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BODY OF ELSIE SIGEL'S SLAYER FOUND IN RIVER

Identification Not Complete, but Remains Believed to Be Those of Leon Ling Recovered From the Hudson and Answers Description of the Murderer Cause of Death Is a Mystery, Suicide Being the Most Plausible Theory

NEW YORK, July 1.—Although complete identification was impossible tonight, there appeared to be strong probability that the body of a Chinese which was found floating in the Hudson river near the upper part of this city this evening was that of Leon Ling, or William Leon, the murderer of Elsie Sigel. The man's height, weight and general appearance correspond with that of Leon Ling, but as the body was nude except for a silk undershirt and had been in the water for more than a week, a thorough examination will be necessary to identify it. Coroner McDonald, who was the first to inspect the body, believes it is Leon's, as do the police. Suicide Believed If it is Leon, the cause of his death will be another mystery, although one theory, that of suicide, would appear reasonable. The body was discovered by Clinton W. Bell, a resident of Harlem, who was out on the river in a motor boat with a young woman. Officers were dispatched immediately to the scene and the body was taken to a morgue in the Bronx, where the examination was begun. In salient features there was a marked resemblance between the dead Chinese and the official descriptions of the missing Leon Ling. The teeth were good, as were Leon's; the height about 5 feet 4 inches, which was Leon's height, and the weight 125 pounds, which was about the figure at which Leon tipped the scales when he disappeared. Age Corresponds The age of the dead man appeared to be about 25 or 30 years. Leon's age was given out by the police as 30. The coroner was unable tonight to arrive at any conclusion as to how the Chinese met his death. Quon Yieck Nam, the local Chinese interpreter who will be replaced by Professor Gardner of San Jose, Cal., in an endeavor to unravel the Sigel mystery, said he himself suggested Professor Gardner's name to the district attorney's office. "I was angered," he said, "by the insinuations of court police officers that I might not be sincere in my work."

FATHER, OUT OF WORK, CUTS THROAT OF CHILD Turns Knife on Himself, but Fails in Suicidal Attempt SANTA CRUZ, July 1.—Daniel Fellman, a Russian railroad laborer, in a drunken frenzy this afternoon killed his 1 year old son at his home near Glenwood by cutting the child's throat with a knife and then attempted to commit suicide by drawing the blade across his own throat. Fellman failed, however, to cut deep enough to sever the jugular vein and probably will live. Fellman had until recently been employed on the Southern Pacific tunnel near Glenwood. For more than a week he has been out of work and drinking heavily and several times threatened to kill his wife and three children.

SHOOTS HERSELF AFTER QUARREL WITH LOVER Marie Gonzales Found Dead in Dupont Street Hotel After a quarrel with her lover last night Marie Gonzales, who lived at 1226 Dupont street, killed herself by shooting herself through the head. Joseph Roberts, the proprietor of the house, found the body of the woman about 7 o'clock. A pistol was grasped in her right hand and powder marks were on her face. She had been living with a man named Raymond Lugo and the couple had been quarrelling violently. Lugo disappeared yesterday afternoon and Detectives de Sola and Murphy have been put on his track. The dead woman was only 18 years old and very handsome.

YOUNG WOMAN LEAVES HER BABY BOY AT HOTEL Rents Room, Puts Child in Bed, and Disappears A young and attractive woman called at the Hotel Merritt, 1836 Geary street, yesterday morning and rented a room from the proprietor, M. S. Judd, paying a week's rent in advance. She went to the room for a few minutes, and then departed. Later in the day a baby boy about 10 days old was discovered in the room. The babe was taken to the central emergency hospital. The name of the woman is not known.

SIXTEEN KILLED IN A RIOT AT GUAYAQUIL Troops Called Out Join Mob in Fighting Police GUAYAQUIL, July 1.—At a celebration yesterday in honor of St. Peter and St. Paul a mob attacked the police. Troops were called out, but many of the soldiers joined the mob and a pitched battle was fought in which 16 persons were killed and 30 wounded.

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DOUBLE MURDER AT LONDON GATHERING Indian Student Kills Lieut. Col. Wylie and Dr. C. Lalieaca; Politics the Motive LONDON, July 1.—A startling double assassination of a political character occurred late tonight toward the conclusion of a public gathering at the Imperial Institute. An Indian student, whose name is not known, shot and killed Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Hutt Curzon Wylie and Dr. Calas Lalieaca of Shanghai. Wylie, who had held important Indian appointments, fell dead on the spot. Dr. Lalieaca showed signs of life after he fell and was hurried to St. George's hospital, but on arrival there it was found that he was dead. Those near the assassin seized and held him until the arrival of the police. He had two revolvers, a dagger and a knife. The gathering at the Imperial Institute, a building devoted to Indian and other colonial functions, was an "at home" to Indian students. Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Hutt Curzon Wylie was born in 1848, being the youngest son of the late General Sir William Wylie, C. C. B. He was political aide de camp to the secretary of state for India since 1901. In 1869 he entered the Indian staff corps and served in Beluchistan during the Afghan war in 1879-80, and accompanied General Sir Robert Phayres' force to the relief of Candahara, for which service he was decorated. MANY PROTESTS BEFORE CUSTOMS APPRAISER Sole Chinese Case Goes Over for the Term W. D. Howell of New York, sitting as a special appraiser of customs, opened court in the custom house yesterday for the purpose of hearing protests from importers objecting to advanced valuations placed on various merchandise and oriental goods entering this port. The court convenes twice a year and during the last six months a world of work had accumulated, none of it, however, being out of the ordinary. But one Chinese case was called during the day. That was a protest from the firm of Sing Fat, and at the request of the attorney representing the Chinese the matter was continued for the term. It is expected that many other Chinese cases will be heard during the session, as Appraiser Howell, since Special Agent of the Treasury Johnson took charge here four months ago, has been raising the valuations of Chinese and Japanese goods. No seizures, however, have been made, it merely being a difference in opinion between the importers and the customs officials as to the value of oriental merchandise. The entire morning was occupied in filing the many protests. This routine work being done, the matter of hearing specific cases and the taking of testimony relative to valuations, was commenced. Most of the afternoon was devoted to determining the value of Keene's cement, imported by the firm of Balfour, Guthrie & Co. The protests of George de la Tour, an importer of grapevines, and the protests of M. P. Coda, an importer of chocolate, completed the work of the day.

THOUSANDS MADE IDE All commerce ceased in the city and the places of business along the sea front was closed. As a result several thousand workmen are idle and special precautions are being taken to prevent disorder. Reggio suffered almost as severe a shock as Messina, but no casualties have been reported at that place. According to the report the earthquake affected practically the same zone as that of December, but the injuries to persons were relatively insignificant, because few as yet inhabited the houses. The seismic disturbance was felt at Taormina, but no damage was done there. Within 24 hours the shocks at Messina numbered 23. Many Walls Fall REGGIO, Italy, June 21.—A strong earth shock was experienced here at 7:30 o'clock this morning. Many walls were thrown down, but up to the present time no casualties have been reported. The people are in a condition of panic. Regents Are Grieved ROME, July 1.—King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helena were deeply grieved to learn of the second earthquake of Messina, and they inquired anxiously for details. Her majesty was gratified to learn that the village of Reggina Emilia, built on the outskirts of Messina under her auspices, had been uninjured. The houses in this village all are of wood and some of them were contributed from America. Father J. H. Hagan of Chicago, director of the Vatican observatory, was the first person to inform the pope of a strong earthquake. His information was confirmed shortly afterward by telegrams from the archbishop of Messina and the bishop of Mileto. The under secretary of the interior, answering an interrogation in the chamber of deputies today, read a telegram from Messina declaring that the earthquake there was not so grave as had at first appeared. The walls still left standing after the December earthquake were shaken down and the people were thrown into a condition of terror. Private telegrams from Messina state that the wounded number 10, including a lieutenant, two soldiers and two carpenters. It is announced officially that the shocks were felt practically in the same zone as that which was devastated last December. Shock in California SAN BERNARDINO, July 1.—A slight earthquake shock was felt here at 5:30 p. m. No damage was done. The atmosphere was unusually heavy throughout the entire day with the thermometer registering 105. GIRL GIVES BLOOD TO SAVE BROTHER'S LIFE Transfusion Operation Is Successful in Tacoma TACOMA, July 1.—To the devotion and self-sacrifice of his sister, George Moore owes his life. Following an operation for pleurisy, a hemorrhage developed Sunday last, and in order to arrest it and restore his strength, transfusion was resorted to, his sister consenting to part with her own blood for his sake. An incision was made in her left wrist, which was bound to his left arm, in which an incision was made near the elbow.

SEVERAL HIT BY STONES Several persons were struck by detached stones, but so far as is known no one was fatally injured. The first shock was followed quickly by a second, and the people fled pell-mell to the American quarter, which they seemed to feel, was their safest place of refuge. So great was the rush to the American buses that the authorities were unable to check the invasion. The soldiers soon drew a cordon around this quarter and a guard was mounted at that place leading to it. Many of the panic stricken people were driven off and orders were issued that no one should be permitted to occupy the American quarter, pending further instructions. Thousands Made Idle All commerce ceased in the city and the places of business along the sea front was closed. As a result several thousand workmen are idle and special precautions are being taken to prevent disorder. Reggio suffered almost as severe a shock as Messina, but no casualties have been reported at that place. According to the report the earthquake affected practically the same zone as that of December, but the injuries to persons were relatively insignificant, because few as yet inhabited the houses. The seismic disturbance was felt at Taormina, but no damage was done there. Within 24 hours the shocks at Messina numbered 23. Many Walls Fall REGGIO, Italy, June 21.—A strong earth shock was experienced here at 7:30 o'clock this morning. Many walls were thrown down, but up to the present time no casualties have been reported. The people are in a condition of panic. Regents Are Grieved ROME, July 1.—King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helena were deeply grieved to learn of the second earthquake of Messina, and they inquired anxiously for details. Her majesty was gratified to learn that the village of Reggina Emilia, built on the outskirts of Messina under her auspices, had been uninjured. The houses in this village all are of wood and some of them were contributed from America. Father J. H. Hagan of Chicago, director of the Vatican observatory, was the first person to inform the pope of a strong earthquake. His information was confirmed shortly afterward by telegrams from the archbishop of Messina and the bishop of Mileto. The under secretary of the interior, answering an interrogation in the chamber of deputies today, read a telegram from Messina declaring that the earthquake there was not so grave as had at first appeared. The walls still left standing after the December earthquake were shaken down and the people were thrown into a condition of terror. Private telegrams from Messina state that the wounded number 10, including a lieutenant, two soldiers and two carpenters. It is announced officially that the shocks were felt practically in the same zone as that which was devastated last December. Shock in California SAN BERNARDINO, July 1.—A slight earthquake shock was felt here at 5:30 p. m. No damage was done. The atmosphere was unusually heavy throughout the entire day with the thermometer registering 105. GIRL GIVES BLOOD TO SAVE BROTHER'S LIFE Transfusion Operation Is Successful in Tacoma TACOMA, July 1.—To the devotion and self-sacrifice of his sister, George Moore owes his life. Following an operation for pleurisy, a hemorrhage developed Sunday last, and in order to arrest it and restore his strength, transfusion was resorted to, his sister consenting to part with her own blood for his sake. An incision was made in her left wrist, which was bound to his left arm, in which an incision was made near the elbow.

BLACKMAILERS' PLOT OR CRIMINAL HOAX San Jose Clubman Receives a Letter Demanding \$1,000 on Penalty of Death SAN JOSE, July 1.—As the result of the failure of a trap to capture the authors of a "black hand" letter, steps have been taken to safeguard the life of John R. Chace, manager of the Associated Oil Company, prominent automobilist and clubman of this city. A few days ago Chace received the following letter through the mails: "Read this letter to the end, for your life depends upon it. We command you to leave \$1,000 in a place described as follows: Tuesday, June 29, at 8 p. m., you will go to the Lawrence saloon at the corner of Alviso road and Hamilton street on the north side of the city. You will leave your conveyance there and go west on Hamilton street (and you will go alone) till you reach the Guadalupe creek bridge; then you will go south upon the west bank past the first bunch of willows under the little fume, and when you get to the second bunch of willows go on about 25 feet and you will find a willow branch overhanging your path; here you will turn sharp to the left, go through the gap in the bushes and step down on a tiny sand bar at the water's edge. "Look close around you and find a green willow stick with about eight inches of wire tangled around the top. Dig one inch into the sand at the bottom of this, find a canvas bag eight inches square, put the money in this and draw the string at the mouth tight and throw it into the stream about 15 feet and then go home. "If you mix the police up in this, no attempt will be made to get the money, and your life will pay. "WARNING—If you do not do as we tell you, never open a letter again—it may contain poison or fever germs. Never open a package—it may be a bomb. Don't get anything from a grocer—the deliveryman may poison if. Don't go outside of the house, or a poison bullet may find you. "THE BLACK HAND."

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DOUBLE MURDER AT LONDON GATHERING Indian Student Kills Lieut. Col. Wylie and Dr. C. Lalieaca; Politics the Motive LONDON, July 1.—A startling double assassination of a political character occurred late tonight toward the conclusion of a public gathering at the Imperial Institute. An Indian student, whose name is not known, shot and killed Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Hutt Curzon Wylie and Dr. Calas Lalieaca of Shanghai. Wylie, who had held important Indian appointments, fell dead on the spot. Dr. Lalieaca showed signs of life after he fell and was hurried to St. George's hospital, but on arrival there it was found that he was dead. Those near the assassin seized and held him until the arrival of the police. He had two revolvers, a dagger and a knife. The gathering at the Imperial Institute, a building devoted to Indian and other colonial functions, was an "at home" to Indian students. Lieutenant Colonel Sir William Hutt Curzon Wylie was born in 1848, being the youngest son of the late General Sir William Wylie, C. C. B. He was political aide de camp to the secretary of state for India since 1901. In 1869 he entered the Indian staff corps and served in Beluchistan during the Afghan war in 1879-80, and accompanied General Sir Robert Phayres' force to the relief of Candahara, for which service he was decorated. MANY PROTESTS BEFORE CUSTOMS APPRAISER Sole Chinese Case Goes Over for the Term W. D. Howell of New York, sitting as a special appraiser of customs, opened court in the custom house yesterday for the purpose of hearing protests from importers objecting to advanced valuations placed on various merchandise and oriental goods entering this port. The court convenes twice a year and during the last six months a world of work had accumulated, none of it, however, being out of the ordinary. But one Chinese case was called during the day. That was a protest from the firm of Sing Fat, and at the request of the attorney representing the Chinese the matter was continued for the term. It is expected that many other Chinese cases will be heard during the session, as Appraiser Howell, since Special Agent of the Treasury Johnson took charge here four months ago, has been raising the valuations of Chinese and Japanese goods. No seizures, however, have been made, it merely being a difference in opinion between the importers and the customs officials as to the value of oriental merchandise. The entire morning was occupied in filing the many protests. This routine work being done, the matter of hearing specific cases and the taking of testimony relative to valuations, was commenced. Most of the afternoon was devoted to determining the value of Keene's cement, imported by the firm of Balfour, Guthrie & Co. The protests of George de la Tour, an importer of grapevines, and the protests of M. P. Coda, an importer of chocolate, completed the work of the day.

BLACKMAILERS' PLOT OR CRIMINAL HOAX San Jose Clubman Receives a Letter Demanding \$1,000 on Penalty of Death SAN JOSE, July 1.—As the result of the failure of a trap to capture the authors of a "black hand" letter, steps have been taken to safeguard the life of John R. Chace, manager of the Associated Oil Company, prominent automobilist and clubman of this city. A few days ago Chace received the following letter through the mails: "Read this letter to the end, for your life depends upon it. We command you to leave \$1,000 in a place described as follows: Tuesday, June 29, at 8 p. m., you will go to the Lawrence saloon at the corner of Alviso road and Hamilton street on the north side of the city. You will leave your conveyance there and go west on Hamilton street (and you will go alone) till you reach the Guadalupe creek bridge; then you will go south upon the west bank past the first bunch of willows under the little fume, and when you get to the second bunch of willows go on about 25 feet and you will find a willow branch overhanging your path; here you will turn sharp to the left, go through the gap in the bushes and step down on a tiny sand bar at the water's edge. "Look close around you and find a green willow stick with about eight inches of wire tangled around the top. Dig one inch into the sand at the bottom of this, find a canvas bag eight inches square, put the money in this and draw the string at the mouth tight and throw it into the stream about 15 feet and then go home. "If you mix the police up in this, no attempt will be made to get the money, and your life will pay. "WARNING—If you do not do as we tell you, never open a letter again—it may contain poison or fever germs. Never open a package—it may be a bomb. Don't get anything from a grocer—the deliveryman may poison if. Don't go outside of the house, or a poison bullet may find you. "THE BLACK HAND."

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