

November 19th 1917.

Charles G. Clyne, Esq.,  
United States Attorney,  
Chicago, Ill.

Sir:

I sent you a telegram the other day saying that we would provide a messenger to bring back the numerous papers we have asked you for in connection with the Hindu case here. The English agent, Mr. Kothavala, is passing through Chicago and will be returning to San Francisco very shortly. I think it would be a good thing for the papers to be placed in his charge for safe custody to San Francisco, and if you have no objection to this course, I should be grateful if you would hand them over to Mr. Kothavala who brings you this letter.

Respectfully,

United States Attorney.

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Honorable Wm. B. Gilbert,  
Circuit Judge,  
Portland, Oregon.

My dear Judge:

The matter of securing another Judge to sit temporarily in San Francisco is against urgently pressed upon us.

Judge Van Fleet will sit at the trial of the defendants in the Hindu case which commences tomorrow. This case will occupy the entire attention of Judge Van Fleet until well after the first of the year, possibly through the entire month of January, 1918.

Judge Dooling is not able to resume his duties at the present time and it is doubtful if he will hear any cases before the first of the year.

Judge Morrow has consented to hear criminal cases for four days of this week, but expects to leave San Francisco then and will be unable to give us further assistance.

Judge Farrington expects to be at Sacramento on the 26th instant to try several defendants.

You will see from the above that after this week



we will be without a Judge to take up the regular criminal calendar and considering that there are about fifteen to twenty five cases a week arising, our calendar will soon be congested if a Judge is not furnished this District.

Most of the Indictments being returned are for petty offenses--really police court cases. They consist of selling liquor to soldiers in uniform and conducting houses of prostitution within five miles of a fort. There are also other cases of about the same importance. Considering that many of these defendants stand trial and are unable to furnish bail, it is necessary that they be given a speedy trial.

I am therefore asking you if there is not some way to meet this condition by appointing an outside Judge to come to San Francisco and sit for a month at least, and at the end of that time it is possible that Judge Dooling will be in a condition to take up his regular calendar. If not it will be necessary to secure the good services of another Judge or Judges until he is able to return.

I fully appreciate your past courtesy in this matter and feel sure that you will again be able to help us.

With my best wishes, I am,

Yours very truly,

United States Attorney.



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Nov. 19th 1917.

Capt. Thomas Tunney,  
Police Dept.,  
New York City, N.Y.

Sir:

In connection with the case against H. L. Gupta, you will remember that you found certain valuable papers in Gupta's Safe Deposit Box. In this connection I am anxious to obtain the papers dealing with the safe deposit box itself. Would you kindly obtain for me, Gupta's original application for a safe deposit box, and all the other papers connected therewith.

I find from his papers that Gupta had an account with the Colonial Bank, New York. Would you please obtain from that bank a transcript of his account and also any cancelled checks or other papers connected therewith.

It is possible Gupta may have had accounts with other banks, and an examination of his account with the Colonial Bank may give a clue to such other banks. If any other such bank is discovered, would you kindly obtain from it also a transcript of his account there and any cancelled checks or other papers connected therewith. These papers are needed as quickly as possible as the case is set for trial to-morrow. I shall be glad if you could

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expedite this matter.

Respectfully,

United States Attorney.



**TIMES AND PLACES OF HOLDING COURT.**  
**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.**  
At CHICAGO—First Mondays in February,  
March, April, May, June, July, September,  
October, and November, and the  
third Monday in December.  
At FREEPORT—Third Mondays in April and  
October.

Department of Justice,  
**OFFICE OF UNITED STATES ATTORNEY,**  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS,  
826 FEDERAL BUILDING,  
CHICAGO.

November 16, 1917.

In re the "Henry S".

Hon. John W. Preston,

United States Attorney,

San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication of  
the 7th inst., and transmit herewith pursuant to your request, the  
following:

1. Copy of papers, documents, etc. on file in the  
Department of State, with respect to the auxiliary  
schooner "Henry S".
2. The clearance papers of the "Henry S" together  
with certified copy of the owner's request for clear-  
ance and of other papers on file in the office of the  
Insular Collector of Customs, Philippine Islands.
3. Certain records relating to the "Henry S" certi-  
fied to by the Vice-consul in charge of the Dutch  
Consulate at Hong Kong.

Very respectfully,

*Charles F. Clyne*  
United States Attorney.

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Referred to Mr. Adams  
Ans'd. 1917