The Mao Era in Objects

Typewriters: Manufacturing Plant



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CREATOR

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DESCRIPTION

The company dedicated a substantial financial investment to its new Chinese typewriter division, which occupied a reported forty rooms. Employing more than three hundred workers, and entailing some two hundred pieces of equipment, the process of building the new machine was divided among a variety of roles: melting lead to be used for character slugs, casting the character slugs, error-checking the tray bed character table, fitting the machine chassis, setting character slugs in their designated locations on the tray bed, and more.