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Five Years in the Service of
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Chinese Illiteracy Explained

PEKING, April 10.—(By Canadian Press)—China has been called the most illiterate country in the world, but what country would not be illiterate if its people were forced to learn the meaning and use of 7,000 individual characters?

That is exactly what the Chinese have to do. The difficulties of publishers may be grasped if one can imagine the handicaps that must be borne by typesetters who have to dance all over a large room searching for each character needed. A typesetting machine equipped to print the Chinese language is out of the question because no machine could be devised to carry all the characters which might be necessary.

Every time something new comes along, like Einstein's theory or the League of Nations or helium, it is necessary to invent a name, either by approximating the sound in Chinese or by combining characters according to the meaning. The former is almost useless since the characters are nowhere pronounced the same or account of dialectal differences, such as "pin," "fa," "wa," etc. Furthermore, the word in itself may not convey any meaning to the reader who may see it for the first time. It would then be necessary every time the characters are used to have an explanatory note indicating what they mean. Writers then try to find explanations which convey the meaning of the words; whenever they can, they coin a new word by combining parts of characters—all of which is very intricate and makes it difficult for any but scholars to be literate.

However, the novels of the country are written in a very simple language, usually a dialect of Mandarin which is known to many of the common people who cannot read newspapers. For instance, one is often surprised at seeing a rickshaw coolie sitting on the curb reading a tale from a small book, printed in tiny type, much after the fashion of the old sensational penny thrillers. These coolies can often read a signboard or a simple address, so they are not altogether illiterate.

Many efforts have been made to simplify the language and recently an experiment has been made by using 1,000 characters which are most used and which can express simply almost any idea. Special schools are being established to teach this new language, which is commencing to gain popularity.

Chinese Board Predicts World's End

PEKING.—(Can. Press)—The end of the world is at last in sight—indeed it is here to believe the yin-yang-bah-gwah board. Whether or not the predictions of this board are regarded seriously in Western countries, they are accepted as very close to fact in certain sections of China, and in this country elaborate preparations have been made for the coming of the end. According to the Chinese system, by this board 1924 is the year of the pig, which ends the cycle of Cathay. The Chinese cycle covers a period of sixty years, of which the rat is the first and the pig the last. One is out of luck if one is in the year of the pig. There are twelve branches in the cycle, each of which is named after an animal. First the rat, then the cow, then the tiger and hare and dragon, snake, horse, sheep, monkey, fowl, dog, pig. All calamities of the divisions of disaster are supposed to come close to the year of the pig. "You see for yourself," says the believer in the yin-yang board, "they are smoking up for the big blow-off. There have been some heavy thunderstorms and hailstorms around Peking, and a landslide at Kamsu, and now the earthquake in Japan."

Wonderful place, yes the Grenfell Hall will be on April 29th. Get your ticket for the St. Andrew's Grand Novelty Dance.

Britain Reduces Floating Debt

The British Treasury made a new reduction of £3,000,000 in the Floating Debt of Great Britain at the beginning of March, according to advice received by the Bankers' Trust Company of New York from its British information service.

This reduction was made possible by the growing excess of revenue over expenditure which, according to official figures for the past eleven months of the present budget amounted to £29,555,545. The position on March 1st, being as follows:—
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Expenditure . . . 710,987,215

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ment	ments	in francs
Capital	26,832	
Interest	42,910	201,022,349.59
Advances on indemnities	1,477	41,381,447.32

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Refugee Problems Serious

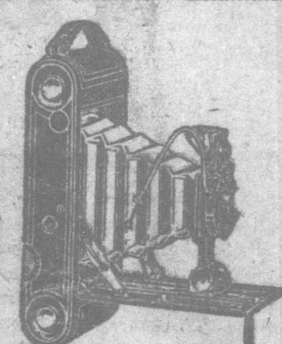
SHANGHAI, April 10.—(Canadian Press)—Great concern is being felt by the Chinese government in connection with the Russian refugee problem and the local arms situation. Steps are being taken to solve these two problems jointly and to send away the vessels that brought the Russians here. As long as the ships remain in the harbors they constitute a menace to the peace and safety of Shanghai and China in general.

There are, it is estimated, some 3,000 to 10,000 refugees in Shanghai at present, of which about 1,800 are on the steamers Zschitznak, Okhotsk, Montgoyay and Eldorado. On those Russian vessels are all kinds of ammunition, ranging from grenades to field guns, from rifles to machine guns, cartridges, four and six-inch guns, field telephone, wireless equipment and so forth. These are for sale to anybody who comes along. The weapons are falling into the hands of undesirable persons and it is believed that many of them reach the bandit hordes which have been terrorizing the country.

The Peking government has attempted to take the vessels over and sell them, but each time its efforts have been thwarted by the existence of treaties. The vessels are claimed as the property of the Soviet government, which urges that the ships be turned over to the Russian volunteer fleet. This probably will be done on condition that they take away their human cargo.

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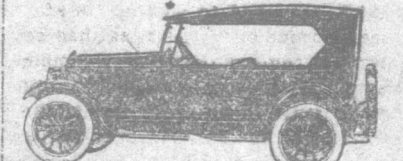
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