

## Moy Dan

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### **Moy Dan's Friends Provide for His Journey to Heaven**

Moy Dan, a Chinese laundryman, who died Monday at Emergency Hospital, was buried yesterday at Congressional cemetery. The body was prepared for burial at Lee's undertaking establishment, and before the coffin was closed friends of the dead man placed in his hands a number of tickets, which were intended to pay Moy's fare across the Styx, and written instructions were also given as to the way he should take to outwit the devils who would follow and try to capture him.

Eight Chinamen in two carriages accompanied the remains to the cemetery, three riding inside of each carriage and one with each driver. Those outside scattered bits of red, white and green paper, inscribed with charms, to drive away the devils in the air, which are supposed to be ever seeking to catch souls of the departed and carry them off to torment.

At the grave punk sticks were lighted, and while they were burning one of the Chinamen threw twenty-one grains of rice in the open grave. When the grave was filled two roasted chickens, a package of tea, three jars of preserves and a bag of rice were placed on it, in order that Moy should not go hungry on his journey. A small pot of tea was poured upon the grave, and then the pot and several small cups were placed by the food.