

1607
BLACK AND CLARK
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
1041 MONADNOCK BUILDING
681 MARKET STREET
A. P. BLACK GEO. CLARK

PHONE SUTTER 750

Rec'd. Sept 24 1917
Referred to Mr.
Ans'd. 19

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

September 21, 1917.

Hon. John W. Preston,
United States Attorney,
Post Office Building,
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sir:

In the case of the United States vs. Hizar, one of the alleged Hindu conspirators, Mr. Hizar is a lawyer in San Diego. He is a poor man and cannot by any possibility pay the expenses of bringing his witnesses from San Diego. I have therefore prepared a stipulation that the testimony of these witnesses may be taken by deposition before a United States Commissioner at San Diego. The following are character witnesses:

C. L. Williams
J. W. Sefton
Eugene Daney
Col. L. S. McLure
A. H. Sweet
Dr. R. M. Powers
Dr. L. S. Chamberlain
J. B. McLees
C. N. Andrews
J. D. Spreckels
Admiral W. F. Fullam

The following gentlemen know that while the arms were being transferred to the "Annie Larson" that the whole matter of the shipment was common knowledge and discussed freely by Hizar, and through the newspapers, and there was no pretense of secrecy about anything connected with the transaction; namely,

C. L. Williams,
E. H. Lamme
A. J. Lee
L. J. Rice
Capt. A. H. Moore

The latter knows that Hizar and Martinez tried to get him to take the shipments of arms to Mexico. I hope that you will see no objection to signing the stipulation, and I will prepare the interrogatories directed to each witness. The questions to the character witnesses will, of course, be the same and there will be just a few questions to each of the others.

Very sincerely yours,

A. P. Black
Attorney for J. C. HIZAR.

1601
F. A. ROBBINS, PRESIDENT
F. A. FIEDLER, VICE PRESIDENT

E. S. F. ORN, CASHIER
F. D. LINSLEY, ASST. CASHIER

Bank of Sausalito

Commercial Savings

Sausalito, Calif.

Sept. 20 1917

United States District Attorney,
Post Office Bldg.,
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sir: (Attention Mr. Preston)

In accordance with telephonic conversation with
your office to-day, I am enclosing two admission cards
showing signature and date of entrance by G. R. Chanan
into safe deposit box #348.

The balance of our papers, I believe you have.

Very truly yours,



Wallerday told them over phone to
send in all they had and if we wanted
anything more would call on them later
Wallerday

Rec'd.
Referred to Mr. [unclear]
Ans'd.
1917
1917
1917

November 13th 1917.

Edward White, Esq.,

Commissioner of Immigration,

San Francisco.

Sir:

In connection with the Hindu case which opens on November 20th 1917, I would ask you to forward to this office as soon as possible, the following documents which will be required as exhibits in the case. Many of these documents are Departure Slips and may be sent in original, but I understand the Arrival Reports are in bound volumes on large sheets. If it would be simpler for you to send certified copies of these reports, you may do so, but I will ask that the copies be made by the same officer so that in case the Court desires, he may be in a position to depose to their authenticity.

List of documents required:

DEPARTURE REPORTS:

- (1) Dhirondra Nath Sen, by SS.MANCHURIA, May 15th 1915.
- (2) Jnanendra Nath Sanyal, by SS.MONGOLIA, June 12th 1915.
- (3) H. L. Gupta, by SS. MONGOLIA, August 25th 1915.
- (4) Darisi Chenchiza, by SS. TENYO MARU, May 22nd 1915.
- (5) Sekuma Chatterji, by SS. TENYO MARU, May 22nd 1915.
- (6) Jodh Singh, by SS. TENYO MARU, May 22nd 1915.

- (7) Nripendra Chatterji, by SS. CHINA, May 8th 1915.
- (8) Henry Sterneek, }
Geo. Bohn, } by SS. MANCHURIA, May 15th 1915.
Albert Wede }
- (9) Milkha Singh, }
Ram Singh } by SS. MONGOLIA, March 27th 1915.
- (10) Surendra Kumar Roy, by SS. MONGOLIA, March 27th 1915.
- (11) Gopal Singh, }
Khem Chand } by SS. MANCHURIA, Feb. 27th 1915.
- (12) M. A. Nandedkir, by SS. TENYO MARU, January 8th 1916.
- (13) Taraknath Das, by SS. TENYO MARU, August 26th 1916.
- (14) S. R. Wagel, by SS. KOREA, June 21st 1915.
- (15) Roy Das, by SS. CHINA, July 24th 1915.
- (16) Bhagwan Singh }
Barkatullah } by SS. HONG KONG MARU, May 23rd 1914.

ARRIVALS:

- (1) James Parkhall, by SS. SONOMA, May 22, 1916.
- (2) Charles A. Martin, by SS. NIPPON MARU, June 15th 1916.
- (3) Nripendra Chatterji, by SS. TENYO MARU, August 1st 1916
- (4) Naranjan Das, by SS. SHINYO MARU, June 10th 1916.
- (5) M. A. Nandedkir, }
Santokh Singh } by SS. EQUADOR, November 15th 1916.
B. K. Sarkar }
- (6) J. W. Sanyal, by SS. NIPPON MARU, October 26th 1915.
- (7) Ram Singh, by SS. SHINYO MARU, November 29th 1916.
- (8) Gopal Singh, by SS. EQUADOR, Feb. 1st 1917.

I will also ask you to forward your official papers concerning the following cases:

- (1) Regarding deportation of Bhagwan Singh from Canada.

This file includes affidavits of Mr. Malcolm J. Reid, and Natha Singh.

- (2) Hawaiian alien certificate No. 15541, dated Honolulu,

-3- Edward White.

April 17th 1916, showing arrival of James Parkhall by SS. ANYO MARU.

(3) The Immigration Department proceedings dealing with the case of Har Dyal in 1914. I have a note showing your file number to be $\frac{12016}{126}$.

(4) Immigration Department file $\frac{12016}{984}$ concerning

arrival of Martin.

Respectfully,

United States Attorney.

November 13th 1917.

Commissioner of Immigration,

Ellis Island, New York.

Sir:

In connection with the Hindu case which opens on November 20th 1917, I would ask you to forward to this office as soon as possible, the following documents which will be required as exhibits in the case. Many of these documents are Departure Slips and may be sent in original, but I understand the Arrival Reports are in bound volumes on large sheets. If it would be simpler for you to send certified copies of these reports, you may do so, but I will ask that the copies be made by the same officer so that in case the Court desires, he may be in a position to depose to their authenticity.

List of documents required:

DEPARTURE REPORTS:

- (1) Karaknath Das, by SS. HELLIG O LAV, July 11th 1916.
- (2) M. A. Mandedkir, by SS. UNITED STATES, Nov. 9th 1915.
- (3) Nripendra Chatterji, by SS. PRINCE FREDERICK WILHELM,
January 22nd 1915.
- (4) H. L. Gupta, by SS. AMERICA, November 7th 1914.
- (5) Reza Bagher, by SS. KRISTIANIAFJORD, Dec. 11th 1915.

-2- Commissioner of Immigration, Ellis Island.

ARRIVALS:

- (1) H. L. Gupta, by SS. ANCONA, Jan. 19th 1915.
- (2) Dhiren Sarkar, by SS. RYNDAN, Sept. 27th 1914.
- (5) Reza Baghor, by SS. HELLIG O LAV, Nov. 13th 1916.

Respectfully,

United States Attorney.

ADDRESS REPLY TO
"UNITED STATES ATTORNEY"
AND REFER TO
INITIALS AND NUMBER

J C K /

12947

Department of Justice

United States Attorney's Office

New York

FM

October 9, 1917.

The Attorney General,
Washington, D. C.

S i r :

Referring to the telegram received at your office from U. S. Attorney Preston of San Francisco, in regard to Chakraberty and Sekunna, I have to say that Mr. Sekunna is now in my office.

Upon late Saturday night, October 6, 1917, I received a telegram to the effect that the case against Sekunna in San Francisco has been postponed until November 20, 1917, owing to the fact that the Hindoo case in Chicago is set for Monday, October 15, 1917, which would work a postponement of the San Francisco prosecution.

Mr. Sekunna is perfectly willing to become a witness for the Government in the case. He tells me that he can testify to Hindoo activities in the United States and directed against British rule in India. He can testify that upon several occasions he called at the office of Wolf Von Igel in this city and there received sealed envelopes, which he transmitted to Chakraberty, and which, it is fair to assume, contained funds. Sekunna says he did not see the envelopes opened. He would be sent to Von Igel's office by Chakraberty, and upon his trips there he would carry with him various leaflets which were furnished to him by Chakraberty. He can testify that when Tarak Nath Das called on Chakraberty, he remained at his house about two days. However, Sekunna is unable to testify as to the political nature of the conversation owing to the fact that they spoke in Hindustani. During the time that Chakraberty and Sekunna

10-3-365

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

OCT 11 A.M. 1917

MAILS AND FILES DIVISION

WAKEN

lived together in this city, numerous Hindoos called to see Chakraberty. SeKunna, however, is unacquainted with the names of most of these men, but believes that were he to see them again, he would easily recognize them, and feels that he may be of some service to the Government in this regard at San Francisco. He also recalls the time that a Chinaman named Chen was at Chakraberty's house, and he understood at that time that Chen was going from the United States to China. Also, among the papers found in Chakraberty's house were a number of envelopes addressed in SeKunna's handwriting to persons in Switzerland, together with other addresses in Berlin. SeKunna can also identify the photographs of Chakraberty which were used by him when, under the name of Reza Bager, a Persian merchant, he sailed in December, 1915, upon the steamship "Bergensfjord". I am enclosing a copy of this photograph, thinking perhaps it might be of some importance to the United States Attorney in San Francisco on the trial of his case, and I would ask that you forward the same to him.

I am also sending you herewith samples of the typewriting used by Chakraberty in transmitting messages to the Berlin Foreign Office. These samples of typewriting were taken by Patrolman William H. Randolph of the New York City Police Department and Detective Corell of that Department. Chakraberty's typewriter being an Underwood, an expert from the Underwood Typewriter Co. has testified that some of the code messages passing from this country to Berlin were written upon this typewriter.

I am also sending you herewith a transcript of Chakraberty's bank account with the United States Mortgage & Trust Company, thinking that perhaps it also may be of assistance in the case, showing the time that substantial deposits were made in Chakraberty's account.

I also send you herewith some addresses written in the handwriting of SeKunna, which addresses were given to SeKunna by Euphrat.

I also send you a list of some addresses in typewriting which have evidently been written on the same typewriter as the sample hereinbefore referred to.

I am likewise enclosing a memorandum in code which was found in Chakraberty's house.

These papers have been marked for identification by George D. Barnitz, of the New York Police Department, when Chakraberty's house was searched at the time of his arrest.

It is also true that SeKunna can identify the code memorandum as being in the handwriting of Chakraberty.

I also send you herewith a postal card which was forwarded to SeKunna by H. A. Chen, but I do not know whether this will be of any particular importance.

I am also enclosing three photographs upon which Chakraberty appears in group, thinking that perhaps these may show the association of Chakraberty with several other Hindoos who may be identified at the trial.

SeKunna had purchased a railroad ticket to San Francisco and was prepared to leave New York tomorrow, and has exhibited his ticket to me. He will, however, in view of the postponement of the case, now start for San Francisco about November 1st.

If the various enclosures herein are not needed in San Francisco, will you be good enough to return the same to me for my files?

Respectfully,

Francis G. Caffery
U. S. Attorney.

(11 enclosures)