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### United Nation's Fate Hangs in Balance

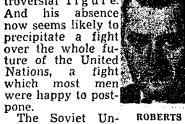
By J. M. ROBERTS

Associated Press News Analyst Dag Hammarskjold died under fire from both sides in the cold war.

Most of the great names of history are those of men who ident Kennedy will address were able to grasp the reins of forces already at work about the United Nations General them, or were picked up and thrown forward by those forces.

But here was a man who sat among the currents of history, trying to deflect them in the direction desired by large numbers of men, who by his personal and

official presence be-came a highly con-troversial figure.



not so much for control of the memberships by uncommitted U.N., as for the ability to confine nations. it to the role of a debating society a good place for Soviet propaganda moves, but a bad place for any action looking toward peace.

There is one viewpoint that the removal of Hammarskjoldif we may brush aside the humanities and the decency which are already taking such a beating in this world—might just possibly alleviate some of the strain in the U.N.

This view is based on the as-China, a fight in which she has umption that some means can little or no real support from her found to produce a less control-strongest Allies.

This column has always distributed with the possibility exists that the sumption that some means can little or no real support from her be found to produce a less contro-strongest Allies.

emerging nations, a true neutral be such an organization, lest the not bound by ingrained devotion shards of world order be scatto the promotion of Western cul-tered to become of interest only to ture, and therefore more able to future archeologists. act as mediator between East and But now, if the Communists in-West, but taking no initiative.

Aspaturian Predicts--

have a veto, it would favor the

In view of the present situa-

tion, Aspaturian states: "the West

will probably first try to sponsor

a friendly Afro-Asian—a representative from Thailand, the Philippines or Turkey—as its candidate for Secretary-General."

ity Council, had not been expected to come up until next year,

something might happen which Kennedy will offer an American have been the indispensable man more or less certain since the five would permit the U.N. to move proposal for full disarmament. on with its work.

tically divided over many issues, not the least of them its own at-today. titude toward the Congo.

The "automatic majority" on The Soviet Un- ROBERTS the side of the United States is ion will now intensify its fight smothered under a host of new

One of the great powers, France, is officially contemptuous of the U.N. France and Britain have split with the United States over U.N. Congo policy. France has split with the United States and Britain over the approach to negotiations with the Soviet Union over Germany.

versial successor.

There has been some talk for counted the "fate of U.N. hangs the past year that such a succes- in balance" assessments of the sor might be found among the past, in the belief that there must

sist that there be no successor to tem comparable to the one it many years ago, like a straw in has used so often in the Secur- the wind of gathering storm.

Referring to the effects of

Hammarskjold's death on the internal structure of the United

Nations, Aspaturian says: "This

further signifies the evolution of the United Nations into an

organization which is more and

more moving outside the sphere

of Western influence.'

# Kennedy To Address

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Assembly, probably on Friday, yesterday.

There had even been some very in making this announcement, de-ominous storm clouds. Small hope that, given this time, clined to comment on reports that Hammarskjold may

n with its work.

The exact timing of Kennedy's a world police force is concerned cluding the U.S.S.R. and the most favorable moment for inger said, by the schedule of prothe most favorable moment for inger said, by the schedule of pro-the Soviet bloc. The U.N. is dras-ceedings adopted by the Assembly, which was scheduled to open

> The tragic death of U.N. Secretary-General Dag Hammar-skjold in a plane crash in Africa strengthened the President's desire to appear personally before the 99-nation Assembly, Salinger said.

This disaster had the effect, the of crisis for the U.N., would be a matter of his successor would in having an acting secretary-good time to go there and affirm have arisen in the 17th General (Continued on page four) support of the U.N. and its purposes.

The earliest possible date for the President's appearance would The United States has just ac- be Thursday afternoon, Salinger cepted the necessity of a headon said, and if that time is selected fight over the admission of Red Kennedy will cancel his scheduled

> appearance may be deferred until early next week. One factor in the timing is the time consumed by various nations wishing to eulogize the late Secreiary-General.

The White House expects that the precise day will be settled to-day, Salinger added.

He refused to go into any dis-The fight over a successor. Hammarskjold, as expected, the cussion of the substance of the with the Communist bloc at organization could be reduced to President's address, but disclosed tempting to hamstring the Genthe status of the Old League of that Kennedy has talked by telegral Assembly with a veto sys- Nations, which blew away so phone with both Secretary of State Dean Rusk and Ambassador Adlai Stevenson, chief of the U.S. delegation to the U.N., in the course of the day.

(Continued from page one) dent of the General Assembly nist" neutralist and the troika and U.N. representative from Tuporoposal in which the West would nisia. (Continued from page one) minister in Sweden and vice chairman of the executive committee of the Organization for European Economic Cooperation.

His task as secretary-general took him on many and varied international missions.

Hammarskjold was born July 29, 1905, the son of Hjalmar Hammarskjold, the Swedish premier in World War I.

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### Extent of Crisis In U.N. Analyzed

By WILLIAM L. RYAN Associated Press News Analyst

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (P)—Dag Hammarskjold's WASHINGTON (P) - Pres-death plunged the United Nations yesterday into the deepest crisis of its history. It could even spell the beginning of the end of the U.N. as an effective world peace organization.

The tragedy in the wilds of central Africa could hardly

the White House announced have happened at a less opportune moment. The U.N. is open-Assembly next year.

Press Secretary Pierre Salinger, eral Assembly session — under rity Council would have to agree in making this announcement, de-

hardly be overestimated. Apparently there is no successor to Hammarskjold as secretarygeneral who would be acceptable to the Soviet Union and the United States.

advanced it by at least a full other of its members.

secretary explained, of making year term of office was to expire vision for a line of succession. Kennedy feel that "now, at a time in April 1963. That meant that the Hammarskjold did not believed."

on a candidate and recommend Hammarskjold may prove to him to the assembly. A crisis was

> The Soviets can be expected now to push this idea once again. If adopted, it would effectively destroy the secretariat's power to act as policeman in dangerous world crisis.

The crisis was coming in any It would be forever paralyzed event, but Hammarskjold's death by the veto power of one or an-

The crisis is all the more deep Hammarskjold's second five-because there has been no pro-

Hammarskjold did not believe

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as Mongi Slim, the current presi-goes on, he adds.

Accordingly, he predicts that We can expect that the interests the Soviet Union will propose as of the United States and the deits candidate for the seat, an Afrocisions of the United Nations will Asian of Communist leanings such diverge more and more as time

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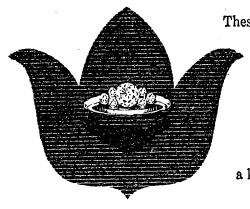
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