

# Historical Ignorance – was Re: World's First Fuel Cell–Powered Train Locomotive Slated for 2008

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Canadian Dreamer Ian St. John displayed profound historical ignorance:

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>*However, the outcome of the war*

>*without the U.S. was probably a 'pyrhic victory' with both Germany and*

>*Britain exhausted by the time they finish.*

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It is strange when even hate–spewing extreme leftist Canadians ignore their former hero — Stalin.

For all the evil that Stalin did, we cannot ignore or diminish the fact that he was the leader of the Soviet Union during its struggle against Nazi Germany in the later part of World War II.

The history seems fairly clear — at staggering human cost, the peoples of the Soviet Union bled Nazi Germany dry. (The Soviets got substantial material support from the USA, but a modern Canadian ultra–leftist would not want to acknowledge that).

Not to take anything away from the heroism and sacrifice of the Western allies in the air war over Germany and the D–Day invasion, but Germany was on the losing end of the struggle from Stalingrad on.

Without US involvement, the probability is that the war in Europe would have had a much higher body count but a fairly similar outcome — the Communists of the Soviet Union would have ground down the National Socialists of Germany, with Britain left exhausted on the sidelines. The Vichy French might have found "liberation" by the Soviets much less enjoyable than liberation by the Western allies. And there would have been no Soviet humanitarian equivalent to the USA's astonishingly generous Marshall Plan to rebuild Europe.

I can understand that Canadian liberals don't know anything about energy — many liberals everywhere have problems with the immutable laws of physics. But don't they teach history in Canada anymore?