



Shanghai ID cards to carry fingerprints

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she had never applied for, the Shanghai Morning Post reported.

The account in her name was opened on November 24 last year in Jing'an District. Records showed the card was mostly used for online transactions.

The woman said she lost her wallet, which contained her ID card, around the Mid-Autumn Festival last year. She went back to her hometown in Sichuan Province to make a new card. Police were informed as soon as she realized that someone had used her lost ID card to open a bank account.

The account was frozen.

Shanghai police said situations like that could be avoided in the future if fingerprints were incorporated into the ID cards.

"To increase the safety of ID cards,

Vocabulary

- on trial

试行

The act of trying, testing, or putting to the proof.

- counterfeit

造假

To make an imitation intended to be passed off fraudulently or deceptively as genuine; forgery.

- incorporated into

包含进

To include as a part.

the ministry launched the fingerprint service to prevent the false use of the ID cards for licenses or certificates. It can also help the authorities check the true identity of the card holder," an officer surnamed Fei said.

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Buzzwords

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自教族

Self-teach parents

Some younger parents, doubtful of the traditional education system, keep their children at home and educate them themselves through academic courses.

希腊脱欧

Grexit

The past year has witnessed heated debate on the possibility of Greece leaving the European Union, due to the country's economic plight. However, this has not materialized.

媒商

Media quotient

In recent years, Chinese government officials have begun to realize the importance of communicating through media outlets. The skills involved comprise what Internet users term "media quotient."

隐证求职

Job-hunting down

A master's degree holder in a Chinese city reportedly told prospective employers they held only a bachelor's degree. The job hunter said this was because employers are biased against applicants, especially women, with higher academic degrees.

城市空心人

Burned-out urbanite

Some residents in booming major Chinese cities like Shanghai find themselves struggling with busy workloads and the pace of life, leaving them frazzled and stressed out.

餐桌手机控

Addiction to mobile phones at the dining table

This group are addicted to playing games, chatting and tweeting on their mobile phones at the dining table, when not taking photographs of their dishes in restaurants.

Getting to work on an egg ...



A child grasps a painted egg on display at Yuyuan Garden as a temple fair is underway at Shanghai's famous tourist attraction. The fair, which goes through this weekend, features a nostalgic evocation of Shanghai life from the early 20th century. Exhibits include qipao (a body-hugging one-piece Chinese dress for women also known as cheongsam), old-fashioned radio sets and songs that were popular during the period.

— Zhang Suoqing

Youngsters in a hurry to find life partners

Hu Min

to participate in the event, said Zhou Juemin, director of the association.

Organizers said there will be more "post 90s" — those born after 1990 — at this year's 10,000-Person Matchmaking Event.

With intensified media coverage of "leftover women and men," many have signed up for the mass matchmaking event.

"I don't like the idea of a mass matchmaking party, where it is difficult to find my Mr Right. But my mother keeps chattering about my single status and she wants me to have a

look at similar events," said Ada Yu, a 26-year-old Shanghaiese accountant.

More men signed up for this year's event compared to previous ones, but women remained dominant with 51 percent already signing up, according to Zhou.

Last year and in 2011, it was hard for the organizers to spot enough men, who either shrugged off such events or did not worry about them being single.

Some 40,000 people showed up at last year's events, including parents who lined up outside and needed men for information.

LOCAL residents can now have their fingerprints attached to their identification cards to prevent their misuse.

The service, launched by the Ministry of Public Security of China earlier this year and already on trial in some areas, will be carried out at police stations across the city from July 1.

People can get their fingerprints done on the ID cards at their nearest police stations.

The move is aimed to curb counterfeiting and false use of ID cards as a resident discovered when she went to open a bank account.

The woman, surnamed He, was shocked when she was told by a bank in Pudong that she already had an account with them. She was told she had a card issued by the bank which

MORE than 10,000 singles have signed up for the city's largest match-making event this weekend with a larger participation of youngsters, organizers said.

Over 60 percent of participants are below 30 years of age. The youngest girl is 22 years old and the youngest man is 23, both university students, the city's matchmaking association said.

Some parents whose children are 24 and 25 years old worry about for their children's single status and pushed them