

Jackies' Letter

To Khrushchev

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Is Revealed

NEW YORK (AP) — Mrs. John F. Kennedy wrote Premier Nikita Khrushchev before she left the White House that he and President Kennedy, although adversaries, were allied in a determination that the world would not be blown up.

Mrs. Kennedy said she was certain that President Johnson would continue her husband's policy which she termed one of control and restraint.

A spokesman for the Kennedy family confirmed today that the letter will be in the Look magazine serialization of William Manchester's book, "The Death of a President." The spokesman was asked about the letter after a person who had read the manuscript related details of it to the Associated Press.

MANCHESTER also says in the serialization, according to a person who has read it:

• He agrees with the theory of the Warren Commission, which investigated the assassination, that Gov. John Connally of Texas, who was riding with Kennedy in the Dallas motorcade Nov. 22, 1963, was hit by the same bullet that went through Kennedy's body. Connally has expressed the opinion that he and Kennedy were hit by different bullet.

• Newsman Charles Bartlett told Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara he had heard from President Kennedy that he was to be secretary of state in the second term. Bartlett said today he did not care to comment.

(Arthur M. Schlesinger Jr., a former adviser to President Kennedy, wrote recently that Kennedy decided in 1963 to replace Dean Rusk as secretary of state after the 1964 election).

• Manchester says that once

Rusk had left, Robert F. Kennedy, then attorney general, would ask to be assistant secretary for inter-American affairs.

• Kennedy was taking French lessons, determined that when he met President Charles de Gaulle he would not only speak to him in his own language but negotiate in it.

• President Kennedy's Bible, used by Federal Judge Sarah Hughes when she administered the oath to Lyndon B. Johnson, the new president, is missing. A

man whom Judge Hughes did not know, but whom she thought a security official, asked for it and disappeared.

• Some officials, wondering where they could find the text of the oath for the swearing-in ceremony, forgot that it is in the Constitution.

Schlesinger asked Democratic National Chairman John Bailey if it were possible to deny the presidential nomination in 1968 to Johnson. Bailey said the result would be to lose the election.

MEANWHILE, a source close to the Kennedy family said that Mrs. Kennedy had written a letter to President Johnson after the assassination in which she expressed "appreciation for the considerate behavior he showed her."

"In some respects the book paints an unfavorable picture of President Johnson," the source said. "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."

The source said that "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."