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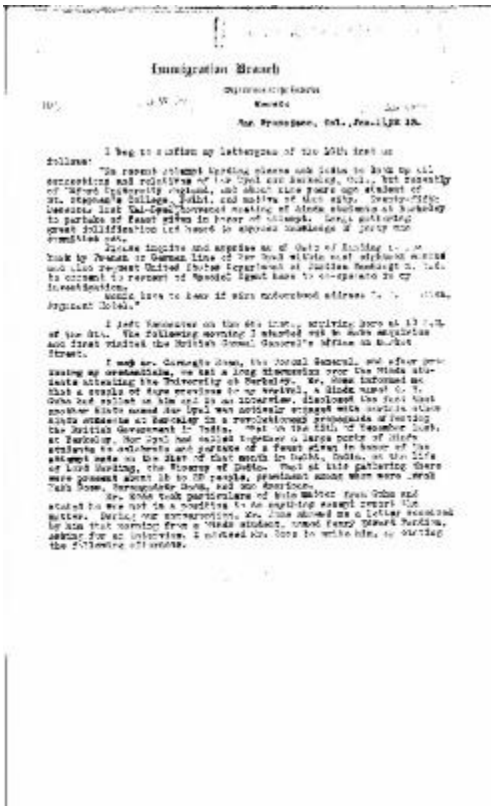
[Extract from William C. Hopkinson, Immigration Inspector, to William W. Cory, Deputy Minister of the Interior. Copy]



Immigration Branch

Vancouver, B.C., February 18.

I beg to confirm my letter of the 10th inst as follows:

"In recent issues of Hindu papers and letters to Hindu by all accounts and relatives of the Opal are Berkeley, Cal., but recently of Alfred University, England, and about five years ago student of St. Stephen's College, Delhi, and native of that city. Twenty-fifth January last Hindu-Opal-Provoked meeting of Hindu students at Berkeley to partake of feast given in honor of himself. Long gathering great jubilation led toward to express hostilities of party who prohibited sale.

Please inquire and advise me if Opal of Berkeley [illegible] book by Pacific or German line of for Hindu within next eighteen months and also payment United States Department of Justice Bureau C. [illegible] to consent to request of Special Agent have to co-operate to our investigation.

Would have to know if also motorhead address [illegible] Argonaut Hotel."

I left Vancouver on the 6th inst., arriving here at 13 [illegible] of the 8th. The following morning I wired wire to Hindu enquiries and first visited the British Consul General's office on Bullock Street.

I met Mr. Carnegie Dixon, the Consul General, and after presenting my credentials, we had a long discussion over the Hindu students attending the University of Berkeley. Mr. Dixon informed me that a couple of days previous to my arrival, a Hindu named C. T. Ghosh had called on him and in an interview, displayed the fact that another Hindu named Har Dyal was actively engaged with certain other Hindu students at Berkeley in a revolutionary propaganda of inciting the British Government in India. That on the 25th of December last, at Berkeley, Mr. Dyal had called together a large party of Hindu students to celebrate and partake of a feast given in honor of the anniversary date on the 21st of that month in Delhi, India, on the life of Lord Hardinge, the Viceroy of India. That at this gathering there were present about 18 to 20 people, prominent among whom were Arab Tara Nath, Ramagulaby Dutt, and Mr. Ghosh.

Mr. Ghosh took particulars of this matter from Ghosh and stated to me not in a position to do anything except report the matter. During our conversation, Mr. Dixon showed me a letter received by him that morning from a Hindu student, named Ferry Ramat Harding, asking for an interview. I advised Mr. Dixon to write him, in stating the following effect:

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