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LEON LING STILL **ELUDES EFFORTS** OF THE OFFICERS

Many Suspects Have Been Arrested But None is Man Wanted

SING'S **CONFESSION**

Chong Sing, Roommate of Leon Ling, Was Taken to the Scene of the Sigel Girl's Murder Today and Retold His Story of Seeing Ling Kill the Girl—Said Lalousy Was the Cause of the Crime-Police Believe That Sing Has Not Yet Given All the Information He Possesses and That They Will Get it Yet-Jeronie Very Well Pleased-Other Clews as to Ling.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, June 23.—Chong Sing, the roommate of Leon Ling, who, after one of the severest applications of the "third degree" ever administered by the criminal authorities, confessed that he saw Leon kill Elsie Sigel, granddaughter of General Franz Sigel, and place her body in the trunk, was taken early today to tne scene of the crime, at No. 782 Eighth avenue, where he repeated his story and re-enacted the tragedy the cause for which he declared was jealousy on the part of Leon toward Chu Gain, another Chinese convert.

It was only after an ordeal of he had neither food nor sleep, that Leon Ling killed the girl.

It was believed today that Chong to the capture of Leon Ling within mouth of the mine. the next 24 hours.

"I think we shall hear more from more I think we will have all we want to know about both him and Leon Ling."

The police thought they had a promising clue when they got word from Johnston, Pa., shortly after the description of Leon had been seen here. The tip was given to the Johnstown police by two Americanized Chinese who conduct a laundry. The authorities thought he had come from Altoona and a hunt was taken up there."

Chong Sing, when he was taken to the rooms he and Leon occupied, was Carey, half a dozen shrewd detectives Ward, and was made to repeat the day when he told how he had seen Leon murder Miss Sigel.

As he stood in the dimly lighted room, almost on the spot where the trunk with its ghastly contents was found, Chong Sing calmly smoked a

Sometimes he laughed at the questions put to him; at other times, when efforts were made to get him to contess he had a hand in the murder, he raved in anger. Nor would he admit that he had assisted Leon in tying ropes about the body and jamming it in the trunk. He declared he had not touched the body but said that when his friend had roped the trunk he had assisted him. The police believe Chong Sing is not telling all he knows. In fact they are not at all certain the wily Chinaman did not take actual part in the murder. It was hoped by the police that the "third degree" on the scene of the murder would squeeze the truth from him.

When Carey and his detectives,

"You got the girl's ring?" was the to be paralyzed. first question hurled at Chong Sing by Captain Carey, the latter's voice rising as if in anger, and he stuck his face close to the slant-eyed

"No! No. Me have no ring. Leon have ring," screamed Chong Sing. Then he seemed to forget all the English he had learned in the past spent about the missions, where he mingled with young white girls.

at the Chinaman. He puffed at his

cigarette and remained mute. "I no understand," he managed much larger."

to say, as his facial muscles twitched

in rage. "I no understand." But old Quan Wyck Nam, the interpreter, made him understand. The decrepit old Chinaman rattled off the questions in his native language, and Chong Sing found his tongue and the language of the country of his adoption before many seconds.

"Why have you lied so persistently," felled Carey, as he clutched the Chinaman's collar and made as if he meant to choke the life out of him. The feeling of a strong man's hand so close to his throat made the fight leave Chong Sing.

"Me tell truth now," he begged. "When did you see Elsie Sigel?"

asked Mr. Ward. "That morning," Chong answered referring to the morning of Wednesday, June 9, when it is now known absolutely that the girl was mur-

"Where did you see her?" "There," with a puff on a cigar-ette, and a motion with his hands MRS. "There," with a puff on a cigarloward the bed.

In repeating the rest of his story the Chinaman used his hands with all the expression of a Frenchman.

After several hours spent in the room where Elsie Sigel was murdered. Chong Sing was taken back to police headquarters. It was then more than 36 hours since he had been permitted to close an eyelid. But even then he was not allowed to go to sleep. He was plied with more questions by relays of detectives and he was told that this would be kept up until he told where Leon had gone. The detectives were convinced that he knows the whereabouts of the fugitive.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Indianapolis, Ind., June 23 .- The second explosion ever recorded in Indiana county occurred this morning at the Lackawanna Coal & Coke thirty-four hours, during which time Company's mines at Wehrum. Two are dead and a half-dozen burned. Chong Sing broke down and con- About 100 men were in the mine fessed. He insisted that he had when the explosion occurred. The query. taken no part in the crime and that men coming out say the shock was felt all over the mine and they in his talk gave the police and the give a very clear account of the acdistrict attorney a clue that will leac cident. Smoke is issuing from the

the company, declares that a fall of Mr. Chong," said District Attorney rock caused the accident. Another Jerome today. "He has done very theory is that gas ignition caused the well up to date. If he talks a little blast. The full force of miners did Sells I cruised on the yacht Niagara not go to work today but the sur- several times," Mrs. Sells went on. vivors claim that the death list will

cials are yet in the mine. in the Lackawanna coal mine at Gould. midnight that a Chinaman answering Wehrum, where an explosion occurred earlier in the day. It was feared Castle in 1993, and Mrs. Gould visithat there was no chance for the 65 ted our home," she added. men then entombed to escape death from the flames.

seriously hampered.

entered the mine shortly before the out of the St. Regis because he inaccompanied by Police Captain catastrophe happened, and only a few sisted on receiving his wages. of them had reached the surface at and Assistant District Attorney noon. The few men who had escaped testimony offered by Chauffeur from the mine were burned and Flynn for the defense. He had deconfession wrung from him yester- blackened. None of them was in clared that Mrs. Sells was present condition to give details, but from and witnessed the scene between the one it was learned that the explosion millionaire's wife and her employe. seemed to strike every portion of the This Jones also denied. mine simultaneously.

Rescuing parties made little headtarded by smoke from the pit mouth rival of the party at Ormond. and traces of the fire damp.

Three bodies, terribly mangled, have been recovered from the mine. The injured men, some of them mor- Gould watched the witness for a tally hurt, were also brought to the surface. The first report that came a black bordered handkerchief and to the anxious watchers at the mouth of the mine was that two or three men had been injured and that the accident might not turn out so sert- ing was caused by her having to subously as such accidents generally do, ject her friend to the ordeal of apbut as the minutes sped by and only few miners reached the surface, the plaintiff continued to weep. She burned or seriously injured, despatr settled on the watchers. When Thompson and the Burns brothers succeeded in escaping from the pit they stated, brokenly, while suffering with Chong Sing shackled to one of great agony from burns, that the exthe men, followed by Mr. Ward, en- plosion had taken place through the tered the room, it was dimly lighted, entire mine and that everyone seemed

Pitiful calls for help and groans were heard by the three men as they made their way to the entrance, staggering and falling over the bodies of

comrades. Superintendent W. N. Johnson, of

the mine, said: "The explosion, from some unknown cause, occurred a little bepleven years, nine of which he has fore 8 o'clock this morning, and Turner, N. Y., at the age of 91 seems to have been worse in a portion of the mine we recently opened. Question after question was hurled We don't yet know the extent of the ing the science of telegraphy under accident, but we think the death-list him, and was an operator on the will be long, the list of those injured original wire between Baltimore and

DRESSMAKER SAW MERCHANTS ARE THEGOULDWOMAN DRINKING WATER

But Never Saw Her Take Appoint Committee to Con-Whiskey or Under Its Influence

Edward Roman, Dressmaker, Formerly Employed by the Late Madame Osborne, Tells of Mrs. Gould's Visits to the Establishment-Says She Came Almost Every Day-Mrs. Sells, Cousin of the Plaintiff, Makes a Good Witness For Mrs. Gould-Had Visited Her Several Times and Never Saw Her Intoxicated or Behaving Other Than Ladylike.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) New York, June 23-To complete the rebuttal testimony for Mrs Katherine Clemmons Gould in her suit for separation against Howard Gould, Clarence J. Shearn today began to call 50 witnesses before Justice Dowling.

Edward Roman, a dressmaker, formerly employed by the late Madame Osborn, was the first one to testify. He said that it was Mrs. Gould's custom to visit the establishment nearly every day during the fall of 1906. After saying that he never saw Mrs. Gould under the influence of liquor, Mr. Nicoli took up his cross-examination.

"I have seen Mrs. Gould drink water," he said, to Nicoll's first

The witness said that it was his custom to engage waiting customers seemed dazed and incompetent to in conversation to while away the

Mrs. Mabel Er Sells, wife of Elijah Sells, cousin of the plaintiff, was then John A. Scott, Indiana counsel for called. She said she frequently visied Mrs. Gould, accomp theatres and visited abroad with her. "With my two daughters and Mr.

The witness said that her daughgrow and that some of the mine offi- ters, Dorothy, 20 years old, and Mar-Fire broke out shortly after noon allowed to spend days with Mrs.

"I bought a country place at North

The witness said that she was one of the party on the much-talked-of Black damp is increasing in the Ormond Beach trip, in 1905. She mine and the work of rescuers is denied that Mrs. Gould, before the trip began, threatened to have her Over 100 men are known to have former secretary, Tom Jones, thrown

This testimony further riddles the

Mrs Gould was not intoxicated. nor did she give the slightest intimaway, owing to the great confusion at tion of being under the influence of the mine. Work is also seriously re- liquor, Mrs. Sells testified, on the ar-

Mrs. Sells proceeded to make spe cific denial of the many charges made by witnesses for Gould. - Mrs. time and then covered her eyes with

showed signs of crying. Although the testimony was most favorable to her, Mrs. Gould's weeppearing in court. For some minutes finally recovered her composure and offered suggestions to Lawyer Shearn

as he examined Mrs. Sells. "Mrs. Gould was never under the influence of liquor while I was at Castle Gould in 1905," the witness

I OLD OPERATOR DEAD.

Orrin S. Wood, One of First Telegraph Operators in the Country.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) New York, June 23-Orrin S Wood, one of the first telegraph operators in Washington and a pioneer constructor of telegraph lines in this country, is dead at his home in years. He was intimately associated with the inventor, F. B. Morse, study-Washington for several months.

INTERESTED IN **NEW RAILROAD**

fer With Officials of the Montgomery Lumber Co.

GOULD WEEPS PLANS FOR NEW ROAD

Merchants Association Takes Steps to Have the Montgomery Lumber Spring Hope to This City-Will Take About 30 Miles of New Track and Will Open up a Fine Section of Country-Managers of is Believed Will be Glad to Come Here if the People of Raleigh Want Them to Come-President Pearce

The merchants association held an enthusiastic meeting in their rooms in the Holleman building last night and some matters of vast importance to Raleigh were under consideration. A very large crowd was present and the meeting might be termed a railroad meeting as it was called to consider some rallway matters affecting this city. President Pearce called the meeting to order and stated the

object of the meeting as follows:

"Gentlemen: You have been called

important matters of interest to all

the merchants and people in this

city. As you all know it has been reported for a long time that the Montgomery Lumber Company was anxious to extend its line from Spring Hope into Raleigh, and during the found a true bill against Barbee, past few days we have made some ments made just at this time, the big lumber company would gladly Durham. extend its line into Raleigh, as this open up a fine section of lumber country for them. They have a good road from Rocky Mount to Spring Hope and have extended this road across the river and are within about thirty miles of this city. It Time for Delivery of Aeropland to is possible that they will either come on to Raleigh or turn north toward jorie, a year older, were frequently Louisburg, and if the business interests of this city will get busy we can get them to come to Raleigh as we are informed they are very anxious to come to Raleigh provided government contract. It was granted. they can get a good location for their freight depot. I have talked with President Guy Buel, of the Montgomery Lumber Company, owners of the railroad, and he is of the opinion that his company will gladly take up the proposition if the business interests here are interested. I had a talk with him over the long distance telephone this afternoon and and it is probable the first unofficial tonight and discuss the matter with Saturday, or Monday at the latest. us but it was impossible for him to make connection so as to get here in time. It seems to me that this is the greatest opportunity Raleigh has had Pick Up Big Lump of Ambergris in a long time and that we as a business organization should take action in this matter; hence I have called this meeting for you to consider the matter and decide what steps you thought best to take in the matter. If we can secure this new road it will give Raleigh a direct line to

> Norfolk 30 miles nearer Raleigh, besides opening up a splendid new sec-Mr. E. E. Broughton also spoke on the obect of the meeting and the need of the association taking some decided action regarding this matter. Mr. E. L. Harris and Mr. J. G. Ball and many others spoke on the subject, and the unanimous opinion was that we should use every possible means to induce this road to extend its line from its present point into this city. Mr. E. L. Harris offered the following resolution, which

Rocky Mount and Norfolk, and bring

was adopted unanimously: Whereas, the members of the re tail merchants association are deeply interested in all enterprises that benefit our city, and believing the extension of the Montgomery Lum- pire Steel and Iron Company last tant. ber Company Railroad to Raleigh night announcing a 10 per cent. wage would develop new trade and afford increase. The rates will be the same greater facilities for transportation, proving profitable both to the rail- and apply to the company's furnaces road and the city, therefore be it

five be appointed to represent this Mount Hope, in New Jersey. association, with instructions to negotiate with the proper authorities, road to Raleigh.

matter with the officials of the road spring.

and report fully to the association: I. V. Simms, chairman; Dr. Chas. Lee Smith, J. G. Ball, W. A. Myatt, Jas. A. Briggs, Sr.

After a discussion of some other natters of importance to the association and this city the association This action on the part of the mer-

chants association is one that will interest every person in this city. While there is nothing definite in the matter yet, still there is a great opportunity before this city to get a new road and one that would open up a new field of trade and one that would undoubtedly bring much bust- Many Democrats Vote Against ness to this city besides giving us a quicker outlet to the north. The association feels certain that if the proper inducements are offered the Montgomery Lumber Company Railroad that they will extend their line into this city. They are within thirty miles now and it would be quite an easy matter for them to extend their line into this city, and it is certain that the business interests here will assist them in every way possible, This line would open up fine timber lands and would certainly be a bless-Company Road Extended From ing to all the farms along the line as it would put them within a few minutes ride of the capital. The matter will be taken up at once, and if it is possible to induce this com-Road Interested in Raleigh and it pany to build into Raleigh the merchants will do all in their power to bring the road on to Raleigh.

Governor Kitchin today made requisition on the governor of Ohio for Solomon Sheppard alias William Thomas, a negro under arrest on his own confession for the murder of Engineer Holt at Durham, December together tonight to consider some 3, 1908.

> It will be remembered that Reuben Barbee was arrested for this the solid eastern republican vote in crime, freed by the coroner's jury and later arrested by order of the Durham county grand jury, which

Barbee was to have been tried at investigations along this line and the recent term of criminal court, but we believe that if the proper steps the case went over because of the rewere taken, and the proper induce- ported arrest of the negro, who was in conference. at the time of the murder a citizen of

What the negro's connection with would give them a fine outlet and the crime cannot be imagined by the people of Durham, and his arrival is amendment of the finance committee

WRIGHTS GET MORE TIME.

Government Extended 30 Days. (By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Washington, June Wright brothers today asked 30 days extension of time from the war department in which to fulfill their Their contract called for delivery of the aeroplane by next Monday.

At the signal corps office it was said the Wrights only asked an extension of 10 days, but to be on the

safe side 30 days was granted. This does not mean that flights will not be made before ten days. The aeroplane is nearly ready now, he was very anxious to come here flight will be made from Fort Myer

MEN FIND FORTUNE.

While at Sea.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Atlantic City, N. J., June 23-Be lieving they have found a fortune in a big lump of ambergris caught while rolling for blue fish far at sea, Captain Walter Larson and his crew of three men are carefully guarding their treasure here. Only the best friends of the captain and crew are allowed peeps at the big lump of dull gray matter weighing 150 pounds which the fishermen declare to be real ambergris, worth more than \$200 a pound. Experts will appraise the find shortly. Under agreement with the owner of the sloop, S. J. Moffatt, in which the men made their fishing trip, they are entitled bee. to half of what they find.

INCREASE IN WAGES.

Steel Company Makes An Increase of 10 Per Cent.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Allentown, Pa., June 23-Notices were posted at all plants of the Emas before the reduction last April. at Catasaqua. Topton, and Macungte. Resolved, That a committee of and the ore mines at Oxford and

The largest stockholder in the Empire Company is said to be the looking to the extension of said rail- Duchess of Manchester, who acquired her interest through her father, Eu-President Pearce appointed the gene Zimmerman, of Cincinnati. following committee to take up the The duchess opposed the cut last

DISCUSSED SENATE TODAY

Any Reduction of the **Duty on Lumber**

Action of Senate in Keeping a Duty on Hides is Regarded as a Duty For Aldrich, As it is in Line With His Policy of Pacification-Insures the Adoption of the Tariff Bill as Amended by the Finance Committee-Chairman Payne Will Eight the Duty on Hides When the E'll Reaches Conference, and it is Expected That a Struggle Will Result-Duty Will be Retained.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Washington, June 23-The action of the senate in retaining the duty on hides was in keeping with Senaor Aldrich's program of pacification and insures the adoption of the schedules in the tariff bill as amended by the finance committee. The real fight for free hides, it was said today, will be made in conference. Representative Payne, of New York, who is to be chairman of the house conferees, and who is an advocate of free hides and is backed by almist the house, will hold out for free hides. This means a fight between the house and senate on this one item, it was said today, and will be a repetition of the struggle of 12 cears ago, when the Dingley bill was

The opinion of the leaders is that he duty on hides will remain in the bili.

The senate met at 10 o'clock. The o the lumber schedule was taken up It fixes a duty of \$1.50 per thousand feet on rough lumber as against \$1 n the house bill, and \$2 in the existing law.

Senator McCumber of North Dakota offered an amendment to restore the house rate. This was defeated. 44 to 24, many democrats voting against the reduction.

Senator McCumber offered a series of amendments reducing the duty on various grades of lumber.

Senator Tillman explained his vote against the McCumber amendments for free lumber several weeks ago on the ground that it still left some grades on the dutiable list. He had voted for the \$2 rate in the Dingley bill twelve years ago because, he said, if there was stealing to be done he wanted to be in on it, but he had found the south did not get its share of the tariff plunder, and he now favored free Jumber.

The McCumber amendments wer defeated 49 to 30.

This is the first time that as many as 79 senators have voted on any proposition of the tariff bill.

FORGER ESCAPES.

Took Sleeping Officers' Money and Departed For Mexico.

Phoenix, Ariz., June 23-Police man Ben S. Winchester, of Larned, Kas, started home in charge of Lewis A. Marks, otherwise known as Gustave L. Henderson, and as Gordon L. Harrison, wanted in New York, Kansas, and Missouri, for forgeries of cashier's checks. Marks had just been discharged from a five years sentence in Arizona penitentlary for issuing a bad check at Bis-

As the prisoner waived extradition proceedings Winchester allowed him some lattitude. As a result Marks escaped from the train at Benson. Ariz., taking with him \$140 in cash belonging to the sleeping officer, as well as his watch and handcuffs. It is presumed that he has started for Mexico, which is only 50 miles dis-

Want to Disqualify Hency. (By Leased Wire to The Times.)

San Francisco, Cal., June 23 .- Depite the ruling of Judge Lawlor that he will entertain no such motion, the Calhoun defense expects to ask next Monday that Francis J. Heney be disqualified as an assistant United States district attorney on the ground that he is a federal officeholder and should not, under section 19 of the state constitution, hold both positions.