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HAMBURG, Germany, Dec. 22 (AP)—The West German illustrated magazine Stern announced today it will publish a complete and unabridged serialization of the book "The Death of a President."

Henri Nannen, editor-in-chief of the magazine, said Stern's agreement in New York last night to remove or modify passages in the book relating to the personal life of Mrs. John F. Kennedy and her two children.

Nannen said Stern had paid \$72,500 for the German serialization rights, and the contract between Stern and Look did not provide for any changes or cutting of the text.

Scheduled for Jan. 17

A Stern spokesman said serialization will begin in the edition of the magazine appearing on West German newsstands Jan. 17.

Look magazine, informed of the development in New York, had no immediate comment.

After talking with attorneys for Mrs. Kennedy, a source close to the family said, "We do not know anything about the Stern statement except Look represented to us that they had made no agreement which permitted Stern or any other publication to which Look had sold rights to publish any text other than that which appears in Look magazine."

Cites German Laws

Stern said in a statement it did not think Mrs. Kennedy

could block West German publication thru court action, because only that which is probably false or damaging to a person's honor can be blocked under German law.

Neither of these grounds apply to the contents of the serialization, even tho the political prestige of President Johnson might be injured by observations made in the book, the magazine added.

"I can understand that Sen. Robert Kennedy would like to avert this dispute [with President Johnson] for the sake of his political career, but this can be no reason for not reporting the complete, unmodified historical truth," Nannen commented.