

H. E. Dr. H. H. KUNG

(Minister of Finance and Chief Envoy to the Coronation of Their Majesties King George VI and Queen Elizabeth)

To the CHINA CRITIC-

Through your Special Coronation Number, I wish to express that it gives me great pleasure to take this trip to attend the Coronation of His Britannic Majesty-King George VI on behalf of the Government.

Events in the past years have witnessed the growing sentiments of cordiality and friendship between the two countries. I consider this trip a success if it will only, as it is intended to, further cement this happy friendly relationship subsisting between the two countries.

This Special Number of your Journal especially devoted to the Coronation also bears testimony to the interest our people take and rejoicings they share with the English people in this Glorious Event, the Coronation, of a friendly Power.

Yours sincerely,

H. H. KUNG,

Special Ambassador and Chief
Delegate to the Coronation of His Majesty
King George VI of England.



H. E. QUO TAI-CHI (Chinese Ambassador to the Court of St. James and Deputy Envoy to the Coronation of their Majesties King George VI & Queen Elizabeth)

The last few years have seen a considerable clarification of all the relations between Great Britain and China. Our relations have been abundant and varied for a century and a half. They have covered commerce, culture and political intercourse. I think I am justified in saying that never has the spirit of true and thorough co-operation between China and Great Britain been better exemplified than in the present circumstances.

Also, the populations of both countries are more reciprocally aware of each other than ever before. The sense of contact is not left to a few diplomats, business men and travellers, as was the case long ago.

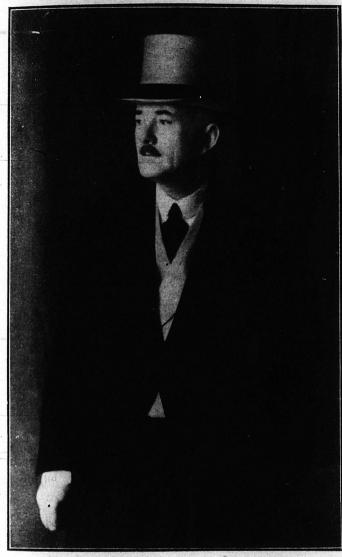
Great Britain shows she realises China's importance to the world politically as well as commercially and culturally. China, for her part, realises that the principle and practice of Great Britain's fundamental democracy have important relevance to all democracies.

So it is not only clarification of the relations between China and Great Britain as individual nations that has lately been notably advanced, but there is a clear sense of universal international value in the good understanding between Great Britain and China, with special point for Europe and Asia.

The inauguration of King George VI's reign coinciding thus with happy developments in diplomacy, finance, trade, scientific research, traditional culture and warm human appreciation between our two countries, promises to connect the names of His Majesty and Queen Elizabeth with an era of good feeling and advantageous co-operation that has significance for the whole world.

The China Critic does a service to both countries in making its first issue of May a special Coronation Number, as commemoration of Anglo-Chinese association and collaboration.

Quo Tai-chi Chinese Ambassador to the Court of St. James



SIR HUGHE KNATCHBULL-HUGESSEN

(H.B.M. Ambassador to China)

April 13th, 1937.

Gentlemen,

It is with great pleasure that I have learnt of your intention to issue a special number to commemorate the Coronation of Their Majesties King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, and I am honoured to accept your invitation to be a patron. I have much pleasure in sending you an autographed photograph of myself for reproduction.

At this time when we are rejoicing in the Coronation of our Sovereign and his Queen, it adds to our happiness to know that China is rejoicing with us. The occasion will mark once again the deep sympathy and good-fellowship existing between our two peoples.

With my best wishes to the "China Critic,", and for the happiness and prosperity of China,

I am,

Yours faithfully, HUGHE KNATCHBULL-HUGESSEN

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Mr. O. K. YUI

(Acting Mayor of Greater Shanghai)

April 29th, 1937.

The Editor,
THE CHINA CRITIC,
Shanghai.

Dear Mr. Editor:

I am highly pleased to learn that you plan to issue a Coronation Number in the first week of May to commemorate the coronation of His Majesty King George VI of Great Britain. In doing so you will be honoring the great sovereign of a great nation, and at the same time demonstrating the goodwill of the Chinese people towards the people of the British Empire. In my opinion, such a demonstration, coming as it does from a Chinese owned and edited periodical in English, must be taken as a sure proof of the solidarity of Sino-British friendship. I am happy to add that this is in perfect accord with the attitude of our Central Government.

As Acting Mayor of Shanghai, I am particularly impressed by the unanimity of opinion in Chinese circles as to the proper attitude to be taken by the Chinese people on the occasion of the coronation of His Britannic Majesty. Shanghai owes much to the enterprise of British traders and merchants in the early days of its history, and no less to those who arrived later. It cannot but be a source of greatest satisfaction to us all that Sino-British friendship and co-operation have contributed in a most substantial manner toward its achievement. How fitting then it is for the Chinese people of Shanghai to take an active interest in an occasion, which by all intents and purposes is British.

I sincerely hope that the lead taken by your magazine will soon be followed by many others who share your sentiment and spirit. I wish also to express the hope that this demonstration of fraternity will usher in a new era of closest co-operation between China and Great Britain.

Yours very sincerely,

O. K. Yui,

Acting Mayor