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THE MEN IN THE TROJAN HORSE

U. S. Agents Easily Match The Best of Soviet Spies

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Treason is my business. I have dealt with it for 20 years—long years, dangerous years. I have been “wanted for high treason” by both Nazis and the communists. I have seen revolutions, betrayals, deceptions, sedition.

For a lifetime I have tried to protect democracy against the forces which seek to destroy it.

I have lost 60 members of my family in the terror of two dictators—Hitler and Stalin. It would have been easy to admit defeat and to continue my life in a normal, routine way. But something has happened in my life in addition to the extermination of my family that forces me to re-examine it.

OLD STUFF ABROAD

It is important for Americans to understand that what seems so new, strange and perfidious in espionage has been almost the daily routine in the spy-ridden countries of Europe and Asia.

The 20th Century spy is no longer a man with secret inks and photographic equipment, an agent who prowls in desk drawers.

The modern spy is an emissary from one world to destroy another. He is not a man from Mars, and yet he comes from a world that is as strange to the West.

The modern communist spy is out to destroy the world of free enterprise, the world of democracy. His ultimate object is dictatorship. The West calls its own agents “intelligence officers” while it terms the communist agents “spies.” Actually there is a real difference between the two, both in purpose and methods.

The Western agent has been trained to make his own decisions. The communist spy is disciplined to follow orders in the most minute detail, and often fails when he has to rely upon his own brain. The Western agent shuns brutality. To the communists, this appears as weakness. Actually it is a sign of strength.

FRATERNIZING PAYS

I was deeply impressed with one American diplomat living in a great foreign port who always entertained not only the captains of the ships but also their crews. He believed that American democracy had to be represented thru friendship with all groups of people.

When World War II began, this democratic attitude proved its merit: he was the best informed diplomat in that country. The crews of the ships reported to him the movements of incoming and outgoing ships. Their reports led to the discovery of the launching base of the V-2 rockets at Peenemunde.

The spying itself is old, the modern spy employs new arts and stratagems. Today he is a diplomat, a scientist, a man of knowledge. It is more important for any espionage system to get the latest industrial and laboratory secrets of a nation than to kidnap an emigre general.

EDUCATION FOR HARRY

Soviet Consul Arcadi Yakovlev, the chief of Russia's atom spy ring in America, gave a considerable amount of money to send Harry Gold, his future spy courier, to study at a conservative Catholic college in Cincinnati. In this case, the Russians could not use an agent who did not know the workings of electronics, atomic energy, and even radiology.

At a time when the whole free world is hunting for communist subversives, it should be remembered that Gold, who received a prison sentence of 30 years, confessed at his trial that his bosses gave him these orders:

- Never attend a communist meeting.
 - Never utter liberal ideas.
 - Behave as conservatively as possible.
 - Never use the phone (which could be wire-tapped).
- The Russians are masters of the

This is the first of five stories by a former U. S. intelligence agent, who also is author of 21 books and noted as a lecturer. The stories are from his latest book published by Beacon Press.



Dr. Fuchs Gold

new psychological approach to subterfuge.

NO MATA HARI

These changes in modern espionage are basic and fundamental—not only in method and outlook, in technique and approach, but in personnel. The Mata Hari type has disappeared. The organized worker is seldom found inside a spy ring. The

spies who personify the sickness of our times and seek strange fulfillments which lead them into a bargain with the devil—these strange men, selling their own souls and their own countries—are often the pseudo-intellectuals.

The organized worker the world over is generally anti-communist; he knows that communism gives him no right to organize freely, to strike, or to bargain collectively. He knows also of slave labor camps and dictatorships. It is, rather, the cunning and ruthless pseudo-intellectual who has sometimes closed the treaty of treason. He often does it for the benefit of what he calls “mankind and humanity.”

A number of scientists have teamed up with foreign powers and enemies of their country. Such were Dr. Klaus Fuchs and Dr. Allan Nunn May, the physicists, and Dr. Bruno Pontecorvo, the cosmic ray specialist who vanished from Britain and went to Russia.

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