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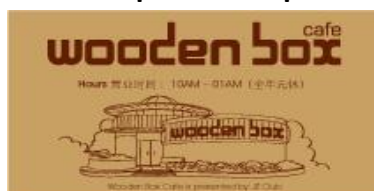
cordially invite you to:

British Expatriates from Shanghai and their Role in the First World War

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Monday, May 12th, 2014
19:15pm – 20:30 pm



9 Qinghai Lu (just to the South of Nanjing West Road)
青海路 9 号, 近南京西路, 地铁二号线南京西路站

19:00 – Doors Open
19:15 – Lecture
20:00 – Q&A
20:30 – Mixer/Drinks/Dinner
21:30 – Live music at the Wooden Box

Please RSVP to Frank Tsai of Hopkins China Forum by writing to editor@shanghai-review.org.

After 1914, between tiffin and a day at the race track, British expatriates in Shanghai enjoyed a life far removed from the horrors of the First World War. Shanghai's status as a treaty port – with its foreign concessions home to expatriates from every corner of the globe – made it the most cosmopolitan city in Asia. The city's inhabitants on either side of the conflict continued to mix socially after the outbreak of war, the bond amongst foreign nationals being almost as strong as that between countrymen. But as news of the slaughter spread to the Far East, and in particular with the sinking of the Lusitania, their ambivalence turned to antipathy.

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