

Myron Charles Taylor Papers

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Collection Summary

Title: Myron Charles Taylor Papers

Span Dates: 1928-1953

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1940-1950)

ID No.: MSS42390

Creator: Taylor, Myron Charles, 1874-1959

Extent: 1250 items ; 8 containers ; 2.8 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

Repository: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Abstract: Industrialist, diplomat, and lawyer. Correspondence, reports, and other papers documenting Taylor's activities as the president's personal representative to Pope Pius XII.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

People

Cicognani, Amleto Giovanni, 1883-1973--Correspondence.

Dibelius, Otto, 1880-1967--Correspondence.

John XXIII, Pope, 1881-1963--Correspondence.

Maglione, Luigi, 1877-1944--Correspondence.

Oxnam, G. Bromley (Garfield Bromley), 1891-1963--Correspondence.

Paul VI, Pope, 1897-1978--Correspondence.

Pius XII, Pope, 1876-1958--Correspondence.

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Roosevelt, Franklin D. (Franklin Delano), 1882-1945--Correspondence.

Tardini, Domenico, 1888-1961--Correspondence.

Taylor, Myron Charles, 1874-1959.

Truman, Harry S., 1884-1972--Correspondence.

Organizations

Catholic Church--Foreign relations--United States.

United States. Dept. of State.

Subjects

Diplomatic and consular service, American--Vatican City.

Protestant churches--Clergy--Correspondence.

Places

United States--Foreign relations--20th century.

Vatican City--History.

Occupations

Diplomats.

Industrialists.

Lawyers.

Administrative Information

Provenance

The papers of Myron Charles Taylor, industrialist, diplomat, and lawyer, were given to the Library of Congress by Taylor in 1959.

Processing History

The papers of Myron Charles Taylor were arranged and described in 1973. The finding aid was revised in 2012.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Myron Charles Taylor is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Myron Charles Taylor are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Myron Charles Taylor Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Note

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1874, Jan. 18	Born, Lyons, N.Y.
1894	LL.B., Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. Married Anabel Stuart Mack
1927-1934	Chairman, Finance Committee, United States Steel Corp.
1932-1938	Chairman of the board and chief executive officer, United States Steel Corp.
1938	Chairman, Evian Conference on Political Refugees
1938-1944	Vice chairman, Intergovernmental Commission on Political Refugees
1939-1950	Personal representative of the president to Pope Pius XII, with rank of ambassador
1948	Awarded Medal of Merit by President Harry S. Truman
1950-1953	Personal representative of the president on special mission to Pope Pius XII, with rank of ambassador
1959, May 6	Died, New York, N.Y.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Myron Charles Taylor (1874-1959) span the period 1928-1953, with the bulk concentrated in the years 1940-1950. Most of the collection consists of typed transcripts of letters, memoranda, and reports documenting Taylor's activities as the president's representative to Pope Pius XII from 1939 to 1953. These items have been bound in volumes by Taylor. Each volume begins with a chronological list of the items contained in it, a chronology of events pertinent to Taylor's mission, and an introduction by Taylor giving the status of the mission and the political and diplomatic scene at the time.

Included among the documents are copies of the letters of Presidents Franklin D. Roosevelt and Harry S. Truman and Pope Pius XII; of State Department correspondence and memoranda; Taylor's memoranda of his meetings with the Pope, with other Vatican officials, and with diplomats accredited to the Vatican; and copies of his correspondence with Protestant clergymen. Correspondents include the secretary of state of the Vatican, Cardinal Luigi Maglione; the assistant secretaries of state, Monsignors Domenico Tardini and Giovanni Battista Montini (later Pope Paul VI); the apostolic delegate to the United States, Archbishop Amleto Giovanni Cigognani; the papal nuncio to France, Monsignor Angelo Giuseppe Roncallo (later Pope John XXIII); the American Methodist bishop, G. Bromley Oxnam; and the Evangelical Bishop of Berlin, Otto Dibelius.

The printed matter includes speeches and remarks made by Taylor at various functions and two publications of the correspondence between Pope Pius XII and Presidents Roosevelt and Truman.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is organized by type of material.

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