

Ukrainians Promised Assistance in Effort For Independence

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Told Roosevelt Will Be
In Power Until Situation
Abroad Is 'Cleared'

The prediction that President Roosevelt's administration will remain in power until the international situation has "cleared" and that the administration will then give every consideration to the right of self-determination for the Ukrainians and other peoples of Europe was made today by Representative Boland of Pennsylvania, Democratic whip of the House, in an address before the Congress of Ukrainian organizations.

Speaking at the Washington Hotel assembly of more than 1,000 representatives of 2,500 Ukrainian groups in the United States, Mr. Boland said that when the European war is over the administration will be a staunch friend of all peoples seeking to live peacefully and democratically.

Senators Favor Purpose.

Senator Guffey, Democrat, of Pennsylvania, assured the congress that he was in accord with their desires for establishment of an independent nation by the Ukrainians in Europe, now partitioned among Russia, Germany, Hungary and Rumania.

Senator Maloney, Democrat, of Connecticut also voiced his agreement with the aims of the congress.

Senator Davis, Republican, of Pennsylvania warned the totalitarian powers that have "superimposed a new type of state religion" on the Ukrainian people that "you can never destroy a faith. * * * Suppression only makes their faith more fervent."

Appeal to Americans.

In resolutions expected to pass this afternoon the congress would appeal to the people of the United States and all liberty-loving countries to recognize and support the historic right of the Ukrainian people to organize their own state and to live as a free nation, in peace with their neighbors.

The resolutions condemned the "ruthless violation of the sovereign rights of neutral countries by totalitarian states" and expressed complete accord with the foreign policy of the United States.

The Ukrainians, it was stated, have "suffered terror, executions, imprisonments and other harsh measures of political oppression and economic exploitation at the hands of their foreign rulers."

The Congress will be concluded tonight with a concert by the Ukrainian Chorus under direction of Alexander Koshetz. The concert, scheduled for 8:15 in the Washington Hotel auditorium, will feature Marie Sobczak, soprano, and Mikal Lunski, tenor.