

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
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No. 540

STATEMENT OF 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 29, 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 November 3, 1893. My Certificate of Residence is attached to this Statement. It was issued to me by the Collector of Internal Revenue for the District of Oregon, at the City of Portland in said district, on the 9th day of March, 1894, and is numbered "47,642".

HEREUNTO ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT LIKENESS OF ME NOW; AND MY DESCRIPTION FOLLOWS, VIZ:-

NAME:- MOY MOKE YOU.
AGE:- Fifty (50) Years.
RESIDENCE:- No. 303 Clark st., Chicago, Illinois.
OCCUPATION:- Laundryman (Last at 409 E. 43rd st).
HEIGHT:- 5 Ft., 3-1/4 In., in Bare Feet.
EYES:- Dark Brown COMPLEXION:- Dark.
MARKS:- Fit under Left Ear (Not visible when head is turned to the right). (Mouth Large, as shown)

I CLAIM TO POSSESS THE PROPERTY AND DEBTS BELOW:

PROPERTY:- A Share and Interest in the Leasehold, Stock, Furniture, Fixtures, and all other of the assets of the "WEE YING LO", a Restaurant at No. 174 Clark street, in the said City of Chicago; and my said share and interest therein is worth, reasonably and at least, the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).

DEBT:- Payable to me from one MOY NIE SUN, Laundryman, of No. 409 East Forty-Third street, in the said city of Chicago, for money loaned, the sum of Five Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$520.00).

Said property and debt aggregate, and are worth, reasonably and at least the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00); and such debt is unsettled and unascertained, and is not covered by promissory note or notes, or other evidence of ascertained liability.

I HEREBY AGREE That the said property and debt shall not be diverted, transferred, assigned or collected, in whole or in part, during my absence, but 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, in the State of North Dakota, one month from the date hereof, or as soon hereafter as I may, and to return into 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, February 12, A.D., 1907.

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Subscribed and sworn to, by the above-named MOY MOKE YOU, at the City of Chicago, in the County of Cook and State of Illinois, this 12 day of February, A.D., nineteen hundred seven, before me.

Chinese and Immigrant Inspector.

October 31, 1907.

Mr. John H. Sargent,
Inspector in Charge,
Seattle, Wash.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of October 23rd, forwarding, for pre-investigation, the case of MOKE YOU, laborer of this city, now in China, who desires to return to the United States, I submit the following report:

I have examined the debtor, Moy Nie Sun, and the manager, Moy Sam, of Wee Ying Lo, and enclose transcript of the notes taken. Moy Nie Sun states that his debt still remains the same as at the time of applicant's departure. Moy Sam, the manager, states that the applicant retains the same interest in the restaurant as he had at the time of his departure. I should say that the place is in substantially the same condition as at the time of applicant's departure. From my examination and investigation, I am of opinion that applicant is entitled to readmission upon his return.

Respectfully,

(Signed) L. T. Plummer.

Chinese Inspector in Charge

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CHICAGO, ILL., October 30, 1907.

Case of : L.T.Plummer, Examining Inspector.
MOY MOKE YOU,
Lab. Ret.

Witness, MOY NIE SUN, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified in
English:

Q What is your name? A Moy Nie Sun.
Q What is your business? A Laundryman.
Q Do you own this laundry? A No, I am only working here.
Q Do you know this man (showing photo of applicant)? A Yes, it
is Moy Moke You.
Q Do you owe him any money? A Yes, \$520.
Q Have you paid him any money since he has been in China? A No.
Q Has there been any change in the debt or obligation since his
departure? A No.
Q When will you pay him? A When he comes back.
Q Have you understood my questions? A Yes.

(Witness signed his testimony in Chinese)

(Signed) L.T.Plummer, Inspector.

Witness, MOY SAM, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified in
English:

Q What is your name? A Moy Sam.
Q You are still manager of Wee Ying Lo, are you? A Yes.
Q Do you know this man (showing photo of applicant)? A Yes, it
is Moy Moke You.
Q Does he still retain the same interest in your restaurant as when
he departed? A Yes.
Q Is your restaurant in substantially the same condition now as then?
A Yes.
Q Is his interest worth as much now as then? A Yes.
Q Have you understood my questions? A Yes.

(Witness signed his testimony in English)

(Signed) Moy Sam, Witness,
(Signed) L.T.Plummer, Inspector.

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Woman - May I hope
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as then - Yes.
Understood my question Yes

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Woman - May I hope
Berman - Laundryman.
Over the laundry - Is I am only
working here
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Am him any money - Yes \$20
Paid any since he has been in China.
No.
any change in debt - No.
When will you pay him - When he
comes back.
Understood my question - Yes

W. B. Plummer
L. J. Plummer

Witness, MOY SAM, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified
(in English):

- Q What is your name? A Moy Sam.
- Q What is your business? A Merchant, and also manager of the
Wee Ying Lo and Song Ying Lo restaurants.
- Q How much money has your concern invested in these two restaurants?
A About \$70,000.
- Q Are both these restaurants owned by the Wee Ying Lo company?
A Yes.
- Q Do you know this man (showing photograph of applicant)?
A Yes, it is Moy Moke You.
- Q Has he any interest in your restaurant? A Yes.
- Q How much? A \$500.
- Q Was this \$500. invested when you organized the company? A Yes.
- Q How much would you say that \$500. is worth now?
A I should say about \$1,000.
- Q How many partners have you in the restaurant? A 24 or 25.
- Q Will he keep this \$500. interest while he is absent in China?
A Yes.
- Q Is there anything else that you wish to say? A No.

Witness signed his testimony in English:

(Signed) MOY SAM, Witness.

(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.

Witness, MOY NIE SUN, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified:

- Q What is your name? A Moy Nie Sun.
- Q Have you any other name?
- A I registered under the name of Moy Hung Chew.
(Produces certificate 8013, issued at Chicago, April 21, 1894.)
- Q What is your business? A I work as a laundryman.
- Q Where are you working? A No. 409 East 43rd St.
- Q Do you know this man (showing photograph of applicant)?
- A Yes; it is Moy Moke You.
- Q How long have you known him?
- A Over ten years, and I knew him when I was a boy in China.
- Q Do you owe him any money? A Yes.
- Q How much? A \$520.
- Q State all the circumstances connected with this indebtedness?
- A K.S. 32nd, 5th month, 5th day, I borrowed this money from this man to send to China to build a house with. This loan took place where I was working, at 409 East 43rd St., Chicago.
- Q Didn't you have any money of your own at that time?
- A Yes, I had some of my own.
- Q How much did you send to China altogether?
- A I think \$1100 or \$1200, but Moy Sam knows that. I told him to send the money for me.
- Q Was this \$520 Mexican or American money.
- A American.
- Q Did you put it down in your book?
- A No.
- Q Did you give him any note for it?
- A No.
- Q When are you going to pay him back?
- A I will work and save it and pay him when I can.
- Q Is this a true statement that you have made? Do you actually owe this man \$520 or have you made the debt up to enable him to go to China and return to the United States?
- A This money I borrowed from him is absolutely true; it is not false at all.
- Q Would you be willing for me to go into court and testify as to what you have told me here in case he should sue you for the money when he comes back?
- A Yes.
- Q What if he never comes back from China? What will you do about paying this debt?
- A He has cousins here. I will either give the money to them or send the money back to China to his folks.
- Q Have you understood Interpreter Wong Aloy?
- A Yes.

Witness signed his testimony in Chinese:

(Signed) MOY NIE SUN, Witness.
(Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.
(Signed) WONG ALOY, Interpreter.

Case of : L. T. Plummer, Examining Inspector.
 MOY MOKE YOU, : Wong Aloy, Interpreter.
 Lab. Ret. : D. Arthur Plumly, Stenographer.

Applicant, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified:

Q What is your name?
 A Moy Moke You.
 Q Is that your full Chinese name?
 A Moy Moke You is my full Chinese name.
 Q What is your business?
 A I used to be a cook but at the present time I am a laundryman.
 Q Do you own a laundry at the present time?
 A No; I have no laundry at the present time, but I own an interest in the Wee Ying Lo restaurant, but I have only worked there a few months when they have been short of help.
 Q On what do you base your right to a return certificate?
 A I am registered, and also own an interest in the Wee Ying Lo restaurant, and people in this country owe me money.
 Q Who owe you money?
 A Moy Nie Sun.
 Q State all the circumstances connected with this indebtedness?
 A Last year, K.S. 32nd, 5th month, 5th day, I loaned this money to him to build a new house with.
 Q Where did the loan take place?
 A No. 409 East 43rd St.
 Q Did you lend him the money all at one time?
 A Yes, all at one time. He told me he didn't have the money to build a house with and asked me for this loan.
 Q What was he doing at that time?
 A He was working at the same laundry where I was.
 Q How long have you known him?
 A Ever since he was a boy in China.
 Q Did he give you any note for this money?
 A No.
 Q Did you put it down in your book?
 A Yes, I put it down in a book of my own.
 (Witness produces account book and the Interpreter reads:
 "32nd year, 5th month, 5th day, Moy Nie Sun borrowed \$520.")
 Q When do you expect he will pay you back?
 A After I return from China he will pay me if ~~he has~~ it. I wouldn't be certain as to when he would pay me. X
 Q How much money have you invested in Wee Ying Lo?
 A \$500.
 Q When did you put that money into that restaurant?
 A Several years ago. I can't remember exactly when. I put this money in some little time before the restaurant opened.
 Q How much did you actually invest?
 A \$500 for my own share.
 Q How much is that share worth now?
 A I do not know what it is worth at the market price, but Moy Ming and Moy Sam know better than I do.
 Q Is it worth more now or less than it was then, would you say?
 A It is certainly worth more, because we have opened and fitted up another restaurant from the profits of this, and we now own both.
 Q Have you understood Interpreter Wong Aloy? A Yes.
 Witness signed his testimony in Chinese:
 (Signed) MOY MOKE YOU, Applicant.
 (Signed) L. T. PLUMMER, Inspector.
 (Signed) WONG ALOY, Interpreter.