

MRS. PANDIT PRESIDENT OF UNO

The 8th U.N.O. General Assembly was almost like starting a new school term. Gladwyn Jebb and the other prefects were a year older than in last September. All the fellows knew that Mrs. Pandit, with the support of the Western Nations, would most likely be the new President. Sister of Premier Nehru, with a charm, distinction and personality all her own she has become the high effective voice of the Asian ^{pls} ~~countries~~ in the General Assembly. Mrs. Pandit was opposed by the representative of Siam, but it was a foregone conclusion she would be elected.

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~~Her election as first woman to be President was announced by Mr. Lester Pearson of Canada, her predecessor.~~

Thanking her fellow representatives for the great honour they had conferred upon her, Mrs. Pandit assured them that -

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.... and that, Mr. President, is still their view. We think we must wait and see if our hopes - our great hopes - are going to be fulfilled. And in these circumstances the government believe it is entirely appropriate to postpone consideration of this question until the end of this year, as provided for in the motion under discussion submitted by the American Sec. of State, which I do not think has been circulated - it reads as follows: 'The Gen. Assembly decided to postpone for the duration of its 8th regular session the current consideration of all proposals to exclude representatives of the people of the Republic of China and to seek representatives of the Central representatives of the peoples of..... Mr. President is a resolution for which our delegation will certainly vote. Thank you.

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Parson Voting is as follows: Number of ballot papers 60, number of abstentions Zero, number of invalid ballots 1, number of ballots 59. Therefore the simple majority for our ~~election~~ election is 30. Madam Pandit 37, members 22 (applause). [Madam Pandit having maintained the necessary majority I have the honour and pleasure of declaring elected the President of the 8th regular session of the Gen. Assembly and invite her to come to the rostrum.] (applause)

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in PANDIT to my fellow representatives for the great honour they have just conferred upon me. [They can be certain that] I shall do my best to justify their confidence and to discharge impartially the responsibilities of this high office. [I regard your choice as a tribute to my country and a recognition of her profound desire to serve the purposes of the United Nations and thru them the Paramount interests of world peace.] It is also a recognition of the part that women have played and are playing in furthering the aims and

purposes of this great organization. (applause)

~~The duties of every assembly~~ The..... of every assembly are delicate and difficult; they also present great opportunity. At this session the opportunities are all the greater because the assembly meets in an atmosphere which offers hope of beginning to really resolve some of the tensions and conflicts that afflict us.

We must seek to eliminate weapons of mass destruction rather than invent weapons that are even more destructive. Finally we must discover the means of directing the resources of industry and the researches of Science ~~into peaceful~~ into peaceful instead of destructive channels. We must learn to guarantee effectively any safeguarding of peace and in raising the standard of living of the peoples of the world. Of course it is relatively easy to state an objective..... our responsibilities are certainly onerous indeed - they always have been.... (applause)

The next organizational step to be taken by the Assembly are those which will provide the membership of the Gen. Committee meeting as soon as possible in order to report ~~making~~ to the Assembly on the adoption of the Agenda for the session. In this connection a draft resolution has been proposed by 13 members which should be considered at this time if the full effect is to be given to the intention of those members proposing the resolution

(LONG PAUSE AND MUCH HANDSHAKING)

To recognise the delegate for the United Kingdom.

VISHINSKY long spiel and English speaker over.

DULLES: this Assembly in our present session. We know that 3 yrs ago the Chinese Communists intervened with their armed forces as aggressors, as participants in the communist seeking to overpower and seize the Rep. of China. That fact of aggression has been confirmed by the United Nations.

After unnecessary and heartbreaking delays the armistice was finally concluded about 6 weeks ago, and the armistice was welcomed throughout the world, no where more than in the United States. The armistice has not solved all the problems created by the communist aggression in Korea. The armed forces of communist China still remain in Korea - aggression is yet to be terminated and peace secured.any proposals for the representation of the Chinese communist aggressors in this assembly, and following the practice of earlier sessions I urge prompt adoption of the motion..... that motion, I propose deals with the current year and now interpreted as indicated in..... United States we believe that it is appropriate that a vote of this character should deal with one year at a time. Thank you, Mr. President."

~~Amidst
the confusion~~

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Mr. President, fellow delegates, the move made by the representative of the Soviet Union is most natural. Their admission of the Chinese Reds to the United Nations would be the consummation of more than 30 yrs of intrigue and aggression by the Soviet Union against the Republic of China. Those 30 yrs. are yrs of persistent effort on the part of the Soviet Union to enclose my country within the Iron Curtain. What the/delegate proposed is that the United Nations to date should confirm international recognition of the proof of Soviet....