

MAUI WOMAN LIFTS VEIL FROM HINDU PLOTTERS

Mrs. Sarangada Das, Wife of Sugar Chemist, in Testifying for Government, Reveals Struggle of Hindu Plotters to Control Her Destiny—One Wanted Her to Be the Modern Joan of Arc of India to Destroy British Sovereignty—Another Sought to Make Her an Idealist in Behalf of Hindus

A weird story of Oriental subtlety that sought to enmesh a woman's heart as well as sway her mind, was interwoven into the story of Hindu plotting to overthrow British rule in India, by Mrs. Sarangada Das, wife of the chemist for the Maui Agricultural Company, in her testimony as a government witness in the Hindu conspiracy trial. Her story on the witness stand is related by the San Francisco Chronicle of December 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Das were married in Honolulu last June and for a time they lived at the Pierpoint.

Her husband returned to the islands last week, having left San Francisco before she took the stand.

The Taraknath Das referred to is the Hindu who was refused permission to land while the Oriental liner that bore him to San Francisco was here last summer. At that time his baggage and personal effects were searched by the U. S. marshal's office.

The Chronicle's story follows:

Flames of Oriental passion that burned hatred into the hearts of two Hindu leaders in the plot to restore independence to India; that brought dissension and threats of exposure, were recalled before the jury yesterday by the German-Hindu revolt trial by a woman in a calm betrays of both men, made enemies through desire to control her destiny.

The woman was Mrs. Sarangada Das, dark of hair and eyes, a native of Switzerland, but now the wife of a Hindu chemist in Honolulu. Her appearance as a government witness stirred the ashes of a California college romance, which found its ending in a San Francisco divorce court while the Hindu revolutionary leaders fought to control her destiny—one to transform her into a modern Joan of Arc, leading the Indians in intrigue against the British—the other to inspire her to be an idealist and a teacher in India. Shorn of her Indian name, Mrs. Das in the former Miss Frieda Matilda Hanswirth, Stanford student, who in August, 1916, became the bride of Dr. Arthur Lee Mungler of San Francisco, then attached to the medical staff of the Lana Hospital. Both were then attending Stanford. The ceremony took place in the valley of the Arroyo Grande, the home of the sect known as the Temple of the People.

Was Stanford Student. Both were students of philosophy, and the ceremony under which they were married accentuated the philosophical and the social side of marriage and minimized the religious. Mungler was a college denator, athlete and gifted musician, and his wife, then a Bonheim fellow in English and an advanced German student. It was at Stanford that the then Mrs. Mungler first met Har Dayal, who was a professor of philosophy, now in Berlin, and named by the government as the chief Hindu conspirator.

It was upon her statement to the faculty at Stanford, according to the Federal officials, of Har Dayal's socially revolutionary activities, that he was requested to resign in 1912. Later the Hindu was arrested as an anarchist by the immigration authorities and fled to Germany, while at liberty on bail. At Stanford the then Mrs. Mungler also met Taraknath Das, Hindu leader, on trial as a defendant.

In 1914 she left San Francisco for Zurich, Switzerland, the home of her mother. Here she met Har Dayal shortly after the outbreak of the European war and then, the government charges, a member of the Berlin Indian committee. Har Dayal, the witness said, pleaded that she join the conspirators in the plot, charged to German intrigue to overthrow British rule in India. He asked her, she said, to go to England and work among the Indian students there in the interest of the revolt.

Urges Revolution Plot. Later he proposed, she said, that she go to India and spread revolutionary propaganda, and lastly that she return to the United States and act as his agent. She declined because she opposed, she testified, securing a change in Indian government through violence, although admitting that she was fundamentally interested in India's struggle for independence.

She consented to satisfy his entreaties, she said, to bring messages to Ram Chandra and Munsli Rham, defendants on trial, and others, but destroyed them before reaching America. Her arrival in San Francisco signalled the beginning of the battle between Har Dayal and Taraknath Das to control her destiny, revealed by letters introduced by United States Attorney John W. Preston, and sounded the death knell of her college romance. In November, 1914, she used Dr. Mungler for divorce. One of her allegations was that he had brought a strange woman to their apartments at 1230 Pine street, who has said "she

NEW WING AT MOANA TO OPEN

To celebrate the opening of the Diamond Head wing of the Moana hotel a dance will be given this evening on the broad lanais of the hotel, including those of the new wing. A special menu for the evening has been prepared and a large number of tables have been reserved by civilians and army and navy people. The dance will continue to well after midnight and the many whistles throughout the city have announced the coming of the new year.

The new wing has been under construction for over a year and with its completion Honolulu is given the most up-to-date accommodations in the islands. Several hundred thousand dollars has been spent in its erection.

The little court in the rear facade of the hotel has been converted for this evening into a tete-a-tete garden with very harmonious lighting effects. A full orchestra will play during the dinner hour and afterward for the benefit of the dancers.

Grand opening tonight at Moana hotel of the Diamond Head wing. Special dinner will be served at two dollars per cover. Please make table reservations.

Special music during dinner and for dancing later. Our friends and patrons, the army and navy and the public generally are cordially invited to attend.—Adv.

DUTCH LINER DELAYED BY SEVERE WEATHER

Severe weather on the voyage from San Francisco to Honolulu was encountered by the Dutch steamer Willis which arrived here this morning. The weather was so rough that it delayed the arrival of the steamer for nearly 24 hours.

One of the ship's officers says the storm began on December 24 and continued for three days, after which there was a strong northwest swell.

There were only three cabin passengers, Mrs. A. Roy Fortney and child and Miss B. V. Honyman, all Americans bound for Singapore. Mrs. Fortney will rejoin her husband, a businessman, upon arrival there.

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A public hearing will be held in the assembly hall of the board of supervisors at 7:30 o'clock on the evening of January 29 on the proposed improvement of Beretania street, on the frontage basis between Punahou street and the King street extension. A resolution to this effect was introduced at last night's meeting of the board by Supervisor Arrold under resolution 118 adopting the preliminary report on the city engineer on the proposed project.

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Luncheon will be served at the usual time tomorrow, New Year's Day, at Laniakea, 1041 Alakea street.—Adv.

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