

Agnew Could Net \$1 Million on Novel

Former Vice President Spiro T. Agnew could make as much as a million dollars out of his first novel, "A Very Special Relationship," and contracts worth \$300,000 are already assured, according to his agent Scott Meredith.

Meredith says that Agnew plans to go to England for a five-day promotion tour next January, prior to the publication there of his novel by W. H. Allen, Ltd. Agnew also has signed publishing contracts in Japan, Portugal and Greece.

Spanish, Brazilian and French offers have been turned down, but Meredith says, he expects Agnew eventually to sign contracts in some 20 foreign countries. Movie rights have not yet been sold.

Meredith said that rights to the novel sold to Playboy Magazine were well over \$100,000. So were rights sold to the Ladies Home Journal. "In total, this book could bring more than \$1,000,000," Meredith predicted.

Quello Confirmed

The Senate yesterday confirmed retired Detroit broadcaster James H. Quello for a seven-year term on the Federal Communications Commission.

Quello, whose controversial nomination was delayed for months by the Senate Commerce Committee after lengthy hearings, succeeds outspoken Commissioner

Nicholas Johnson, whose term expired last June 30.

A Democrat who contributed \$1,100 to President Nixon's 1972 campaign, the 59-year-old Quello was general manager of WJR radio in Detroit. His term runs until July 1, 1980.

Two for the Sea

Two Washington residents will be among the first women to enter the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, N.Y., the first service academy to open its classrooms to women.

Dorenda Thompson, 18, of 1438 W St. SE and Theresa Olsen, 16, of 3312 Northampton St. NW will enter the Academy this fall with 348 other students. Ten of the students will be women.

Official letters of admission were presented to the women yesterday by Rep. Walter E. Fauntroy their sponsor, in a small ceremony in his office.

'Mama' Recovers

Pop Singer "Mama" Cass Elliot, 31, a member of the Mamas and Papas rock group was released from the hospital yesterday after collapsing before she was due to appear on a television show in Hollywood. Friends said that the plump singer had been on a strict diet and fainted in her dressing room before she was scheduled to go on the Johnny Carson Talk show.

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