

Again, in 1932-33, he was much in the public eye as a leading factor in the solution of the water rates controversy, which at one time presented a dangerous and menacing issue. Mr. Feng is widely known to both Chinese and foreigners in Shanghai.

Fessenden, Stirling: *Secretary General, Shanghai Municipal Council.*

BORN September 29, 1875, at Fort Fairfield, Maine, U.S.A., son of Nicholas and Laura (Stirling) Fessenden: Clubs, Shanghai, Country, American, Columbia Country, Cercle Sportif Francais, Shanghai Race, Cricket, Hungjao Golf, American University, Rotary (hon.); member, American Bar Association, American Bar Association of China, International Bar Association of Shanghai.

A resident of Shanghai for almost thirty years, Mr. Fessenden since 1920 has been continuously and intimately associated with the governing body of the International Settlement, the Shanghai Municipal Council, and since 1929 has been its active executive officer as Secretary General.

Mr. Fessenden was educated at Bowdoin College, where he was awarded his B.A. degree in 1896 and honorary LL.D. degree in 1932. He first came to China in April, 1903, and was engaged in the practice of law in Shanghai from 1905 until 1929, first in partnership with the late T. R. Jernigan and in recent years associated with Major C. P. Holcomb in the firm of Fessenden & Holcomb, which is still carried on by Major Holcomb. Elected a member of the Shanghai Municipal Council in 1920, Mr. Fessenden was chosen Chairman of that body in October, 1923, and held the office until April, 1929, when he became Secretary General, a rather unusual record of civic service, which, coupled with his long residence, has made him one of the best known Americans in the Far East.

Fischer, Dr. Oscar: *Lawyer.*

BORN November 21, 1885, son of Bernhard and Anna Ehrlich Fischer; married Miss Renee Taperoux; children, Raoul, George, and Edmond.

Dr. Fischer is a practitioner in all of the consular courts in China, specializes in international law, and is conversant with six languages. He was educated in the High School of Commerce in Vienna, the University of Lausanne and the University of Vienna, where he secured his degree of Doctor of Law. He came to China in 1910 on a trademark case before the Austrian Consular Court at Shanghai, remained to engage in private practice and is now a member of the prominent law firm of Musso, Fischer & Wilhelm.