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thereby that the Ambassador had no horses other than these two. He had not deemed it advisable to make any further inquiries, for fear of arousing suspicion.

The head of the secret service department saw that he was facing a very grave responsibility. He sent messages calling together the most important men in the Government, and within an hour the findings were laid before them. They found themselves in a singularly embarrassing predicament. To take any action which might offend the representative of a nation which was already engaged in triumphant war, and of which the whole world stood in terror and apprehension, was something to be avoided. Even to suggest to the Ambassador of the United States that he was suspected of having abducted the Kaiser, an act of lese majesty in itself, was something which might arouse that man to appeal to his home Government, and topple Germany itself into an imbroglia which could end only in defeat. The attitude of America, up to the moment when communication ceased, had been friendly. Therefore, there seemed no logical reason for her taking any such unheard of action as that of interference with the person of His Majesty. The consensus of opinion was that the situation was too delicate to admit of any ordinary methods, and that there was only one thing to do,—keep the Embassy under constant surveillance until by secret service methods they might learn what if any connection the Ambassador or those about him had with the disappearance.

The Gipsy received the promised reward, and from that hour on the American Embassy was unceasingly watched day and night from without and within.

To be continued next Sunday

Synopsis of Preceding Chapters

A MOST astounding apathy prevailed in the United States when this country was threatened with war with Japan. Although the conflict had been impending for several weeks, and the Japanese had been mobilizing their navy and obviously getting ready to make a belligerent move, the Government had complacently and supinely gone on its way, even stopping work on its fortifications in the Philippines; and indeed, when war was finally declared and Japanese warships appeared off Manila, the Stars and Stripes were lowered from the fort and the white flag of surrender run up, notwithstanding that not a shot had been fired. The same procedure was followed at Hawaii.

The administration replied with indifference and evasion to all requests from the press and foreign representatives for information, and to cap the climax of its amazing action ordered all principal warships in the Pacific to report at once to Baltimore; and then announced mysteriously that there probably would not be any fighting on land.

Guy Hillier, secretary of the British Embassy at Washington, was ordered to London to lay before the Foreign Office such things as he knew. He was in love with Norma Roberts, daughter of "old Bill" Roberts, an eccentric inventor who maintained close relations with the Government.

Upon the outbreak of hostilities, Norma, to whose ability her father said had been due the perfection of his inventions, started on a secret trip to Florida, in company with several of the highest officials of the United States navy.

The Government suddenly issued a call for volunteers, and established a line of excommunication across the borders of Canada and Mexico. Warships were ordered to patrol both coasts, the cables were cut, and wireless stations destroyed, and the foreign representatives in Washington were told that after forty-eight hours they would not be permitted to send or receive any outside communications.

Count Seigo, a prominent young Japanese, remained in the United States after the beginning of the war as the secret agent of his Government, and, adopting the guise of a Chinese laundryman, soon discovered enough to convince him that the administration was engaged in mysterious preparations of tremendous importance. When spying upon a conference of high officials in a deserted field on the outskirts of Washington, he suddenly saw something that made him shriek in despair, "Only the gods can save Nippon!" He learned that he was watched, and traveled as a tramp to Puget Sound, hoping to be able to cross to Canada and warn his Government; but just as he was about to succeed he was overtaken and shot.

Japan sent the most formidable fleet of warships ever mobilized to attack the western coast of the United States; but this fleet disappeared from the face of the sea, without leaving even the slightest information. England sent a war squadron across the Atlantic to pacify Canada, and this too disappeared. Hillier was sent back with a message to the President of the United States, which he was instructed to get to Washington at all hazards.

A Missing Word

A writer laments the want of a suitable English word for a young woman whom a man is engaged to marry—*La fiancée*.

Perhaps it's just a bit absurd That there should be no English word For the fair girl whose honeyed "Yes" Foretells life's loveliest happiness.

"Intended," when the intent is done, Is very near the only one, Since your "best girl" is but a phrase That fills imperfectly its place.

Another whose bouquet is nice—Your "sweetheart"—is not quite precise; And so to France our fancies stray, Where she is called one's fiancée.

Who cares, though, when her loving smile Is turned upon you all the while, And both fond hearts are all aflame, How alien is her special name?

If every trim young man you meet Envoys you in the hall and street Upon your fortune rich and rare, What verbal loss should make you care?

I don't love's speech that most we prize One of the pressed lips and sparkling eyes? (But I've been told) nor less preferred Because we lack one English word?



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