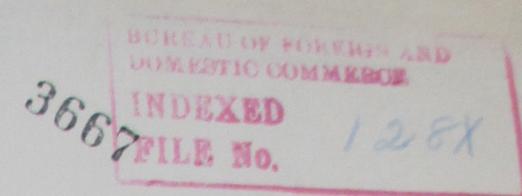
Subject: REGISTRATION OF "NEW" MOTOR VEHICLES
INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENT, SHANGHAI

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Through the courtesy of the Traffic Office of the Shanghai Municipal Council, the following information as to registration of "New" Motor Vehicles is made available.

Total registrations for January numbered 44, of which 33 were passenger cars, 5 trucks and 6 omnibuses. January registrations increased 100% as compared with December registrations.

PRIVATE MOTOR CARS Austin Buick Chevrolet Chrysler Fiat Ford Morris Opel Pontiac Renault Willys Overland .. Studebaker Total 29 PUBLIC MOTOR CARS Total Chevrolet PRIVATE MOTOR TRUCKS Total 1 Austin PUBLIC MOTOR TRUCKS Indiana Bedford Total Studebaker OMNIBUSES Total 6 A. E. C. FOREIGN MAIL

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GRAND TOTAL

1940 Year Year Private Public Private Public 1940 1939 Motor Cars Motor Cars Motor Trucks Motor Trucks Omnibuses Total Total January 29 4 4 6 44 64

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NOTE: These figures do not include new registrations in the French Concession or the present City Government of Greater Shanghai. They represent only the "Brand New Cars", which have been licensed by the Shanghai Municipal Council for the International Settlement. They do not necessarily represent "new car sales", as it is possible that some brand new cars are put into use with old license plates when purchasing the same type of car.

The French Municipal Council is now publishing quarterly, new car registrations licensed for operation in the French Concession.

The present City Government of Greater Shanghai also maintains a separate licensing bureau at which vehicles must register for operation in areas other than the foreign concession.

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