

White Russian Leader Seized on Charge of Plot Against U. S.

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Vonsiatsky Arrested by
FBI in Rhode Island;
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By the Associated Press.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., June 6.—Anastase Vonsiatsky, world leader of the National Russian Revolutionary Fascist Party, was arrested here tonight by agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Dean R. Morley, special agent in charge of the Providence FBI office, said Vonsiatsky was wanted on a warrant sworn out at Hartford, Conn., charging:

"Conspiracy to violate the Federal statute on communication and transmission of information known to be used to the injury of the United States or the advantage of a foreign agent, and in furtherance of this conspiracy of paying on July 12, 1941 to John Doe the sum of \$2,800."

Vonsiatsky was arrested on a Providence street by a police detective and two F. B. I. agents, who earlier has visited his Thompson, (Conn.), home.

Extradition Waived.

A "fugitive" warrant was obtained here today, Mr. Morley said.

Vonsiatsky waived extradition proceedings and was remanded to county jail here in default of \$25,000 bond until Monday. Federal Judge John P. Hartigan said he would sign the removal order then.

A Federal grand jury in Hartford is investigating the affairs of the 43-year-old white Russian. The jury, which began the investigation shortly after Connecticut agents raided his Thompson estate a month ago and seized a mass of records, has made no announcement and all sessions have been private.

Married Wealthy American.

Vonsiatsky, a penniless emigre, married the wealthy, socially prominent Mrs. Marion Buckingham Ream Stephens, 22 years his senior and a principal heiress to the huge estate of her father, the late Norman B. Ream of Chicago, on February 3, 1922, in the Russian Cathedral of St. Nicholas, New York City.

The marriage came some seven months after his arrival in New York from Paris, where he met his future bride.

At the time of the wedding he was employed at the Baldwin Locomotive Works, Philadelphia.

Vonsiatsky once said his family was ennobled, but not titled by Czar Nicholas I, and was the owner of several large estates in Warsaw, where he was born. His father, who was killed in an uprising in 1910, once was chief of the Gendarmerie of Warsaw.