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APPLICATION OF CERTIFIED AMERICAN-BORN CHINESE FOR PREINVESTIGATION OF STATUS

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Department of Commerce and Labor  
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To *L. T. Plummer*  
*Chinese and Immigrant Inspector,*  
*Chicago Ill.*

Office of CHINESE INSPECTOR-IN-CHARGEPort of CHICAGO*July 16*, 1909

SIR: It being my intention to leave the United States on a temporary visit abroad, departing and returning through the Chinese port of entry of *Portal N. Dak.*, I hereby apply, under the provisions of Rule 39 of the Chinese Regulations (Bureau Circular No. 25), for preinvestigation of my claimed status as an American citizen by birth, submitting herewith such documentary proofs (if any) as I possess, and agreeing to appear in your office personally, and to produce therein witnesses, for oral examination regarding the claim made by me.

This application is submitted in triplicate with my photograph attached to each copy, as required by said rule.

Respectfully,

Signature in Chinese

Signature in English

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簽 唐 字 名 *Yung Wah Ruey*  
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 具 稟 人 之 住 址 *178 E. 53rd St.*

Port of PORTAL? NORTH DAKOTA*August 11, 1909*, 19

Respectfully returned to

L. T. Plummer*Chinese and Immigrant Inspector,**Chicago, Ill*

With the information that I am not prepared, on the basis of the evidence submitted with the original of this application, to approve said application.

*John J. Thiel*  
Officer in Charge.

No. 770.

August 17th, 1909.

Young Wah Nuey,  
299 So Clark St.  
370 E. Fifty-third St.,

Chicago, Ill.

Sir:-

Your application for a pre-investigation of your status as a native born citizen of the United States under Rule 39, has been denied by the Inspector in Charge at Portal, North Dakota.

Respectfully,

H. E. TIPPETT

Chinese Inspector, Acting in Charge.

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OFFICE OF CHINESE INSPECTOR IN CHARGE  
PORTAL, N. DAK.

Aug. 11, 1909.

Mr. L.T. Plummer,  
Chinese Inspector in Charge,  
Chicago, Ill.

Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of the 9th inst., No. 770, forwarding therewith all papers in the case of YOUNG WAH NUEY, applicant for preinvestigation of his status, as a Native born citizen of the United States under Rule 39.

After carefully examining all of the evidence adduced in this case, my decision is that there has not been sufficient credible evidence produced to warrant a *prima facie* endorsement of his status, as a Native born.

The endorsement provided for under Rule 39, will therefore, be denied and you will please so advise the applicant.

TriPLICATE copy of form #43 O is herewith returned, duly executed.

Respectfully,

*John J. Thel*  
Inspector in Charge.

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Chinese Inspector in Charge  
of Chinese Immigration Service

Department of Commerce and Labor

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OFFICE OF CHINESE INSPECTOR IN CHARGE  
CHICAGO, ILL.

August 9th, 1909.

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Inspector in Charge,  
Immigration Service,  
Portal, North Dakota.

Sir:-

I hand you herewith papers in the case of YOUNG WAH NUEY, who has made application for a pre-investigation of his status as an American-born Chinese under Rule 39. I have examined applicant and the two witnesses, Young Hop and Young Sing and inclose a transcript of the notes taken.

As you will notice from the testimony, this applicant, although he testified almost entirely without an interpreter, was unable to give the English equivalent of the Chinese dates given by him, such as the date of his birth, date of his mother's death and other dates. The story, however, as told by applicant and his two witnesses is consistent, and the witnesses corroborate one another in all material details. It shows that applicant and his father resided for several years in a laundry on Third Ave., New York City, between Ninety-second and Ninety-third Sts. on the east side of the street, and that the father died in that laundry. In order to verify or disprove this statement I sent the papers to Chinese Inspector in Charge at New York City; and I inclose herewith his letter together with a letter from Chinese Inspector Frank S. Pierce of that city, from which it appears that no Chinaman ever died at that number and that no Chinese boy about the age given in this testimony ever lived there.

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Inasmuch as this is the only point upon which the statements of applicant and his witnesses can be proved or disproved, and as this statement is found to be false, I would recommend that applicant be denied the privilege asked for.

Respectfully,

(Signed) L. T. Plummer.

Chinese Inspector in Charge.

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OFFICE OF CHINESE INSPECTOR IN CHARGE

DISTRICT OF NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY

17 STATE STREET

NEW YORK, N.Y.

August 7, 1909.

Mr. H. R. Sisson,

Inspector in Charge,

New York City.

Sir:

In a letter received from the Chinese Inspector in Charge, Chicago, Ill., under date of the 2nd instant, 770, a request was made that this office investigate certain statements contained in affidavits submitted by one Young Wah Huey, a Chinese laborer at present residing in Chicago, who has made application for a preinvestigation of his status as an American-born citizen, and the case having been submitted to me, I report as follows:

I located the laundry on 3rd Avenue between 92nd and 93rd Streets, which is known as the Sam Lung laundry. The two Chinamen who are running that laundry have been there, they told me, about five years, and consequently were not familiar with any of the circumstances contained in the affidavits submitted.

W. A. McFadden

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I next interviewed the janitor of the building at 1656 Third Avenue, where the laundry is located, and learned from this janitor, whose name is Jacob Treis, that though he had been janitor of the building for the past twenty-five years, and would be in a position to know the facts submitted by the applicant, states that no Chinaman has died in that laundry since he has been janitor of the building, nor has any young boy from seven to eleven years of age ever been in this laundry, as stated.

I also called in the store of H. Geiber, a dealer in butter and eggs, which is located next to the laundry.

Mrs. Geiber and her daughter stated that they had been in this store for the past fourteen years, and that they have no knowledge of any Chinaman having died in the laundry, nor do they remember ever having seen a young boy around the place for the four years stated in the affidavit.

In order that there might be no mistake made, and injustice done the applicant, I visited the Department of Health and looked through its records for the years 1900, 1901 and 1902 to see if I could discover the record of the death of the alleged father, Young Toy Lin, but could find no record of such a party.

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From my investigation, therefore, it seems to me that the statements contained in the affidavits submitted are not true, or, at least, are not possible of verification.

All papers returned herewith.

Respectfully,

Signed: *Frank S. Pierce*  
Chinese Inspector.

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No. 770.

522, Commercial National Bk. Bldg. CHICAGO

July 27th, 1909.

Case of : L. T. Plummer, Examining Inspector.  
YOUNG WAH NUEY, : Charley Kee, Interpreter.  
Native departing. : W. B. Calkins, Stenographer.

Applicant, YOUNG WAH NUEY, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified:

Q What is your name? A. Young Wah Nuey.

Q How old are you? A. Nineteen years old.

Q I want you to talk English with me as far as you can. If you don't understand anything you can ask the interpreter.

A. All right.

Q Are you married? A. No.

Q Have you any other name except Young Wah Nuey? A. No, just Young Wah Nuey.

Q What is your occupation? What do you do now? A. Work for a laundry.

Q Where? A. 178 E. Fifty-third St.

Q Do you own that laundry? A. No. Before I owned it. Then I sold it.

Q Did you own the whole of that laundry, or did your uncle own the other half? A. No.

Q Who owns that laundry? A. Four boys. Me, my uncle and two other boys.

Q What is your uncle's name? A. Young Hop.

Q Who are the other fellows? A. Young On.

Q What is the other fellow's name? A. Young Yin.

Q Whom did you sell your part to? A. I sold my part to the other three boys.

Q How long have you been in that laundry? A. Two years.

Q Where were you before that? A. Wentworth Ave.

Q What number? A. 4652 Wentworth Ave.

Q How long were you there? A. Two years.

Q Where were you before that? A. 1287 Van Buren St.

Q How long were you there? A. One year.

Q Where were you before that? A. 169 E. 31st St.

Q How long were you there? A. Two years.

Q Where were you before that? A. New York City.

Q How long were you in New York City? A. Five years.

Q What were you doing there? A. Work in a laundry.

Q Where was that laundry? A. Third Avenue and 92nd St.

Q Were you in that laundry five years? A. Four years and one year worked in a laundry on 76th St.

Q Where were you before you went to New York? A. San Francisco.

Q What year did you come from San Francisco to New York?

A. K.S. 23.

Q What year is that American date? A. I forget what date.

Q What year did you come from New York to Chicago? A. K.S. 28.

Q What year would that be American date? A. I do not know.

Q What year is this American date? A. 1908.

Q What year is it Chinese date? A. K.S. 35.

Q You say you were born in San Francisco? A. Yes.

Q What year? A. K.S. 16.

Q What day? A. 9th month, 12th day.

Q What year would that be Christian date? A. I do not know.

Q Where were you born? What street and number? A. 834 Washington St.

Q You came to New York in K.S. 23. Were you seven years old when you went to New York? A. Yes.

Q Who came with you to New York? A. My father.

Q What was your father's name? A. Young Toy Len.

Q Is that his marriage name? A. Boyhood name.

Q What is his marriage name? A. Young Wing Ben.

Q When did he first come to the United States, your father?

A. I do not know.

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Applicant's testimony continued:

Q What was your mother's name? A. Wong She.

Q Was your mother born in China or San Francisco? A. I do not know where she was born.

Q Where were your father and married married? A. They got married in San Francisco.

Q How long were they married before you were born? A. About two years.

Q Do you know what year they got married? A. K.S. 14.

Q And you were born in K. S. 16? A. Yes.

Q Did your mother go to New York with your father? A. No, my mother died in San Francisco.

Q When did she die? How old were you when she died? A. I was six years old.

Q Do you remember the date that she died? A. No.

Q Where were you living at the time she died? What street and number? A. 834 Washington St.

Q What was the matter with her? What was the trouble with her? What disease did she die of? A. I do not know. It was a long time ago.

Q How long after she died did you go to New York? A. She was dead about one year when I went to New York.

Q Where did you live between the time your mother died and the time you went to New York? A. Same place with my father.

Q Which floor was that on? A. Second floor.

Q In the front of the house or in the back? A. Second floor front room.

Q Whom did you live with that year. You didn't live with your father he was working, wasn't he? A. No one.

Q Any woman, your aunt, or someone? A. No, with my father.

Q He was working all the time, wasn't he? A. He kept a business.

Q What kind of a business did he keep? A. Chinese grocery store.

Q What was the name of the store? A. Quan Wah Goon.

Q Do you remember much about your coming from San Francisco to New York? A. No, not much.

Q Did you stop off at Chicago when you came through? A. I do not know what you mean.

Q When you came from San Francisco to New York, did you stop off at Chicago? A. I do not know whether we stopped off or not.

Q Do you remember much about that trip? A. No.

Q Did any one else come with you except you and your father? A. No, just me and my father.

Q Do you remember how long it took you to come? A. No.

Q When you got to New York, you went to this laundry and stayed there? A. Yes, for four years.

Q What was the number of that laundry? A. Third Ave., between 92nd and 93rd Sts.

Q You stayed there four years? A. Yes.

Q You were seven years old when you went there? A. Yes.

Q Did you go to school while you were there? A. No. I worked.

Q You couldn't do much work. What kind of work could you do when you were seven years old? A. When people came to the laundry, I gave them a ticket.

Q Did you know anybody that lived near that place? A. Even if I knew, I have forgotten them now.

Q Did you know the landlord? A. No.

Q How many men were in the laundry besides you and your father? A. My father and another man. Sometimes he had two men.

Q What the name of the laundry? A. Sam Lung.

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Testimony of applicant continued:

Q Did your father die in that laundry? A. Yes, in the laundry.

Q Did your father die in that laundry between 92nd and 93rd Sts. on Third Ave.? A. Yes, in that laundry.

Q What was the trouble? A. He was sick.

Q Was he sick a long time, or did he die right off quick? A. Sick a long time.

Q Did the laundry close up after he died? A. Sold it.

Q Who sold it? A. My uncle.

Q What is your uncle's name? A. Young Hop.

Q He is the uncle that is outside now and a witness in this case? A. Yes.

Q He sold the laundry? A. Yes.

Q What did you do? A. I went with my uncle, to 76th St.

Q What was the name of the laundry? A. Park Laundry.

Q What streets was that between, do you remember? A. On the corner of Third Ave and 76th St.

Q How long did you stay in that laundry? A. I stayed one year with my uncle.

Q You were then eleven years old? A. Yes.

Q Did your uncle own that laundry? A. Yes.

Q Did your father own that laundry on Third Ave near 92nd St.? A. Yes.

Q After that laundry at Third Ave. and 76th St. closed up, you came to Chicago? A. Yes.

Q Did your uncle come with you? A. Yes.

Q Did he sell that laundry? A. I think he did.

Q And then you came to Chicago and went to work at 169 E. 31st St.? A. Yes.

Q You were there two years? A. Yes.

Q Did your uncle own that laundry? A. No, not my uncle.

Q Where was your uncle? A. He worked too.

Q You worked together did you? A. Yes.

Q For two years? A. I was there two years.

Q Wasn't he there all the time you were there? A. I do not know.

Q You came to the laundry together, didn't you? A. Yes.

Q When you left the laundry, did he come away with you?

A. No.

Q When you left that laundry on 31st St., you went to a laundry on W. Van Buren St.? A. Yes, 1287 W. Van Buren St.

Q The affidavit which you made before U. S. Commissioner Mark A. Foote on July 8th, 1909 states that you went to 4655 W. Van Buren St. Is that a mistake? A. 1287 Van Buren St. is right. May be he made a mistake. before I was at Van Buren St. and you (referring to Mr. Plummer) came to the laundry. I was working there and you said to me, "Who teaches you in Sunday School?" and I said, "Miss Murphy".

Q You went from the laundry on 31st St. to the laundry on W. Van Buren St.? A. Yes.

Q Did your uncle go with you? A. No.

Q What did he do? A. He worked for the 31st St. laundry.

Q That is where you and your uncle first separated, when you left the 31st St. laundry and went over on Van Buren St.? A. Yes.

Q How long were you in that laundry? A. One year.

Q What did you tell me your name was when I called to see you? A. Young wah. I do not whether I told you Young Wah or Young Wah Nuey.

Q Have you got any papers of any kind? A. No.

Q Didn't you have any? A. No.

Q What year did you come from China first? A. I did not come from China.

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Testimony of applicant continued:

Q Were you never in China? A. No.

Q What village does your father come from in China? A. I do not know.

Q Where are you going when you go back to China? A. Hongkong.

Q Where then? A. Mew Ben.

Q Is that the name of the village? A. Yes.

Q Where is that village? A. I do not know.

Q How far is it from Hongkong? A. I do not know how far.

Q How long would it take you to go on steamboat from Hong Kong to Mew Ben? A. I do not know.

Q When did you first begin to go to Sunday School? A. Miss Murphy first teach me.

Q What sabbath school does she teach? A. On Jackson Blvd.

Q When you first came to Van Buren St., you went there did you? A. Yes.

Q What sabbath school did you go to when you were over on 31st St.? A. Same place.

Q When did you first commence to go over there? A. A little while after I came to Chicago.

Q Is this Miss Murphy or whatever her name is; has she been your teacher all the time that you have been in Chicago? A. I have been to school for two or three years.

Q What have you been doing the rest of the time? A. Chinatown.

Q Did you go to Sabbath school in New York? A. Sometimes I go, sometimes I did not go.

Q When did you stop going to Sabbath School? A. Sometimes I go. Sometimes I not go.

Q When did you stop? A. About three years ago I stop going to Jackson Blvd.

Q Where do you go now? A. Adams St. near Robey.

Q Did you talk any English at the time when you first began to go to Sabbath School? A. Not much.

Q All the English that you have learned in this country is while you have been in Sabbath School, here in Chicago? A. Yes.

Q All the schooling you have had in this country is in Sabbath school over on Jackson Blvd. from the time you came to that laundry on 31st St. up to three years ago? A. Yes.

Q What year did you come to Chicago? A. K.S. 23.

Q What year is that American date? A. I do not what year American date.

Q Don't you think that for a man that is born in this country you have taken mighty little interest in things Americans are usually interested in? (Question and answer through interpreter) A. The reason is I did not go to school much.

Q You went from W. Van Buren St. to Wentworth Ave., did you? A. Yes.

Q What year was that? A. I do not know.

Q How long were you in the Wentworth Ave. laundry? A. Owned by my cousin.

Q What is his name? A. Young Fong Goey.

Q How many brothers did your father have? A. Only one.

Q This brother, Young Hop? A. Yes.

Q What is his name? A. Young Hop.

Q What is his full Chinese name? A. Young Toy Hop.

Q What is his marriage name? A. I do not know.

Q What is "Young Toy Hop" his boyhood name or what? A. Boyhood name. He is not married.

Q How old is he? A. I do not know how old.

Q Is he older than your father or younger? A. Younger than my father.

Q Isn't he married? A. No, not married.

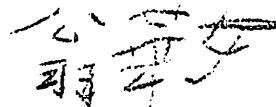
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Testimony of applicant continued:

- Q What was your grandfather's name, your father's father?  
A? I do not know his name. My uncle would know.  
Q Your father only had one brother? A. Only one brother.  
Q Did he have any sisters? A. My father, no.  
Q Are you sure? A. My father had no sisters.  
Q Did you have a sister? A. Yes.  
Q Where is she? A. Died a few months old.  
Q Was she older than you or younger? A. Younger.  
Q How long has Young Tey Hop been in this country? A. I do not know how long.  
Q Was he in San Francisco? A. Yes.  
Q Was he in San Francisco at the time you were born? A. Yes, he worked in a business.  
Q The same store your father was in? A. Yes.  
Q He and your father worked there together? A. Yes.  
Q Did he have any children? A. No.  
Q Did he go to New York with your father? A. No.  
Q Did he go to New York before you did? A. He came before.  
Q How long before? A. He came to New York when I was about five years old.  
Q Did you go to the train at the time he went to New York to see him off? A. Yes, I went to the train.  
Q Did he go to New York all alone from San Francisco, or did any Chinamen go with him? A. I do not know.  
Q When Young Hop took the train at San Francisco to go to New York, did you go down to the depot to see him go? A. No.  
Q Do you know that you didn't go? A. I do not know whether I went to the depot or not. I saw him in the store when he left.  
Q Have you understood my questions? A. Yes.

Applicant signed his name in English &amp; Chinese.

(Signed) Young Wah Nuey, Applicant.



(Signed) Charley Kee, Interpreter.  
(Signed) L. T. Plummer, Inspector.

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Case of YOUNG YAN MUFFY.

Place: same.

Witness, YOUNG HOP, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified:  
(In English)

- Q What is your name? A. Young Kop.  
 Q What is your full Chinese name? A. Young Toy Hop.  
 Q Is that your boyhood name or your marriage name? A. Boyhood name. I am not married.  
 Q Are you registered? A. Yes. (Produces certificate No. 19824, issued to YOUNG HOP at Sacramento, Cal. February 2nd, 1894, age 28, Ht. 5 ft. 4 in. Scar on forehead. Local residence, Oroville.  
 Q What is your father's name? A. Young Sy Kong.  
 Q What is that his boyhood name or marriage name? A. Marriage name.  
 Q What is his boyhood name? A. I do not know what his boyhood name is. He was called "Ken".  
 Q Is he alive now? A. He is dead.  
 Q When did he die? A. He died when I was a little boy.  
 Q Is your mother alive? A. All dead.  
 Q How many brothers have you? A. One.  
 Q What is his name? A. Young Toy Len.  
 Q What was his boyhood name? A. Young Toy Len is his boyhood name. Young Wing Ben is his marriage name.  
 Q Is he the only brother you have? A. Only one.  
 Q Where is he? A. Dead.  
 Q All the brothers you have are dead? A. Only one that is all.  
 Q When did you first come to this country? A. K.S. ?  
 Q What year would that be American date? A. I think that I came in April.  
 Q What year would that be Christian date? A. I do not know.  
 Q Did your brother, Young Toy Len come with you? A. He came before me.  
 Q Is he older or younger than you? A. Older.  
 Q How old are you? A. Forty-three years old now.  
 Q Have you ever been back to China since you first came? A. No never have been back.  
 Q When you came to this country the first time what was your brother doing? A. He was in a store.  
 Q What was the name of the store? A. Quong Li Cheung.  
 Q Did he have an interest in there? A. No, worked there.  
 Q That was K.S. ? A. Yes.  
 Q How long did he work or stay in that store after you came to this country? A. Two or three years.  
 Q Then what did he do after that? A. We kept a business with me.  
 Q Where? A. On Washington St., San Francisco.  
 Q What name? A. Quong Wah Goon.  
 Q What year did you open that store with him? A. He opened the store without a partner. He wanted a partner and wanted me to come in.  
 Q What year was that? A. K.S. 12.  
 Q You had been in this country about five years when you went into this firm of Quan Wah Goon? A. Yes.  
 Q Then you went into this store and stayed there? A. Just me and my brother. We had some one to work for us.  
 Q You were in that store from K.S. 12 to K.S. 22 or 23 when you went to New York City? A. Yes, I went to New York City in K.S. 21.  
 Q Then you were in that store of Quan Wah Goon from K.S. 12 to K.S. 21 when you went to New York? A. No, until K.S. 19. Then I went to Oroville. Went to cooking again.  
 Q Now where did your brother live? A. He lived upstairs, on the second floor.  
 Q When did he get married? A. K.S. 14, two years after I went into the business.

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Testimony of witness, YOUNG HOP, continued:

- Q Who was his wife? A. Wong She.  
Q What was her father's name? A. I do not know.  
Q Where did she live? A. Bostpit St.  
Q What was he doing? A. He kept a fruit store and candy store.  
Q How many children did he have? A. I do not know.  
Q But your brother married his daughter. A. Yes.  
Q Where did your brother live? A. Upstairs, the second floor.  
Q How many children did your brother have? A. Two. One lived only a few months, a little girl.  
Q How long had he been married before his first child was born? A. Two years.  
Q Do you remember the date the boy was born? A. After July I do not remember exactly.  
Q How long after the boy was born was the girl born? A. Three years.  
Q Then what became of the mother? A. The mother died when the boy was about six years old.  
Q Where did she die? A. San Francisco.  
Q Where did she lie in San Francisco? A. She died upstairs where they were living.  
Q Was she sick a long time before she died? A. Not very long.  
Q What was the trouble with her? A. Consumption, I guess. I do not know.  
Q Did the boy live with the father, then? A. Yes.  
Q Where did you live all this time? A. I was in New York.  
Q Were you in New York when the mother died? A. Yes.  
Q Where did you live in San Francisco? A. In the store. My brother lived in the front room.  
Q What year did you go to New York? A. K.S. 21.  
Q Your brother went with you, did he? A. No. He came after a few years.  
Q What did you do in New York? A. I kept a laundry.  
Q Where was your laundry? A. Third Ave. and 53rd St.  
Q How long did you keep that laundry? A. I just worked there about two years.  
Q What did your brother do when he came to New York? A. He bought another laundry and hired a man to work it.  
Q Did you work in the laundry too? A. Yes.  
Q Where was the laundry that he had? A. 92nd St. & 3rd Ave.  
Q Did he bring the boy with him? A. Yes.  
Q How old was the boy at that time? A. About seven years old.  
Q How long did he live at that number? A. About four years.  
Q Where were you living at that time? A. At that time I lived at 76th St.  
Q Did you have a laundry at that time? A. Yes, I kept one there five years.  
Q And your brother died? A. He lived four years and died.  
Q What did he die of? A. Some sickness, I do not know.  
Q Did he die in this laundry? A. Yes.  
Q Where did they have the funeral? A. They didn't have much of a funeral. Just a few friends.  
Q What became of the laundry then? A. Gave it up to somebody.  
Q You mean, sold it? A. Yes. I took care of the child.  
Q Who took charge of the property? A. I did.  
Q Who sold the laundry? A. I did.  
Q What did you sell it for? A. Three or four hundred dollars.  
Q What did you do with the money? A. Kept it for the boy.  
Q Did you give it to the boy? A. No. Saved it for him.  
Q What did you do with the boy? A. He stayed in my laundry.  
Q How long did he stay there? A. About one year.  
Q Then he came to Chicago? A. Yes.

Case of YOUNG WAH NUEW.

Testimony of witness, YOUNG HOP, continued:

Q Did you sell out that laundry? A. Yes.

Q whom did you sell it to? A. Young Wah.

Q Whom did you sell your brother's laundry to? A. Sir name Chin.

Q You sold the laundry and came to Chicago? A. Yes.

Q Brought the boy with you? A. Yes.

Q What did you do then? A. Worked at that time. Stayed at Thirty-first St. The boy worked there too.

Q How long did you stay there? A. Five years.

Q How long did the boy work there? A. Two years. Then he went some where else.

Q He was about thirteen years old then? A. Yes.

Q What did he do in the laundry? What could he do? A. He just ironed some under shirts. Something like that.

Q He is a pretty small boy now. He must have been pretty small when he was thirteen years old. A. He wasn't big then.

Q Yet you put him to work? A. Yes.

Q Did you send him to school? A. No.

Q You had \$400.00 that belonged to his father? A. Yes.

Q Did he ever go to school in New York City while he was living with you? A. No.

Q Where did he go after he left this ~~country~~ laundry? A. He worked for somebody else for two or three years. I worked with him again on Fifty-third St. He bought a store with two other men.

Q You don't know what he did between the time he left you on Thirty-first St. and the time you met him on Fifty-third St.? A. No. I heard he was on Van Buren St. Also that he was on Wentworth Ave., but I did not know much about it.

Q Didn't he ever tell you? A. No.

Q Didn't you see him at the laundries? A. I saw him down in Clark St.

Q The only times that you saw him was down here in Clark St. on Sundays? A. Yes.

Q So, although this boy was left in your charge when he was eleven years old, he only lived with you about three years during which time he worked in laundries and that then you lost sight of him and paid no particular attention to him; and that you never sent him to school and never paid any particular attention to him to see whether he had an education or not. A. His father taught him a little Chinese. Then he went to learn English a little in Sunday School.

Q Where did he go to school? A. He went to Sunday school in New York.

Q Where did he go to Sunday school in New York? A. I do not know.

Q You don't know that he went to Sunday School at all, do you? A. No.

Q Whose photograph is that? (Showing photograph of applicant) A. That is my nephew.

Q Did they have a shaving feast and banquet when he was one month old in San Francisco? A. Yes, they had a good time.

Q Did you attend? A. Yes.

Q Who was there besides you? A. All his friends.

Q Who else was there? A. Chin Hoy, Chin On Yen, all his friends.

Q Who else was there? A. I do not know, I forgot.

Q Don't you know but two people who were there? A. Wong Hing. Something like that. I forgot.

Q Have you understood me? A. Yes.

Witness signed his name in English and Chinese.

(Signed) Yung Hop, Witness.

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Case of YOUNG WAH NUEY.

Place: same.

Witness, YOUNG SING, sworn by Inspector Plummer, testified:

- Q What is your name? A. Young Sing.  
 Q What is your full boyhood name? A. Yung Yuk.  
 Q What is your marriage name? A. Young Goon Lok.  
 Q Where were you married? A. In China.  
 Q When? A. K.S. 29.  
 Q How many children have you? A. One.  
 Q Boy or girl? A. Boy, about five or six years old. His name is Young Dan Goon.  
 Q How old are you? A. Forty-three.  
 Q When did you first come to the United States? A. K.S. 7.  
 Q Have you got a certificate? A. Yes. (Witness produces certificate No. 15732, issued to YOUNG SING, Helena, Montana, Mar. 20th, 1894, age 30, Ht. 5 ft. 5/8 in. Scar in base of hair over left eye. Residence Park City, Utah.)  
 Q What is your occupation at the present time? A. Cook.  
 Q Where? A. Forest Park.  
 Q How long have you been in Chicago? A. About five years.  
 Q What have you been doing since you came here? A. Worked on Division St.  
 Q What number? A. 626 E. Division St.  
 Q How long have you worked there? A. A few months.  
 Q Then where did you go? A. Sixty-third St.  
 Q How long did you work there? A. 18 months.  
 Q Then where did you go? A. Cedar Rapids, Iowa.  
 Q How long were you there? A. About a year.  
 Q Then where did you go? A. Forest Park.  
 Q Have you been a cook all the time since you have been in Chicago? A. Yes.  
 Q You first came to the United States in K.S. 7? A. Yes.  
 Q Where did you land? A. San Francisco.  
 Q How long did you stay there? A. Stayed there until K.S. 19. Then went to Utah.  
 Q Where in Utah? A. I was in Park City.  
 Q How long did you remain there? A. Two years.  
 Q Then where did you go? A. Went back to San Francisco.  
 Q What year did you go back to San Francisco? A. K.S. 21 or 22.  
 Q Which was it 21 or 22? A. I guess it was about 21.  
 Q How long did you stay in San Francisco that time? A. In K.S. 28, I went to China.  
 Q When did you come back from China? A. K.S. 30.  
 Q What did you do then? A. Cooking.  
 Q Where? A. Market St., San Francisco.  
 Q How long did you stay in San Francisco? A. Not long, a few months. It was inside of a year.  
 Q Then where did you go? A. I came to Chicago.  
 Q Did you know a Chinaman by the name of Young Toy Lin?  
 A. Yes.  
 Q What relation is he to you? A. He is my cousin.  
 Q Blood or just tribe cousin? A. Tribe cousin.  
 Q Where did you first know him? A. I knew him when I was a little boy in China.  
 Q What village was that in China? A. New Ben.  
 Q Did he come to San Francisco before you? A. Yes.  
 Q Was he married before he came to San Francisco? A. No.  
 Q Where did he get married? A. K.S. 14.  
 Q Where did he get married? A. San Francisco.  
 Q What is his boyhood name? A. Young Toy Len.  
 Q What is his marriage name? A. Young Wing Ben.  
 Q How many brothers and sisters has he? A. One brother.

## Case of YOUNG WAH NUEY.

Testimony of witness, YOUNG SING, continued:

Q How many sisters? A. I do not know how many sisters. I know Young Toy Hop is his brother.

Q Is Young Toy Hop older or younger? A. Young Toy Len is older.

Q What is the name of the other brother that is older than Young Toy Len? A. When I was over in China the older brother was here.

Q How much older was he than Young Toy Len? A. About three years.

Q Then there was three brothers altogether, this brother that was over here in the United States, Young Toy Len and Young Toy Hop? A. Yes. Q The third party came here too. He went home some time ago and died.

Q There are two brothers, whose names you know, Young Toy Len, and Young Toy Hop, and another brother who was in the United States and whose name you do not know? A. When I was in California, he was in the Gold Mine.

Q How does it happen that you don't know his name? A. The reason was I was little and at home when he came to this country. I was young and never saw him. I only know by hearsay that there was such a person.

Q Was there another brother younger than Young Toy Hop? A. No.

Q How much younger was Young Toy Hop than Young Toy Len? A. It is over ten years.

Q Where was Young Toy Len when you came from China to San Francisco for the first time? A. He was in San Francisco.

Q Where was the brother, Young Toy Hop? A. Toy Hop came first. We both left the same year.

Q What was Young Toy Len doing at the time you came? A. He came a few years before I did. In K.S. 8 he went into the mercantile business.

Q Where was the store that he was interested in? A. On Washington St.

Q What number? Do you know? A. 834 Washington St.

Q Who were the principal partners of that firm, that you know? A. Chin Hoy.

Q What others? A. Toy Len.

Q Are those all the men that you remember? A. Several of them.

Q Who were they? A. Chin On Gin, I think was bookkeeper. I was an outsider. I did not know many. If I had been in that store myself I would know all of them.

Q When was Young Toy Len married? A. K.S. 14.

Q Do you remember the month and the day? A. I do not know.

Q Where were you at the time? A. At San Francisco.

Q What were you doing? Where were you working? A. Market St. Hotel.

Q What do you know about Young Toy Len having any children?

A. Yes.

Q What do you know? A. I know because I lived in the same building.

Q How many did he have? A. Two children.

Q How long had he been married when the first one was born? A. About two years.

Q Give me the date of the birth of that child and state whether it was a boy or girl? A. The first one was born K.S. 16. I can't fix the day or the month. It was a boy.

Q What is his name? A. Young Wah Nuey.

Q When was the next child born? A. I think the other one was born K.S. 18.

Q What was that? A. Young Gah Nuey.

Q Boy or girl? A. Girl.

Q How long did that girl live? A. A few months and died.

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Testimony of witness, YOUNG SING, continued:

Q When did the mother die? A. K.S. 22.

Q Where were you at that time? A. I was at San Francisco.

Q Give me the month and day? A. I do not remember that.

Q What were you doing at that time? A. Cooking.

Q Where? A. Same place.

Q How long did you work at that place? A. All of ten years off and on.

Q How many times did you leave the place? A. Twice.

to Utah. Q When was it? A. The first time I quit that place I went to China. The second time I quit that place I went to China.

Q You arrived in the United States in K.S. ?? A. Yes.

Q You lived in San Francisco from K.S. 7 until K.S. 19?

A. Yes.

Q Did you work in this one place all of that time? A. No.

Q Where did you work? A. I worked for Swing.

Q How long did you work for Swing? A. Off and on, twice.

Q What was his business? A. Custom house broker.

Q When did you go to work for Swing? A. K.S. 9.

Q What were you doing between K.S. 7 and K.S. 9? A. Learning to cook at different places.

Q Where? A. Different places, working many places. Two or three weeks at a place.

Q The first steady job you had after you first came to San Francisco, was K.S. 9? A. Yes, I worked there about a year. Then I quit.

Q Then where did you go to work? A. Went back to that hotel again.

Q Was that the first time you went to work for the hotel? After you quit Swing? A. I went there to be fourth cook.

Q When was that? A. K.S. 10, last part of the year.

Q Now you worked in that hotel, how long? A. A number of years. I was 4th cook. Then I was promoted to 3rd cook, and from 3rd cook to 2nd cook.

Q When did you stop working? A. All in ten years.

Q What year did you leave that hotel? A. K.S. 19.

Q So you worked in that hotel from K.S. 10 until K.S. 19 when you left for Park City? A. Yes.

Q What was the name of the hotel? A. World House.

Q How old was Young Wah Huey when you went to Utah? A. About two years old.

Q Was the second child born before or after you went to Utah? A. I was there when the second one was born.

Q Where were you living at that time? A. Same place.

Q Didn't you live in the hotel where you worked? A. I rented a room on that floor.

Q Did you have a room at the hotel? A. Yes, there was a place to sleep in the hotel too, but I had a room in the city for a "hang out".

Q How far is that hotel from Washington St.? A. Quite a ways. You have to use transfer tickets. You do not go in a straight line.

Q Is it two miles? A. It is a way up there. I can't make it out riding on a street car. I never counted the blocks.

Q Where did you live most of the time, in this room on Washington St. or in the room that they gave you at the hotel? A. At the hotel most of the time. If they had a banquet in Chinatown, then I would stay down in Chinatown.

Q Did they have a banquet at the time Young Wah Huey was born on month old? A. Yes.

Q Did you attend? A. It was in the day time. I didn't have time to go to it.

Q Where did Young Toy Hop live when you were in San Francisco? A. Same place.

Case of YOUNG WAH NYU.

Testimony of witness, YOUNG SING, continued:

- Q Did you room together? A. No, he was down in the store.  
Q Did he work in the store? A. Yes.  
Q When did you see this boy after returning from Park City, Utah? A. K.S. 21, I saw him.  
Q At that time was the mother living or dead? A. Living.  
Q Did you go back to work at this hotel when you returned from Park City? A. Yes.  
Q You worked there about a year? A. Over a year.  
Q How long did you work in that hotel after you returned from Park City? A. Several years.  
Q What year did you quit working there? A. K.S. 28.  
Q Then you worked there about seven years that time? A. Yes.  
Q Then you went to China? A. Yes.  
Q What month did you go to China? A. July or August.  
Q During those seven years that you were working in that hotel did you still have a room up there at 834 Washington St.? A. It is a club room. I have to pay rent for that club room.  
Q Did you have a room up there at 834 Washington St. from K.S. 21 to K.S. 28? A. Yes.  
Q When did Young Toy Len's wife die? A. K.S. 27.  
Q How long after you got back from Utah? A. About a year.  
Q What became of Young Wah Nyuey after his mother died? A. He lived with his father then.  
Q Did they stay in San Francisco? A. They didn't stay there long. They went away.  
Q Where did they go? A. They bid me Good bye, and said they were going East.  
Q Have you ever seen Young Toy Len since then? A. No.  
Q When did you next see Young Wah Nyuey? A. In Chicago, at the Youngs club room here.  
Q After you came here? A. Yes.  
Q How many youngs were there in San Francisco at the time you were there? A. About sixty or seventy people.  
Q Were any of them married besides Young Toy Len? A. There was none in San Francisco outside of him. At Oroville there were a number of them.  
Q Do you know of any other children being born in San Francisco? A. Yes.  
Q Who were they? A. Friends.  
Q Name some of them. A. Shun Wah Yin.  
Q When was he born? A. San Francisco.  
Q When? A. Some were large. Some over ten. Some over twenty.  
Q Were there any born while you were in San Francisco? A. Leung Toy Git, Lee Toy Goon and Wong Toy Ock. They are getting big now.  
Q When was Leung Toy Git born in San Francisco? A. I can't fix the time. I forgot.  
Q When was Wong Toy Ock born? A. I do not know when he was born. I only know him that is all. I only asked him to go to work in a factory.  
Q Was Lee Toy Goon born while you were in San Francisco? A. Yes.  
Q When was he born? A. He was born there, but I can't fix the time when he was born. I only know him through acquaintance. He asked me to go to work.  
Q But these three boys were born in San Francisco while you were living there, weren't they? A. There were some. They were all about so high (holding hand about three & a half feet from floor), step to step. They were just a few years apart. I do not know their ages.  
Q Do you know the names of any boy that was born while you were there so that you can give me the date of his birth? A. I can't tell you. I know that they were born in San Francisco. They came to the store off and on. That is all I know.

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Testimony of witness, YOUNG SING, continued:

Q. Do you know of your own knowledge of any other boy born in San Francisco besides this boy, Young Wah Nuey? A. No.

Q. Whose photograph is this? (Showing photograph of applicant) A. Wah Nuey.

Q. Have you understood the interpreter? A. Yes.

Witness signed in English & Chinese.

(Signed) Young Sing,

Witness.

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(Signed) Charley Kee, Interpreter.

(Signed) L. T. Plummer, Inspector.

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August 2nd, 1909

## Case of YOUNG WAH NUEY.

Witness, YOUNG TOY HOP, recalled and re-examined by Inspector Plummer, as follows:

Q. Your name is Young Toy Hop? A. Yes sir.

Q. You were up here a few days ago as a witness for Young Wah Nuey? A. Yes sir.

Q. Which side of the street was that laundry of Young Toy Len on Third Ave. in New York City? A. On the east side of the street.

Q. Was that between Ninety-second and ninety-third St. A. Yes.

Q. Between Ninety-second St. and Ninety-third St. on the east side of Third Ave.? A. Yes.

Q. Which street was it nearer to? Ninety-second or Ninety-third? A. Nearer to Ninety-second St.

Q. Are you sure that it was on the east side of the street? A. Yes.

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In re.  
YOUNG WAH NUEY:

AGE:-Nineteen (19) Years.  
RESIDENCE:-No.178 East 53d. st.,  
Chicago, Illinois; U. S. A.  
OCCUPATION:-Laundryman.  
HEIGHT:-5 Feet, 3-1/2 Inches.  
PHOTOGRAPH UPON THIS PAGE.  
MARKS:-Scar from Right Nostril  
outward and downward.  
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TENTION OF RETURNING INTO THE U-  
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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. )  
Northern District of Illinois.)Sct:  
Eastern Division. )

YOUNG WAH NUEY, of the city of Chicago in the division and dis-  
trict aforesaid, being first duly sworn according to law, deposes  
and says as follows, to-wit:-

I am a person of Chinese descent, and am a native of the United States. I was born at No.834 Washington street, San Francisco, California, in the United States of America, September 12th, in the Sixteenth Kwanghsii. My Father's name was Young Toy Lin; and my Mother was Wong-shee. I have never been out of the United States.

I continued to reside there, in San Francisco, with my parents until I was seven years of age. My Mother died there, in San Francisco, when I was about six years old; and a year later my Father removed with me to the city of New York, in the State of New York; and we lived in the "Sam Lung" laundry, on Third Avenue, near 92d st. there in New York City. My Father died there when I was about eleven years of age. After that, I lived with an uncle, on Third Avenue between 75th and 76th streets.

I have lived in this, the said city of Chicago, for the last seven years; the first two years I worked with my uncle at No.169 East 31st street. Afterwards, I worked at No. 4655 West Van Buren street and No. 4652 Wentworth Avenue. Since then I have lived at No. 178 East 53d street.

I am about to visit China, with the intention of returning into the United States to resume my present residence, occupation and status therein; and therefore make, this, my application for re-



*Mark W. Voorhees*

U. S. Commissioner, N. D. Illinois.

admission.

Foregoing is a true description and correct photograph of me; and I also attach hereto the affidavits of two witnesses in corroboration of the statements made herein.

Subscribed and sworn to, this  
8th day of April, 1909, before me.

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Mark A. Foote,  
U. S. Commissioner, N. D., Ill.



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U. S. Commissioner, N. D. Illinois.

In re. YOUNG WAH NUEY.

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

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

My name is Young Sing, certificate of residence No. \_\_\_\_\_ I first came to the United States in K. S. 7th; landed at San Francisco and lived there continuously until K.S. 19th, during which time I worked as cook. First I worked for Mr. Sweng, costume broker. From K.S. 11th to K.S. 19th I worked for Mr. Walls at No. 1904 Market Street, San Francisco. In K.S. 19th I went to Salt Lake City, Utah, working as cook in a mining camp for three years. In K.S. 22nd on my return to San Francisco I worked there as cook for six years. In K.S. 28th I made a trip to China and came back to the United States in K.S. 30th and lived in San Francisco one year and then I came to Chicago. I worked on East Division Street in Chicago for a few months and then I went to Cedar Rapids, Iowa for Mr. Blake for one year and then I worked for Young Hing at 65rd Street a few doors West of Cottage Grove Avenue, for two years. Then I worked for Hong Sling at Forest Park up to the present time.

I am well acquainted with one YOUNG WAH NUEY, the son of Young Toy Lin and his wife Wong-shee. The said Young Toy Lin was my cousin and he was married to the said Wong-shee on or about K.S. 14th in San Francisco while I was living there. In K.S. 16th there was a male child born to them during which time I was living on the top floor of No. 834 Washington Street in San Francisco. The first time I saw the said Young Wah Nuey was when he was a few days old. I saw him continuously from time to time until he was about three years old and the next time I saw him, when I returned from Salt Lake City, he was about five years old. From that time I saw him from day to day until he was seven years old. The first time I saw the said Young Wah Nuey in Chicago was in K.S. 32nd. Since that I have seen him in Chicago quite often.

I further swear that I knew the said Young Toy Lin, the father of the said Young Wah Nuey. He was a merchant in the firm of Quong Wah Yuen at No. 834 Washington Street, San Francisco, and I also remember the circumstances at the time when he married the mother of the said Young Wah Nuey, Wong-shee.

I have examined the photograph affixed to the foregoing affidavit of the said Young Wah Nuey; and the same is a good likeness of him.

Subscribed and sworn to, this } Young Sing  
8<sup>th</sup> day of July, A.D., 1909, }  
before me.

*Mark A. Foote,*  
U. S. Commissioner, N. D. Illinois.

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In re. YOUNG WAH NUEY.

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

YOUNG HOP, of the City of Chicago in said division and district,  
being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says as fol-  
lows, to-wit:-

I am a native and subject of China; forty three years of age; a  
laundryman; and reside at No. 178 East 53d street, Chicago aforesaid.  
I am registered and hold Certificate of Residence

I first landed in the United States from a sailing vessel in the  
7th K.S. and followed the occupation of a Cook in Oroville, Cali-  
fornia, about five years - Two years for Mr. James Gray, three years  
for Mr. Pat Henry. Then I removed to San Francisco, California, and  
joined my brother, Young Toy Lin, as a Merchant and member of the firm  
of "Quong Wah Yuen", No. 843 Washington street. I was a member of that  
firm for the seven years following. In or about the 19th K.S., I re-  
turned to Oroville and resumed my occupation as cook there. In or a-  
bout the 21st K.S., I took up my residence in New York City, New York.

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I ran a laundry at 58th street and Third avenue about two years; then  
on Third avenue, between 75th and 76th streets, New York, 5 years  
Then I removed to Chicago aforesaid and worked for YOUNG LUNG for  
five years, at No. 169 East 31st street. Since then I have resided  
at No. 178 East 53d street.

My said brother, Young Toy Lin, was married to one Wong-shee while  
I was in business there and they lived upon the same premises, No. ~~843~~  
843 Washington street. A male child, named YOUNG WAH NUEY, was born  
to them there in the 16th K.S. I have known him all his life, in  
San Francisco, New York and Chicago. He is my nephew. His mother  
died in San Francisco when he was an infant; and his father died  
in New York City when Young Wah Nuey was eleven years of age; and  
since then Young Wah Nuey has been in my charge.

I have examined the foregoing affidavit of the said Young Wah  
Nuey, also the photograph affixed thereto. The statements which  
he has made therein are true; and the said photograph is a good  
likeness of him now.

Subscribed and sworn to, this  
8<sup>th</sup> day of July, A. D., 1909, }  
before me.

Mark A. Farley  
U. S. Commissioner, N. D. Illinois.

Young Hop