

Red Propagandist Fools West With New History Book

BONN, Germany (AP)—Chagrined U. S. officials in Germany admitted last night they paid 200,000 marks (\$27,000) toward a new history textbook and distributed 1,100 copies before they discovered its author was a Communist who included Red propaganda in his book.

The Red-slanted pages were discovered by a German government employee who read the book and then wired American authorities: "What's going on here?"

That started the U. S. high commissioner's office checking. It found, officials admitted, that historian Arno Peters, 45-year-old German-born ex-journalist, was a Communist party member and had injected communism into every field of world history.

The commission immediately impounded 8,100 copies received from the printers but not yet delivered. Another 1,100 copies, however, had already gone out to American-sponsored public reading rooms throughout West Germany.

Peters, who contracted with U. S. officials to write the book, also had run off a large printing of his own for private sale.

The Rhineland-Palatinate State Ministry of Culture last night cautioned all schools in the state against circulating the history. The Lower Saxony Ministry of

Culture said it was suing for the return of 80,000 marks (\$11,900) it had put up to back the book.

The U. S. contracted for the book—titled "Synchronoptische Weltgeschichte" (synchronoptic world history)—as a part of a program to provide new textbooks for German schools. Under the agreement signed with Peters and his wife, Anneliese, in April, 1951, the author was paid 57,000 marks (\$8,550) in cash and furnished 150,000 marks (\$22,500) worth of paper.

The high commissioner's office said now it is "considering whether to take legal action against him."

The U. S. authorities explained they had not made a security check on Peters "because he had high endorsements from eminent German educators."

Their explanation for failing to check his text was that the commissioner's education branch had been cut from 85 persons to two between the time the book was ordered and when it was delivered.

Four German state education ministers and several professors endorsed the history without actually seeing the full manuscript.

Provided by reporters who had dug up the story, the U. S. High Commission last night gave this opinion of the book:

"The editors show very definite and obvious pro-Communist, anti-

democratic and anti-Catholic prejudices and, in a number of occasions, anti-Jewish and anti-theological prejudices.

"The tendentious editing is rec-

ognizable not only by statements along pro-Communist lines but also by the omission of important names and facts and the assignment of much space to subject

items which do not deserve them under an objective basis."

The commission produced two pages of excerpts to prove its contention of Red propaganda. It said Peters devoted twice as much space to the establishment of a town in Siberia as to the discovery of America by Christopher Colum-

bus.

The excerpts included a quote from a Persian named Masdak—whom the High Commission said it could not find mentioned in any standard reference book—as saying in 478 A.D.:

"Private property is the cause of all evil and bad."

"Communism is applied religion...All class differences must be abolished."

Among the other excerpts was: "On the 1946-48 civil war in Greece—The struggle of Communists and Republican forces of Greece

against the monarchy supported by the U. S. A. was unavailing."

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Greeks Elect Military Hero; U.S. Expects 'Co-operation'

ATHENS, Greece (AP)—Greek voters in parliamentary elections yesterday overwhelmingly picked Field Marshal Alexander Papagos, the country's stern, tough military hero, to head their government.

With 83 per cent of the votes counted, Papagos' right-wing Greek Rally was leading in races for 235 of the legislative body's 300 seats. It promised him the greatest parliamentary majority won by any one faction since Eleutherio Venizelos' Liberal triumph in 1928.

The caretaker government of Premier Dimitrios Kisisopoulos announced it would resign tomorrow. King Paul then was expected to give a mandate to the 68-year-old Papagos to form a new cabinet.

American officials had maintained an official "hands off" toward the election campaign, but it was an open secret that U. S. authorities felt a Papagos victory would help stabilize this poverty-stricken country, which has received more than two billion dollars in American economic and military aid since World War II.

Until today, the Americans, since assuming the burden of Greek aid in 1947, had hoped in vain for a one-party government with a parliamentary majority big enough to enact necessary legislation. Papagos was expected to give the Americans full co-operation, but it was generally conceded the tough old fighter would not be a "yes man."

Assailed by his opponents as a

would-be dictator, military hero Papagos had promised a vigorous housecleaning of the heretofore-shaky Greek government.

The leftist-center coalition of National Progressive (EPEK) and Liberals led by former Premier Nicholas Plastiras early today had not conceded defeat. It was leading in 16 constituencies which elect only 55 deputies. Even in some of these, the races were extremely close and there was a chance the Greek Rally might pick up several more seats.

The Communist-front EDA, which the Cominform had blessed two days before the elections, elected only one deputy—from the tiny Ionian island of Lefkas—and had polled only 142,844 votes, 10.99 per cent of the ballots thus far counted.

A year ago the EDA polled 180,000 votes—10.53 per cent—but elected nine deputies.

So far, the Papagos forces had garnered 631,458 votes, or 48.95 per cent. A total of 723 precincts still were unreported and several other races were in doubt.

A soldier since his youth, Papagos first gained fame as commander in chief of the Greek Army which repulsed Mussolini's vaunted forces in early World War II and drove them back to the heart of Albania.

After the Germans occupied Greece, he was taken hostage in 1943 and kept in concentration camps. The victorious American Fifth Army freed him in May, 1945.

In January, 1949, he took command of Greek forces locked in a stalemate with Communist rebels in the Northern mountains. Aided by American advisers and military supplies, the marshal in slightly more than seven months whipped his army into shape and won a crushing victory over the guerrillas.

Papagos resigned his command in May, 1951, and later charged that a palace clique around King Paul had been opposed to him. His relations with the monarch have been strained since then, but during the campaign the marshal insisted that he respected the throne and the King.

Women Voters Hold Meeting

WASHINGTON (AP)—The National Board of the League of Women Voters began a week-long meeting here today to lay plans for carrying out the program adopted by the league's convention in Cincinnati last May.

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WE THREE CLUB
At our second meeting, We Three Club had the flag salute and the 4-H pledge. Each member was to bring four surprise muffins to the meeting.

PIONEER BAKERS
At the first meeting of the officers elected were Patty Davison, president; Judy Kirkay, secretary and song leader; Sharon Meyer, news reporter and vice president.

WE THREE CLUB
At the first meeting of November the members had the flag salute, and then the 4-H pledge. The members decided that since there was only three members in this club, they would have the Pioneer Bakers Club meet at Dee Kerna house every month on the first Thursday. Both clubs met Nov. 2. We decided to have a Christmas Party Dec. 11. The members elected, Rosemary Granat, program chairman; Patty Davison, kitchen chairman.

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