

# Letter by Mrs. Kennedy to Khrushchev Revealed

## Belief That Johnson Would Follow Policy of Restraint Expressed in Note to Premier

NEW YORK (AP)—After her husband was assassinated, Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy wrote then Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev she was sure President Johnson would continue a policy of "control and restraint" in relations between the two countries.

In a letter from the White House, during the tragic days of late November, 1963, Mrs. Kennedy also reminded the Soviet leader that he and her husband, although adversaries, had been united in a determination that the world would not be blown up.

A spokesman for the Kennedy family confirmed Thursday that this letter will appear in the Look magazine serialization of William Manchester's book "The Death of a President."

He also said that, despite reports of contention, "Mrs. Kennedy has always been grateful for the consideration and thoughtfulness President Johnson showed her. I think she still writes him now and then, but I have no idea how often."

### Negotiations Continue

Meanwhile, negotiations continued Thursday between lawyers for Mrs. Kennedy and publishers Harper & Row to reach an out-of-court settlement on their dispute over passages the former First Lady considers too personal. Prospects appeared good for an amicable arrangement, sources said. Although she insisted on deletion of sections intimately concerning herself and her children, Mrs. Kennedy did not request removal of passages about Mr. Johnson, although in a

statement she said there are "historical inaccuracies" in the book.

The spokesman said, "In some respects the book paints an unfavorable picture of President Johnson, but this did not come from Mrs. Kennedy or Robert Kennedy. It came from some other sources and from the judgment of the author, which he is entitled to make."

Manchester, according to a person who has read the book, also says in the serialization:

1 — Newsmen Charles Bartlett, a close friend of President Kennedy, told Defense Secretary Robert

S. McNamara he had heard from the Chief Executive that McNamara would be named secretary of state in the second term. Bartlett said Thursday he did not care to comment. Manchester added that once Rusk left, Robert F. Kennedy, then attorney general, would ask to be assistant secretary of state for inter-American affairs.

2 — Mr. Kennedy was taking French lessons in order to be able to negotiate with President Charles de Gaulle in his own language.

Manchester says he agrees with the findings of the Warren Commission.

that Gov. John Connally of Texas was hit by the same bullet that went through Mr. Kennedy's body. Connally has said he and Mr. Kennedy, riding in the same car, were hit by different bullets.

4 — President Kennedy's

Bible, used by federal Judge Sarah Hughes when she swore Mr. Johnson in as President, is missing. A man Judge Hughes thought was a security official asked her for it. She gave it to him and it has disappeared.