

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
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No. 517

STATEMENT OF A REGISTERED CHINESE LABORER ABOUT TO DEPART FROM THE UNITED STATES WITH THE INTENTION OF RETURNING THERETO.

Made in compliance with the treaty between the United States and China, concluded and signed March 17th, 1894, ratified December 7th, 1894, and proclaimed by the President of the United States December 8th, 1894, and the act of Congress entitled "An Act to prohibit the coming into, and to regulate the residence within the United States, its Territories, and all territory under its jurisdiction, and the District of Columbia, of Chinese persons and persons of Chinese descent", approved April 29th, 1902, and the Rules and Regulations of the Secretary of the Treasury in conformity therewith.

I HEREBY DECLARE That I am a Chinese laborer, duly registered as such under the Act of Congress approved November 3d, 1893. My Certificate of Residence is attached to this statement. It was issued to me by the Collector of Internal Revenue for the First District of Illinois, at the City of Chicago in said district, on the 2d day of April, 1904; and is numbered "6349".

Hereto annexed is a true photographic likeness of me now; and my Description is as follows:-

NAME:- MOY HING.

AGE:-Forty (40) Years.

HEIGHT:- 5' 4 1/2" - 1 1/2 Inches (In Shoes).

RESIDENCE:- 323 So. Clark St.

OCCUPATION:-Restaurateur.

EYES:-Dark Brown. COMPLEXION:-Dark. MARKS:-None.

I CLAIM TO POSSESS THE PROPERTY AND DEBTS DESCRIBED BELOW:-

PROPERTY:-None, except the Personal Property below, and cash in hand.

I own, in my own name and right, a share and interest in the Restaurant, known as the "Peking Cafe", at No. 2032 Wabash avenue; in the City of Chicago, County of Cook and State of Illinois. The same is worth, reasonably and at least, One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00).

I HEREBY AGREE That none of such property shall be diverted or transferred during my absence from the United States; but that the above-described property shall remain as it now exists until my return to the United States.

I intend to depart from the United States at the sub-port of Portal, North Dakota, one month from the date hereof, and to return to the United States at the same sub-port of Portal, North Dakota, within one year thereafter.

WHEREFORE, I respectfully request a Certificate of my right to return to the United States.

Dated, at Chicago, Illinois, October 23, 1906.

Moy Hing

Subscribed and sworn to, by the above-named MOY HING, at the City of Chicago, in the County of Cook and State of Illinois, this 23 day of October, A.D., nineteen hundred six, before me.

L. J. Hummer
Chinese & Immigrant Inspector.

Case of
MOY HING,
Lab. Ret.

: L. T. Plummer, Examining Inspector.

Witness, LEE CHUNG or C.S.Lee, sworn by Inspector Plummer,
testified in English:

Q What is your name? A Lee Chung or C. S. Lee.

Q What is your business? A Restaurant, 2032 Wabash Ave.

Q Do you know him (showing photo of applicant)? A Yes, it
is Moy Hing.

Q Does he still have the same interest in your restaurant
that he had at the time of his departure? A Yes.

Q Is the place worth as much now as at that time? A Yes,
just the same.

Q When he comes back will he come into the restaurant?

A I can't say as to that; he may or may not.

Q Has there been no change in his interest since his depart-
ure? A No, no change.

Witness signed his testimony in English

(Signed)C. S. Lee, Witness

(Signed)L. T. Plummer, Inspector.

CHICAGO

October 31, 1906.

Case of	:	L. T. Plummer,	Examining Inspector.
MOY HING,	:	Wong Aloy,	Interpreter.
Lab. Dep.	:	D. Arthur Plumly,	Stenographer.

Applicant, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified:

Q What is your name?
A Moy Hing.
Q What is your full Chinese name?
A Moy Gom Hing.
Q What is your business?
A Laundryman.
Q Do you own a laundry?
A No, sir, not now.
Q When did you last own a laundry?
A About a year ago I sold my last laundry.
Q What has been your business during the past year?
A After I sold my laundry I work for another man as laundryman.
Q On what do you base your right to a return certificate?
A I have \$1,000.00 interest in a restaurant.
Q What restaurant?
A The Pekin restaurant, No. 2032 Wabash Avenue.
Q How long have you had an interest in that restaurant?
A About two months.
Q Have you any books or evidence to show that you have that interest?
A No, I didn't put it in my book but my manager put it on his book, and the book must show that it was in the 7th month of this year that I came into the restaurant.
Q Did you put that thousand dollars into the restaurant all at one time?
A All at one time.
Q Have you been working in the restaurant since that time?
A No, I did not.
Q How much money is there altogether invested in the restaurant?
A \$4,000.00.
Q Who are the other men who have money in there besides you?
A Lee Chung has \$2,000.00, Moy Tong Hoy has \$500.00, Lee Hee has \$500.00, and I have \$1,000.00.
Q Where did you get this money to put into the restaurant?
A I worked and saved it.
Q That restaurant has been in existence for at least two years, hasn't it?
A I do not know how long this restaurant has been in existence. I only know that they wanted to sell some stock and I bought \$1,000.00 interest.
Q Wasn't that restaurant in existence at the time you bought your interest; hadn't it been running for some time?
A Yes, sir; I know that this restaurant was running for some time before I bought my share.
Q Why did they need money at the time you put this money into it?
A They told me they wanted to improve the business and make a larger business.
Q Did they improve it?
A They made the restaurant much nicer and have more room.

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- Q Who owned that restaurant before you bought your interest in it?
A Lee Lee and Lee Chung.
Q Did you three men buy Lee Lee's interest?
A Yes, sir.
Q What did you pay for Lee Lee's interest?
A We paid \$2,000.00 for a half interest in the restaurant and I have \$1,000.00 interest of my own.
Q How much of that \$2,000.00 went to Lee Lee himself and how much into the improvements of the restaurant?
A Lee Chung knows that. All I know is that I paid \$1,000.00 for my share.
Q Where is Lee Lee now?
A I don't know where he is now. He intended to go to China.
Q Why did he sell his interest?
A He intended to go to China but I don't know whether he went or not.
Q You swear, do you, that this statement of yours is correct; that you actually have \$1,000.00 interest in this restaurant?
A Yes, sir.
Q How much is that restaurant worth now, with its improvements?
A I don't know the value of the restaurant, as I have not had much experience of that kind.
Q What do you think it is worth? Would you say it is worth the money that you say is invested there?
A I think it is worth more.
Q Do you intend to leave the interest in the restaurant until after your return?
A I intend to leave this \$1,000.00 interest there while I am in China and after I return, if everything goes along all right, I may go there myself.
Q Have you understood the Interpreter, Wong Aloy?
A Yes, sir.

Applicant signed his testimony in English:

(Signed) MOY HING, Applicant.
(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.
(Signed) WONG ALOY, Interpreter.

Witness, LEE CHUNG, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified in English:

- Q What is your name?
A My name is Lee Chung. I go in my business by the name of C.S. Lee but my Chinese name is Lee Chung.
Q What is your business? A Restaurant.
Q What restaurant are you connected with?
A The Pekin, No. 2032 Wabash Ave.
Q Do you own that restaurant or do you manage it?
A I own part of it, and I manage the place.
Q Do you know this man (showing photograph of applicant)?
A Yes, sir; he is Moy Hing, one of the partners.
Q How long have you known him?
A I know him for 3 or 4 months only. I am just acquainted with him through the firm of Hip Lung & Co.
Q Has he any interest in your restaurant?
A Yes, sir, he has \$1,000.00 interest.
Q When did he put that interest in?
A K.S. 32, July 10th Chinese.
Q Who are the other partners in the restaurant?
A Lee Hee and Moy Tong Hoy.
Q How much money has each one of you invested there?
A The capital is \$4,000.00; I have \$2,000.00, Moy Hing has \$1,000.00, Lee Hee has \$500.00, and Moy Tong Hoy has \$500.00.
Q How long have you had your money invested?
A Mine was invested in May 1905.
Q When did Moy Tong Hoy and Lee Hee come into the restaurant?
A Two months ago, at the time Moy Hing came in. They bought my former partner out and we enlarged the business.
Q Did you increase the capital stock at that time?
A I increased a certain part of it. When we started the stock wasn't as much as at the present time. I put more to it.
Q What was your other partner's name?
A Lee H Lee was my former partner.
Q Then, as I understand it, you and Lee Lee opened that restaurant in 1905 and in K.S. 32 in July Chinese Lee Lee sold his interest to these three men for \$2000.00, and so you have placed a value of \$2000.00 on your interest, as you owned half of it. That is the way it stands, isn't it?
A Yes, sir.
Q When did you make the improvements--before or after Lee Lee sold his interest?
A Afterwards.
Q Where did you get your money to make the improvements in the restaurant?
A He sold his half interest for less than \$2000.00 but there was \$2000.00 in all put into the restaurant, and that, with what I had myself, was used in improving the restaurant.
Q What is that restaurant worth to-day?
A In my judgment it is worth \$5,000.00 or \$6,000.00. I wouldn't sell my ~~xxxx~~ half interest for less than \$3000.00.
Q Have you the book showing the interest of the partners in your restaurant?
A Yes, sir. (Produces account book and reads: K.S. 32, 7, 10 we agreed to go into the restaurant business at No. 2030 and 2032 Wabash Ave., Chicago; capital stock \$4000.00; partnership four of us; Lee Chung \$2000.00, Lee Hee \$500, Moy Hing \$1000.00 and Moy Tong Hoy \$500, total \$4000.00.)
Q This book that you have shown me is the book giving the partnership agreement in your restaurant, is it? A Yes, sir.
Q Will Moy Hing retain his ~~x~~ interest in the restaurant until his return? A Yes, sir.

Witness signed his testimony in English:

(Signed) LEE CHUNG, Witness.

(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.