



The Tong Wars of New York Chinatown

(Part 3)

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PINYIN / TERM	CHINESE	ENGLISH / MEANING
Charlie Boston	李观长	One of the top guys in the On Leongs
Chin Jack Lem	-	An On Leong whose defection to the Hip Sings sparked a Tong War
Chong Pon Sing	-	The president of the Hip Sings, bumped off by the On Leongs
Fong Foo Leung	-	the Hip Sing national president
Frank Moy	-	head of the Chicago branch of the On Leong's
Gin Gum	-	Another high ranking On Leong and later right hand man to Tom Lee
Hip Sing Tong	协胜堂	The rival of the On Leongs, led by (but not established by) Mock Duck.
Hongmen	洪门	A secret society formed in China during the Qing who pined to restore the good old days under the Chinese Ming dynasty (as opposed to despised Manchu Qing). It later inspired other similar secret societies and fraternal organizations
Jiu Yi Ba	九一八	The Mukden Incident of September 18, 1931
Kim Lan Association	金兰公所	A part of the Chee Kung Tong (Hongmen) made up of mostly Hip Sings
Lee Gee Min	-	Officer for the On Leong's
Mock Duck	麦德	Top guy (but not the founder) of the Hip Sing Tong. Directed and took part in a lot of Chinatown violence
On Leong Tong	安良堂	The Tong led by Tom Lee
Tom Lee	李希龄	Chinatown elder credited with the formation of the On Leong Tong and other NY Chinatown organizations
Tung On Society	东安会馆	Another society made up mostly of seamen
Wanguo Jinyanhui huizhi	万国禁烟会会址	Meeting place of the International Opium Commission

weiji	危机	A crisis
Wong Get	黄傑	A Hip Sing everyman...Used by reforming politicians to rat out the On Leongs and by his fellow Hip Sing tong brothers to make things difficult for the On Leongs
Xinhai Revolution	辛亥革命	The event that toppled the Qing Dynasty in 1911
Yee Toy	余才	A Hip Sing soldier involved in a few of their most daring hits
zhi baobuzhu huo	纸包不住火	An old Chinese saying that says “paper can’t wrap a fire”. Secrets are difficult to hide
Zhongguo Huiguan	中国会馆	The Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association