

# MISSIONARY SAYS

Mrs. B. C. Harrington Declares Press Gives Wrong View of Indian Leader

IS VISITING PARENTS HERE

The idea of "seeing the world," the longing of one woman in India, was to see a palace and a full-length street in her town.

This condition was related by Mrs. B. C. Harrington, who with her two children, is here from Lucknow, North India, on a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Jacobs, Oak Lane.

"The great needs in India are, first of all, medical aid, and next education," declared Mrs. Harrington.

She and her husband have been doing missionary education work in India for the last four years.

"The women of the higher classes are not allowed on the streets, when they go out in their carriages, the carriages are screened," she continued. "The women of the lower classes who are seen on the streets wear long enveloping veils, which have slits in them for their eyes."

When asked if she thought that this Purdah system of screening and hiding the women made for better women morally, she replied, "I don't know, but it doesn't make for better men."

The Mohammedan and Hindu women are beginning to want more freedom and education, and the men who are receiving education in the few established colleges want their wives and daughters to receive education, she stated.

Mrs. Harrington gave her views on Gandhi.

"I don't like the attitude that the American papers are taking on Gandhi, making him out as a saint and perfect," she said.

"Gandhi had some good ideas, but the people weren't ready for them. He was just ahead of his time."

She believes that home rule for India would at present result in nothing but religious war; that the Mohammedans would not work under Hindus and Hindus would not work under Mohammedans.

"The people of India must first be taught the care of their bodies and then the care of their communal problems before they take matters in their own hands," she stated.

Mrs. Harrington declares that it is time to be back in America, but with a serious loss of her head, she added: "I am anxious to get back to India because there is so much there for Americans to do."

The only thing which strikes her as being different in Philadelphia, she said, is the absence of saloons.

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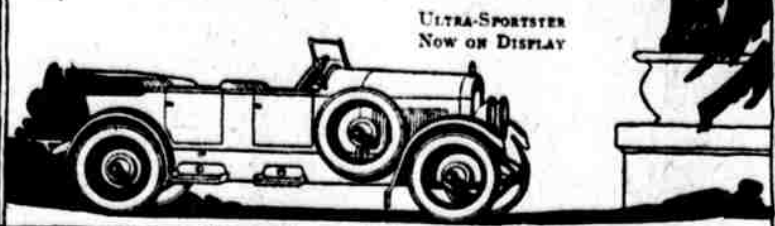
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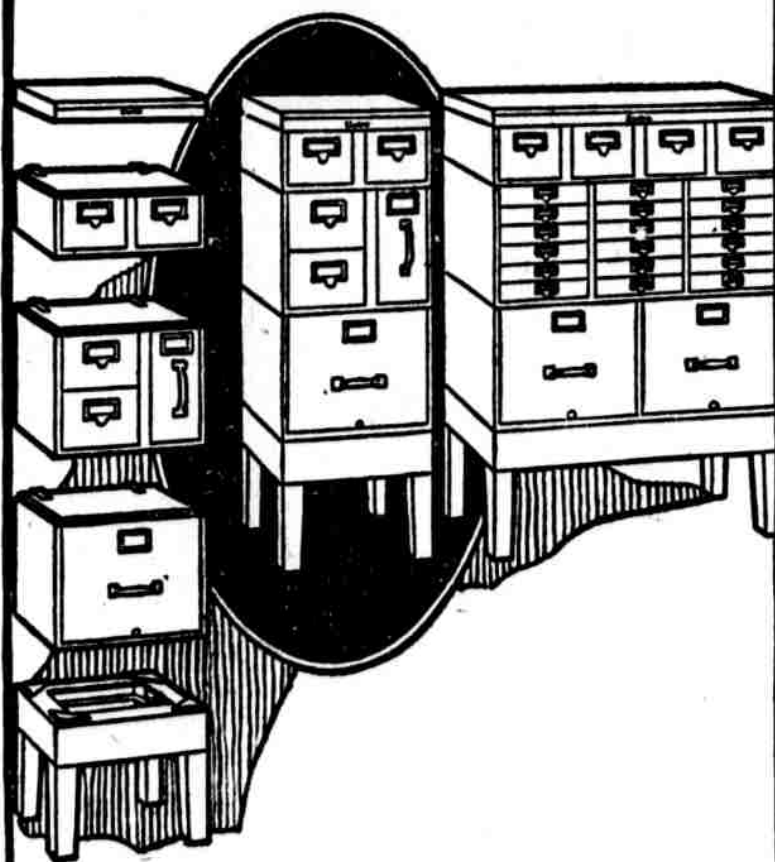
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