

The Touring Movie Theater Project by the *Huabei* Film Company during Japanese Occupation

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The *Huabei* Film Company was established as a state-owned company during the Second Sino-Japanese War in the North China region. Although *Huabei* sponsored touring movie theaters, the details of these activities remain unexplored. This paper aims to clarify two facts: the purposes of the touring theater and types of films screened there. The touring theater was intended to advertise political propaganda, promote scientific education and pro-Japanese sentiment, and provide entertainment. The theaters mainly used *Huabei's* own newsreels and documentary films for propaganda, Japanese films to promote scientific education and pro-Japanese views, and Shanghai films for entertainment purposes.