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# FOREWORD

In the summer of 1974, Harvard sponsored a workshop on Republican-period China to promote scholarship among senior and junior scholars working in the field. Over forty people attended, representing nearly all of the most active researchers on the topic. We discussed what kinds of research aids would be useful, and the single most useful aid was felt to be the need for a personal name index to Boorman's *Biographical Dictionary of Republican China*.

Janet Krompart volunteered for the job. She brings to the task an unusual combination of talents. A librarian by profession, she also has a solid background in Chinese studies. She has gone about her task with extraordinary care and devotion and has hereupon produced the index, which should do a great deal to provide access to the many minor leaders of the Republican period who can now happily be identified by the use of this index.

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# EXPLANATORY NOTES

## NAMES

This index to the *Biographical Dictionary of Republican China* (ed. by Howard L. Boorman [New York: Columbia University Press, 1967–71], 4 vols.) generally follows the original work in using a slightly modified Wade-Giles romanization system for Chinese names except for those, e.g., Sun Yat-sen, Eugene Chen, that are most familiar in another form. Whenever a name entry is in a form other than Wade-Giles, a cross reference is made from the Wade-Giles romanized form, provided that the original Chinese form of the name is known. The modifications to Wade-Giles used here are the elimination of disused diacritical marks and of umlauts in words such as *yuan* and *hsu*, where no other reading is possible.

The romanized form of characters pronounced *i* or *yi* is not standardized, and users of the index should try both forms of romanization where placement in alphabetical order is greatly affected.

Names of those who are the subject of a biographical essay in the dictionary appear in the index in bold-face type.

Oblique references to persons, e.g., II:252a, where P'u-yi is mentioned as "the emperor," are included in the index under the name of the person intended by the reference.

Mention of famous works of Western literature, for example, II:354a where there is a mention of *Wuthering Heights*, are listed in the index under the name of the author of the work cited so that information about translations from that literature can be approached through this personal name index.

The entries in the index are arranged in a "straight-through" word-by-word alphabetical order. This system disregards Wade-Giles distinctions on the rationale that the index can be

used with equal ease by those who are familiar with the romanization system and those who are not. Titles, e.g. Mrs., prince, bishop, are disregarded in filing.

## CROSS-REFERENCES

The objective in cross-referencing is to make reference from any form of a name through which a user of the index might approach it to the form under which citations are listed. Western names, pen names, frequently used *ming* or *tzu*, etc., as well as Wade-Giles forms, where they are not the entry, are cross-referenced. Entries and cross-references in brackets are names which contain typographical errors in the dictionary and which therefore are "ghosts" and not real alternative forms.

## CITATIONS

*Death dates.* A number of persons whose biographies appear in *Biographical Dictionary of Republican China* have died since the last volume of the dictionary was published, and death dates that can be confirmed have been supplied in this index.

*Information in other biographical dictionaries.* Whenever a person mentioned in *Biographical Dictionary of Republican China* is also mentioned or has a full biography in another major English-language biographical dictionary, this information is given before the BDRC citations are listed.

### *Form of Citations*

Roman numerals I–IV indicate the four volumes of BDRC. Arabic numerals are page citations within each volume, and "a" or "b" indicates the left or right-hand column of a page.

Citations to the full biography of major biographees are in bold-face type.

Most of the citations are arranged in the order of their appearance in the four volumes, but there are a number of persons, such as Chiang Kai-shek and Mao Tse-tung, for whom citations are so numerous as to be utterly confusing in this order. Numerous citations to an individual are, therefore, specially grouped to facilitate the location of specific information about that person. The basic format for these groupings is chronological, so that a user of the index can follow the biographee's career through the cita-

tions as it is described in his or her biography. Some modification of this chronological arrangement was made, however, in those cases where the information in the citation is general and does not fit a chronology. When the lives of two individuals touched to an extent that there is a substantial amount of information about one in the biography of the other, these citations were not broken up into chronological or other categories but were left intact and listed under the name of the person whose biography contains such substantial information.

# BIOGRAPHICAL DICTIONARY OF REPUBLICAN CHINA

## Volume V: A Personal Name Index Janet Krompart

This personal name index to Howard Boorman's *Biographical Dictionary of Republican China* greatly facilitates access to the vast body of information on the individuals, both Chinese and foreign, mentioned in the original four-volume reference work. Boorman's dictionary, published between 1967 and 1971, is a collection of life histories of some 600 Chinese prominent in the twentieth century. Janet Krompart has indexed the appearances of these major figures outside of their own biographies, and has also cited the hundreds of other individuals mentioned in the essays.

Among the many additional features of this important guide to Boorman's work are:

- death dates given for those of the 600 major figures who have died since the publication of the dictionary;
- Chinese characters supplied for the names of the majority of the indexed persons who were not the topic of individual essays;
- inclusion of the names of Western authors whose names or works are cited in the dictionary, such as Arthur Schopenhauer and Walt Whitman, providing access to information about important translations into Chinese in the twentieth century;
- extensive cross-referencing from alternative names;
- and citations to entries on individuals in other English-language biographical dictionaries, namely L. Carrington Goodrich's *Dictionary of Ming Biography, 1368-1644*, Arthur W. Hummel's *Eminent Chinese of the Ch'ing Period, 1644-1912*, and Donald W. Klein and Anne B. Clark's *Biographic Dictionary of Chinese Communism, 1921-1965*.

This fifth volume of the *Biographical Dictionary of Republican China* will be of enormous value to the many users of the original four-volume reference. In compiling this index, Janet Krompart has significantly expanded the usefulness of the work that Edwin O. Reischauer called "an indispensable aid to the student of twentieth century China."

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