

U.S. Immigration Service
Port of San Francisco.

12017/34943 : Angel Island Station,
: August 17, 1928.
Lee Hay, :
: Examining Inspector,
Native Departing. : R.F. Davis.
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: Interpreter,
: Leong Kow.

The applicant having first been duly sworn, testified as follows:
(advised that if at any time he did not understand the interpreter to
at once so state; also advised of the crime of perjury and the penalty
therefor) Speaks the Sam Yup, Nam Hoy Dist., dialect.

Q What are all your names, age and birth place and date of birth?
A Lee Hay (Hee) Lee Hung Fat; no others; 54; born in San Francisco.

Interpreter Ira C. Lee replaces interpreter Leong Kow.

Q Did you understand the previous interpreter? A Yes.

Q What is the exact date of your birth? A K.S. 1/12-27 (1876,
Jan. 23).

Q Have you made any trips to China? A Yes, two trips. I first
departed for China K.S. 18 (1892), 2nd 6th month (July-Aug.), and returned
K.S. 19/3 (1893, Apr.-May); I departed K.S. 24 (1898) 11 (Dec.) (or Jan. 1899);
returned K.S. 28/11 (1902, Dec.), ss "Korea".

Q How did you make your first trip?

A As a merchant.

Q How did you make your second trip? A Also as a merchant.

Q If you were born in the United States, why did you not make your trips to
China as a native?

A I did not understand the procedure at that time, and went back as a mer-
chant.

Q Were you in the country during the period of Chinese registration? A Yes.

Q Did you register? A Yes.

Q Is this your Certificate of Residence? A Yes (referring to C.R. 33874).

Q Have you ever before, when testifying before this Service, claim to have
been born in the United States? A Yes, on all occasions.

Q What other occasions have you testified than your arrivals at this
port?

A In C.R. 4 (1915), when my two sons came to this country.

Q Were they admitted? A Yes.

Q As of what status? A As the sons of a merchant.

Q Did you, at that time, claim to be a native of the United States?

A Yes.

Q Why did you not have your sons admitted as sons of a native or citizen?

A I have always been in business, and I followed the easiest procedure, as
having them come as sons of merchant.

Q What is your present occupation? A I am with the Him Sing Chung Co.,