

Suspected Spy Arrested At Army Base in Virginia Now on Way to Washington

MYSTERIOUS BEAUTIFUL WOMAN NOW BEING SOUGHT

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have already been asked for an explanation as to their relations with the suspect.

Spormann was arrested when he attempted to fire a fuse in the magazine of the Old Point Comfort aviation station.

It is said that no information has been secured from the alleged Teuton agent himself.

That he was in constant communication with the German minister in Mexico City, in turn is in communication with Berlin via Madrid, is also established. It is reported here today.

Directed the Plots.
While Spormann may not have been directly involved in more than one alleged spy plot that the Government is investigating, it is said that reveals being made indicate that he directed them through other persons.

During the past two weeks he had been employed as timekeeper and checker for a construction company at the aviation field here, and at the time of his arrest by Government agents, who had been trailing him for several months, he was wearing the uniform of an American army captain.

Remarkable Career.
Agents of the Department of Justice have pieced together a remarkable tale surrounding the spectacular career of Spormann in this country. It runs thus:

Coming here in 1910 from Bremen, he established his residence in Baltimore. Before he had established relations with Captain von Hoy-Ed, German military attaché at Washington, and Count von Bernstorff, German ambassador.

From Bernstorff and Hoy-Ed Spormann received large sums of the Kaiser's money. Data taken from his quarters show that he received at least \$90,000, with which to finance German work.

When war with Germany was declared, Spormann gathered in several American army uniforms, which with a German army suit were found in his rooms at Baltimore.

Not until some weeks ago did his activities attract particular attention.

Constantly Tracked.
A beautiful woman, it is said, proved his undoing.

The German officer's uniform and the woman with whom he associated formed a combination of circumstances which uncovered his real role. Federal agents are reticent on this point.

At that time he was evidently gathering data about Camp Meade and other military stations.

Detectives trailed him constantly, finally tracing him to Newport News. There he readily found work at the aviation field, and it is claimed that he made one unsuccessful attempt to blast the magazine. Sentries fired on him, but he returned the following day and resumed his work as a checker as usual.

Shortly afterward an officer made his way past several sentries and spoke to Spormann, addressing him in German.

Spormann pretended not to understand. Spormann speaks English.

The Rendezvous of Good
It is not necessary for the moment for all the many millions of unprejudiced people in the world, and all Christian Scientists agree in detail upon all subjects, in order to work together for the establishment of the kingdom of heaven on earth.

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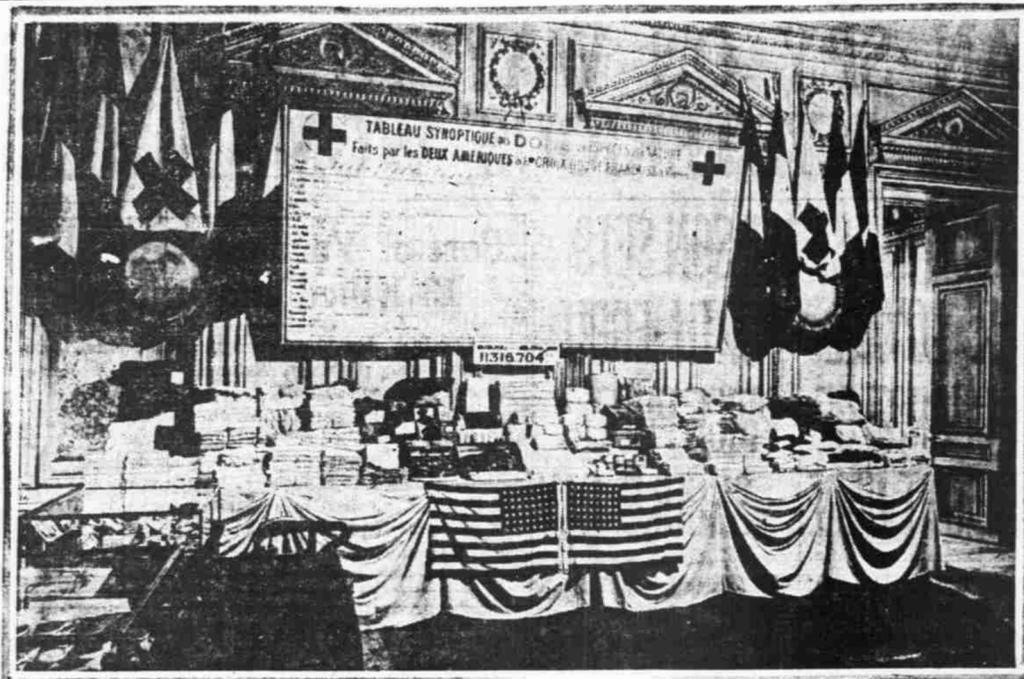
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Exhibit in Paris of Work of the Red Cross



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The French have a way of showing appreciation that should be both practical and convincing. Here is a table in the Paris War Museum filled with samples of goods given by the people of America to the French Red Cross. The goods are placed on exhibition just as they arrive, so that visitors will understand what they consist of. Of course, samples of all the different kinds of articles sent across the Atlantic cannot be shown, because some of the things are perishable, but the table gives a graphic demonstration of the more important contributions. Above the table is a big chart which tells just what contributions were turned in.

without an accent—but when the officer mentioned a social affair which occurred in Baltimore recently, Spormann immediately became friendly. The officer pulled his gun and placed Spormann under arrest.

Officers at Norfolk quizzed Spormann in an effort to prove that he was connected with the recent fire in the business section in that city, but without success.

It developed today that Spormann had appeared in several cities wearing the uniform of an army officer and posed as an insurance agent.

Officials here today did not deny the report from Norfolk that when searched Spormann had a dagger concealed in the inside pocket of his overcoat.

Letters to Bernstorff.
Letters seized in his quarters and turned over to the Department of Justice show that he had been in correspondence with Bernstorff and Hoy-Ed, and there was found in his effects a long list of German names and printed posters intended to create pro-German sentiment in America.

A full military outfit of a German lieutenant was found in his apartment, and with an assortment of the finest kind of men's clothing, including silk shirts, evening clothes, silk hose, and other articles to show that he was well supplied with funds.

In searching his apartment the Government agents came upon the names of eight people who were apparently intimate with the German lieutenant. Seven of these have been placed under arrest. One suspect in New York has not yet been taken into custody.

The arrest of the lieutenant is regarded by officials as one of the most important made since the exposure of the notorious Hoy-Ed and Bernstorff.

It is believed that the lieutenant was Hoy-Ed's successor, but that he found things so hot that he was obliged to leave.

One of the letters found in the Teuton's belongings was addressed to a supposed leader in the propaganda and stated that the writer (Spormann) did not intend to take any more desperate chances. This letter is believed to have referred to the attempt to blow up the magazine at the aviation field.

One of the men arrested in connection with the work of the German lieutenant is a wealthy citizen of Baltimore.

The Government has carefully considered certain details, including the names, but as soon as the chain of circumstantial evidence is complete, the widest publicity possible will be given.

3 BALTIMORE MEN ARRESTED BY U. S. AGENTS AS SUSPECTS

BALTIMORE, Jan. 15.—Martin Asch, 1069 West Fayette street, this city, was arrested here this morning by the United States authorities in connection with the case of Walter Spormann, arrested in Norfolk as an alleged German agent. In his room was found a box of letters said to belong to Spormann and a box filled with bottles believed to contain chemicals. A Baltimore music teacher, a woman, is expected to be arrested today. The Federal agents have in their possession photos of the woman and Spormann.

Federick Spormann, brother of Walter, was turned over to the Federal authorities this morning.

A third arrest of an alien enemy was made today, when August Wegeman was taken into custody. Wegeman has been employed at a local hotel for three weeks, and his fall has caused considerable comment. When arrested he talked incoherently to Detective Shank and spoke about going to see the Kaiser and wanting to see President Wilson. Officials here refuse to state whether or not they suspect Wegeman of having connections with Spormann.

BILL WOULD WAIVE TAX.
Legislation providing that all articles made by allied prisoners of war be admitted to this country free of duty, if to be sold for benevolent purposes, was asked of Congress today by Secretary McAdoo.

HUNDREDS IN COAL RIOTING AT ATLANTA

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 15.—Coal rioting began here today when several hundred persons fought for places of vantage to secure coal tickets at the city hall.

Reserves were called out and restored order.

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ANOTHER BIG GAIN IN WASHINGTON'S HARD COAL SUPPLY

Another big gain in the anthracite coal supply in Washington was shown today despite the tie-up of rail traffic by the succession of storms that have swept the country.

Sixty cars of anthracite coal, or 3,258 tons, were received today. More than 3,000 tons were received yesterday. The daily requirements are but 2,400 tons.

Arrivals again reflected the orders of Dr. Garfield for an average minimum shipment to Washington of 2,400 tons.

Bituminous arrivals were also comparatively heavy. Arrival of 43 cars carrying 2,109 tons was reported.

Four cars of coal for Washington are tied up in the Pennsylvania railroad yards at Philadelphia. There are 26 trains of general freight on the Maryland division of the Pennsylvania lines, ready to move, but with no locomotives to haul them, according to a statement issued by Interstate Commerce Commissioner McChord today on freight congestion as reported by I. C. C. inspectors.

Congestion at Pittsburgh is heavy and there are many cars lying in the yards, including a number for Washington. Trains are being held out of the yards for lack of room. The Thirlow and Edgemoor yards of the Pennsylvania are badly congested.

There are eighty-three cars of anthracite coal for Washington tied up in the east side yards of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad at Philadelphia, as well as a number for Baltimore and points south of Washington, including Alexandria and nearby Virginia towns.

STATE DEPT. EMPLOYEES ENROLLING IN NEW CLUB

Department of State employees were being enrolled today for the organization of a State Department Club to be headed by Secretary of State Lansing.

Over 600 employees had enrolled and paid their initiation fees and the heads of the different offices of the State Department were planning an early meeting to perfect the organization. There probably will be one regular meeting each month at which there will be a dinner and dance.

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SMALL ROAD MEN SCENT DISASTER IN NEW LEGISLATION

Claiming that the Administration railroad bill will force liquidation of many small railroads, representatives of the American Short Line Railroad Association today submitted to the House Interstate Commerce Committee an amendment to provide special compensation for the "baby lines."

Home roads, particularly in the Southeastern States, have been operating at a loss during the last three years in preparation for larger business in years to come, the ten representatives of the association who took the stand today agreed, and as the bill now reads this loss would continue during governmental control.

Others have not operated at all during the three years which the bill takes as the basis of compensation. Newman Erb, of New York, said.

2 BROKEN ARMS TOLL OF SLEET EARLY TODAY

Two broken arms was the toll of the sleet storm early this morning. The Weather Bureau forecasts a miniature cold wave tonight, likely to bring more ice to the city streets.

John H. Sutphin, aged sixty-six, 706 New Jersey avenue northwest, fell at Eleventh and H streets northeast and was removed to Casualty Hospital with a broken arm. Elizabeth Rector, thirty-four, of 1269 Morse street northwest, was the other victim. She broke her arm when she fell at Fourteenth and Florida avenue northeast.

The weather forecast is for fair and colder tonight with a temperature about 20 degrees. Wednesday will be fair with strong northwest winds.

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"Jimmy," Ant-Eater Mascot of Marines, Just Won't Eat Ants

"Jimmy, the ant-eater," mascot of the United States Marines in France, just won't eat ants.

He'll eat anything but ants, although once in awhile the cook slips it over on him by camouflage insects in scraps of bread. Of course Jimmy thinks he's eating rascal bread—but what's the difference?

Jimmy became attached to the marines at Vera Cruz, more than two years ago, and since then has led an adventuresome life. When the sea-soldiers went overseas he went along.

He greatly puzzles the French poilu with his choice of foods. He eats all the scraps—even cigar and cigarette-butts don't go amiss.

In short, he eats anything and everything but ants.

MARRIAGES OF MINORS IN COLORADO HELD LEGAL

DENVER, Col., Jan. 15.—Marriages of boys and girls not of legal age are legal in Colorado, and cannot be annulled.

This was the decision of Judge J. A. Denison, in the district court in denying the petition of Mrs. May Gardner for an annulment of the marriage of her daughter to Don Bigelow.

Mrs. Gardner told the court that Mrs. Bigelow was not eighteen years old when she became a wife, and that Bigelow was less than twenty at the time he obtained a license to wed.

Judge Denison held that there is no law in Colorado making the marriage of minors illegal, but that the official who performs such ceremonies is subject to fine and imprisonment.

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DEATH PENALTY FOR SPORMANN IF SPY IS URGED

By DAVID LAWRENCE.
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government and a people, especially by retarding the machinery of war making and rendering the weapons of war impotent. Fires and explosions are as effective as the stirring up of disaffection in laboring communities.

A species of industrial treason has developed some of which can never be proved to be directly or indirectly connected with enemy funds or enemy management, but which spreads anarchy and has all the effect of aid and comfort to the enemy. To reach what may be called industrial treason in its extreme form, that is cases of proved destruction of property or anarchistic plotting, the statutes of the United States, it is suggested by the Department of Justice, should be amplified.

When Congress adjourned last summer, there was no such temper against spies as exists today. Members of Congress who have been home and who have come in contact with the parents of sons at the front realize that leniency with those who are attempting to cripple the efficiency of the war-making branches of the Government will not be tolerated. Many members of Congress have expressed desire to see the maximum penalty attached to offenses of enemy agents and the legislation now being drafted will probably encounter little opposition. Spormann's case is likely to intensify the feeling in Congress for the condign punishment of all persons, whether citizens or aliens who are proved guilty of complicity with the enemy.

For a long time the Department of Justice has been waiting for a clear case of espionage in order to prosecute it vigorously with the death penalty in view. Details of Spormann's activity are not yet fully known, but indications were that while he would be given a fair trial, the leniency which the average American has frequently been disposed to show toward those guilty of crime will be conspicuously lacking in this case.

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