

IMMIGRATION FILE

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
IMMIGRATION SERVICE

No. 510

SUBJECT:

Department of Commerce and Labor

MOY CONG
(MOY QUAN)
of
"HIP LUNG"
Merchants,
323 Clark st.,
Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.

AGE:—Thirty Five Years.
HEIGHT:—5 Feet, 1 Inch,
in Sandals.

See letter dated Dec. 18, 07 Portal.

in Lee Wah's file No. 538.

The United States of America. }
Northern District of Illinois. } Set:
Eastern Division.



WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, Citizens of the United States, and residents of the City of Chicago and vicinity, in said division and district, being neither Chinese or of Chinese descent, Do hereby Certify that we have been well acquainted with the above-described MOY QUAN (otherwise spelled "Moy Cong") for upwards of one year last past, during which time he has been a reputable resident Chinese Merchant of the said City of Chicago, and neither a huckster, peddler, laundryman or laborer of any kind.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That, during the said year of our acquaintance with him, the said MOY QUAN has been a member of the firm of Chinese merchants trading and doing business under the trade-name and style of "HIP LUNG", Importers and Dealers in Teas, Groceries, Provisions and general Chinese, Japanese and American merchandise, at No. 323 Clark st., Chicago aforesaid; that the said firm has, to our personal knowledge, been established in business there, at said place, upwards of Ten (10) years and, as we know by its reputation, at the same place, a much longer time than ten years.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That, during the said year of our acquaintance with him, the said MOY QUAN has been 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, he 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.

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY, That the foregoing photograph, hereunto attached, is a true and correct likeness, and that the foregoing description is a true and correct description, of the said MOY QUAN.

WE have been credibly informed that the said MOY QUAN (MOY CONG) has a financial interest of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) in said firm of "Hip Lung"; and from our frequent visits to the said place of business, No. 323 Clark street, and our general acquaintance with the various members of said firm, we have become well satisfied that he is actively engaged in the business of the firm, and exercises a voice in the management of the business and affairs of the said "Hip Lung", and enjoys his proper share of the profits thereof, as a bona fide member thereof.

Dated, at Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A., September 19, 1906.

Willard J Henry
(Address). 1865 Fisher Bldg
Chicago, Illinois.

Leo Stein
(Address). 1440 Masonic Temple
Chicago, Illinois.

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The United States of America.)
Northern District of Illinois.) Set:
Eastern Division.)

Willard J Henry of the City of Chicago, in said division and district, being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says as follows, to-wit:-

I am a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the City of Chicago, in the division and district aforesaid, where I follow the occupation of a salesman.

I am one of the signers of the foregoing and annexed certificate; and the statements therein made are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to, this)
29th day of September, A.D., 1906,)
before me.)

Mark A. Foote

U. S. Commissioner, N. D. Ill's.

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The United States of America.)
Northern District of Illinois.) Set:
Eastern Division.)

Leo Stein of the City of Chicago, in said division and district, being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says as follows, to-wit:-

I am a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the City of Chicago, in the division and district aforesaid, where I follow the occupation of a salesman.

I am one of the signers of the foregoing and annexed certificate; and the statements therein made are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to, this)
29th day of September, A.D., 1906,)
before me.)

Mark A. Foote

U.S. Commissioner, N. D. Ill's.

October 5, 1906.

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

Applicant, MOY CONG, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified:

Q What is your name?
A Moy Cong (pronounces it "Quan").
Q What is your full Chinese name?
A Moy Jung Cong.
Q Where were you born?
A China.
Q How long have you been in the United States?
A Over 14 years.
Q How much over 14 years?
A Almost 15 years.
Q How old are you now?
A I am 35 years old.
Q How did you come to the United States?
A My uncle sent for me to China and I came to San Francisco.
Q Did you come alone?
A I came with several cousins. They staid in San Francisco and I came here.
Q What kind of a paper did you have?
A It is so long ago I don't remember what kind of papers I had.
Q Are you registered?
A I have no certificate.
Q Why not?
A At the time of registration a good many Chinese told me not to get registered.
Q Why not?
A A good many people think it wasn't ~~any~~ right and I did not know whether it would be any good or not.
Q What kind of business were you in at that time?
A In San Francisco in a grocery store.
Q Were you working in that store or have an interest in it?
A My uncle and I ran the store. My uncle gave me a half interest.
Q What was the name of the store?
A Quong Yut Wah.
Q How long were you in the firm of Quong Yut Wah?
A 4-1/2 to 5 years.
Q During what years?
A From K.S. 18 to K. S. 23, when I came here.
Q How long have you been in Chicago?
A From K.S. 23 up to the present time; about 9 years.
Q What have you been doing since you were in Chicago?
A I was in Hip Lung a while and then I worked here and there.
I worked in a laundry a while but my interest remained the same.
Q When did you purchase an interest in Hip Lung & Co.?
A As soon as I came to Chicago.
Q How long have you been in the firm, all your time devoted to ~~xx~~ its business?
A I have been drawing salary for a year and a half altogether.
Q What were you doing before that?
A I was in a restaurant before then.
Q What restaurant?
A No. 319 S. Clark St.
Q For the past year and a half you say you have been in the firm, all your time devoted to its business?
A Yes.

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- Q During that time have you done any work in restaurants or in laundries?
- A No; before that, but not during this year and a half.
- Q What do you do in the store?
- A I sell goods, put ~~up~~ up goods, and deliver goods.
- Q What salary do you draw?
- A \$35.00 a month.
- Q How much of an interest have you in the firm of Hip Lung & Co.?
- A \$1,000.00.
- Q Whose place did you take in the firm when you came in?
- A Moy something; he went to China; I forget his name.
- Q Are you married?
- A Yes, I am married in China.
- Q How old were you when you got married?
- A I can't tell exactly how old I was when I got married, but I got married in K.S. 17 and I am 35 years old now.
- Q Who are the men in your firm whose time is entirely devoted to its business?
- A Moy Tong Hoy, Moy Tong Jeu (Joe), Moy Lee, ~~Moy Toy~~, Moy Ham, Moy Choon, Moy Hen, Moy Toy, Moy King, Moy Gon, and myself (Moy Cong).
- Q Are there any others?
- A These are the only men drawing salary, which is ten.
- Q Do you yourself draw any salary at the present time?
- A I will draw salary until I leave town, and then I won't draw any until I get back.
- Q What will you do when you return from China?
- A If I find anything I will do it, but if not I will come back to the store.
- Q What do you mean by that?
- A I haven't any other intention when I come back except to come into the store of Hip Lung.
- Q Have you ever been to China since you first came here?
- A No, I have not.
- Q How long have you known Mr. Henry?
- A I knew him somewhat before I came into the store, but I have known him very well during the past year and a half.
- Q How long have you known Mr. Stein?
- A About the same time as I have known Mr. Henry.
- Q Are you positive that during the past year and a half, since you have been actively engaged in that store, you have done no manual labor in laundries or restaurants, or anywhere except in the store itself?
- A Yes, sir. I am positive that I have only worked in the store.
- Q How long do you intend to remain in China?
- A If things go as they should in China I will be back in a few months; however, I don't intend to stay longer than a year, anyway.
- Q Are you making this trip on business of the firm or for pleasure, or both?
- A On my personal business.
- Q Have you understood Interpreter Wong Aloy?
- A Yes, sir.

Witness signed his testimony in Chinese:

(Signed) MOY CONG, Applicant.

(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.

(Signed) WONG ALOY, Interpreter.

CHICAGO, July 31, 1907

Case of	: L.T.Plummer,	Examining Inspector,
MOY CONG,	: A.T.Wilson,	Stenographer.
Mer. ret.		

Witness, MOY DUNG HOY, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified,
in English:

Q What is your name? A Moy Dung Hoy.

Q You are the manager of the firm of Hep Lung Co., are you?
A Hep Lung Co., 323 So. Clark St.

Q Do you know this man (showing photo of applicant)? A Yes,
my partner, Moy Cong.

Q Does he have the same interest in your firm as at the
time he went away? A Yes sir.

Q What is that interest? A \$1,000.

Q Would you say that you store does more business now, or
less, than when he went away? A More business than when he went
away.

Q What will he do when he returns to the United States? A He
will come back into the store and do business there.

Q You understood my questions? A Yes sir.

Witness signed his testimony in Chinese.

(Signed) L. T. Plummer, Inspector.

Witness, MOY TONG HOY, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified (in English and Chinese):

- Q What is your name?
A Moy Tong Hoy.
Q What is your business?
A Chinese merchant. Manager of the firm of Hip Lung & Co.,
323 S. Clark St., Chicago, Ill.
Q How long have you been manager of the firm of Hip Lung & Co.?
A 22 years.
Q Has there been any change in the membership of your firm since
the last partnership list which you furnished me on
September 15, 1905?
A No, sir.
Q Do you know this man (showing photo of applicant)?
A Yes, sir; that is Moy Cong.
Q How long has he been a member of your firm?
A About 9 years.
Q How long has he been in the firm all his time devoted to its
business?
A About two years.
Q What did he do prior to that time?
A He ~~x~~ was a salesman and delivered goods.
Q How long have you known him?
A I knew him in China and I met him again K.S. 18, and I also knew
him in San Francisco when I saw him in Quong Yut ~~Skung~~ Wah,
740 Commercial St.
Q What ~~x~~ was his business at the time the other Chinamen were
registered?
A At that time he was in San Francisco. He was with his uncle at
Quong Yut ~~x~~ Wah.
Q Well, what was his business?
A He was doing the same thing as he is doing here with us.
Q Well, was he a merchant?
A Yes, sir.
Q How much of an interest has he in your firm at the present time?
A \$1,000.00.
Q Has he had that \$1000.00 interest for the past 9 years since he
has been in your firm?
A He put \$1000.00 in our firm since 1896.
Q Does he receive any salary?
A Yes, sir; \$35.00 a month.
Q Does this \$35 a month include his dividends from the profits of
the store or does it not?
A It is just his salary; not his dividends.
Q Who are the members of the firm whose time is entirely occupied
in the business of the firm at the present time?
A Moy Tong Hoy, Moy Tong Jau (Joe), Moy Hen, Moy Toy, Moy Lee,
Moy King, Moy Gone, Moy Ham, Moy Choon, and Moy Cong (appli-
cant); he is not drawing salary now but he is in the store;
he expects to go to China soon.
Q How long has Moy King been in the store?
A About 8 or 9 months.
Q How long has Moy Gone been in the store all his time devoted to ~~x~~
its business?

A About 15 months.

Q During the past year has Moy Cong done any work in laundries or restaurants, or any other work except such as was necessary to the conduct of the business of your firm?

A Since he has been in the store he has done nothing else.

Q Is your store in substantially the same financial condition as it was when you furnished the partnership list last year?

A We do about \$10,000.00 a year more than we did a year ago.

Q What are Moy Cong's duties about the store?

A Selling goods and delivering goods.

Q Do you know whether or not he is registered?

A I do not know.

Q Do you think of anything further that you care to say?

A I have nothing particular to say except that what I have said is the truth.

Q Have you understood the Interpreter?

A Yes, sir.

(Witness signed his testimony in Chinese:

(Signed) MOY TONG HOY, Witness.

(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.

(Signed) WONG ALOY, Interpreter.