

Speech of Hon. John E. Fogarty, MC - 2nd R.I. District - on the floor of the House, Wednesday, February 9, 1949.

Everything related to the American concept of liberty and justice stands condemned to contempt and ridicule by minions of the Kremlin who have committed the basest of all crimes - the assassination of decency itself.

Men everywhere are horrified at the perfidy of Moscow - the epitome of deceit and treachery - while hirelings of the Kremlin mouth fancy phrases having to do with peace and democracy - the Moscow-dominated government of Hungary condemns to a living death the champion of truth and justice in that country.

In the conviction of Cardinal Mindszenty the rulers in the Kremlin have pronounced themselves irrevocably opposed to the American concept of Liberty and Justice. Not content with merely insulting the Catholics of the world, with malice aforethought - they conjured up a deliberate insult to the United States of America. With their bleatings of Yankee Imperialism they have made their purpose clear. It is not only the Vatican Russia despises - it is these United States which they are also bent on destroying. And this great Nation of ours has fallen upon sad times if it permits this insult to justice and decency to go unanswered.

Committees of this Congress have before them Resolutions denouncing the conduct of the Government of Hungary. I implore the Chairman of Our Foreign Affairs Committee to bring the House Resolution to the floor. Let us set the record straight. We stand for honor and truth and Justice. We revolt at this crime against humanity which has been dictated by the Moscow overlords of Hungary. This is not merely a matter of the internal affairs of Hungary. This is conduct which shocks the hearts of all men. I insist that our government must take formal action. This matter must be presented formally to the United Nations. The Government of Hungary - and the men in the Kremlin - must understand there is a limit to what we will stand for.



Unless this Congress acts now - I shall, though I am but one Member of this House - appeal to the Secretary General of the United Nations personally - to bring this matter up at the very first opportunity.

In the meantime - the United States Minister to Hungary should be recalled immediately.

The Foreign Affairs Committee of Congress needs his advice and counsel.

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