

Latham, Lowe, Tawes, Adams, Bennett, Brinsfield, Corkran, Burkley, Johnson, Mackie, Loveless, Machen, Nichols, Sasscer, Sickles, Wilkinson, Eaton, Risley, Hickman, Polk, Stevens, Harris (S. F.), Payne, Smelser, Virts, Utterback, Hatem, Hess, Moore, Tydings, Blades, Hughes (H.), Dabrowski, Milanicz, Mrozinski, Nowakowski, Antonelli, Bartos, Behounek, Hedrick, Mach, Urban, Acker, Brooks, Culotta, McNeal, Abramson, Cole, Friedman, Pollack, Bacharach, Cardin, Fitzgerald, Mandel, Baynes, Hodges, Ankeney, Berkson, Brewer, Huyett, Porter, Browning, Gude, Lee, Schweinhaut, Woodward, Cook, Driscoll, Hughes (G. R.), Jeffrey, Kelley, Reed, Hahn, Smith, Brown, Murray, Cannon, Larmore, White, Ashby, Edwards, Glotfelty.

Total—101

NEGATIVE

Mr. Maguire.

Total—1

POLAND DAY CEREMONY

Sunday, March 11, 1956

Under the Auspices of the Polish-American Citizens Committee to be Held at Polish Home Hall, 510 South Broadway—2:30 P. M.

Once again we are gathered here to pay homage to Poland, and to pay tribute to the men and women of that nation who have made so many contributions to the arts and sciences of the world, and also to make public acknowledgment of the great debt of gratitude we owe Count Casimir Pulaski and other heroic Poles who came to the aid of this country in its time of need.

Also, America as a nation, pauses to sympathize with the present unhappy plight of the Polish people, who are at this time dominated by Russian dictators.

The Polish people have temporarily lost their liberty, as has a number of other freedom loving countries. This great nation of ours faces the same threat to our internal security. Perhaps we take liberty too much for granted, without giving thought to the consequences of its possible loss.

Who may define liberty? It is far more than independence of a nation. It is not a catalog of political "rights". Liberty is a thing of the spirit—to be free to worship, to think, to hold opinions, and to speak without fear—free to challenge wrong and oppression with surety of justice. Liberty conceives that the mind and spirit of men can be free only if the individual is free to choose his own calling, to develop his talents, to win and to keep a home sacred from intrusion, to rear children in ordered security. It holds he must be free to earn, to save, to accumulate property that may give protection in old age to loved ones.

The people of Poland have been able to enjoy these rights and privileges at various times, but always there was the ever present threat of aggression by the Muscovites. However, no matter how often Poland was overrun by invaders, the unconquerable spirit of the Polish people always enabled them to regain their freedom, just as they will once more regain their freedom in what we all hope will be the very near future.

America, since the days of President Washington has been able to enjoy the fruits of freedom, under our Constitution and Bill of Rights. These priceless rights have been the source of our happiness from our very beginning as a nation. We have been accustomed to take them as a matter of course. Now, however, when we see other nations challenging those liberties, it behooves us to exercise that eternal vigilance which now, as always, is the price of liberty.

No matter what comes we must preserve our national birthright: Liberty of conscience and of education, of the press and free assembly and equal justice to all under the law.