possible when we get a stronger base, which we will achieve through these meetings and the website, as well as through your efforts upon reading this newsletter and encouraging others to join the WBP.

Western independence is certainly more popular in Saskatchewan and Alberta, as the carbon tax reveals the tendencies of the federal government to do what was predicted by some Toronto MPs who let the word slip that the real reason for the “Green Shift” is to shift the

green, i.e., the money, from Alberta and Saskatchewan to the hungry political mouths of Central Canada.

Anyone who has been around long enough to remember how the system worked under Trudeau, Mulroney and Chretien (or any successful prime minister) will realize that Ontario needs what the West produces for the purpose of subsidizing a bankrupt government in Ottawa. For this reason, our message of Western independence is vital to the preservation of our wealth, freedom and culture. Nothing short of our ultimate success can or will preserve our way of life, and so the tour of August 2008 was and is the best tribute we can make to the spirit of the pioneers who built our country and to the future generations who may yet want to live here in freedom and prosperity.

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

Subject: The Carbon Tax

This rumble is now moving across the country and will gain force.

Please don't let this happen any further in Canada. Canada emits only 2% of the world's supply of Greenhouse Gases and 52% of that comes from the Oil Sands Plants. Automotive emissions are less than 20% of the 48% balance of Canada's 2% of the World Outcome. Do the math, it's such an insignificant amount, it's a joke.

Our fuel prices are now \$6.75 per Gallon, equivalent to \$6.00 per gallon U.S. When Canadians realize what a jackpot the politicians can get us into by supporting a Carbon Tax, they will be out to get any politician that supports this cause. Dion, Campbell etc. will regret the day they devised this scheme. Americans are screaming at \$4.00 a gallon. Our provincial and federal governments are ripping us off with high taxes on fuel now. This is such a cash cow

they don't want to stop. Stop excessive taxation and giving our money away abroad. We need more support and tax relief for our senior's and baby boomers now retiring and trying to find a fixed income level they can exist upon after working all their lives and paying heavily into the system.

And I am not an Liberal or NDP supporter. I am a Senior and a middle of the road conservative and we will be a majority in Canada for the next 20 years, so politicians, get smart and support us.

Do some hard thinking about future and protect our seniors and all the population from the excessive costs we are facing now and in the future with more taxes. Technology will fix the Oil Sands problem as they are working on a fix now to reduce that source in the future. Why us with these programs at this time?

Brian Morris, Kelowna BC

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Freedom's Voice

“While birds can fly, only humans can argue. Argument is the affirmation of our being. It is the principal instrument of human intercourse. Without argument the species would perish. As a subtle suggestion, it is the means by which we aid another. As a warning, it steers us from danger. As exposition, it teaches. As an expression of creativity, it is the gift of ourselves. As a protest, it struggles for justice. As a reasoned dialogue, it resolves disputes. As an assertion of self, it engenders respect. As an entreaty of love, it expresses our devotion. As a plea, it generates mercy. As charismatic oration it moves

multitudes and changes history. We must argue — to help, to warn, to lead, to love, to create, to learn, to enjoy justice, to be.”

— *Gerry Spence, Lawyer and author*

Source: from his book, How To Argue And Win Every Time

“Pity the poor, wretched, timid soul, too faint hearted to resist his oppressors. He sings the songs of the damned, ‘I cannot resist, I have too much to lose, they might take my property or confiscate my earnings, what would my family do, how would they survive?’ He hides behind pretended family responsibility, failing to see that the most glorious legacy that we can bequeath to our posterity is liberty!”

— *W. Vaughn Ellsworth, American author, defended himself against IRS in 1977*

“As I watch government at all levels daily eat away at our freedom, I keep thinking how prosperity and government largesse have combined to make most of us fat and lazy and indifferent to, or actually in favor of, the limits being placed on that freedom.”

— *Lyn Nofziger, [Franklyn C. Nofziger] (1924-2006) American journalist, political consultant, author, Press Secretary for President Reagan*

Western Block Party News

‘GREEN SHIFT’ SHIFTS MONEY AND VOTES TO CENTRAL CANADA

(Western Block Party Press Release #2, August 14, 2008)

VICTORIA - The latest Harris/Decima poll proves once again that beating up on the West is surest way to ensure electoral success in Ontario and Quebec, Western Block Party Leader Douglas Christie declared today.

The poll, which shows the Liberals supplanting the Bloc Québécois in Quebec and surging to a nine-point lead over the Conservatives in Ontario, demonstrates that Stéphane Dion's "Green Shift" is the latest incarnation of Senator Keith Davey's age-old Liberal wisdom: "Screw the West, we'll take the rest."

Mr. Christie commented, "The 'Green Shift' has two purposes. The first is to shift the green-the money-from the West to Ottawa. The second is to shift political power back to Central Canada. The Liberals are bribing Ontario and Quebec with money stolen from the 'greenhouse' provinces, which just happen to be Alberta and Saskatchewan. It worked for Trudeau in 1980 and for Mr. Chrétien in 2000, and there is every indication it will work for Mr. Dion this year.

"The West can complain all it wants, but the plain facts are that the entire West has only 92 seats in the House of Commons, while Ontario and Quebec together have 181, almost twice as many. For the West, Canadian Confederation has been and remains nothing more than robbery by law. Only secession and full independence can free the West from Eastern robbery and secure its rightful economic prosperity."

The WESTERN BLOCK PARTY NEEDS YOU!

In preparation for the coming election we need the following:

1. A provincial representative and spokesperson in each Western province. Please put forward your name for consideration by email or fax with a brief résumé and statement of goals to our head office.

2. Twenty candidates in Western Canada within one month. Please put forward your name and the federal riding you reside in for consideration by a telephone interview. Please

provide your telephone number. Once candidates are selected, conference calls will be arranged frequently.

3. Provide a profile of yourself as a candidate by email or fax to be included in a brochure for consideration and website posting.

4. Where two or more members wish to contest a riding, a nomination meeting will be held.

5. Send us an email list of like-minded people to whom we could send weekly bulletins.

6. Create your own Western Separatist blog or website.

7. Send us your suggestions to improve our message and effectiveness.

THE NECESSITY OF WESTERN SEPARATISM

Never has there been a time when Western separatism was more necessary. Yet there has never been a time when the Federal government has been more successful than now at convincing Westerners than it was not.

The necessity arises out of the conflicting economy between the West and Ontario. Ontario, where all the manufacturing of Canada has been traditionally subsidized to keep the Liberals in power, faces deep layoffs. They are so dependent on both Federal subsidies of one kind or another and the American market, that they were doomed with America's decline.

The West, on the other hand, is a resource-based economy, and its commodities are now in intense worldwide demand. From oil to water, to wheat, to wood fibre and all the minerals, the West has an abundant surplus. Uranium, the source of clean energy, is a new market demand. Saskatchewan and Alberta are booming. The need to equalize the Western surplus with the Ontario deficit has never been

greater, what with oil approaching \$150 per barrel.

Then we look at the political reality, and we are astonished. The so-called Conservatives having reneged on their electoral promises — from scrapping the gun registry to a Triple E Senate — have all but capitulated to Ontario and Quebec. Just like the Liberals, but unlike the Liberals they are not faced with a revolt in the West. They are perceived as a Western Canadian party with a Western leader.

After Maxime Bernier misplaced his documents, no Westerner could take his place. It was another Quebecker as a matter of necessity. Mr. Harper must consistently cater to Quebec and Ontario. So equalization in the West pays, and the East benefits. The Conservatives have even enhanced equalization. In short, everything necessary to win Quebec and Ontario can be done and must be done. The West simply says nothing. Were all the concessions made by a Liberal from Quebec or Ontario, the West would be alive with outrage.

Maybe the Federalists would be more effective with a Western leader who acted as the West's false friend. Someone you trust, who speaks your language, knows your heart and pretends to assist you. Stephen Harper is that false friend.

False friends can also readily confuse allegiances and loyalties. This is the evident state of our own Western political scene. The Green Party, which claims to love the earth (maybe more than people), is gaining strength. The basic reason is the absence of real clarity on the issues brought about by the false labelling of political parties. The Conservatives aren't conservative; the Liberals aren't liberal; the Greens aren't green; and the NDP are against them all. It appears confusion reigns over all.

The sea change will happen when Mr. Obama is elected President of the United States. Then we will see the American Empire in full retreat and the collapse of American he-

gemony around the world. Ontario's situation will go from serious to critical and demands for money and assistance in a multicultural chaos will emerge from Toronto and with the right "Conservative" leader the West will pay again for national unity.

At times like these it is the media that makes the difference. The media generally follows the trend of popular opinion, particularly when the popular will is moved by a groundswell of support. It is clear that the Establishment did not favour Mr. Obama. The Canadian Establishment to which Mr. Harper must bow demands aid for Ontario and Quebec.

My conclusion of this analysis is as follows:

1. Just as Mr. Obama defied the expectations of the Establishment, Mr. Harper will fail by satisfying the expectations of the Establishment.
2. The success of the Federal Conservatives has demonstrated both Canada's failure as a cohesive nation as well as the futility of Federalist politics to achieve the old Reform Party goal of "The West Wants In."
3. We can see how Ottawa has corrupted the Conservative Party by its constant need to compromise.
4. Separation is the only way to overcome the corruption of Ottawa.
5. The Western Block Party has the capability to solve all these problems by bringing Western Canadians together in one movement to create the awareness of the need for a new nation and the rational climate to create it.

~Join the Western Canadian Independence Movement~

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___ I enclose \$___ for ___ **bumper stickers**.

___ I enclose a **donation** of \$_____ to help promote the idea of Western Independence.

___ Please send **information** about the Western Canadian movement for Independence to the following people (please print clearly):

I want to help as follows: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

_____ Postal Code: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

Email Address: _____

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