

Spies! 'H. 21.' She Spied for France And Germany



Remember, it is possible to spy for both sides at once.

IF YOU are connected in any way with any of our intelligence services, remember it is far from rare to find a spy working simultaneously for both sides. Take the case of "H. 21" in the first World war.

No story of espionage can be complete without the story of that French agent, "H. 21," better known to ill-fame as Mata Hari, which in Javanese means "Eye of the Morning." Legends surround her name; legends she created to further her dubious theatrical career as a performer of erotic Javanese dances.

According to these myths, she was a half-caste, born of a Dutch father, and a Javanese mother, and as an apprentice dancer in the Javanese temple at Malabar, had learned the esoteric mysteries of their rites. Further, she confided to all of Europe, by the medium of the press, that in revealing these alleged secrets she risked assassination at the hands of enraged and fanatical priests who pursued her wherever she went. Really, her story was spurious, and much more sordid.

Native Hollander.
Born in Holland on August 7, 1876, as Margaret Gertud Zelle, her parents were worthy, stolid, respectable Hollanders, to whom Java was just the name of one of their country's misty, unreal colonial possessions. However, Mata Hari seems to have inherited little from them aside from her last name, and she rapidly changed that by the simple expedient of marrying a Dutch Colonial army officer named McLeod. The couple moved to Java where he was stationed, and it was here she acquired her smattering of temple ritual, and by proxy, her exotic Javanese parentage and background.

Back in Europe, her career in espionage seems to have predated her activities on the stage, for German records show that in 1904 she was in their employ as a spy, while her triumphant Paris debut as a Javanese dancer did not take place until 1905, from which point onward

her two careers progressed simultaneously. Meanwhile, she had, in transit, lost her besotted and brutal husband.

It seems as if Mata Hari turned to espionage and the stage as a release from the memory of her horrible years of married life, for she was more interested in the semblance than in reality, and behaved in both roles exactly as the unreal heroines of popular fiction do in similar roles.

Played Two Hands.
In 1915, Mata Hari became a spy for France as well as for Germany. Her mode of securing information for her two international employers was startlingly similar to the method she used during her rise to the theatrical fame: a continuum of promiscuous intimacies with men in the highest places. Among her admirers were the German crown prince, a high French war official, a Dutch premier, and a duke; not to mention small fry such as generals and captains.

Despite all these contacts, there is little evidence that Mata Hari ever unearthed any information of real importance to either side, this in spite of the unsubstantiated claim she was responsible for the sinking of 17 Allied warships. Greatest mystery of all is her arrest and trial. The only conclusion which fits the facts is that she had become a luxury which neither the Germans nor French could afford, and that she had been betrayed by her German masters to the French.

Mata Hari played her role, and was in character, to the end. Before the firing squad in the early morning hours of October 15, 1917, she dramatically refused the customary bandage for her eyes. Perhaps, at the last moment, she had been promised a reprieve by one of her powerful friends. If so, she was betrayed, for eight rifles crashed, and Mata Hari sagged, lifeless, at the stake to which she had been tied.

N. S. Congregation Israel To Hear Rev. Pierce on "What Price Hope?"

On Friday evening, Dec. 7, the North Shore Congregation Israel is privileged to have in its pulpit the Reverend Robert B. Pierce of the North Shore Methodist Church. Reverend Pierce is well known and active in many community projects on the North Shore. Everyone will welcome the opportunity of hearing this fine Christian spirit.

The subject of the speaker will be "What Price Hope?" Regular weekly services are held each Friday evening at 8:15 at the Temple, located at Lincoln and Vernon streets in Glencoe. Visitors are always cordially welcome.

Women Voters League To Be Honored by "Town Meeting of the Air"

The League of Women Voters is being singularly honored by the "Town Meeting of the Air," that thought-provoking program broadcast on Thursday evenings at 7:30 over WENR, where serious subjects of national and international import are debated by nationally known figures.

December 13 is being announced as "League of Women Voters' Night." When the program was being set up the League in Washington was asked to suggest four possible topics for debate and various speakers qualified to discuss the subjects. From the proposed topics was selected this one, "Can We Have Higher Wages Without Higher Prices?"

Speaking for the affirmative are Chester Bowles, OPA administrator, and the Hon. Chase Going Woodhouse, congressman from

Connecticut, and a staunch worker in the Connecticut League of Women Voters, both of whom believe in continued controls during this emergency period. Opposing are Henry Pope Jr., president of the Baer Brand Hosiery Co., and Senator Kenneth Wherry of Nebraska.

The league has long favored any and all methods of checking inflation and its members will listen with great interest to this program. Many leagues are organizing groups to listen to the broadcast, and continuing their discussion after the conclusion of the program. Other persons should welcome the opportunity of hearing this crucial matter debated and thereby be helped in making up their own minds.

Legion to Conduct "Gifts for the Yanks Who Gave" Campaign

Last Year's Campaign Will Be Repeated

The American Legion is again conducting a state-wide "Gifts for the Yanks Who Gave" campaign to provide Christmas packages for the more than 35,000 hospitalized GI Joes and Janes in government hospitals throughout the state of Illinois. Plans to repeat last year's program, at which time 25,000 packages were sent to the hospitalized veterans, was decided upon as a result of the popular support it received then.

It is revealed that nearly twice as many men and women are hospitalized today as there were last year.

We Should Pay Our Debt

"They did not fail us, and we must not fail them now," said John S. Cusack, past commander of the Cook County council and chairman of the committee in charge of the

campaign. "There are thousands of sad and lonesome veterans in our hospitals this year, and a small gift to let them know that we are thinking about them is the least we can do for them."

Where to Deposit Packages

Stores and business houses throughout Chicago and suburbs, as well as downstate, are cooperating with the Legion in various ways. Stalls and other receptacles are being set up in conspicuous places where the people may deposit their Christmas packages.

Rules to Be Observed

Value of contents of package to be \$1 and \$5. Name and address of donor must be on package, and it must be marked "male" or "female" with contents listed.

Christmas Seal Sale Receipts Lower Than at This Time Last Year

On the ninth day of the annual Christmas seal sale, Lake County Tuberculosis association reports that \$8,559.10 has been received from Christmas seal letters mailed Nov. 19. Receipts are lower by \$1,974.25 than on the same day of last year's sale. It is hoped that this deficit will be overcome with larger returns from day to day and that the total will gradually raise to meet the goal of \$40,000 — the amount necessary to make final payment on the new mobile x-ray unit and provide adequate funds for the necessary larger program.

The mobile x-ray unit has been received by the association and was formally dedicated at a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce in Waukegan, Nov. 21. A further program is being planned through Russell Swift of the Exchange club of Waukegan, wherein the mobile x-ray unit will visit the towns in

Lake county and be open for public inspection.

Watch your newspaper for the date of the exhibition in your locality. Make it your duty to go through the unit and learn something of the service that can be given with it in all parts of Lake county. Then consider that your purchase of Christmas seals or Christmas seal bonds has brought the unit to Lake county. The next step is to keep it working to full capacity — further contributions to the Christmas seal sale will determine the amount of service that can be given with the unit.

Give as liberally as you can and send in contributions as soon as possible that the association may know how to budget the program for another year.

Memorial Rites for—

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of Alabama, held the ground. Through Christmas Eve the fighting continued. Then early on Christmas day the defending forces broke into small groups in an attempt to escape to the hills. Lt. Schultz chose to remain with a few native scouts to delay the enemy. Later his body was found by guerilla bands, lying across his mortar, facing enemy bodies 50 feet to the front.

He could have lived, concludes his friend, but he chose to give his life to save that of several hundred other men. "Greater love hath no man."

Besides his parents, the young hero is survived by a sister, Lois, wife of H. H. Hickson of Highland Park, and a brother of Ward, now attending St. John's Military academy. Mr. Schultz Sr. is financial engineer and secretary for the reorganization committee of the Chicago Surface Lines.

"Buried" Treasure Feature of Illinois Victory Loan Campaign

Chicago (Special) — A hunt for "buried" treasure — about \$10,000,000 worth of it — has been launched as a feature of the Victory loan campaign in Illinois. It was announced today by Renslow P. Sherer, state chairman, War Finance committee of Illinois.

The treasure is idle money, now in the form of U. S. war savings stamps, and is "buried" in thousands of bureau drawers and pigeon holes, attic trunks and strong boxes in every county of the state, Mr. Sherer said. No interest is paid on these stamps.

The stamps, approximately \$10,000,000 of them, are in denominations of 10c, 25c, 50c, \$1 and \$5, and have been pasted into books having capacities which correspond with Victory "E" bonds, with purchase values of \$18.75, \$37.50 and \$75.00. It is estimated that, on the average, these stamp books are half filled and that if they are filled by additional purchases and converted into Victory "E" bonds, sales of more than \$20,000,000 in bonds will result therefrom in Illinois alone.

Parents will be urged to supply the stamps missing in their children's books so the books may be exchanged for interest-earning Victory "E" bonds at any authorized Victory bond issuing agent—such as banks or other established bond sources.

By this means, many adults can give their children or other relatives a Victory E bond for Christmas, whereas they might not be able to afford the outright purchase of a bond.

It is pointed out that money is safer in the form of Victory "E" bonds than as stamps, because the bonds are registered in the owner's name. In addition, the bonds bring a return in the proportion of four to three at the end of ten years.

Hot Stuff

He asked for burning kisses
She said in accents cruel
"I may be a red hot mama,
But I ain't nobody's fuel."

Mrs. Agnes Driscoll, Long Time Resident, Is Laid to Rest

Mrs. Agnes Driscoll, 78, for 24 years a resident of Highland Park, was laid to rest in All Saints cemetery on Wednesday, Dec. 5. Services were held at Immaculate Conception church, of which she was a member.

A gold star mother, she is survived by two sons, Joseph, with whom she made her home, and Arthur, of Chicago; two daughters, Mrs. Mary A. Farmer and Mrs. Irene Mallory, of Chicago; four grandchildren, Mrs. Leona Ruschak, Miss Delores Driscoll, and twins, Dorothy and Donald Farmer, and two great grandchildren, Sandy and Tommy Puschak of Chicago.

Her husband, Dennis Driscoll, preceded her in death six years ago.

Michael Diasparra Succumbs to Illness Of Years' Standing

Funeral rites were held Wednesday, December 5, at St. James church, Highwood, for Michael Diasparra, who passed away in Elgin hospital last Saturday after an illness of long standing.

Born in Italy, in 1876, he had been a resident of Highwood since 1911. He was formerly a construction foreman.

Surviving are his widow, Angelina, two sons, Louis and Frank; and three daughters, Mrs. Joseph Lorusso, Mrs. Batista Ronchetto and Mrs. Earl Reynolds; also nine grandchildren, all of Highwood. Burial was made at All Saints cemetery.

Local Methodist Churches Hold Joint Supper Dec. 7 at Highland Park

The joint supper of the Highland Park and Highwood Methodist Churches, originally planned for November 29, will be held Friday, December 7, starting at 5:30, at the Highland Park church.

Only reservations made before Tuesday, December 4, can be filled.

Sure, we've won the War

BUT THE COST GOES ON!



IT WILL COST MILLIONS TO BRING OUR ARMIES BACK and it's just as expensive as it was taking them over. Meanwhile, thousands of our men who stay behind in occupied territory must receive their pay, be clothed, housed and fed at Uncle Sam's expense.



WE OWE THEM A RETURN TRIP TICKET TO HEALTH. Today, the rehabilitation and care of over 300,000 wounded are among America's gravest peacetime problems. This obligation is one which every American can now share in—by investing in the Great Victory Loan.



UNCLE SAM MUST STILL PAY FOR THESE. Although America had already started to cut down on production of various kinds of war materials, the swift ending of the war left many planes, tanks, battleships, guns, made at the last minute, still to be paid for.

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