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Celia & Bill Abram are two dedicated seniors, in Duncan, Vancouver Island, B.C. See pages 19-22 for a tribute to Celia and essays by both of them - on Canada's past and future.



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A word from the publisher and editor...



Maurice, Penny & Janet

As one of our readers has aptly called it, this is a special **"Call To Action!"** issue of **dialogue magazine** – asking Canadians everywhere to join concerted efforts to challenge and defeat the elite agenda for a North American Union – via the SPP (the so-called Security & Prosperity agreement).

One of the **Stop the SPP** initiatives, **The Great North American Phone-In** is being organized by **dialogue** reader/writer Paul Grondin of Amherstburg,

Ont. See page 7 for details – and please support Paul's goal to deliver an overwhelming message to both Canadian and U.S. legislators and politicians. If you are not yet familiar with the NAU – and corporate globalization in general –there is a great deal of background information in this issue.

An issue to Wake Up Canadians!

Thanks to Don Parker of Georgetown, Ont., and many other readers who have purchased extra copies of this issue – to **"Wake Up Canadians!"** – we have been able to almost double our normal circulation. Don also suggested an important essay by Charles Sullivan, **"Pain and Conscience: thoughts on apathy, courage and change."** Mr. Sullivan warns us that "The failure to act and rebel when the conditions demand it is a betrayal not only of our own humanity; it is a crime of great magnitude." Although this article is written from and about the U.S., its analysis of (and remedy for) the 'failure to protest' is very relevant for Canadians today. The essay is reprinted with the author's permission on p.11, along with Don's letter to Prime Minister Harper.

And don't miss the special tribute to life-long activist, Celia Abram of Duncan, BC, and essays by her and her husband Bill (on pages 19-22).

If this is your first issue...

A special welcome to new readers. You may be wondering why you haven't heard about **dialogue** before? After all, you have already missed 21 years of our adventure! The simple answer is that this magazine is entirely volunteer-produced (other than the actual printing & mailing!); and we have no budget for advertising. A reader's recommendation is the only way we become known! Thank you for reading this issue! We hope you will let us know what you think of the magazine and will "join the dialogue!" (See p. 58 for subscription information.)

A Special Thank You...

A special thank you, on behalf of **dialogue** for a generous donation received from Les Mundy of Greenfield Park, Quebec, **as a Memorial to his sister, Edna. Received with Love and Gratitude.** (Les also sent a photo and note about his granddaughter Katie, p.30.)

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Thank you to readers who forward our e-mail newsletter to their contacts; it helps more people become aware of **dialogue**! If you are not yet receiving Maurice's monthly e-mail newsletter, e-mail to: maurice.king@dialogue.ca – and we will add you to our e-newsletter list. [Please note: the e-mail for submissions to the printed magazine is: dialogue@dialogue.ca/]

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Thank you ~ and... good reading, contemplation, and 'taking action!'

Maurice, volunteer publisher

Janet, volunteer editor

...and Penny, of course!

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Thoughts on Canada's Future

Sneaky and illegal "agreements" threaten Canadian sovereignty

Alan A. Macdonell, Williamstown ON

It is a sad experience to watch Canada being demolished without even a murmur of protest from people who should know better. It seems Free Trade and NAFTA have enabled the corporate fascists to gain a stranglehold over all aspects of Canadian autonomy and, with the willing assistance of both of Canada's major political parties, our country's sovereignty is being dismantled piecemeal. It is difficult to maintain a facade of civility when dealing with these creatures, but I will try to avoid the expletives that might be required for clarity.

There is something slippery-slimy about the Bush-Harper lovefest, with its sneaky and illegal approach to implementing so-called "agreements" of critical interest to Canada, while ignoring normal Canadian procedures in such matters. Bush is clearly a cheat, liar and thief, with a bizarre interest in torture, who should have been impeached for his role in 9/11. Do we now have a union of birds of a feather? It seems the American military can enter Canada any time they wish, on the basis of an agreement signed by some Canadian Lieutenant-General in February.

As far as I know, the police state hasn't taken over yet in Canada. We still have two houses of parliament, a Governor-General for commander-in-chief and thirty million potential militia before we get down to accepting military dictates.

As Prime Minister, Harper is responsible for correcting this infringement on Canadian sovereignty. The best approach would be to fire the Lieutenant-General who signed the false agreement and/or resign himself.

At present, this is not likely to happen. In fact, another false agreement was signed by Stockwell Day, with Israel in March. We are now supposedly committed to enhancing Israel's security as well as our own. Thank you, Stockwell. If this were allowed to stand, we would have established bias against 200 million touchy Arabs. Surely Canada's parliament will see the diplomatic value of Canadian neutrality in this situation.

My thanks to Professor Michel Chossudovsky for supplying the facts on these matters. His website (below) has in depth analysis of these and other facts. In this letter, the interpretation of these facts is mine. www.globalresearch.ca ♣

Federal government actions spur thoughts of independence

Ken Kellington, Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan.

The Federal Government's license buyout of thousands of Newfoundland fishermen with cash settlements – and subsequent treatment of this as a capital gain, resulting in capital gains tax in excess of twenty thousand dollars –

borders close to the laws on fraudulent acts.

The out-of-court settlement between the Federal Government and approximately one hundred fishermen, exempting them from the capital gains tax on condition they would not disclose their success, so there would be no exemption of the tax for the majority, would be considered by most Canadians fraudulent and an act of theft by the government.

This action by the Federal Government provides further proof of the urgent need for Western Canada to separate and form an independent Republic of Western Canada with a system of government that is fair and accountable to the people. These actions also provide evidence that the citizens of Newfoundland and the Maritime Provinces should also be investigating the positives and negatives of their separation and independence from Quebec and Ontario.

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"Party" trumps national interest

R. Arthur Bradford, Orillia ON

The future, for a majority of Canadians and for the people in so many of the less developed nations, will probably be disastrous. For the last two decades, at least, Canadian governments have signed dangerous agreements with the U.S. The public was not given the information and the time for discussion and response that democracy requires. By 1980, the use of our tax money now included the supporting of big corporations and many of the politicians and the backers of parties.

Ian Woods of *Global Outlook* has recently published Vol. I of "9/11: Solving the Greatest Crime of All Time." Currently, about one third of Americans believe that 9/11 was allowed to happen. It did not matter that Americans were killed, a false reason for attacking the government of Iraq resulted and too many Americans have already died there (not to mention Iraqis; and Canadians and Afghans in Afghanistan).

Right now, there are experiments about getting a camera in the air that will report activities in other countries. A long-time dream of the U.S. has been the ability to use a nuclear attack from above on its enemies. The Free Trade Agreement of 1989 was only about giving outside investors more support than Canadian investors. NAFTA has taken considerable money from Canada without Canadians being told. It is a terrible choker around Canadian necks. Why Jean Chrétien signed NAFTA when he became prime minister is beyond me. Previously, he had voted against it in Parliament and demanded its elimination if it was not opened up for changes. So far in Canada, the interests of the political party have taken precedence over the needs of the country. The only active party fighting for a return of most of our sovereignty and independence is the **Canadian Action Party**. ♣

Corporate Global Agenda

Knowledge is the way to freedom



Connie Fogal, Vancouver

CAP often receives pained expressions of concern from our members and contacts that we send out so much really disturbing information. Even our highly informed people would prefer to hear happy stuff. So would I. But, CAP has been at the forefront

in distributing significant but unpleasant information since day one. It is part of who and why we are.

Most of what you will hear in the link below is information we have communicated to you before in bits and pieces as we have learned it. This is the first time I have listened to a full and complete disclosure.

At this time let me repeat the message, which I have tried to communicate over and over. Do not submit to fear. Recognize it as your enemy. Be strong. Stay steady. Personally, I am absolutely convinced that information and knowledge are the tools for freedom.

I hope you can recognize that more and more people are waking up and are exercising their courage and are spreading the information even further.

I am convinced we will know the right steps to take as we open up to each other more and more. That is our power.

There is an awakening, a consciousness happening. Keep it going. That is our source of survival.

The LINK: On Mar. 13 08, in a secret closed door meeting (only the 4th such closed door session in the history of the United States, the others being in 1979, 80 & 83) the Congress was told that imminent Martial Law is coming to America; in all likelihood, before the end of 2008. (YouTube) Audio: 10m 16sec.

www.youtube.com/watch?v=BiFlouOozpk&feature=email

The Canada-France relationship returns to 1967

Kenneth T. Tellis, Mississauga ON

It looks like things are back to normal between France and Canada, as French Prime Minister François Fillion has now returned to the period of July 26, 1967.

When French Prime Minister referred to Quebec as le pays during a speech at the ceremony celebrating the 400th Anniversary of the founding of Quebec City, and then he surely has continued on the same journey that French President Charles de Gaulle took in 1967.

Well, I think that François Fillion is quite right in alluding to Quebec as that "pays," while he is obviously pretending to clothe it in other terms and he really means what he says, just as Charles de Gaulle did on July 26, 1967.

But we must now also refer to Bretagne, Corse, Normandie and le pays Basque as pays (countries) instead of them being considered integral parts of France. That way at least the French Government will get the message. So let's not

Connie Fogal has been nominated as a finalist for Project Censored's new book because of her coverage of the Security and Prosperity Partnership agreement

From Rebecca Newsome, Researcher
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Dear Connie Fogal, Your article, "North American Union: The SPP is a 'hostile takeover' of democratic government and an end to the Rule of Law," published by Global Research, 8/2/07, has been selected as a finalist for the Project Censored "Most Censored" News Stories of 2007-08 Awards. Hundreds of news stories were nominated this year and your story has been ranked in the top twenty-five most important under-covered of the year.

All of the top twenty-five stories have been forwarded to our national judges for final ranking. We will be in touch soon to let you know the results of that ranking and to invite you to take part in the Fall 2008 Project Censored lecture series.

Over 250 faculty and students at Sonoma State University (California) reviewed your story and voted on it on April 15. A synopsis of your story will appear in Chapter 1 of the book Censored 2009: Media Democracy in Action, scheduled for release in October from Seven Stories Press.

More at: www.ProjectCensored.org ♣

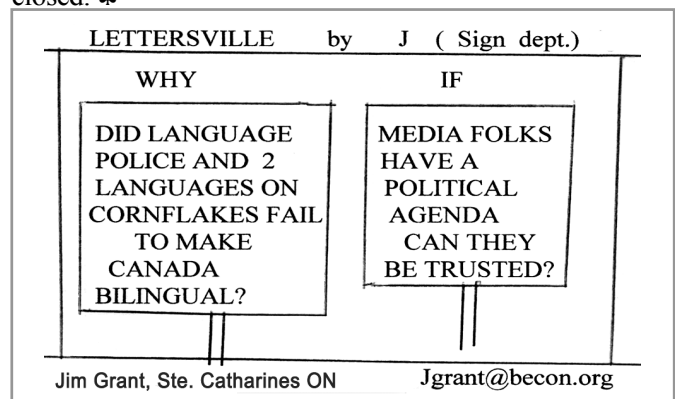
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Watch Connie Fogal speaking at the SPP Rally in Vancouver, Feb. 16, 2008: www.vimeo.com/949569 ♣

dawdle and get on with it, by using the term "pays" frequently with reference Bretagne, Corse, Normandie or le pays Basque. After all if the French Prime Minister François Fillion thinks that it is good enough for Canada, then surely it must be good enough for France as well. Case closed. ♣



STOP the SPP / NAU now!

THE GREAT NORTH AMERICAN PHONE-IN

Paul Grondin, Amherstburg ON



Numerous people are telling me that time is growing very short. With the legislation that the Governments of Canada and the USA are passing into law, it appears as if we are not winning the battle against the Power Elite's plan to use the Security Prosperity Partnership (SPP) to create a North American Union (NAU), which will eliminate the countries

of Canada, United States of America and Mexico.

Many are working very, very hard to turn this around, but now it is time to take this to the little man (woman), the rank and file of our once and noble societies.

It is time to unite the Canadian and American people to work together to defeat the SPP and NAU. After all, George W. Bush united our governments to destroy our countries and way of life, so why not create and unite our own contingent to stop this madness?

Historically, Canadians and Americans have performed miracles when working together. In 1942, two contingents of soldiers-Canadian and American-came together to form the world's First Special Service Force. Originally, no one believed that these soldiers would be any different from any other brigade in the Allied Forces. However, nothing was further from the truth. Out numbered and outgunned, this brigade performed the impossible, time and time again, until the Nazi's started calling them The Devil's Brigade. As the war progressed, Nazi soldiers began surrendering before a battle could be waged, if the Nazis knew they were facing this outstanding fighting brigade of brave soldiers who never surrendered an inch of ground to the enemy. The Devil's Brigade were ordinary men who performed extraordinary deeds. (This is well-documented in the book written by Robert H. Adleman and George Walton. In 1968, MGM turned the story into a movie starring William Holden and Cliff Robertson.)

We need to awaken our friends and create a vocal force that the world will hear at the same moment in time. Can my idea work? Yes! How do I know? Because I've already done it! [See the insert, right, for how we did it!]

The plan is all a matter of numbers. If you get enough people involved, the numbers are there to strike a blow for freedom. You know how it works. Everyone has an e-mail list. And people on our lists have their own lists, etc. We do the same thing that we did in Idaho, but only on a much larger scale. **We are bringing Canada and the USA together for this mighty action.**

We are the new warriors of peace on the air waves.

Our Success Story in Idaho!

Back in the early '90's, I was living in Boise Idaho. We owned a couple of businesses. One was a weight loss clinic where we sold herbal supplements. During that period Big Pharma were "test-driving" their plan to challenge the public's right to use herbal supplements without consulting either a medical doctor or a nutritionist. Therefore, the American Medical Association stirred up the bureaucrats in Idaho to write legislation, which would mandate that only a nutritionist or medical professional could advise people on the proper use of herbal supplements.

After the bill was passed by the Idaho Senate, we discovered that this was not a bill in the best interest of the people. Lawyers told us that if this bill was enacted into law, no one except medical personal, which included state-registered nutritionists, could advise people about the merits of herbal supplements, or sell them.

On the following Tuesday, the bill was heading to committee for debate. If it passed, then the legislature (lower house) would stamp it into law without a debate. The committee's job was to save time.

We went into ACTION. We organized everyone in the state of Idaho who was interested in herbs. The meeting in Boise on Sunday night was overflowing with a few hundred-plus people who represented many others.

Tuesday morning was the kicker. We had people calling into the Idaho State governmental offices all morning registering their objection to this bill. The idea was to make the call, state your complaint, hang up and call again, and again, and again.

Without knowing it we could do, we jammed the switchboard. No more incoming and outgoing calls! The Speaker of the House stood up on the floor and pleaded that we stop calling. And yes, the committee would meet with us.

On Thursday, we arrived in the committee room. In the end, the people won and not the special interest group known as Big Pharma. The committee was told the truth, and the truth prevailed. The bill died in committee without seeing a floor vote. ♣

If you email me, pgrondin2@cogeco.ca, I will send you everything you need to know about The Great North American Phone-In. You will have a list of phone numbers to either Ottawa Canada (Members of Parliament) or Washington DC (Senators and Congressmen). The plan is simple. Dial the number, state your opposition to the SPP and NAU, then hang up. Do it again and again-again and again. You can make two calls per minute. 120 calls per hour. If there are 10,000 people doing this? Well.9.6 million calls in 8 hours.

The Day of Reckoning will be *Thursday, September 16, 2008*. You will know exactly what to do and say!

Idaho has proven to be a good example, but remember,

Idaho has only a million people. It's a small state with a small government. In Canada, there are 32 million people with enormous spaces between populated centers, while the USA has a population of 300 million, approximately. The phone systems are much more complex. Therefore, we need to fill our ranks – our Special Forces – with dedicated people who have a mighty resolve to return our governments to the hands of the people.

Let us not kid ourselves. This is serious, very serious. We will win, if and only if we rise up the people into an Invinci-

ble Special Force. A few thousand people will not win this battle. We need numbers, serious numbers.

When the phones start ringing in these governmental offices on September 16, 2008, the people who work there will be curious, surprised and then truly amazed at the power of the voice of the people.

If you want to join this army to annihilate the NAU, then contact me, Paul Grondin:

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The most important issue facing Canadians And an SPP proposal for the NDP

Gerry Masuda, Duncan BC

I consider SPPA (Security and Prosperity Partnership Agreement) to be the most important issue facing Canadians. The reason I state this is because if SPPA goes through leading up to North American Union (NAU) we will lose our independence and ability to decide what we, as Canadians want and believe in. Taking back our sovereignty would also require the abrogation of NAFTA. What is more important? Global warming? Or the rapidly increasing gap between the super rich and the poor, which would cause increasing social instability?

Maintaining our sovereignty and ability to do what we think is right, independent of the failing US Empire, is crucial. All the social issues supported by the NDP are secondary to protecting our right to make our own decisions nationally.

The primary problem, in my opinion, is the corporate media's news blackout on substantive reporting on SPPA. Once the Canadian public become aware of the secrecy of implementation of SPPA and its impact on our water and ability to act in our own interests, the public would demand more information and the media blackout will be broken. The problem becomes how to force the corporate media to report on SPPA on national TV, radio and in our national newspaper.

I am suggesting Jack Layton call a news conference where he announces that the NDP has been 'forced' to make STOP SPPA its election platform for the coming elections. This would be too big a 'breaking news' story to ignore. All Jack has to do is explain the secrecy of implementation on national TV and the 'cat will be out of the bag'.

The NDP presents itself as the 'people's party.' It thus has to take the responsibility of alerting the public on those critical issues which affect them. SPPA is such an issue.

I agree that a legal challenge is also required. However, I suggest the first priority is to alert the Canadian public to SPPA and its impact on Canadian sovereignty.

Time is running out. I have sent letters (not an email) to Jack Layton stating that those who are aware of SPPA and historians are watching him wondering when he will take the required action to do the right thing for exposing SPPA.
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The NDP is still our best bet...

Chris Bowers, Gabriola BC

First off, I personally believe next to climate change there is no more important issue than globalization, and further that even those two issues are integrally connected.

I am also irritated with the NDP that they don't spend every waking minute going after the globalization issue. However, over the last few months, I have noted that there are a number of folks who are on this issue relentlessly, to whom even the work the NDP *has* done on the SPP seems to be negated or become immediately invisible. This has happened a number of times.

I wonder about this. I know that folks are much more likely to do difficult things if they receive acknowledgement for doing them. I have been around long enough to know the ways in which the NDP is attacked from both ends and in the middle as well. I am not interested in providing ammunition to those who are looking for ways to pull the NDP apart. For all its imperfections and challenges it is still the best bet Canada has.

I'd like to believe that Canadians would vote for an NDP that ran on an anti-SPP platform. Sadly, I am too jaded to be able to believe that any more. I personally think that the NDP should run on that platform anyway – because it is the right thing to do. Politicians who are likely to be even more jaded than me and who want to be re-elected are going to be looking to hedge their bets on that one.

I agree that the best thing that can be done is to eliminate not just the SPP but every single one of the trade deals that move us increasingly into fascism. I am not going to stop working against the SPP. As an ordinary citizen, however, it strikes me that there is a whole lot more power in looking at what I can do rather than at what I can try to get somebody else to do. And if I had the time and money, which I don't, what I could do would be to take this government to court. It takes as long as it takes. Look how long we have been at this already.

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Other Initiatives to Raise Awareness of the SPP / NAU

PAINT THE MONEY! GET THE WORD OUT

From Stephanie McDowall, Nanaimo BC, with her note: *"I find this website – Habeas Corpus Canada – difficult to make my way around but this page is a good idea (link below). We should be writing messages on our money in indelible ink. Why the heck not??? Is there a law against this?" – Stephanie*

From Habeas Corpus Canada:

The "PAINT THE MONEY!" CAMPAIGN against the North American Union, and the illegal Annexation of Canada began in Montreal, on 31 Aug. 07. Many, if not most people, have no idea this is happening. That's because we have NO free press. The press and media in Canada are largely controlled by the big corporations who are taking this country down. They therefore place their own people into editorial positions with the last word to shut down articles that might tell the truth.

An alternative that the average person can use is to take advantage of the WIDE CIRCULATION of coins and paper money. Money reaches everybody. Money with just a couple of words added to it, painted on it with nail polish, or a home printer attached to your P'C, can bring the important WORDS of NAU and SPP and RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) into public awareness. They will then ask, "What does that mean?" And they will go looking for the answers. You can also print important urls onto the bills,

which gives people an instant source of documented information.

Paint the money, and get the word out! Make it a family project. If the adults are too busy, get your kids to make it their project. At the end of each day, when you come home, empty your pockets onto the kitchen table and let the kids paint the change and print the message onto the bills. Then put it back in your pocket and your wallet, and spend it the next day. Canadian patriots at every till will pass it through. Do it now, get the word out. We have no time to lose. Make sure not to disfigure the money to the point they will immediately take it out of circulation. Make it work for you.

-- *Habeas Corpus Canada, Montreal QC*

www.freewebs.com/habeascorpuscanada/paintthemoney.html

Press For Truth, Toronto

Dan Dicks, Toronto activist and founder of Press For Truth is one of the executive producers of the film, **"The Nation's Deathbed,"** featuring extensive filming of the Montebello Summit, Aug 07, and interviews with several Canadian Action Party candidates and other Canadians concerned about the SPP / NAU.

Visit his website: www.PressForTruth.ca ♣

Council of Canadians' SPP WATCH

Integrate This! is about challenging the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America (SPP), an executive-level pact between the governments and corporate sectors of Canada, the United States and Mexico, which has never been debated publicly or voted on in any of the three countries. There are over 300 initiatives in the SPP aimed at harmonizing North American policies on food, drugs, security, immigration, manufacturing, the environment and public health.

As well as regular SPP updates, the site is full of reports, interviews and multimedia presentations critical of what's often called the "deep integration" of North America. News updates will be posted regularly and archived under the following topics: NACC (North American Competitive Council, Workers, Water, Energy, Security and Civil Liberties, Military, Safety & Regulations, Transportation Corridors.

COC PUBLIC OPINION POLL: APR 08 Not Counting Canadians: The Security and Prosperity Partnership and public opinion

From April 7–10, 2008, the Council of Canadians commissioned Environics Research Group to conduct a survey of Canadians to find out how they feel about the major SPP policy directions and initiatives, including North American

regulatory convergence, energy integration with the United States, bulk water exports, and the adoption of U.S.-style security measures in Canada. We also asked whether such a wide-reaching trilateral agreement should be brought to Parliament for a debate and vote.

87% of Canadians agree that Canada should maintain the ability to set its own independent environmental, health and safety standards, even if this might reduce cross-border trade opportunities with the United States. And yet the Harper government is committed to an SPP policy of regulatory harmonization in the areas of consumer product safety, food and drugs, and the environment.

89% of Canadians agree that Canada should establish an energy policy that provides reliable supplies of oil, gas and electricity at stable prices and protects the environment, even if this means placing restrictions on exports and foreign ownership of Canadian supplies. And yet the Harper government is committed to a "market-based" policy of energy integration with the U.S. through the SPP's North American Energy Working Group.

88% of Canadians agree that Canada should adopt a comprehensive national water policy that recognizes clean drinking water as a basic human right and also bans the

bulk export of fresh water. And yet bulk water exports to the U.S. are on the table in SPP discussions.

48% of Canadians do not feel that Canada should harmonize its security policies with the United States, even if this affects our trading relationship. It was the only question on which Canadians were divided. And yet the 2008 Federal budget committed millions of extra dollars to SPP security initiatives anyway.

86% of Canadians agree that the Security and Prosperity Partnership agreement should be debated and submitted to a vote in Parliament. Yet four years later, the debate is nowhere to be seen. Canadian preferences for policies that run counter to the key SPP priorities listed above show conclusively that Prime Minister Harper does not have a democratic mandate for pursuing this agenda in secretive trilateral talks like the upcoming North American leaders summit in New Orleans. The government must cease all further SPP talks and debate the agreement fully and openly before submitting it to Parliament for a vote.

Download the full report:

Not Counting Canadians: The Security and Prosperity Partnership and public opinion, online at:

www.canadians.org/integratethis/backgrounders/notcounting/index.html

For more information about the Council of Canadians, or its campaign against the SPP, please sign up to receive updates above or call us at **1-800-387-7177**.

The Council of Canadians' five demands re the SPP

There is no good reason why Canadians should be kept in the dark about issues as important as the economic and social future of our country. Corporations certainly shouldn't be drafting government policy behind closed doors. Most of our elected officials do not understand the extent of deep integration and have not had a chance to vote on the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America. Big corporations are currently setting the parameters and timeline for Canada-U.S. integration without our approval. This cannot continue, which is why we demand the following of the Canadian government:

1. Cease all talks leading toward deeper integration between Canada and the United States, including annual Security and Prosperity Partnership summits.
2. Disband the North American Competitiveness Council. Corporations such as Manulife Financial, Suncor, Procter & Gamble and Lockheed Martin should not be writing economic, environmental and security policy on behalf of the Canadian and American governments.
3. Bring the Security and Prosperity Partnership to the House of Commons for a full debate and vote. The Harper government has promised that, "significant international treaties will be submitted for votes in Parliament."
4. Disclose the complete listing of Security and Prosperity Partnership working groups, their contact persons and participating membership, and, if they continue, make public their meeting dates, minutes, and provide opportunities for public input.
5. Consult with Canadians in a meaningful and participatory way on Canada-U.S. relations. The majority of Canadians support independent policies that protect our health and the environment, and safeguard our energy and civil liberties, over an agreement that puts corporate profits first.

CAN-US trade and foreign takeovers in Canada

Mel Hurtig, Vancouver BC, mhadmin@vivelecanada.ca
Diane Frances is at it again, grossly exaggerating Canada's dependency on our exports to the U.S. in a colonial supplicant mentality at work. Frances joins the likes of Frank McKenna, Allan Gotlieb, Paul Tellier, the Conference Board among many others who make the same mistake.

Instead of the 40% of our economy she claims, a more accurate figure from Statistics Canada would be somewhere between 20 to 23%. [See pages 239 to 241 of "The Truth About Canada" for more details.] If you get any Canwest paper you might want to write a letter to the editor saying Frances doesn't know what she is talking about.

As an aside, in my new book you'll find that about 2 million jobs in Canada do depend on our exports to the U.S., while 5.2 million American jobs depend on U.S. exports to Canada.

Furthermore, re the absurd report from Red Wilson's panel calling for even more foreign direct investment and for further easing restrictions on the takeovers of Canadian companies, new numbers just available from Investment Canada show just how bad the record has been.

From June 30th, 1985 when Investment Canada took over from the Foreign Investment Review Agency which Brian

Mulroney terminated, until recently (June 30th, 2008), 11,043 Canadian companies were taken over by foreign corporations, some 62% American, while the next largest takeover source was the U.K at less than 9%.

Investment Canada says the dollar total involved in all foreign direct investment in Canada during this period was a huge over \$837.8 billion. Of this enormous amount, 97.6% represented takeovers, while only 2.36% was for new business investment. So, to repeat what I've said in my last two books, Red Wilson, The Conference Board, the C.D. Howe Institute, Tom D'Aquino's gang and the like, in calling for more foreign direct investment, are in fact calling for even more foreign ownership and foreign control of our country. Patriotic Canadians, eh?

By the way, of the 11,043 takeovers, only 1,595 were reviewed for any potential benefit to Canada.

YouTube videos to watch:

1) The Truth About Canada - Media Ownership and the Radical Right in Canada:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=d8D67YiLcOM

2) Canada at Home, Canada and NA, Canada in the World, Revitalizing Canada:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=iRnZ43wxGvY ♣

Actions Needed to Restore Respect for Canada's Government

A letter to the Prime Minister from Don Parker

Mr. Harper:

Although I am not the author of the words below (by Charles Sullivan), I direct them to you in the hope that you will wake up and realize what you are doing as you try to force Canada, behind our backs, into ever deeper integration with the United States.

If you choose not to believe Charles Sullivan's assessment of the American situation, then I suggest you read Barry M. Lando's *"Web of Deceit"* or Linda McQuaig's *"Holding the Bully's Coat"* or Mel Hurtig's *"The Truth about Canada"*. What you are doing is deplorable. You either have or had parents. How can they enjoy one iota of parental pride in what their son is doing? I believe you have at least one child and again, I pose the same question to you in regards to your children.

Mr. Harper, I have travelled extensively around the world and I have seen poverty; it is not pretty, but that is exactly where you are trying to take Canada with your policies.

Again, I implore you to:

- stop the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America
- stop the formation of any more TILMA-like agreements anywhere in Canada
- declare water as a human right; do not let it become just another commodity to be bought and sold for profit
- abrogate the North American Free Trade Agreement
- develop a national energy policy that clearly indicates that it was made in Canada, by Canadians, and for Canadians
- permit US war resisters to take refuge in Canada. Do you know anything about the Underground Railroad? How would you want your own children to be treated

under similar circumstances?

- withdraw all Canadian support of Bush's murderous campaigns in Iraq and Afghanistan. Include in your ban not only our military forces but also all corporations who are supplying arms, or aid of any description, to the Americans. Do not allow dual-use exports of any kind. Grant permission to only humanitarian firms to participate but only after you have had such firms thoroughly scrutinized so as to be sure they are what they claim to be. (read Lando's book for this one.)
- develop policies that will vastly improve the lives of our aboriginal people
- speak openly to the Canadian people and permit your members of parliament to do likewise; in fact encourage them to do so
- stop the Alberta tar sands projects
- cancel the military agreement you now have between Canada and the US.

Mr. Harper, these are but a few things you can do as a true prime minister of the Canadian people. To do otherwise, you will run the risk of going down in history as the Quiz-zing of Canada and the Canadian people will be forced to suffer in comparable ways as did the people of Norway.

As you contemplate what both Mr. Sullivan and I have written, you might google 'Casey House' and read about the life of June Callwood and then try to emulate her.

(No "Respectfully yours" until you change your ways for the betterment of the people of Canada.)

Don Parker, Georgetown ON ♣

Charles Sullivan's essay follows.

Thoughts on Apathy, Courage and Change

"Revolution begins by altering consciousness. We stand at the brink of a multitude of possible futures, many of them tragic. The failure to act and rebel when the conditions demand it is a betrayal not only of our own humanity; it is a crime of great magnitude."

Pain and Conscience

By Charles Sullivan (West Virginia, US)

30/05/08 "ICH" -- It is evident that a substantial majority of U.S. citizens are, in principle, opposed to the most destructive governmental policies stemming from the nation's capital. These include, but are not limited to, the continuing war and occupation of Iraq, as well as the pervasive consumer fraud that preys upon the innocent and the unwary and causes them undue hardship. These charges are born out by the abysmal approval rating of Congress and the president. It is equally evident that the government, while pretending to be sympathetic to these views, continues to carry forth those same policies both at home and abroad. It does so without the consent of the people and, therefore, it has abrogated its responsibility to them.

These destructive policies are formulated in the various branches of government and in the corporate board rooms of America. They are a prominent feature of the run amok presidency of George W. Bush, where they manifest themselves to the world. However, their history precedes Bush and his corporate gangsters by generations, and they are an outgrowth of the exploitive capital system.

In some respects the presidency serves as a distraction from the machinations that are operating behind the scenes to spew forth one disastrous policy after another. With so much attention given to Bush, the people are failing to confront the root cause of which George W. Bush is but a single manifestation: the sociopolitical system that put the present criminal regime in power. [...]

Continue Online:

www.informationclearinghouse.info/article20014.htm ♣

More Anti-Globalization Initiatives

March on Ottawa 9/11/08

www.marchonottawa08.org

Drew Nofle, organizing committee

Only the Truth can bring us Peace. This year, we DEMAND the truth. On 9/11/08, Canadians from all over the country will march to Ottawa to deliver a petition to our Parliament demanding a new Canadian investigation into 9/11. Based on hard evidence, architects, engineers, foreign politicians, and academics from countless fields agree that the 9/11 Commission Report is a fraudulent document. The official 9/11 story has given us illegal wars, torture, rape, murder, refugees, body parts hanging from trees in dusty lands, and a "war of terror" that is meant to go on indefinitely. Our tax dollars pay for these rebukes to the human spirit, so we are incited to act. The most pivotal event of modern times has united great spirits from around the globe into the 9/11 Truth Movement. Together we are making history. March on Ottawa c/o the Vancouver 9/11 Truth Society 32 – 2902 Main St., Vancouver, BC V5T 3G3.

MP presents petition in Parliament

On June 10, 2008, M.P. Libby Davies (Vancouver East) rose in the Canadian Parliament to present a petition, signed by

approximately 500 Canadians, bringing to the attention of Parliament that scientific and eye-witness evidence show that the 9/11 Commission Report is a fraudulent document and that elements within the U.S. Government were complicit in the murder of thousands of people on 9/11/2001. This event, the petition points out, brought Canada into the so-called "War on Terror" that has changed the domestic and foreign policies for the worse and that will have negative consequences for Canada. View the presentation online: www.brasschecktv.com/page/351.html ♣

QUOTES

"The universe is a communion of subjects, not a collection of objects." - *Thomas Berry (1914-)*

"Believe nothing *just because* a so-called wise person said it. Believe nothing *just because* a belief is generally held. Believe nothing *just because* it is said in ancient books. Believe nothing *just because* it is said to be of divine origin. Believe nothing *just because* someone else believes it. Believe only what you yourself test and judge to be true."

- *Hindu Prince Siddhartha Gautama – The Buddha*

Received from Stephanie McDowall ♣

Artificial Scarcities as Tools of Corporate Globalization

The Food and the Energy crises, fiction or reality?

by Rev. Richard Skaff

GlobalResearch.ca, June 19, 2008

In these murky times – where priorities and values have been turned upside down by the political propaganda machines, where revenge is rendered into self-preservation, aggression transformed into courage, fanaticism into a mark of the real man, dissent into betrayal, sadism into protectionism, pathology into normalcy, and pre-emptive war into peace – the push to assassinate the middle class remains active and healthy.

As a result, wages are down, inflation is up, commodities have spiraled out of control, and the greenbacks have plummeted into low records. The US dollar supremacy is in doubt, which might pave the way for a new currency, within a new order, under the security and prosperity partnership process.

Not surprisingly, the price of oil keeps going up, negating the laws of supply and demand, and the food prices have also become so increasingly inflated that a food shortage is promoted, creating a worldwide panic.

The question is why? Reshaping economies, indebting nations, and controlling the petroleum of the world is essential for total world domination, where all nations are subdued and impoverished. Therefore, all nations will suffer weakened sovereignty, and become dependent on the global, trans-national masters of the universe.

However, controlling governments of nations does not directly correlate to the total control of the masses. Therefore, the next logical step would be to control the food supplies, by creating a contrived food shortage, manipulate prices, and create starvation.

That in return would provide total control of every citizen in the world, since food happens to be a basic element for self-preservation. Contrived starvation has been historically essential to control and reduce populations.

What other political incentives are there behind this recent contrived food crisis? Are we heading in the direction of a staged global depression?

The problem with the theory of the food crisis, especially in the US, is the lack of its credibility. If you collect all of the daily wasted foods in the US restaurants and supermarkets only, you could actually feed millions of people. How can food be so scarce when the waste is so abundant? Are the leaders using the same argument of scarcity that they use for oil, in order to increase prices and profit margins. Has commodity speculation become the new dot.com or the housing bubble?

Is the energy crisis also a contrived scheme designed to increase control of government over the people, which would in turn facilitate drilling everywhere that the oil industrial complex pleases? [...]

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An Educational Eye-Opener...

Lyndon LaRouche Documentary: Firewall, In Defense of the Nation State – the story of Empire vs. Entrepreneur

A brief, intensive history of economic (exploitive) principles of empires, in particular the British Empire & East India Company, from the perspective of the contrasting concept behind the founding of the United States of America. The goal of unleashing the human creative potential, at the core of American republic became an inspiration to other countries and a threat to the geo-political domination of the British Empire. The result of the two competing principles, English and American, are traced through the political events of

the past two centuries, through the causes and aftermath of two World Wars and the 20th century infiltration by British 'agents' into the American administration. It traces the social engineering project, directed by London financiers, to socially manipulate and dumb-down the American population, destroy their entrepreneurial enterprise and bring about the controlled disintegration of the U.S. economy. [85 minutes]

Watch online: www.larouchepac.com/firewall ♣

A real eye-opener... Highly recommended! – j.h.

Human Rights Institute of Canada

A Deadline for Canada's Premiers

Marguerite E. Ritchie, Ottawa



Canada's Premiers have let us down. In the continuing Constitutional crisis – as to whether Quebec is or is not bound by the Constitution, the Premiers outside Quebec have been on the sidelines. It is time that organizations and individuals in those other Provinces demand that their own Government take steps to decide whether their Province should stay in Canada or not.

The problem is the Prime Ministers. We Canadians have wasted years of our lives while Prime Ministers have failed to settle the question of Quebec in Canada.

We have lost rights that we once had. The Federal Governments we elected have taken away our right to equality and reduced the English-speaking majority of Canada to second-class citizens. We must not pass on that legacy to our children. We must end this long crisis now.

We can only do that if we understand our goal. We will continue to lose our rights and our country until Quebec is no longer part of Canada and we have freed ourselves from Official Languages Acts and the Trudeau Constitution.

TRUDEAU AND QUEBEC

Our present crisis began 31 Years ago, when the Parti Québécois put Bill 101 through the Legislature of Quebec. It targeted English-speaking people, including those whose families had been in Quebec for generations and had played a major role in building Quebec.

Prime Minister Trudeau abandoned the English. On October 5, 1977, he announced that he would not stop the Parti Québécois Bill 101 making Quebec unilingual or even test it before the Supreme Court of Canada. When English-speaking people demanded his protection, he told them to "go it alone." They would have to raise funds and start any legal challenges, while the Prime Minister of Canada stood on the sidelines.



From that moment, he lost any moral authority, as Prime Minister, to govern this country. The primary duty of any Prime Minister is to protect the country and the people. He failed us.

PUNISHING THE OTHER PROVINCES

Instead of dealing with Quebec's illegal language laws, Trudeau devoted his whole Prime Ministership to changing Canada into a country where French would be dominant everywhere. Canadians at every level tried to stop him, without success. In 1982, with the reluctant support of other Provinces except Quebec, Trudeau succeeded in forcing his Constitution down the throats of Canadians. He intended to make Canada into a bilingual country where French would have a higher role. He saw this as the way to persuade Quebec to join the Canada it had never legally left.

The results are in. The Trudeau Constitution and Trudeau's Federal Official Languages Act have ensured that English Canadians are unable to get a decent job in the Government of their own country. Quebec separatists now control both the Federal Government and Parliament and receive their salaries and luxuries from the taxpayers across Canada, but they are openly dedicated to the destruction of Canada even as they cash the cheques.

Yet Quebec publicly and officially refuses to be bound by the Trudeau Constitution. Or the Trudeau Official Languages Act. Canadians are shipwrecked in a political game, in which French is the only language in Quebec and also the essential official language across Canada. English-speaking people no longer have a voice.

When Trudeau gave away Canada to Quebec, it was not enough. Quebec continues to deny that it is part of Canada, while receiving multi-billion dollars from Canadian Prime Ministers.

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THE DISASTER WE INHERITED

In the years since Trudeau left the Prime Ministership, his destructive legacy continues. Prime Ministers do not challenge in the Courts the status of Quebec. Instead, they try to buy the temporary loyalty of voters in Quebec. The rest of Canada pays the price. And the political wolves move in for the kill. Brian Mulroney, born and brought up in Quebec, supported by separatists and sovereigntists, opened up the Quebec dispute as his way of becoming Prime Minister. The Mulroney proposal was called the Meech Lake Accord. Canadians took to the streets to protest. They defeated it. When Mulroney tried again, by a Referendum on the Charlottetown Accord, Canadians refused to believe his threats and defeated the Charlottetown Accord. He destroyed his career by his actions. I was never in my life so proud of being a Canadian.

THE UNENDING DAMAGE

There is no end in sight for the disasters inflicted on Canada. More and more, they raise questions about our future existence.

We saw the Quebec Referendum in 1995, which shook Canada to its roots. *Prime Minister Chrétien responded by passing a major Motion in Parliament, recognizing Quebec as a distinct society within Canada, and requiring Parliament and the Government of Canada to take that into account in their proceedings.*

Prime Minister Harper is caught in the same trap. He had parliament pass an ambiguous resolution describing Quebecois as forming "a nation within a united Canada."⇒

A Deadline for Canada's Premiers, cont.

No one knows what that means, but he is also shovelling

out our money and powers to Quebec. There is no end. We will continue to be torn apart by unscrupulous politicians until we get rid of Quebec. As long as it remains in Canada, or even 'half in and half out,' Canadian Prime Ministers will continue to drain Canada of its funds and power and give them to Quebec.

It will continue to load Parliament with separatists and load our Public Service with persons whose only qualification is the ability to speak French, and whose commitment is to the expansion of Quebec, Canada as a French country, the build-up of the Francophonie and of France and the French Empire. AND Prime Ministers will continue to carve up Canada as a country by giving international powers to Quebec. They do so at our expense.

We can no longer drift. We cannot continue to bankrupt our country by constant attempts to please Quebec.

I beg of you who read this letter, to take action. Mobilize citizens to demand that your Premier give the people of your Province a Referendum at last, that will start you on the road back to a free country, without Quebec as we know it now.

And if you can do so, please help by a donation to the Human Rights Institute of Canada. We will send you a Charitable Receipt and you will be helping to give Canadians the knowledge that they need.

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The outcome of the language freedom fight in Eastern Ontario will affect us all **Fundamental Freedom of Expression in Canada**

John Gray, Montreal QC

For those people outside Quebec who may be following the growing fight in Eastern Ontario – the story of Jean-Serge Brisson and Howard Galganov ("Brisson up for the challenge," Ottawa Sun, July 5) gets to the guts of the issue.

Both these people are fighting for one thing in the Russell township: They want "Freedom of Choice" for everyone.

As you may know the Council in Russell Township in Eastern Ontario recently passed a by-law forcing commercial business to post all signs in both French and English. This issue is building up into a court case which will reverberate across the country.

We Anglophones living in Quebec do not have the same constitutional rights as everyone living in the Rest of Canada --- When the Canadian Constitution was repatriated by Pierre Trudeau, Canadians wound up with the famous (many people think infamous) "Notwithstanding Clause," which as you may know Quebec invoked and which resulted in Anglophones no longer having the "Freedom of

Choice" Rights which many people do not think about because they believe it to be a fundamental right in any modern day society.

Most people living outside Quebec may not realize it, but the Russell issue is the beginning of the elimination of "Freedom of Choice" in the Rest of Canada if they succeed – and succeed they will if no-one fights.

You may want to pay close attention to this fight and even get involved. If you do not, then sooner or later you'll be in for a shock... I share Howard Galganov's opinion (*below*) that all Canadians had better be aware of the fight moving forward in Ontario because it will affect all Canadians. ♣

Read Howard Galganov, online: The 2b Team:

www.galganov.com/editorials.asp?ID=1012

The Russell Legal Team of Thugs:

www.galganov.com/editorials.asp?ID=1014

The sequel: www.galganov.com/editorials.asp?ID=1015

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Canadian Monetary Policy and History

BROCK'S BROTHER - How he touched Canada a 100 years later

By Bill Abram, Duncan, BC



Bill Abram

photo: Melody Pvefinch

Sir Isaac Brock is a name familiar to most Canadians, but his brother Daniel DeLisle Brock is unknown to most of us. Yet the intelligence and wisdom of this brother, who never reached our shores, today touches the lives of many Canadians in a real and profound way.

Brock's brother was the inspiration for the creation of the Bank of Canada, 125 years later.

"...the powers of the human mind in society, lie at times torpid for ages;..." - Daniel DeLisle Brock, in the late 1820's about his Isle of Guernsey experience

Sir Isaac Brock, British Major General and Colonial Administrator, became the "Hero of Upper Canada" in 1812 when he held off and defeated the American invasions of Canada. He died on October 13, 1812, at the age of 43, at the Battle of Queenston Heights near Niagara Falls, Ontario. A monument stands there in his honor.

Sir Isaac & his brother Daniel deLisle Brock were born at St. Peter Port, on the Channel Island of Guernsey. From 1818 to 1837, Daniel deLisle was Bailiff and President of the Parliament of the Island of Guernsey. So, what was it that he did that touches our lives in Canada today?

Here are excerpts from a report prepared by DeLisle Brock: "When the war with Napoleon ceased, a general want of employment arose and, consequently, distress ensued. Thus at peace, the Island found itself with little or no trade, no attraction for visitors, bankrupt and no prospect of employment for the poor. Misery and depopulation seemed inevitable. More than five hundred British subjects had embarked for the United States."

After much thought and examination of the problem, Daniel DeLisle Brock came to the following conclusion: That only Government has the supreme right to create the country's money. (Quote) "If there is one incontestable principle, it is that all matters relating to the current coin of any country, is that they have as their source the supreme prerogative, and, that no one has the right to arrogate to himself the power of circulating a private coinage on which he imprints for his own profit an arbitrary value. If this is true for metal coins still more it is true for paper money, which in itself has no value whatever... Permission cannot be granted to certain individuals to play with the wealth and prosperity of a society..."

"Let the private banks reply to the questions already put: Let them say what inducement they can offer the public to drive out of circulation the State's notes, the

profits on which benefit all, especially the productive classes, and substitute for it bank notes, the profit on which benefits only individuals of the unproductive classes? The public treasury is the heart of the State. Finance is the pivot on which turns the administration of affairs. The government must retain its sovereign right to issue currency." - *Daniel DeLisle Brock*

"Money exists not by nature but by law" - Aristotle 325 BC
From these observations, Daniel DeLisle Brock perceived what we know today as the modern credit system, where money never enters the economic system except as a debt borrowed from a private bank; a debt that must be repaid with interest.

On October 16, 1816, the government of the Island of Guernsey needed to spend 5,000 pounds, but only had on hand 1,000 pounds. Under Brock's leadership, it decided to issue 6,000 pounds in 1 pound notes and declared that, "in this manner, without increasing the debt of the Island we can easily succeed in finishing the works undertaken, leaving in the coffers sufficient money for the other needs of government." From that small beginning, the managed currency system of Guernsey Island grew until 1837 when, after issuing and using, in the twenty year period, over 80,000 pounds, there still remained in circulation some 55,000 pounds of State notes.

After giving a somewhat exhaustive review of the use of "national currency" to relieve the situation and to restore prosperity, the report goes on to state: "It is said, the powers of the human mind in society, lies at times torpid for ages; at other (times), are roused into action by the urgency of great occasions, and astonish the world by their effects. This has, in some measure, been verified in this Island, for though nothing done in so small a community can cause a general sensation, its exertions may yet produce wonderful results, within its own sphere. It is the duty of the States to show that, roused by the deplorable situation as described, they took, and have since pursued the steps best adapted to meet the exigency of the case, and that those steps have been attended with complete success".

Quite naturally, the bankers organized themselves against Brock; and, upon the ground that "the privilege of issuing paper currency was the vested right of the bankers which the government had no right to disturb," they overwhelmed Brock's opposition and induced the representatives of the people to restrict the right of the government of the Island to issue paper currency and to share that right with the private banks. In his message to the States meeting, held on September 21, 1836, he unsuccessfully warned the people against giving up the right to issue their own money. One hundred years later that Guernsey experiment reached all ⇒

the way to Canada to make a big difference in the lives of all Canadians from 1935 to 1974.

In Canada, during the distressed hardship years of the 1930's, Gerald Gratton McGeer, Vancouver Mayor, Canadian Senator, Liberal MP, twice B.C. MLA, a brilliant lawyer (K.C.), a natural economist and well researched monetary-reform historian became greatly inspired by Brock's indisputably proven "success" on the Island of Guernsey; the "verified effects" of which should "astonish the world." McGeer, with excellent insight, solid economic knowledge, powerful rhetoric, armed with solid 'down-to-earth' logic was able, single-handedly, to sideline, in 1933, the Lord Macmillan Banking Commission and their banker backers and convince politicians of the day to adopt a policy that worked so well on the Island of Guernsey. Only government has the legal right to create the "State's" currency for the social and public needs of the country.

To quote Gerald Gratton McGeer from his book, *The Conquest of Poverty*: "Necessity now compels all to recognize that the creation and issuance of the medium of exchange, the monetization of public credit, the circulation of the medium of exchange, and the general supervision of the monetary system must be restored to government."

McGeer's recommendations were written into the Bank of Canada Act. The Act was approved and received Royal assent on July 3, 1934. Those recommendations are still there today and could be re-applied. Thus, the Bank of Canada was born. It opened its doors on March 11, 1935 and immediately printed "legal tender" on behalf of the people of Canada.

McGeer's boss, Mackenzie King, the new Prime Minister of Canada in 1935, spoke these words (during his election campaign): "Once a nation parts with the control of its currency and credit, it matters not who makes that nation's laws. Usury, once in control, will wreck any nation. Until the control of the issue of currency and credit is restored to govern-

ment and recognized as its most conspicuous and sacred responsibility, all talk of the sovereignty of Parliament and of democracy is idle and futile..."

The Bank of Canada put people to work, by putting into circulation the money needed for its citizens to buy from each other what is produced and what is needed. Private bank money was phased out over the next 10 years. As a result of that government management using our new National Bank of Canada, we became a nation that put everyone to work, fought a war, built the third largest navy in the world, gave grants and free university education to returning veterans and then built the excellent infrastructures, social programs and services that are still with us today. For the next 35 years our national debt remained low. In 1974 it stood at a mere \$18 billion dollars. That is less than half of what our B.C. debt is today. The Fraser Institute, in Nov. 2006, listed our current direct national debt as \$798 billion, upon which we collectively, with our tax dollars, pay (to private bankers) over \$40 billion a year in interest.

In the mid-1970's, the private bankers once again "induced the representatives of the people to restrict the right of government" to issue and control the national currency. Canadians now are deeply in debt, public assets are being sold to help fund the social programs that are cut back for want of money. Gambling, lotteries, marathon runs are now promoted to help fund hospitals and research programs.

Sir Isaac Brock's brother, DeLisle, showed the world that there is a better way. Our unacknowledged, 'greatest Canadian', Gerald Gratton McGeer was able to implement that better way for a few years right here in Canada, and it worked. *[More on G.G. McGeer below]*

Information source: Gerald Gratton McGeer's book *The Conquest of Poverty* published in 1935, not available in our public libraries, Guernsey Island Archives, The Guernsey Experiment and the Canadian Encyclopedia.

Bill Abram, Duncan BC ♣

See the Aug.-Sep. issue for a special Tribute to Celia Abram

If you know anyone threatened with foreclosure...

From John Dempsey, Sovereign Trust

This article was forwarded to Sovereign Trust; we believe everybody ought to know how important that Note (signed contract) is to the foreclosing bank.

The Legal Trump Card: Make Them Produce the Note

Ellen Brown, J.D. Los Angeles

A basic principle of contract law is that a plaintiff suing on a written contract must produce the signed contract proving he is entitled to relief. If there is no signed mortgage note or recorded assignment, foreclosure is barred. The defendant must normally raise this defense, and most defaulting homeowners, being unable to afford attorneys, just let their homes go uncontested. But when the plaintiffs bringing subprime

foreclosure actions have been challenged, in most cases they haven't been able to produce the notes.

Why not? It appears to be more than just sloppy paperwork. The banks that originally entered into these risky subprime arrangements generally did so because they had no intention of holding the loans on their books. The mortgages were immediately sliced and diced, bundled up as mortgage-backed securities (MBS), and sold off to investors. [...] Why weren't the mortgage notes assigned to the MBS holders when they were first sold? Apparently because the investors aren't even matched up with specific properties until after default. [...] [Until last year, "Lost-note affidavits" were the accepted practice in foreclosure proceedings] In the past, judges have let these foreclosures proceed; but in Oct. ⇒

2007, an intrepid federal judge in Cleveland put a halt to the practice. U.S. District Court Judge Christopher Boyko ruled that Deutsche Bank had not filed the proper paperwork to establish its right to foreclose on fourteen homes it was suing to repossess. That started the ball rolling, and by Feb. 08, judges in at least five states had followed suit.

Read the article in full online:

www.webofdebt.com/articles/subprime_defense.php

Ellen Brown, J.D., developed her research skills as an attorney practicing civil litigation in Los Angeles. In *Web of Debt*, her latest book, she turns those skills to an analysis of the Federal Reserve and "the money trust." She shows how this private cartel has usurped the power to create money from the people themselves and

how we the people can get it back. Her websites are www.webofdebt.com and www.ellenbrown.com ♣

Mortgage-Rescue Program

Sovereign Trust is now accepting applications for our Mortgage-Rescue Program. Please visit our website at:

www.sovereigntrust.info

~ and click on: **Mortgage Rescue Program.**

Application for the program is tentatively scheduled to close on August 31, 2008. Please share this information with your friends, family and others.

Please email all the required information to Sovereign Trust:

sovereigntrust@sovereigntrust.info ♣

Watch this video about the energy NON crisis

Stephanie McDowall, Nanaimo BC

This is some video. It is long, but author Lindsey Williams is a very good speaker. I consider myself, for the most part, reasonably well informed, but there were several pieces of info I did not know about. For instance, I knew about the controversy over abiotic oil (vs. "Peak"), but learned that Russia re-

ONLINE: <http://video.google.ca/videoplay?docid=334027469716701147&hl=en> ♣

cently drilled themselves a 40,000+ ft. well which is awash in oil. [And he explains the huge reserves of oil and gas on the north slope of Alaska]. This should rouse the American and Canadian people to revolt. If this won't do it... well it's anybody's guess what our lives are going to be like in perhaps just a year or less...

U.S. Election Politics

Worse than McCain

By Mike Whitney, Washington State US

11/07/08 "ICH" – Every four years, liberals and progressives are expected to set aside their beliefs and stand four-square behind the Democratic Party candidate. This ritual is invariably performed in the name of party unity. It doesn't matter if the candidate is a smooth-talking politician who's willing to toss his Pastor of 20 years overboard for a few awkward comments, or whether he refuses to defend basic civil liberties like the 4th amendment's right to privacy. All that matters is that there's a big "D" following his name and

that he shows he's willing to engage in some meaningless verbal jousting with his Republican opponent.

For nearly a year now, the public has been treated to regular doses of Mr. Obama's grandiloquent oratory and his sweeping "Follow me to Shangri-la" promises. These flourishes are usually followed by "clarifications" on the central issues which identify Obama as a center-right conservative with no intention of disrupting the status quo. [...] **Online:**

www.informationclearinghouse.info/article20269.htm ♣

Power Shift: Trilateralists displace Neocons in Washington

US policy shift on Iran-Iraq again shows Brzezinski rules in Washington:

By Webster G. Tarpley, 7-20-2008

[EXTRACT] Washington, DC, July 17, 2008 -- With the Bush regime sending a top State Department diplomat to sit down with Iranian officials, with signs that the US departure from Iraq may now be accelerated, and with Israel beginning to make deals with Hezbollah, some observers in this capital are beginning to celebrate *Peace in Our Time* in an outburst of midsummer euphoria. But this perspective is an illusion: the United States and NATO are now escalating the hopeless and unwinnable Afghan war, and are preparing to send US and NATO forces on the ground to seize parts of Pakistan, a country which is almost three times more populous than Iran and possesses a nuclear arsenal and the means to deliver it. The Bush-Cheney-neocon era in foreign policy is over, and the Brzezinski-Trilateral-Rockefeller-Soros phase of aggres-

sion has begun; the US hit list now features Chinese allies like Sudan, Zimbabwe, and Pakistan. Zbigniew Brzezinski is striving to put together some huge provocation for the Beijing Olympics, to make the Chinese government lose face and begin disintegrating. The ultimate targets of the new Obama-Brzezinski foreign policy are Russia, China, and the other members and friends of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, the main pole of resistance in the world to the designs of Washington and London. The stakes are now much higher than a mere conventional clash in the Persian Gulf. Brzezinski's adventurism goes far beyond that of the neocons, and objectively places the danger of a thermonuclear exchange on the world agenda. Watch for the Polish-Czech-Lithuanian missile crisis, a Balkan crisis, and a crisis between Georgia and Russia to point the world in this ominous new direction.

The US government is now being run by the Principals' =>

Committee, an inter-agency cabal that includes Defense Secretary Gates, Secretary of State Rice, Joint Chiefs Chairman Mullen, Secretary of the Treasury Paulson, and other operatives of the Trilateral Wall Street financier faction. It is clear that under the new policy, Iran will be able to continue to process uranium ... This gambit of appeasing Iran is being done in the hopes of turning Iran against Russia and China -- a project of incalculable folly...

Read online at: www.rense.com:80/general82/uspul.htm

BOOK: "Trilateralism"

Dale Wharton review of book by Holly Sklar

[EXTRACT] The Trilateral Commission stated that "The effective operation of a democratic political system usually requires some measure of apathy and non-involvement on the part of some individuals and groups." "...secrecy and deception...are...inescapable attributes of...government." as it tried to "solve" the "crisis" caused by an "excess of democracy" in the 1960s. To the [Trilateral Commission], efforts at economic sovereignty and self-sufficiency are throwbacks--quaint obsolete customs that obstruct 'progress' [as defined by them!]. It favours an international division of labour. How to explain the subtle interdependence of the industrial north with the third world? In 1991 business observer Doug Henwood (noted): "...each member of the Triad has gathered under itself a handful of poor countries to act as sweatshops, plantations, and mines: the US has Latin America; the EC, Eastern and Southern Europe and Africa; and Japan, Southeast Asia." (www.eclectica.org/) ♣

Thoughts on Banketeering

Dave Patterson, Thailand [siamdave@yahoo.ca]

Just had a browse around your mag website, after receiving a cc of your last newsletter from Richard Moore. Talking is good. If you're looking for "...political commentary and exposes on topics that you will not find often in the mainstream media..." in Canada, this is about top of the line to me - Banketeering -- how the banks have been stealing trillions from you, and the tap is still running. It's a chapter in a book called "*They're Building a Box - and You're In It*," www.rudemacedon.ca/dlp/box/box-intro.html - which also has a lot of other stuff the mainstream media don't want to talk about much. Never, really. ♣

From Connie Fogal: A presentation that will help you understand what is going on today:

David Icke on world affairs

www.davidicke.com/

David Icke, as a candidate in a UK by-election, held a press conference on July 2nd. Well worth watching! Here are a few extracts taken from the presentation:

"An error doesn't become truth because it is repeated; nor does truth become error because no one sees it." – Gandhi

"Condemnation without investigation is the height of ignorance." – Einstein

When you have the knowledge to understand and connect the dots, the overall picture comes into perspective... Behind every "Movie" version of reality, as presented by the mainstream media, there is the *Secret Agenda*: the Agenda for an Orwellian Big Brother Global State... The Global Elite operates behind/above the local elected politicians... Often "the Movie" doesn't know it is being manipulated... In the US, the current presidential candidates are controlled by the same people... **How do the few control the many?** Through the organizational pyramid – those at the top are the only ones that know what is really going on. Departmentalization... The workers doing the jobs don't know why they are doing what they do or how it fits with other parts... pyramids within pyramids (like Russian dolls). Some of the secret societies representing pyramids: The Round Table, Bilderberger, Trilateral Commission, The Club of Rome, Council on Foreign Relations, Royal Institute of International Affairs, United Nations....

Banking is the biggest legalized fraud on the planet and is one of the absolute prime weapons of Big Brother... Fear is the main weapon that controls/manipulates people...

See also: www.newplanetarycivilization.com/

Recommended Reading: "*Superclass: the global power elite and the world they are making*" – A book by David Rothkopf, ISBN: 0374272107; Publisher: Farrar Straus Giroux, Mar. 08.

Today's superclass--the minority that runs governments, corporations, international finance, and the media--has achieved unprecedented levels of wealth and power. Rothkopf presents an unprecedented examination of this group's influence on the world. ♣

Public outcry needed to save BC's Therapeutics Initiative

S. McDowall, Nanaimo BC

"Therapeutics Initiative" has saved lives. All of us need this pharmaceutical watch dog. Below is the B.C. Minister of Health's email address should you decide to write him objecting to what the Provincial Government is planning to do to this pharmaceutical watch dog. Very dangerous to the health of British Columbians...

Read Colby Cash's National Post article online:

www.nationalpost.com/opinion/columnists/story.html?id=6b6d687a-80c6-4a13-9315-14677761ce82

Write BC Minister of Health, George Abbott:

george.abbott.mla@leg.bc.ca

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