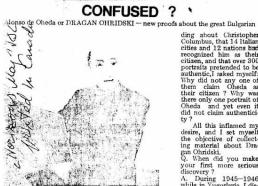
The article 'The VENGEANCE OF AMERICO VESPUCI' is offered to our english speaking readers in the hope that the ideas developed by the Bulgarian rathor Ivan Dimitrov might stimulate further discussions and research, and thus ited to new discoveries. We hope that such a wide audience will make it easier to ventually clarify the mystery surrounding the name of Alonso de Oheda, a great allor and discoverer, a foreigner in the service of the Spanish Crown, presumed to e Dragan Ohridski- of Bulgarian origin. Such clarification will benefit not only he history of the world, but will also correct some serious misconceptions depended during the Middle Ages. This presentation then is in the form of a challenge o experts of the Middle Ages. Horizons welcomes your commentaries. Share with sy your discoveries and documentation related to Alonso de Oheda, otherwise mown as Drahan Lippida or Dragan Ohridski.

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sits to Bulgaria, Professor Bueno from the Universisits to Bulgaria, Professor Bueno from the Universi-ty of Havana, became ac-quainted with the works of Ivan Dimitrov and in an interview he revealed that he was going to vri-tice a book in which he will touch upon the histo-rical relations between Bulgaria and the Spanish speaking world. It deser-ves attention,

about the great Bulgarian ding about Christopher Columbus, that 14 Italian cities and 12 nations had recognized him as their citizen, and that over 300 portraits pretended to be authentic, 14 saked myself: Why did not any one of them claim Oheda as their citizen, and one of them claim Oheda as their citizen, and the objective of the objective of collection and 1 set myself the objective of collecting material about Dragan Ohridski.

Q. When did you make your first more serious discovery?

A. During 1945—1946 while in Yugoslavia, I discovered something about Alonso de Oheda's participation in the war of Granada and some of his sailings. He fought against the Moors on the side of the United Kingdom of the United Kingdom of the one of Station of the throne, Granada's 9 year war inspired the Spanish Epos. In this

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During the XV century A.D. Ohrld was the largest city and the biggest cultural centre on the Balkan penninsula. Its population numbered over 120,000 and considerably outnumbered the population of Istanbul, which at that time was already on the decline. After the third conquest of Ohrld by the Turks, which took place in 1452, thousands of its citizens left and escaped to other countries. These refigees constituted mainty the enlightened trademen, who found haven with the Italian statesmen on the island of Sicily and other places. The Bulgarians were usually received well and behaved well, but there were exceptions. Then the mibeliar large Bulgarian was called in Serbia, Dubrownik, Kotor and Croatia the 'ern bugarin'. Is. "Black Bulgarian'. In other words, Peter became 'ern Petar' ie. 'Black Peter' or sometimes Petar, ern bugarin' ie. 'Petar, the Black Bulgarian'. From there it moved into the West and eventually was used as the incharane of all Bulgarians of the Middle Ages. The nickname was passed on to Italy, where it was translated literally and from there to Spain, where the Bulgarian exhibiting poor manners was called 'Bulgarian expo' or Petro Negro', when the given name of the respective person was used. The word 'Negro' was capitalized as a personal name.

In his description of the exploratory sea-traveles and voyages undertaken by Christopher Columbus and later by Alonso de Oheda, the name under which Dragan Ohridski was known as an employee of the Spanish, the author. Americo Vespuci is sympathetic towards the greaf-admiral but hostile towards the latter, who was a Bulgarian. Americo Vespuci knew that Alonso de Oheda, a foreigner like himself in the United Kingdom of Leon, Castilia and Ara; gon, known later as Spain was of Paligarian origin, for which Vespuci called him 'Alonso Negro', that its Dragan the bad Bulgarian and the control of the control

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