

# SUSPECT TONG WAR KILLING FREED

## Prosecution of Louie Hing Is Dismissed Because of Supreme Court Reversal.

### ECHO IS HEARD IN CHINA

#### Case Resulting From Hostilities Between Hop Sings and Bow Leongs Closed in Hope of Future Peace.

Louie Hing is free. The last chapter of the tong war shooting at Second and Oak streets on the night of March 16, 1914, was closed when Circuit Judge Gantenbein, at the request of District Attorney Evans, yesterday dismissed the indictment against Louie Hing.

Louie Hing was an alleged gunman of the Hop Sing tong. He was convicted of having shot and killed Lum Fong, a Second-street merchant of the rival tong, the Bow Leong.

The dismissal of the prosecution, following a reversal of the conviction in the Supreme Court, ends a case which has stirred Chinatown to its very depths, has echoed in the tong headquarters of many California cities and, it is said, even far across the Pacific Ocean in China.

**Victim Shot Down in Shop.**

Two years—nearly three years ago—the Hop Sings and the Bow Leongs were at war. Prominent tong men double-barreled their windows and stayed pretty close to their own homes.

On the night of March 16, 1914, two men walked into the little store of Lum Fong at Second and Oak streets, directly across the street from the yawning doors of the police station.

They asked for a bottle of olives, a number of witnesses said. Lum Fong turned to get them. As he reached for the olive shelf, with his back to the visitors, two shots rang out. Lum Fong fell dead. The two visitors disappeared.

At almost the same instant, on Fourth and Flinders streets, occurred another Chinese shooting affray in which another Chinaman was killed. And Fourth and Flinders, too, proved to be a significant spot nearly two years later.

**Two Indicted by Grand Jury.**

Detective Tichenor prowled around a long time investigating the tong war. He learned a lot about tongs and gunmen and such things, and he told the grand jury. Indictments were subsequently returned against Louie Hing and Hui Tung, charging them with murder in the first degree for killing Lum Fong.

But it was one thing to indict Louie Hing and Hui Tung, and it was another matter entirely to arrest them. They were not to be found. The indictments hung fire, and many people forgot.

Not so the Chinese, however. They remembered and they carried their tong grudges faithfully.

Early in November, 1914, a slumbering war between the Hop Sings and the Bow Leongs burst out at Fourth and Flinders, which again became a historic tong battlefield.

**Chinaman Found in Hospital.**

This, however, was a desperate encounter. Five Hop Sings hit the Bow Leong, or some such matter—the exact number involved was never entirely straightened out. Anyway, in the course of 29 or 30 shots, 23 or 20 shots were fired. Three policemen, less than two blocks away, were on the scene before the smoke cleared away. But there were no dead nor wounded. Every Chinaman in the neighborhood shook his head and blandly declared, "No sabe talk."

It was not until the next day that a Chinaman was discovered in St. Vincent's Hospital. He told detectives he had a pain in his stomach. It was discovered, however, that he had a bullet hole through his leg.

Although he said his name was Sid Jung, or something of the sort, practically all the Chinese identified him as Louie Hing.

Before Circuit Judge Davis he was tried for second degree murder for killing Lum Fong. By the adoption of the anti-capital punishment amendment, the voters had practically done away with first-degree murder.

The jury found him guilty of manslaughter and he was sentenced to 1 to 15 years in the penitentiary.

**Supreme Court Reverses Decision.**

The Supreme Court reversed the decision of the lower court and remanded the case for a new trial. And here the rub comes in, according to Deputy District Attorney Collier.

The Supreme Court reversed the case because the prosecution had introduced testimony as to the integrity of one of their principal witnesses, thereby violating the law to bolster up their own case. And Judge Davis had instructed the jury that they might find Louie Hing guilty of manslaughter. Four judges did not consider whether this was proper or not. Judge Burnett, however, said that there was not an element of manslaughter in the case.

"The defense was either a guilty of wilful murder or was entitled to an acquittal," said Justice Burnett.

**Letter From Peace Society Aids.**

Now, argues Mr. Collier, Louie Hing was convicted of manslaughter, and therefore cannot be again tried for murder. He must be tried for manslaughter. Four Justices of the Supreme Court said they didn't know whether there was an element of manslaughter in the case or not. The fifth said it was either murder or no crime at all.

So Mr. Collier had the case dismissed. Another reason for the dismissal was the receipt of an urgent letter from the Chinese Peace Society, and signed by Lee Mei Yinn, Mo Lea Tong, Leong Jen Hing and Wong On.

"As you are aware," the letter says, in part, "this is the outgrowth of a feud among the tongs and, as a result of the court proceedings and conviction of the defendant, there is a wonderful lack of harmony in fact, considerable bad blood between them at this time. We feel that in the event you see fit to grant our request, that this will disappear and conditions be improved. We also feel that this will have the effect of not only improving conditions which exist at present, but that it will have a beneficial effect upon the future of the Chinese people in the City of Portland."

The letter is incorporated in the dismissal order which Mr. Collier has drawn.

And that ends the case of Louie Hing.

**Roseburg Court Exhausts Funds.**

ROSEBURG, Or., Nov. 8.—(Special.)—The expense of conducting the Circuit Court for the year 1915 far exceeded the expectations of the County Court and as a result the funds appropriated for this department of the county government last Fall have been exhausted. The unusual drain on the funds of this department was due to the Roy Parham murder trial and other important cases.

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—Fresh Cakes and Pastries from our Daylight Bakery—Sandwiches—A Cup of Good Coffee—Bakery Lunch—Ninth Floor.



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—Heavy fleece-lined, cream color. High neck, long sleeve, and ankle-length style, sizes 1 to 14 years. An unusual quality at 40c the garment for "Munsingwear" Week.

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—White and natural. High neck, long sleeve, and ankle-length, drop seat. A splendid Winter weight. — 1 to 10 years, 60c Suit. — 11 to 13 years, 70c Suit.

### Children's Munsing Union Suits, \$1.75

—Extra fine quality, pre-shrunk, all-wool union suits for children up to 13 years. High neck, long sleeve, and ankle-length—white or natural. Wonderful at \$1.75.



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—Heavy weight, wool and fine cotton mixed; gray and white; high neck, long sleeve and ankle length. Soft and warm. Daintily trimmed. —Regular sizes, \$1.60. —Extra Sizes, \$1.80.

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—Fine, soft finished cotton union suits, in ten different styles, to suit the individual desires of every woman. —Regular sizes, suit, \$1.25. —Extra sizes, \$1.50.

### Women's Munsing Union Suits at 98c

—An unusual value for "Munsingwear Week"—medium weight, cotton union suits, in three styles. High, low or Dutch neck—long, short or sleeveless; knee or ankle length. —Regular sizes, the suit, 98c. —Extra sizes, suit, \$1.19.

### Women's Munsing Vests and Pants, \$1.25

—Medium weight Merino, white and natural. High neck, long-sleeve vests and ankle-length pants. Trimmed daintily. —Regular sizes, \$1.25 each. —Extra sizes, \$1.50 each.

### Women's All-Wool Munsing Suits, \$3.50

—Pre-shrunk, fine wool union suits, in white and natural. High neck, long sleeve, or Dutch neck, elbow sleeve; ankle length. —Regular sizes, \$3.50. —Extra sizes, \$4.

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### Men's Union Suits \$1.15

—An unusual offering for "Munsingwear Week"—fine soft fleeced cotton Munsing union suits, warm and comfortable. Medium weight, cream color. \$1.15 the suit. —See Morrison-Street Window.

### Men's Munsingwear, \$1.98

—Medium weight worsted union suits for Fall and Winter wear. Soft and warm—perfect-fitting, with comfortable closed crotch. "Munsingwear Week," \$1.98 the suit.

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—We have asked her to come here and tell her most enchanting tales to all the good children of Portland. She will tell fair, tales and nature stories and Indian stories—and some of them in costume—every afternoon.

From 3:15 to 4:15  
From 4:15 to 5:15

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—Sale subject to quantities on hand. Come today and save substantially. —Seventh Floor, Sixth Street.

## Inaugurating a Sample Sale of Jewelry



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- 25c Jewelry, 17c
- 35c Jewelry, 23c
- 50c Jewelry, 33c
- 75c Jewelry, 47c
- \$1 and \$1.25 Jewelry, 63c
- \$1.50 and \$1.75 Jewelry, 97c
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—Main Floor, Sixth Street.

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