

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
IMMIGRATION SERVICE

No. 126

IMMIGRATION FILE

SUBJECT: \_\_\_\_\_

14-201

WHEREAS, NG CHOP,

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to the Act of Congress approved May 5, 1892, as amended by the Act of  
Congress approved November 3, 1893, and the Convention of December 8,  
1894, between the United States of America and the Empire of China,

which provide as follows, to-wit:- *said NG CHOP has not been engaged*

" A merchant is a person engaged in buying and selling merchandise  
"at the said fixed place of business, which business is conducted in  
"his name, and who, during the time he claims to be engaged as a mer-  
"chant, does not engage in the performance of any manual labor, ex-  
"cept such as is necessary in the conduct of his business as such  
"merchant.

" When an application is made by a Chinaman for entrance into the  
"United States on the ground that he was formerly engaged in this  
"country as a merchant, he shall establish by the testimony of two  
"credible witnesses other than Chinese the fact that he conducted  
"such business as hereinbefore defined for at least one year before  
"his departure from the United States and that during such year he  
"was not engaged in the performance of any manual labor, except such  
"as was necessary in the conduct of his business as such merchant;  
"and in default of such proof shall be refused landing." (Act of  
Congress approved Nov. 3, 1893, amending the Act of May 5, 1892.)

" The provisions of this Convention shall not affect the right at



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NG CHOP is lawfully  
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CHOP for upwards of one year last past, during which said year he has been a reputable resident Chinese merchant of the said City of Chicago.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That, during the said year of our acquaintance with him, the said NG CHOP was a member of the firm of Chinese merchants trading and doing business under the trade-name and style of "WAH HING & CO.", Dealers in Groceries, Provisions, Teas, and general Chinese and Japanese merchandise, at No. 326 South Clark street, in the said City of Chicago.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That, during the said year of our acquaintance with him, the said NG CHOP has been so engaged in buying and selling merchandise, at the said fixed place of business, under the said trade-name and style of the said firm of which he is a member; and that during the said year the said NG CHOP has not been engaged in the performance of manual labor, skilled or unskilled, of any kind except such as has been necessary in the conduct of his said business as such merchant as aforesaid.

AND WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That the said trade-name and style is arbitrary and fanciful, and does not indicate the names of the members of the said firm, or of any of them; and that such use of such trade-names and styles is customary amongst Chinese and other merchants generally, in the said City of Chicago, and elsewhere throughout the United States, ~~as~~ so far as we are aware.

Dated, at Chicago, Illinois, October 2d, 1899.

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(STATE, in the County of Cook, Ill.)  
(DESCRIPTION OF NG CHOP :- )  
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(AGE:-Thirty-Four (34) Years.  
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(HEIGHT:-5 Ft., 4 In.  
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