

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
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IMMIGRATION FILE

In re
 MOY SAT.
 of
 "SING LUNG",
 Merchants,
 No. 309 Clark St.,
 Chicago, Illinois,
 U. S. A.

NAME:- MOY SAT.
 AGE:- Forty-five Yrs.
 HEIGHT:- 5' 6".
 MARKS:- Pit Left Side
 Mouth.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. }
 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS. } Sct:
 EASTERN DIVISION. }



WE THE UNDERSIGNED, Citizens of the United States and residents of the City of Chicago and vicinity, in said division and district, Do Hereby Certify that we have been well acquainted with the above-described MOY SAT for upwards of one year last past, during which time he has not been a huckster, peddler, laundryman or laborer of any kind, but during which time 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 MOY SAT has been a member of the firm of Chinese merchants trading and doing business under the trade-name and style of "SING LUNG", at number 309 So. Clark street, in said City of Chicago, Dealers in Teas, Groceries and General Chinese and Japanese Merchandise.

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

WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY That the foregoing photograph, hereunto affixed, is a true and correct likeness of the said MOY SAT; and that the foregoing description is a true description of the person of the said MOY SAT.

AND WE DO FURTHER CERTIFY That we have been credibly informed, and verily believe, that the said MOY SAT has a financial interest of Twelve Hundred Dollars in the business and assets of said firm. From our frequent visits to the said place of business and our general acquaintance with the various members of the said concern, we have been well satisfied that the said MOY SAT is actively engaged in the business of the said firm, exercises a voice in the management and affairs thereof, and that he is a bona fide merchant and member of said "SING LUNG".

Dated, at Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A., November 18th, 1908.

N. C. Dana

(Address) 159 S. Ballest
Chicago, Illinois.

Willard J. Henry

(Address) 1605 Foster Blg
Chicago, Illinois.

APPLICATION FOR ENDORSEMENT OF ACCOMPANYING EVIDENCE UNDER THE
PROVISIONS OF RULE 25, REGULATIONS APPROVED FEBRUARY 26, 1907.

I desire to visit China with the intention of returning to
Chicago, Illinois,
because my present residence, occupation and circumstances
November 18th, 1908.
To United States.

LORENZO T. PLUMMER, ESQ., herewith the evidence of ten credible
witnesses Chinese Inspector in Charge, pray that the same may be
endorsed as provided Chicago, Illinois. purpose of such re-

Sir:

My name is MOY SAT. I am a native and subject of China, forty-five years of age, and resident in the United States for the past twenty-nine years, during which time I have never been back to China.

In the Spring of the fifth K. S. I landed at the Port of San Francisco, California, aboard the Steamship "Peking". For the first seven years of my residence in this country I resided in said City of San Francisco, being engaged as a merchant and member of "Quong Yut Wah" ^{No. 74}, Commercial street in said city. In the 12th K. S. I came to Chicago, Illinois, where I resided for a period of four years, removing in the 16th K. S., to the City of Boston in the State of Massachusetts, where I resided seven years at ^{"Sun Wah Jen"} No. ⁹¹ _{1/2} Oxford Place. In the 23rd K. S. I returned to this city and have remained here ever since.

During the latter part of K.S.31 I purchased an interest in the Chinese Merchant firm of "Sing Lung", located at No.309 So. Clark street, for which I paid the sum of One Thousand Dollars, and said interest is now worth at least \$1200.00, and I still retain said interest and enjoy the benefits therefrom.

For upwards of one year last past, I have not been engaged or interested in the performance of manual labour, skilled or unskilled, of any kind, except such as has been necessary in the conduct of my said business as a merchant and member of said "SING LUNG"; but have been continuously and actively engaged in the business and affairs of the said firm.

I desire to visit China with the intention of returning to resume my present residence, occupation and status in the United States.

Wherefore, I transmit herewith the evidence of two credible witnesses other than Chinese, and pray that the same may be endorsed as provided by Regulation for the purpose of such re-admission.

Very Respectfully,

Signed and sworn to
before me Nov 30 - 1908

Wm. S. At.

H. C. Miller
Chinese & Immigrant Inspt.

Department of Commerce and Labor

IMMIGRATION SERVICE

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR IN CHARGE
PORTAL, N. DAK.

Dec. 3, 1903

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

Sir: In re: Opt

I am in receipt of your letter of the 1st instant, No. 714, together with all papers in the case of MOY SAT, merchant of your city, who desires an endorsement of his papers under Rule 25 of the Regulations to enable him to make a visit to China and return.

In view of the unfavorable report of the examining inspector and your concurrence therein, applicant's papers will not be endorsed in the event that he departs through this port.

Respectfully,

O. B. Holton
Chinese Inspector in Charge

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Chinese Inspector,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

No. 714.

December 1st, 1906.

Mr. O. B. Holton,
Chinese Inspector in Charge,
Fargo, North Dakota.

Sir:-

I hand you herewith papers in the case of MOY SAT, merchant of this city who desires to visit China and return to the United States.

I inclose the sworn statements of the two white witnesses upon the regular forms used. I regard them both as credible witnesses. I also inclose a transcript of the notes taken at the examination of this applicant and of Moy Sing, manager of this firm of Sing Lung & Co., by Chinese Inspector K. E. Timpett, and his unfavorable report upon his investigation.

While I regard both the two white witnesses as credible, at the same time it is apparent that they must have been deceived in this case. They may have seen applicant about the store as they state and have regarded him as a merchant; yet the real facts as to his interest in the store and his mercantile standing, can be obtained only from an examination of the applicant and the manager of the store. The bona fide members of this store are without doubt merchants, but in view of the Inspector's report, I would recommend that Moy Sat be denied the privilege which he requests.

Respectfully,

Chinese Inspector in Charge.

No. 714.

December 1st, 1908.

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

Sir:-

I respectfully report that I have investigated the case of
HOY SAT who claims to be a merchant and a partner in the firm of
Sing Lung & Co., 309 So. Clark St. Basement, this city. I have
taken the testimony of the applicant and also a statement from
Moy Sing who claims to be the manager of Sing Lung & Co. A trans-
cript of the notes taken is attached hereto.

I find, first, that applicant claims in his affidavit that
he purchased an interest in the firm of Sing Lung & Co., 309 So.
Clark St. and paid the sum of \$1,000.00 for it, and that the said
interest is worth at least \$1,200.00 at the present time. In his
testimony, he repeated several times that he had originally paid
\$1,200.00 for his interest in this concern. This fact alone seems
to be almost sufficient to deny him the privilege of going and re-
turning as a merchant. It certainly seems to me that he should
know beyond any doubt what amount he had placed in this concern to
obtain the interest which he claims.

In addition to this, Moy Sat says that he has been engaged
in the store of Sing Lung & Co. for about eleven years altogether,
that the latter three years he has been connected with them as one
of the members of the firm, and that the balance of that time he had

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been employed by the above concern. As above stated, he was eleven years in this store, giving the business his whole and undivided attention. Notwithstanding this fact, he does not know the white witnesses to his papers by name. He made a feeble attempt to name one of them by calling him "Mr. Den", and he did not know the name of the other witness at all. Mr. Dana, who is the witness referred to as "Mr. Den", says that he has known this applicant for about three years and that he has called at this store frequently. This is a strange coincidence in itself; this man has been employed in the store there for eleven years and does not know the witness, Mr. Dana, and Mr. Dana with his frequent visits to this store does not place him there over three years. The same thing is true in the case of Mr. Henry, the other witness. As above stated, applicant does not know him at all by name. The witness, Mr. Henry claims to have known applicant two or three years. He states that he is in this store two or three times a month. He verbally stated that for the past five years, he was in there on an average almost daily. This is as nearly as strange as that of the other witness; that applicant being constantly employed there for eleven years and this witness a frequent visitor there selling goods to the firm, yet does not place Moy Sat and cannot remember him being there for more than two or three years. Applicant claims that he has been in this store continuously ever since he purchased his interest there in K.S. 31, but the partnership list filed in this office, April 20th, 1906 shows the applicant as being outside of Chicago.

I am convinced from the manner and actions of the applicant in giving his testimony, together with that of Moy Sing, the manager of the firm of Sing Lung & Co., and from the discrepancies as to the

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time this man took his interest and the amount of interest he claims in the concern, and from the fact that the partnership list showed him outside of Chicago when he claims he was actively engaged in business at the store, is sufficient, to deny him the privilege of going to China and returning as a merchant.

Respectfully,

H. E. TIPPETT

Chinese Inspector.

522, Comercial Nat'l. Bk. Bldg. CHICAGO

November 25th, 1908.

Case of : H. E. Tippett, Examining Inspector.
 MOY SAT, : Charley Kee, Interpreter.
 Merchant departing. : W. B. Calkins, Stenographer.

Applicant, MOY SAT, sworn by Inspector Tippett, testified:

Q What is your name? A. Moy Sat.

Q How many names have you? A. Two.

Q What is your other name? A. I have a nick
name, Der Gook Tung.

Q Are you married? A. Yes.

Q What is your marriage name? A. Moy Ni Goong.

Q That makes three names you have? A. Yes.

Q You belong to the Macy family, do you? A. Yes.

Q What is your occupation? A. Merchant.

Q What is the name of your concern? A. Sing Lung & Co.

309 So. Clark St.

Q Is this firm in the basement or on the street floor?

A. In the basement.

Q How long have you been one of the partners in this concern?

A. I took an interest in that three years ago.

Q Give me the date that you took this interest? A. K.S.
31, about the 6th month.

Q How much interest did you take there at that time?

A. \$1,200.00.

Q How much of an interest have in the firm at the present
time? A. I still have \$1,200.00.

Q Did you put in \$1,200.00 in cash at that time? A. Yes.

Q What were you doing prior to that? A. I was a merchant
before that.

Q Where? A. In San Francisco.

Q What firm? A. Quong Yut Wah, 740 Commercial St.

Q How long were you connected with that concern? A. About
seven years there.

Q Did you come from San Francisco about three years ago,
and join this firm? A. Then I went to Boston and was in business
there.

Q When did you live in San Francisco? A. I came to the
United States twenty-nine years ago. I remained in San Francisco
seven years. Then I came to Chicago, and remained here four years.
Then went to Boston. I was seven years in Boston.

Q Where did you go from Boston? A. I came back here.

Q How long have you been in Chicago? A. About eleven years.

Q You have been in Chicago this last time, eleven years?

A. Yes, eleven years.

Q You have been in this concern about three years? A. Yes.

Q Is this the only mercantile establishment you have been
connected with in Chicago? A. Yes.

Q What did you do during the eight years prior to coming
into this concern? A. The eight years prior, I did not do
much of anything.

Q You must have done something to earn your support? A. I
was helping around that store where I am now.

Q You mean you were helping around that store eight years
prior to coming in as a partner? A. Yes, all that time I helped
in the store for eight years. Then I became a partner.

Q Did you get any wages? A. Yes, a small salary.

Q Did you work anywhere else? A. No.

Q Are you registered? A. No.

Q Then the eight years you worked there and the three years
you were a partner makes eleven years? A. Yes.

Q In that eleven years, have you given that store your whole
attention, and have been there practically every day? A. Yes.

Q Now, I understand that you have been working there all the
time, including the time that you have been a member of the store,
for eleven years, and you have been there every day, is that correct?

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Case of MOY SAT.

Place: same.

Testimony of applicant, MOY SAT, continued:

A. Yes.

Q What did you do in the store when you were employed there?

A. Sell and buy goods in the store.

Q What do you do in the store since you became a partner?

A. Just the same thing. Receive orders and deliver.

Q How many members are there in the firm? A. Eight members in the store now.

Q Is that the full membership? A. There are some outside who have interests there.

Q How many partners are there in this concern? A. twenty-five.

Q Twenty-five partners in this concern in the basement at 309 So. Clark St.? A. Yes.

Q How many partners in the concern giving the firm their entire attention? A. Eight.

Q You are one of the eight? A. Yes.

Q What is the combined capital of the firm? A. Thirty thousand dollars.

Q Thirty thousand dollars divided among twenty-five members, is that correct? A. Yes.

Q How much stock do you carry on an average? A. On an average, thirteen or fourteen thousand dollars. It is up to the manager. He knows exactly what stock there is.

Q What does the stock consist of? A. Chinese groceries, silks, shoes, drugs and clothes.

Q Who is the manager of the firm? A. Moy Sing.

Q Does your name appear on the partnership list the same as you have it on your application, "Moy Sat"? A. Yes. It is reported to this office.

Q Is there any other Moy Sat? A. No.

Q Does your name appear on that partnership list in any other way but Moy Sat? A. That is the only name I gave.

Q How much business do you do on an average a year? A. When the manager checks up, he will know? I do not.

Q You, being one of the partners in the firm know how much business they did last year, don't you? A. It was over ten thousand dollars last year.

Q How much did you do the other two years that you have been a partner? A. About the same.

Q Was there any profit in that business to you? Did they divide any of the profits? A. Yes.

Q How much were your earnings last year? A. About four dollars on each hundred.

Q Then you made about \$48.00 last year, did you? A. Yes, about \$48.00.

Q Do you know all the members of the firm? A. I know the ones in the store, but I don't know the outside members.

Q Then you know just the people that work in the store, none of the outside ones? A. I know two or three of the outside ones.

Q You say you have \$1,200.00 invested in this concern? A. Yes.

Q Now, I want to know how much you put in there when you first bought your interest? A. I only went in as a partner. I didn't buy out anybody.

Q How much did you put in? A. \$1,200.00.

Q You put in \$1,200.00 cash when you went in? A. Yes.

Q In other words, your interest in this concern cost you \$1,200.00 at the time you went into the firm? A. Yes.

Q You can't be mistaken as to that can you? A. I went in as \$1,200.00. Of course, the concern has improved.

Q I want to know what you originally put in? A. The manager allowed me when I went in an interest of \$1,200.00.

Q And that interest cost you \$1,200.00, did it? A. Yes.

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Case of MOY SAT.

Testimony of applicant, MOY SAT, continued:

Q You say you have lived in the United States twenty-nine years altogether? A. Yes.

Q Do you speak English? A. Not much.

Q During all that time you have been more or less engaged in the mercantile business? A. Yes, never go out much, stay in the store most of the time.

Q Who are the witnesses to your paper? A. Mr. Den.

Q What is his first name? A. I only know him by the name of Den.

Q What is the name of the other witness? A. I do not remember.

Q You don't remember the name of the other witness? A. No.

Q You have been employed in this concern off and on for eleven years? A. Yes.

Q The first witness you call "Mr. Den". The other witness you don't know at all. A. I know the person, but I don't know his name.

Q How long have you known the person whom you call "Mr. Den"? A. A long time.

Q Approximately, how many years? A. About ten years.

Q Are you positive that you have known "Mr. Den" about ten years? A. I might have seen before, but didn't know him personally.

Q His name is H. C. Dana. It seems to me that if you had been connected with that firm for eleven years, you ought to know him better than to call him "Mr. Den". A. I never knew him by his first name.

Q You don't know him by his last name, and it is a common name. Now, how long do you claim to know the other witness to your paper whom you don't know by name? A. All of four years, I have known the other one?

Q What is his business? A. He comes there to take orders for paper bags.

Q What is Mr. Dana's business? A. Insurance.

Q Did you buy out any one's interest in this concern when you went in? A. The manager received me in and my interest was \$1,200.00.

Q You didn't buy out any particular interest? A. I do not know what the transaction was between the manager and the others, but I paid \$1,200.00 to the manager for my interest.

Q Have you been in the store all the time since you bought an interest in the store? A. Yes.

(The partnership list produced from the records of this office dated April 20th, 1906, shows the location of this man as being outside of Chicago, and as having bought out Moy Kee in K.S. 31 to obtain an interest in the concern.)

Q Where were you April 20th, 1906? A. I do not know exactly where I was.

Q You were a member of the firm at that time? A. Yes.

Q Don't you know whether you were in the city or outside of the city, or where you were? A. I didn't take much interest where I was.

Q Now you previously stated that you were in the store all the time. Which am I to believe? A. Yes, I spent most of the time in the store.

Q The partnership list filed by your firm April 20th, 1906 placed you outside of Chicago, how do you account for that? A. I have been in the city eleven years. I might have been outside of the city collecting money at that time.

Q Now that isn't the purpose of a partnership list. It shows the occupation of the members and whether in the city or outside. A. That is up to the manager, because I devote all my time to the store. How he had the list made out I do not know.

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Testimony of MOY SAT, continued:

Q Name the partners who are engaged in the store at the present time? A. Moy Sing, manager, Moy Wing, Moy Coy, Moy King, Moy Teung, Moy On, Moy Bow, and myself.

Q Can you name the rest of the partners? A. I can mention a few of them, but not all.

Q You say you are married? A. Yes.

Q Is your wife living in China? A. Yes.

Q When were you married? A. I was married there ten years ago.

Q Only one wife? A. Yes.

Q Any children? A. Two.

Q What gender are they? A. Both boys.

Applicant signed his testimony in English & Chinese.

(Signed) Moy Sat,

Applicant.

(Moy Ni Goong)

(Moy Gook Tung)

(Signed) Charley Kee, Interpreter.

(Signed) H. E. Tippett, Inspector.

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Case of MOY SAT.

Place: same.

Witness, MOY SING, sworn by Inspector Tippett, testified:

Q What is your name? A. Moy Sing.

Q Are you the manager of the firm of Sing Lung & Co., 309 So. Clark St. in the basement? A. Yes sir.

Q Can you identify the photograph on this application? (Showing photograph of applicant) A. Yes.

Q What is his name? A. Moy Sat.

Q How long have you been the manager of the firm of Sing Lung & Co.? A. About five years.

Q Were you connected with that firm before that time? A. Yes

Q How long have you been in the store as a member of the firm? A. Sixteen years.

Q And have been the manager for the last five years? A. Yes

Q How long has Moy Sat been one of the partners? A. He has been working there quite a while, but he has been a member for a few years.

Q How much of an interest has he? A. \$1,200.00.

Q How much of an interest did he acquire when he put in the money? A. \$1,200.00.

Q And he has had a \$1,200.00 interest ever since? A. Yes.

Q What does he do in the store? A. Buying and selling goods.

Q Since he has been a partner in the firm, has he been giving the firm his entire attention? A. Since he has been in the business he don't go out anywhere. Before he was a member he would go out sometimes.

Q He worked for your firm several years prior to joining as a partner, did he? A. Yes.

Q Then he became a member of your firm. What year was that? A. K.S. 31.

Q What month? A. About the second month.

Q Since he became a member of the firm, has he given the store his whole attention and been right here in Chicago? A. All his time was spent in the store.

Q Were you the manager of this firm when he became a member? A. Yes.

Q How many members are there in this firm? A. Twenty-five.

Q What is the combined capital of this concern? A. Thirty thousand dollars.

Q How many members of the store give the store their attention? A. Eight persons.

Q How much stock do you carry on an average? A. About thirteen thousand dollars.

Q What does that consist of? A. General merchandise; Chinese merchandise, shoes, silks and drugs.

Q How much business do you do on an average a year? A. About twenty to thirty thousand dollars a year.

Q Did you do that much business last year? A. Yes.

Q About what would the earnings of Moy Sat amount to for the last year? A. We did not share up all the profits. We needed some for stock. We only divided about four dollars to each hundred.

Q You filed a partnership list April 20th, 1906, didn't you? A. Yes.

Q You swore to that statement to be true and correct, didn't you? A. Yes.

Q Where was Moy Sat, the applicant at that time? A. Moy Sat was holding a \$1,200.00 interest before that. He was in different places in this country until the members came together and said, "He is a good man. We need him in the store." He came in the store in K.S. 32.

Q You mean to say that he has been in the store since K.S. 32? A. Yes.

Q Then he has only been engaged in the store for two years? A. Yes.

Q For the year prior to that, where was he? A. I do not know where he was.

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Testimony of witness, MOY SING, continued:

Q. And for the year 1906, he was not in the store? Two years ago, last April? A. I cannot recall that.

Q. You, as the manager of this firm have not any definite knowledge where this applicant was at the time he took this interest in the firm? A. I know where he goes after he took an interest.

Q. Now, Moy Sat says that after his taking an interest he was in the store all the time. Now how do you reconcile his statements with yours? A. All I can say is, that when he took an interest in the store it was in the 31st year, K.S. The 32nd year 6th month, they made inquiries for him and had no trace of him. Then he happened to come back.

Q. Then from your statement he was not an active member of the firm working in the store until a year after he took an interest? A. Yes, that whole year.

Q. That would bring him in the store about April, 1907? A. Yes.

Q. Mr. Dana, one of the white witnesses says that he has seen him in the store for the last three years. That is another statement you will have to reconcile? A. The insurance man did see him off and on for the past three years, but he did hold an interest for the last three years.

Q. But he didn't give the firm his personal attention until a year after he took an interest. A. Yes, he was away a whole year.

Q. When you filed a partnership list April 20th, 1906, you stated in the said list that Moy Sat was outside of Chicago at that time? A. Yes, he was outside of the city then.

Q. Did Moy Sat buy out any particular partner of that store? A. He took a \$1,200.00 interest. He didn't buy out anybody.

Q. Is Moy Kee, your brother? A. No, he is my partner. I bought back the interest from Moy Kee. When a Chinaman leaves a firm, the manager buys him out, and the manager then resells his interest.

Q. I know that Moy Sat is credited with entering this firm in 1905. Now give me the exact date that he entered this concern? A. 31st year, second month.

Q. How long before you filed this partnership list in April 1906, was it that Moy Sat came into the firm and took an active part? A. He held an interest in it then. I reported it so to this office.

Q. How long after this did he enter the store and take an active interest in it? A. At the same time. Then he came in afterwards to work.

Q. In April 20th, 1906, did Moy Sat come into the store then, and work? A. Yes, he was there.

Q. That very partnership list says that he was outside of Chicago, now how is that? A. He wasn't here then. He might have been going out on business of the firm to get orders.

Q. He testified that he had been in the store all the time? A. He said he devoted all his time to the business of the firm. He might have gone away on business.

Q. You as the manager of that firm, when you filed that list in April 20th, 1906, knew that Moy Sat was not engaged in the store, didn't you. (No answer)

Q. How many names have you? A. Moy Sing and Moy Dung Long.

Witness signed his name in English and Chinese.

(Signed) Moy Sing,

Witness.

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(Signed) Charley Kee, Interpreter.

(Signed) H. E. Tippett, Inspector.