



HEMIN MOKRIĀNI

HEMIN MOKRIĀNI, the pen name of Sayyed Moḥammad Amini Šayḡ-al-Eslām Mokri, Kurdish poet and journalist (b. Lāčīn, near Mahābād, 1921, d. Urmia, 16 April 1986). After completing his studies at Shaikh Borhān's *kānaqāh* in Šarafkand, Hemin joined the Kurdish Resurrection Party (Komala-ye Jiānawa-ye Kordestān), founded in 1942. Together with his friend ‘Abd-al-Raḥmān Šarafkandi Hažār (q.v.), he was nominated the “national poet of the Republic of Kurdistan” (January to December 1946), and became the secretary of Ḥāji Bābā Shaikh, the prime minister and head of the self-proclaimed Republic of Kurdistan.

He contributed regularly to the newspapers *Kordestān*, *Hāwāri Kord* (The shout of the Kurds), *Hāwārištimān* (The call of the motherland), *Girugāli mindālān* (The children's babble), *Agir* (Fire), *Halāla* (Tulip), the organ of the Kurdish Women's Association, etc.

He fled the oppression that followed the downfall of the Republic of Kurdistan (December 1946); and he took refuge in Solaymāniya in Iraq, where he was arrested. He secretly returned to his village of Lāčīn. After the agreements of 11 March 1970, which allowed the Kurdish insurgents and Baghdad's central government a four years' respite, Hemin settled down in Baghdad and became an active member of the Kurdish Academy of Science.

After the fall of the Pahlavi monarchy (1979) in Persia, he set up the Šalāḡ-al-Din Ayyubi Kurdish publishing house in Urmia, which publishes *Sirwa* (from spring 1985), a quarterly cultural magazine that Hemin ran until his death.



Hemin's principal poetry collections are: *Tārik u run*, n.p., 1974 (in Sōrāni Kurdish); *Nāla-ye jodā'i*, n.p., n.d. 1979. A collection of some of his articles has been published as *Pāšaroki Māmostā Hemin* (Mahābād, 1983).

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