

## Charles Lee Soo ( - 3 Dec 1938)

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**Soo. Charles L.** On Saturday, December 3, 1938 at Sibley Memorial Hospital, Charles L. Soo, beloved husband of Nora C. Soo, father of Raymond C., Bernard C., Charles W., and Edward Soo and Mrs. Margaret Mack. Remains resting at 607 H street northwest until Wednesday December 7 at 11 a.m. Funeral services at Calvary Baptist Church 8th and H street northwest at 2 p.m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

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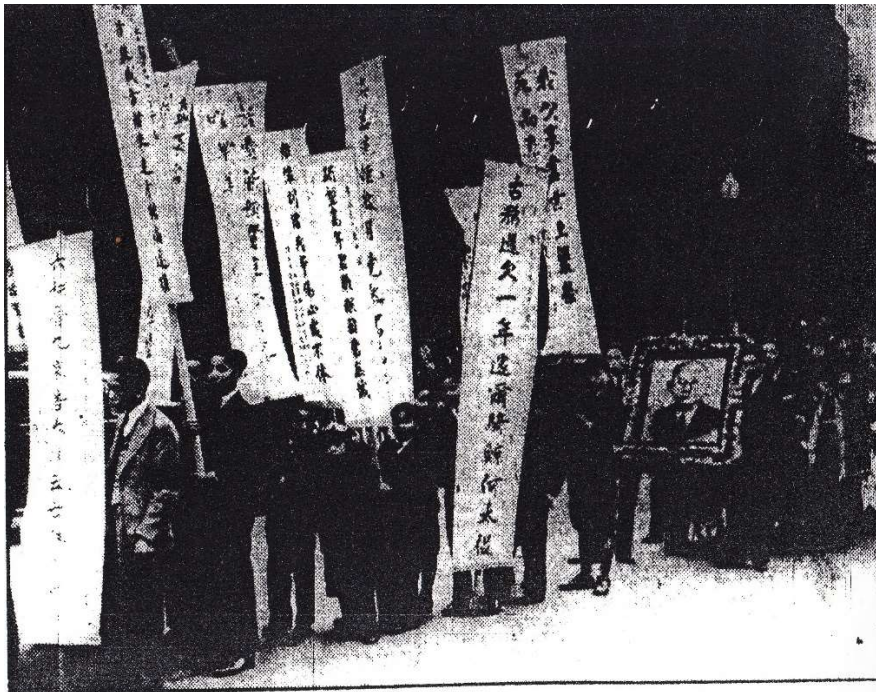
### **On Leong Ton Head, Charles L. Soo, Dies**

Charles Lee Soo, 69, president of the local On Leon Tong Chinese merchants organization, and president of the corporation which runs the Guysum Restaurant at 610 H street N.W., died yesterday in Sibley Hospital after an illness of about a month.

A native of China, Mr. Soo had been a resident of this city for many years and was widely known. He was a member of the Lee Company, a Chinese club, all of whose members are said to be related - some through distant ancestors.

*The Washington Post, December 6, 1938, p. 9*

### **Tong to Parade Here in Funeral Of Its President**



**MOURN LOCAL CHINESE "MAYOR"**—Chinese youths carrying banners, and a picture of the late Charles Lee Soo, are shown as they marched in the funeral procession of the former local head of the On Leong Tong. —Star Staff Photo.

Officials of the On Leong, Chinese merchant long, yesterday obtained a parade permit from police for the funeral of Charlie Lee Soo, president of the local tong, who died Saturday.

Funeral services for Mr. Soo will be held at the Calvary Baptist Church, Eighth and H streets northwest, tomorrow at 2 p.m. Burial will be at Congressional Cemetery.

A typical Chinese funeral parade will be staged after church, On Leong members stated yesterday. Two American and two Chinese bands will be in the line of march, which will start from Chinatown, 600 block H street northwest.

Distinguished Chinese merchants from all over the country will attend the services for the 69-year-old importer. Among the visitors will be Goon Bun Main, national president of the On Leongs.

Mr. Soo is survived by his widow, four sons and a daughter.