

Taylor to Keep Post at Vatican

ROME — (AP) — Myra C. Taylor, who has served as Press Secretary to Pope Pius XII, is to remain at the Vatican post.

...ative of the Vatican since December, 1939, has been confirmed by President Harry S. Truman to continue in that office, according to reliable sources here.

VANDERBERG AGREES ON BISHOPS' PLAN

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...entally I agree with many of your comments.

You may have noticed that I have been challenging for many weeks the significant absence of the word 'justice' from any portion of the Dumbarton Oaks Charter in respect to the duties of either the Assembly or the Security Council in the new Peace League. It is absent both in name and in fact.

I have offered amendments to remedy this omission. I think I am entitled to say that the American Delegation will join in seeking this fundamental correction.

My own position is well known. I want this new Organization dedicated to 'JUSTICE' and to 'INTERNATIONAL LAW' and to 'HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS.' Injustice has always defied a straitjacket and it always will.

Spiritual values are more powerful than military values in establishing permanent peace. I hope we may not confront insurmountable obstacles in this behalf. I want also to textually identify the aspirations and the pledges of the Atlantic Charter in our collective obligations.

You have touched upon another phase of this problem which is of cardinal concern to me. It is imperative that there be lodged in the international organization the authority to make changes in the peace settlements and other treaties which, in view of past mistakes or changed conditions, may be required.

While we cannot arm the International Organization with power actually to 'make change' in treaties, we can clothe the Assembly with full power to investigate and recommend—and that is another of the amendments which I have submitted and which I deem to be of vital import. Otherwise, we are in danger of committing the world to an arbitrary status quo born of all the exigencies of expedient war decisions. It will not work.

Your comments regarding Poland, for example, find me in complete agreement. We have not won this war if its original and immediate cause is lost in what we choose to call a subsequent victory. The San Francisco Conference will have no jurisdiction over specific peace settlements such as boundaries, etc. This must await the ultimate peace talk. But we can provide a forum in which injustice shall have its 'day in court.' That is my great hope and purpose.

Meanwhile, we face the first 'acid test' in the character of the new Provisional Polish Government (to which we must assent). I have publicly asserted on the floor of the Senate that one of these 'acid tests' for us will be whether General Anders and his Independent Polish Corps (fighting as our Ally on the Russian front) can go home and whether General Bor and his Strategic Polish Underground can stay here.

I agree with your comments regarding the 'Yalta' agreement concluded at Yalta. But they are firm commitments of our Government made by our late President, and we are bound.

Speaking generally, I welcome your candid comments. I am sure that you will continue to be a most helpful and constructive force in the future.

On Guard!

By Rev. Patrick J. Flynn

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...studying the Dumbarton Oaks Proposals, which are now the basis of discussion at San Francisco.

What kind of a league or international organization is outlined in the Dumbarton Oaks Proposals? According to this plan:

The new league of nations will have three main bodies: a General Assembly, a Security Council and an International Court of Justice. All nations are to be represented in the General Assembly. In the Security Council the United States, Great Britain, Russia, China and eventually France are to be permanent members. Six others are to be elected by the General Assembly, in rotation, for two year terms. This Security Council is to have the primary responsibility for keeping the peace.

The catch in the Dumbarton Oaks Plan is this: The Big Powers will control the Security Council and the Security Council will control the new league. At Yalta the Big Three leaders agreed to give the permanent members of the Security Council the privilege of vetoing any league action against themselves. This catches domination of the new international organization for the Big Powers. If the San Francisco Conference follows through on the Dumbarton Oaks formula and the Yalta veto agreement, then the General Assembly of all the nations and the World Court of Justice will play second fiddle to a dangerous alliance of Big Powers. The General Assembly will hardly be more than a debating society and the Court of Justice will be without authority and only an advisory body.

In their keynote addresses to the Conference both President Truman and Secretary of State Stettinius expressed the hope that the delegates would establish an international organization which would secure for the world a just and lasting peace.

If justice is to be the cornerstone of the new league of nations then the Dumbarton Oaks formula must be corrected and the veto privilege must be eliminated.

If justice is to characterize the new security organization then the San Francisco Charter should incorporate these items:

- 1. An International Code of Law. The 'rule of law is a legend'; it cannot save the world.
- 2. If justice is to supplant force in international life then all the nations must mutually obligated themselves to live according to the laws of justice. San Francisco should produce not only a peace making but also a rule book for operating the machine.
- 3. The proposed International Court of Justice must be given an independent authority and primacy in the new peace organization.

The 'World of Tomorrow' is now being shaped. Its better or worse by the language of San Francisco. The Dumbarton Oaks Plan, which the delegates are discussing, is not a plan under law. It is only a draft of a new Peace Alliance. If the United Nations delegates will correct the serious defects of the Dumbarton Oaks formula in the final Act of the San Francisco Conference then it may be that the 'World of Tomorrow' will be a better one than the 'World of Today'.

Walter J. Villanova, Director of the National Catholic Youth Conference, is the author of this column.

Reds Out to Destroy Poland Says Halecki

Brooklyn — (AP) — Asserting that both Nazism and Communism want to wipe out Poland's Catholic, Latin and democratic traditions, Prof. Oscar Halecki, Director of the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences in America and former delegate of Poland to the League of Nations Assembly declared here last Monday that "the tragedy of Poland is inseparable from the fate of a group of nations between Germany and Russia which, after having escaped the Nazi conquest, are now forced into the Russian orbit."

Professor Halecki's talk was the third in a series of four forum addresses being given under the auspices of the Knights of Columbus. Expressing fear that some of the countries close to Poland, including Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia, "are complete annihilated," Professor Halecki declared that "great centers of Western culture—not only in Poland, east and west of the Curzon line, but including Vienna—might never be permitted to resume their historical role."

Recalling that Poland, "after having suffered from the Nazis the most cruel persecution ever known in history," passed immediately under another regime of terror and oppression, Professor Halecki observed: "She is cut off from the outside world, even from any relief for her starving people who are ruthlessly 'purged,' although none of them had been 'pro-Nazi.'"

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