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## Speech of Paul C. Kazimer on the Slovak Nation's Sacrifice for Freedom

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

HON. CHARLES J. KERSTEN  
OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Wednesday, March 26, 1952

Mr. KERSTEN of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I want to include with my remarks the very excellent speech made by Mr. Paul C. Kazimer at the conference on psychological warfare held in Washington, D. C., on February 22 and 23, 1952.

Text of the speech follows:

### SLOVAK NATION'S SACRIFICE FOR FREEDOM

Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen, distinguished guests, I think that the sponsors of this conference, and especially the Honorable Congressman O. K. ARMSTRONG and the Honorable Congressman CHARLES KERSTEN, could not have selected a better day for this conference than the birthday of the Father of our Country, George Washington, who was first in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen.

When I rise to address you as a former GI, who served with my son in World War II, I visualize a picture of a Valley Forge over in the Tatra and Carpathian Mountains in Slovakia, where today, just like during the war for our American independence the Father of our Country prayed, there in a deep snow, leaders of the Slovak underground imbued with the same democratic spirit of George Washington are praying and fighting communism.

As an American of Slovak extraction, whose parents were born in Slovakia, I am greatly honored to address you at this most important psychological strategy conference on cold war. I was deeply touched by the remarks of my good friend Displaced Persons Commissioner Edward O'Connor, who covered the importance and significance of this conference in his keynote remarks most admirably.

My remarks are limited to some 15 minutes and therefore I shall try hard to utilize every moment of the time allotted to me. I am a spokesman today for the people of Slovakia who unfortunately cannot speak for themselves. It is a great honor and privilege which I cherish most highly. In order to appreciate the plight of the brave people of Slovakia, permit me to give the following facts.

The Slovak Nation has an ancient history which begins in the eighth century, A. D.

At that time Slovakia was an important independent nation in the heart of Europe. It is often referred to as a country on the crossroads of Europe. Slovaks are a devout Christian, democratic people, whose brief history was recently registered in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD by the Honorable PAUL DOUGLAS, United States Senator from Illinois, proving that democracy is not new to the Slovak nation.

The Slovaks were the first to turn to Christianity of the central European peoples. The first Christian church in Slovakia was consecrated in 830 A. D. in the historical city of Nitra, where today rule the godless tryants of Kremlin.

The advent of the apostles of Saints Cyril and Methodius to the Slovaks in 863 marked a new epoch of the cultural enlightenment not only for the Slovaks but entire Slavonic nations and their neighbors.

The Slovaks have been dominated by foreign powers for centuries but despite alien domination they have not lost their national characteristics and national spirit. This national spirit was demonstrated during World War I, when the Austria-Hungarian Empire was crushed. The Slovak patriotic movement demanded independence for the Slovak nation. These leaders were banking on the Wilsonian principles of self-determination which were unfortunately disregarded in the peace settlement following the World War. Those interested in history of this period should read the late Col. Stephen Bonsel's works, dealing with this catastrophe and called by him as the Unfinished Business, in his book published under the same title, a Pulitzer prize winner, and also his book Suitsors and Suppliants. The Slovak nation became thus a part of the Czechoslovak Republic. In this relationship the Slovaks looked forward to promises of autonomy within a federation under the direct sponsorship of the United States Peace Delegation at Versailles headed by President Woodrow Wilson.

Unfortunately the pledges given to the Slovaks by T. G. Masaryk were not kept and, therefore, with the outbreak of World War II the Slovaks were caught between the powerful pincers of the two tyrants, Hitler and Stalin. Hitler began the dismemberment of the Czechoslovak Republic by declaring a protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia. Once again the Slovak people had to fight for preservation on one hand against Hitler and on the other against Stalin. It was in these circumstances that the Slovak Republic was proclaimed on March 14, 1939.

In this conflict between Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union there were no neutrals—the Slovaks because of their natural

hatred for the godless philosophy of communism attempted to defend its borders against the Soviets.

With the end of World War II, the Slovaks suffered persecution from the agents of the Kremlin long before the Communists took over completely in Prague. Few people realized that long before the Communist coup in February 1948, Slovakia had many Lidices—yes; many towns and villages were razed to the ground not only by the Nazis but also by the Reds and their agents. Slovak women, including nuns, were raped by the "big brothers from Russia" long before the vast American and western press woke up to the bestialities of our so-called allies—the Red Army. It was no wonder that when the people of Slovakia were given the opportunity to exercise their free vote, they made it clear how much they despised communism by voting over 70 percent against Communists in the first postwar election of May 26, 1946.

But despite the Slovak protests against the Reds, and despite the majority ballots cast against the Reds, the Reds nevertheless took over entire Czechoslovakia in February 1948. This was no news to us Americans of Slovak extraction who have diligently followed the course of events in the country of our forefathers and witnessed the massacre and murder of the Slovak people by the so-called people's courts.

The Slovaks were among the first to be forcefully dragged off to Siberia, where over 30,000 of them perished. Thousands of them fled into voluntary exile. I had the rare opportunity to see with my own eyes, during my 5-month tour in various countries of Europe in 1949, just how the people of Slovakia and its neighbors have suffered and what the Soviet occupation of their homelands brought them. It was then, in the many displaced-persons camps, after seeing their misery and listening to their true stories of persecution, that I vowed to devote all my energies to the liberation of the peoples of the oppressed nations.

Way back since 1946 the Slovak people had to confine their activities to the underground (which was ably described in an article "Stalin's Troubles With the Underground", published in the Saturday Evening Post on December 29, 1951, by Dr. V. Stefan Krajcovic, and reprinted in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD of January 17, 1952, by Congressman MELVIN PRICE, of Illinois).

The reason I mention this article is because I had an opportunity to meet during my sojourn in Germany in 1949 a Slovak hero mentioned in underground exploits, one Alois Suty, who will go down in history as a martyr of the Slovakian underground. Suty

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was a courier between the underground in Slovakia and its free representatives in exile.

Since I met and spoke to thousands of exiles in those DP camps, I can summarize their aims and desires with these sentences:

"If America fails us, then we and our compatriots in the countries behind the iron curtain countries are doomed forever. America is our only hope. Please, do not fail us."

It is their cry to us, to us Americans, whose country was founded by the DP's and the refugees of another century.

When we analyze the strategy of Soviet Russia, we can see that she is playing for time and although peace is her slogan, we know that wherever Soviet soldiers move in there is no peace. There is a saying in Slovakia that the Slovaks waited several hundred years to see the Russians and then in a short period of a few weeks experienced the battle fronts of their "brotherhood"—brutalities that they shall not forget for centuries.

I am very happy that this conference was called because we must act in unison. Our United States Government does not want war and has never been an aggressor. Franklin D. Roosevelt assured us that every nation, no matter how small, is entitled to its statehood. The great statesman, Thomas Jefferson, has proclaimed in this City, the great Capital of our country, that "God who gave us life, gave us liberty at the same time." This also pertains to the peoples of all oppressed and enslaved countries.

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The Americans of Slovak descent and those democracy-loving exiles who have chosen the barren DP camps instead of their homes, today condemn the brutalities of the Reds in Slovakia and other satellite countries. They are ashamed that the unworthy Cains have chosen to murder their brothers. They voice their protests against Gottwald, Stalin's stooge in Czechoslovakia, whose greatness has imprisoned American newspaper Correspondent William N. Oatis and Johnny Hvasta, an American GI of Slovakian parentage from Hillside, N. J., who is languishing in a Czech prison for the past 3 years and whose case was brought to the attention of American press on several occasions. Although President Harry S. Truman has assured the parents of Johnny Hvasta through Congressman Perza W. Robinow, Jr., of Newark, N. J., that he is not a forgotten man, nevertheless, he is still a prisoner in Leopoldov, the same prison which holds the three bishops of Slovakia and thousands of democracy-loving Slovak patriots.

According to our program, we will hear Mr. Robert A. Vogeler, fortunately a living example of the Communist brutalities. We will also hear United States Senator PAX MCCARRAN, to whom I pay great tribute for his untiring efforts in ridding this country of the great menace of communism. I salute you, Senator MCCARRAN on behalf of the Slovak people.

I express the deep appreciation and thanks of those brave and oppressed Slovak people

to the present administration for its firm stand against communism and its realistic program of appropriating the \$100,000,000 aid to the recognized underground movements behind the iron curtain. At this time I heartily endorse the keynote address of the Honorable Commissioner Edward O'Connor, in which he presented a practical plan which would rock the Soviet conspirators to their heels. Every moment of delay means more suffering to the oppressed people behind the iron curtain. To us Americans it is a great loss because our procrastination is only strengthening the position of our enemy in this cold war.

There is one thing I am sure of, and that is that the Slovak people will never accept the doctrines of communism. I am equally certain they will resist to their death all encroachments of the Soviet Union.

The Slovaks are our unquestioned and loyal allies in the common struggle against the dictatorship of communism.

In conclusion, on this birthday of the father of our country, I want to leave these prayerful thoughts with you: Let us make this February 23 the day of the rededication of our efforts to crush communism, the worst plague the world has ever known. Let us put our words into action that the people of the oppressed nations may soon joyfully sing with us: "Let freedom ring from every mountain side—God bless America, and damn communism."

them of the promised land. It means my son, the hope of humanity. My son, the man of the future.

LABOR PRODUCTIVITY  
EXTENSION OF REMARKS  
OF  
HOW AUGUSTINE B. KELLEY  
OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Wednesday, July 12, 1949

Mr. KELLEY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, under permission to extend my remarks, I am including an address on labor productivity by Mr. George F. DeLoach, International representative of the Third-World General Conference of the International Labor Organization, Geneva, Switzerland.

This is a timely and important subject, and it is the reason that I am glad that you will meet and attend a great deal of favorable comment from a majority of the foreign delegates to the Conference.

[From GPO News Service of June 14, 1949]

Addressing the delegates to the International Labor Conference, Mr. DeLoach said that the conference would be a landmark in the history of the world, for it would be the first time that the delegates of the nations of America, western Europe, and the Far East would meet together to discuss the problems of labor productivity. He said that the conference would be a landmark in the history of the world, for it would be the first time that the delegates of the nations of America, western Europe, and the Far East would meet together to discuss the problems of labor productivity.

American workers know that under the gift and take of the G. I. Bill and the GI Bill of Rights, they have had a great deal of opportunity to improve their living standards. They have had a great deal of opportunity to improve their living standards. They have had a great deal of opportunity to improve their living standards.

I have mentioned the automobile as one of our major products. There are many other products of our industry. There are many other products of our industry. There are many other products of our industry.

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on the subject. Or haven't you read about the terror and outrage committed by the Czechs in 1948? (4) This was not "hatched in Prague, 1948." Our army was ordered to surround him to Beneš's government in Czechoslovakia. Our army was ordered to surround him in the year and asked for asylum. The United States broke Americans and democrats out of the Government offices in Prague. Today our Government offices in Prague are empty. The Czechs are still in Prague. For this it means death. Today our Government offices in Prague are empty. The Czechs are still in Prague. For this it means death. Today our Government offices in Prague are empty. The Czechs are still in Prague. For this it means death.

But then, why be afraid of speeches, Walter? Sidor really can tell you how the Slovaks have consistently fought communism since 1945. He can tell you how they have fought it in Moscow by force. Paragraph 9: (a) The stud you offer to Sidor regarding the State Department certainly is proof enough of your stupidity and your utter ignorance of Slovak people, their history, their political situation, and the State Department. It did have an article against granting a visa to Sidor in the past. Certainly must have a good reason for that. It was not a matter of "not wanting to do with events that have transpired in Czechoslovakia since 1946 had something to do with us." We did not make any request. Paragraph 10: (a) I would make Sidor a demand for a visa. I would make Sidor a demand for a visa. I would make Sidor a demand for a visa.

Mr. Sidor's opinion in Sidor's case you have about the freedom of the press and radio. You have assumed a man about whom you have no information. Mr. Sidor, Secretary of the Slovak Republic in the Vltava (1948-49), is willing to meet you at any time and place. He is in Washington. You know it. You've told your version of the story. He is in Washington. You know it. You've told your version of the story. He is in Washington. You know it. You've told your version of the story.

Paragraph 11: (a) Sidor does not have to pay. It is a good anti-Communist "contribution" to the State Department. This fact is told by all of the papers. The fact is told by all of the papers. The fact is told by all of the papers. The fact is told by all of the papers. The fact is told by all of the papers.

Paragraph 12: (a) Sidor's case is not, as you state, just one more instance of blackmail. It is a case of blackmail. It is a case of blackmail. It is a case of blackmail. It is a case of blackmail. It is a case of blackmail.

Why is the State Department afraid of Sidor? The Catholic Light, official newspaper of the Slovak Republic, published the following letter from Sidor to the State Department. Sidor wrote: "I am a Slovak citizen. I am a Slovak citizen. I am a Slovak citizen. I am a Slovak citizen. I am a Slovak citizen."

(4) About February 1949, Mr. Wladimir, I say delegation to Berlin to discuss anything with Gen. Hermann Goerring, but if he did, he would have to go to Berlin. He would have to go to Berlin. He would have to go to Berlin. He would have to go to Berlin. He would have to go to Berlin.

(c) Quite a dramatic ending. Walter, first you make a mess of reporting on Sidor and then you make a mess of reporting on Sidor. You make a mess of reporting on Sidor. You make a mess of reporting on Sidor. You make a mess of reporting on Sidor.

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Paragraph 13: (a) Sidor asked for a visa. He asked for a visa. He asked for a visa. He asked for a visa. He asked for a visa. He asked for a visa.

(b) And it's certainly not an idiotic plan. It's a plan. It's a plan. It's a plan. It's a plan. It's a plan. It's a plan.

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overwhelming majority of organized growers in the United States of America, will be able to get their own products to market through their own channels. It is not only the growers who want to look after their own products, but also the consumers, because they are interested in getting the best quality products at the lowest possible prices. The growers are interested in getting the best quality products at the lowest possible prices, and the consumers are interested in getting the best quality products at the lowest possible prices.

**Trade and Finance of America.**  
The National Farm (People's News), a progressive paper (weekly) published in Spanish, May 15, 1959.  
Under Secretary Evans, we had the honor to meet in order of the New Territory Council.

**Location of Primary and Secondary Plants**

**EXTENSION OF RESEARCH  
BY HON. JAMES E. VAN ZANDT**

**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Tuesday, July 13, 1959

Mr. VAN ZANDT. Mr. Speaker, the location of primary and secondary plants is a very important factor in the development of any industry. It is not only the location of the primary plant, but also the location of the secondary plant, that is important. The location of the primary plant is important because it is the primary plant that produces the raw materials, and the location of the secondary plant is important because it is the secondary plant that processes the raw materials into finished products. The location of the primary plant is important because it is the primary plant that produces the raw materials, and the location of the secondary plant is important because it is the secondary plant that processes the raw materials into finished products.

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**Buy Development the Bureau Plan**  
**EXTENSION OF RESEARCH  
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**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Wednesday, July 15, 1959

Mr. VAN ZANDT. Mr. Speaker, the Bureau of Economic Development is a very important agency in the development of any industry. It is not only the Bureau of Economic Development, but also the Bureau of Economic Development, that is important. The Bureau of Economic Development is important because it is the Bureau of Economic Development that produces the raw materials, and the Bureau of Economic Development is important because it is the Bureau of Economic Development that processes the raw materials into finished products.

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adding thousands to the public payroll as police-stable employees. They would support farms, endorse directives from the Secretary of Agriculture, and make every farmer with a year-round burden of the Sherman plan. (The Sherman plan) would be another step toward socialism.

**Called the War in Korea**  
**EXTENSION OF RESEARCH  
BY HON. JAMES E. VAN ZANDT**  
**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Thursday, July 15, 1959

Mr. VAN ZANDT. Mr. Speaker, the Korean situation has resulted in a very important factor in the development of any industry. It is not only the Korean situation, but also the Korean situation, that is important. The Korean situation is important because it is the Korean situation that produces the raw materials, and the Korean situation is important because it is the Korean situation that processes the raw materials into finished products. The Korean situation is important because it is the Korean situation that produces the raw materials, and the Korean situation is important because it is the Korean situation that processes the raw materials into finished products.

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