

JAMES JEREMIAH WADSWORTH, former United States Ambassador to the United Nations. After St. Marks and Yale, with his heritage of sustained patriotic service evidenced by the presence in the preceding three generations of his family of a United States Senator, two United States Congressmen, a Brigadier General, an Ambassador to Great Britain, and a Secretary of State, this countryman and businessman could scarcely avoid a career in that tradition of public service in many areas, as legislator, civil servant, and diplomat. Demonstrating an extraordinary versatility, as member of the New York State Assembly for ten years, as business executive of unusual success in industrial relations in the aircraft industry, as government official in the War Assets Administration, the Economic Cooperation Administration, and the Federal Civil Defense Administration, he justified his appointment in recent years as United States Representative to the United Nations. Finally as our Ambassador to that world organization, he confirmed a reputation for imperturbability in the face of utmost provocation, and intellectual action in the face of unintellectual bickering. His stalwartness aptly described by his own family motto, "Aquila non captat muscas," he equally exemplifies the Bowdoin motto, "Ut aquila versus coelum." In a manner appropriately described "disarming," he represented our stand on disarmament and atomic control with eagle-like force and accuracy, uncompromising on the necessity of inspection as prerequisite to effectiveness and insistent on the need for the peaceful development of nuclear power, presaging his sound and incisive critique and pronouncements in a turbulent session of the General Assembly. Firm in his devotion to both democracy and world peace, as Chairman of the Board of Directors of Freedom House he is convinced that the goals of a free society cannot be reached unless Americans understand the nature of Communism, and thus stoutly resist world domination by any single group or nation.

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