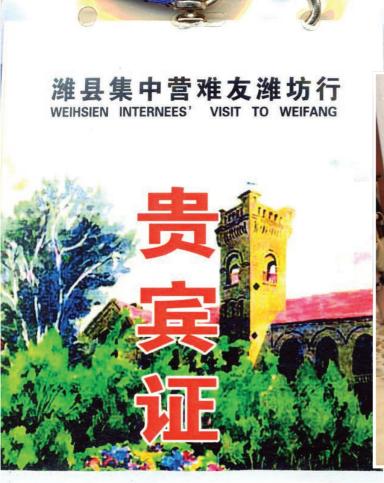
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After the Pacific War broke out, based on the excuse that the Japanese stole the secret information of the US army and

served for the Japanese army, US government gathered all the Japanese immigrants in San Francisco to a confined place near Los Angeles, and restricted their freedom. In order to take their revenge on US, Japan enforced to isolate and intern all the overseas persons living in enemy-occupied China from Britain, America, Canada, Australia, New Zealand etc. ... The Japanese chose Weihsien Le Dao Yuan in North China as a concentration camp. The Japanese called it "A living place for the people of the enemy

state". But the local people called it "Foreign Residents Concentration Camp".

After that, Japanese successfully took captives and imprisoned the foreign residents from US, Britain and other countries who lived in the north of the Yangtze River and Shanghai.

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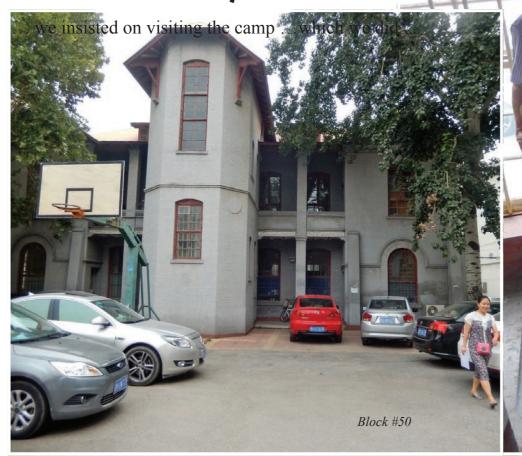






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