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Request of Mr Edwards

NAME: Yuan Yen-ho

SEX: Female

AGE: 22

NATIVE PLACE: Kiangsu

MAJOR COURSES:

1. Child Welfare Problems
2. Social Case Work
3. Child Guidance
4. Social Psychology
5. Thesis: "Children's Club Work"
6. Child Welfare Field Work

PRACTICE CENTER:

1. Child Welfare Center, Ginling College
2. Child Guidance Service

DATE OF GRADUATION: Summer, 1947

WORKING PLACE:

1. Name of agency: Ginling Rural Service Center
2. Address: Shen Hwa Cheng
3. Type of Service: Child Welfare Worker

DID SHE RECIEVE SCHOLARSHIP OR AID BEFORE?

No.

PRESENT ADDRESS: Shwan Hwa Cheng

PRESENTWORK: A Child Welfare Worker of the G. O. Rural Service Center

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GINLING COLLEGE

Nanking, China.

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT

Candidate Blank #1

Academic and Professional Record

1. Name. *Hsiao-yun Yung*
2. Present Address. *806 Seneca St., Ithaca, N. Y.* (after June 3rd, my address will be: *160 Claremont Ave. apt. 3 B N.Y.C.*)
3. Permanent Address. *24 Kai Tuck Bund, Kowloon City, Hongkong.*
4. Place and date of birth. *Oct. 25, 1913, Hongkong*
5. Academic training. (High School, College, University, Special Courses).

| Dates | Institutions | Degrees |
|------------------|---|--------------------|
| <i>1929-1933</i> | <i>True Light Middle School, Canton</i> | |
| <i>1933-1937</i> | <i>Peking University, Beijing</i> | <i>B.S. (1937)</i> |
| <i>1938-1939</i> | <i>Columbia University (Teachers College)</i> | <i>MA (1939)</i> |
| <i>1939</i> | <i>Merrill-Palmer School (Detroit.)</i> | |
| <i>1940</i> | <i>Cornell University, Ithaca</i> | |

(Both B.S. and M.A. degrees in General Home Economics.)

6. Professional Experience.

| Dates | Institutions | Type of Work |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| <i>1937-1938</i> | <i>True Light Middle School.</i> | <i>Teaching mathematics</i> |
| <i>1930-1933</i> / <i>1935-1937</i> | <i>teaching in Sunday schools</i> | |
| <i>1930-1938</i> | <i>Private tutoring (during summer vacation and also during school years)</i> | <i>Teaching science and mathematics</i> |

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7. List all undergraduate and graduate courses which you have taken in your major field.

| Dates | Institution | Title of Course | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----|
| <i>Undergraduate courses:</i> | | | |
| 1933-1937 | <i>Jenching Uni.</i> | <i>Clothing</i> | 3 |
| | | <i>Food and nutrition</i> | 7 |
| | | <i>Art in home life</i> | 3 |
| | | <i>Child development and welfare</i> | 11 |
| | | <i>Household management and ed.</i> | 6 |
| | | <i>Household technology</i> | 3 |
| | | <i>Seminar</i> | 2 |
| | | <i>Nursery school</i> | 2 |
| | | <i>Play education</i> | 2 |
| <i>Graduate courses</i> | | | |
| 1938-1940 | <i>Columbia University</i> | <i>Clothing + textiles</i> | 9 |
| | <i>Merrill-Palmer School</i> | <i>Food + nutrition</i> | 2 |
| | <i>Cornell University</i> | <i>art (creative art)</i> | 2 |
| | | <i>home management</i> | 3 |
| | | <i>home furnishing</i> | 3 |
| | | <i>child care + development</i> | 7 |
| | | <i>nursery school</i> | 3 |
| | | <i>music for young children</i> | 2 |
| | | <i>stories for children</i> | 2 |
| | | <i>Seminar</i> | 2 |

(Ginling College - Candidate Blank #1 Continued)

8. List undergraduate and graduate courses which you have taken in allied fields which you believe have been helpful to your major field.

| Dates | Institution | Title of Course | |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|--|---------------------|
| 1933-1937 | Yenching University | Nature study | 3 |
| | | Hygiene | 1 |
| | | Sociology (Family problems) | 3 |
| | | Education (Administrative problems) | 3 |
| | | Physics | 5 |
| | | Biology | 8 |
| | | Chemistry | 10 |
| | | 1938-1940 | Columbia University |
| Merrill-Palmer School | Adult " | | 3 |
| Cornell University | Home Ec. Ed. | | 5 |
| Cornell University | American " | | 4 |
| Cornell University | Foundation of education | | 4 |

9. Give names of four or more persons, stating their addresses and positions, who can give information about your academic training and your professional experience.

- Miss C. Winchell — Teachers College
Columbia University
N. Y. C. Assistant prof.
- Dr. B. Andrews — (ibid) Professor
- Miss M. Sweeney — Merrill-Palmer School
71 Ferry Ave., East
Detroit, Mich. "
- Dr. L. C. Kung (龔蘭珍女士) (ibid) (Formal acting head of the Department of H. Ec., Yenching Univ.)

Abstract of Record of Miss Hsiao-yun Yung

I. Educational Preparation

| | | |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| True Light Middle School | 1929-1933 | Graduated Diploma 1933 |
| Yenching University | 1933-1937 | B. S. degree 1937 |
| Columbia University | 1938-1939 | M. A. degree 1939 |
| Merrill-Palmer School | 1939 (first semester) | |
| Both B.S. and M.A. degrees in General Home Economics. | | |

Undergraduate courses:

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|--------------|---------------------------------------|----|
| Major field: | Clothing | 3 |
| | Food | 7 |
| | Art in home life | 3 |
| | Child development and welfare | 11 |
| | Household management and economics | 6 |
| | Hygiene | 1 |
| | Household technology | 3 |
| | Seminar | 2 |
| | Nursery school | 2 |
| | Play education | 2 |

Graduate courses:

| | | |
|--|--|----|
| | Clothing | 3 |
| | Food | 9 |
| | Art (Creative arts) | 2 |
| | Home management | 3 |
| | Child care and develop- ment | 7 |
| | Education (Parent Adult American Nursery school teaching H. Ec. etc.) | 21 |
| | Music for children | 2 |
| | Stories for children | 2 |

II Personal Data

Height: 5'3 1/2"
 Weight: 106 lbs.
 Religion: Christianity.

III. Experience

1930-1933; -teaching in sunday schools.
 1935-1937;
 1930-1938 Private tutoring (during summer vacation and also
 during school years.)
 1937-1938 Teaching mathematics in True Light Middle School.

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IV. Activities.

- 1934-1935 Chairman of the social committee in Yenching Christian Fellowship.
- 1935-1936 Chairman of the Dormitories' Committe of the Women's College, Yenching University.
- 1936 Chairman of the Home Economics Club, Yenching University.
- 1939 Member of Pi Lamda Theata (Honorary National Education Fraternity)

V. References

- Miss C. Winchell, Teachers College, Columbia University, N. Y. C.
- Dr. B. Andrews, Teachers College, Columbia University, N. Y. C.
- Miss Marian E. Breckenridge, 71 Ferry Ave., East, Detroit, Mich.

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208 South Queen Street
Lancaster, Pennsylvania
May 25, 1940

Miss Hsiao-yun Lung
Department of Home Economics
Cornell University
Ithaca, New York

My dear Miss Lung:

This morning I received a cable from Doctor Wu Yi-fang, president of Ginling College in Chengtu, China. The cable asks me to approach you in relation to a department of Home Economics at Ginling. I do not have the details concerning this position, but I know from this cable that Doctor Wu wishes to know if you could be interested in going to Ginling College and I presume, since she has cabled, that she means this summer.

Will you let me know if you are free to do this and if you are interested and what questions you would want to have answered in relation to the department, to the work you would be expected to do, etc. I shall try by cable to secure the information which you need.

I know that there has been a good bit of pressure put upon Ginling even before the war to do some work in Home Economics. The old division was that Yenching should do the Home Economics while Ginling did the Physical Education for women. But I also know that both the government and the British Boxer Indemnity Fund were interested in Ginling developing something in this field. Since the college has moved to the West China University campus, there has been an increasing pressure for work in this field in West China. It is obvious during the present difficulties in China, that Yenching will not be able to meet the need for all the women students who wish it.

Would you be willing also to send me, possibly on the enclosed blank, information concerning your academic training and experience, if you have had any. ^{or you may use a separate sheet} You do not need to use this blank if you prefer not to.

I shall hope to hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Chairman of the Personnel Committee
of the Ginling College Board

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806 East Seneca Street
Ithaca, N. Y.
May 29, 1940

Miss Rebecca W. Griest
Chairman of the Personnel Committee
of the Ginling College Board of Founders
208 South Queen Street
Lancaster, Pennsylvania

Dear Miss Griest:

I am very much interested and attracted to the position which you offer me in Ginling College. I shall have completed my studies at Cornell University by June 3rd, 1940, and will then be free to accept a position. Since, however, this is my second year of study in the United States, I find my funds so sadly depleted that I shall have to seek temporary work in the United States in order to earn my passage home and to Chengtu. If, however, your organization could arrange to pay my passage to the College, I should be delighted to accept the position and to start work this summer.

In relation to the work in Ginling College, I should very much like to know whom I would be expected to teach, which subjects I would teach, and whether or not I would have any administrative responsibilities. I should appreciate knowing also what rank I will be given in the College, whether instructor, lecturer, or assistant. In addition, I should like to know what salary I shall be offered and the number of hours I shall be expected to work.

I am enclosing herewith a summary of my education and experience, as you requested.

I should be grateful would you inform me as soon as possible whether financial aid can be given to me to defer my traveling expenses as passenger lists on all boats leaving for China are overcrowded and I should have to make arrangements at once if I receive this aid.

Yours very sincerely,

Asiao-yun yung

I shall be leaving for New York City on June 3rd and may be reached there at 160 Claremont Avenue, Apartment 3B.

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208 South Queen Street
Lancaster, Pennsylvania
May 31, 1940

Miss Hsiao-yun Yung
806 Seneca Street
Ithaca, New York

Dear Miss Yung:

I was delighted to have your letter and its enclosures this morning and I am sending this letter in duplicate to Ithaca and to New York City.

I am cabling Doctor Wu today of your interest in this position and asking her permission for a travel allowance for you and immediate information regarding the position to be offered to you.

I think that it would be your task to organize a Home Economics department, although I cannot answer that definitely. My impression is that up to the present time Ginling has not offered work in Home Economics. This would be a position of real responsibility and would be a real challenge because of the opportunity in that field in West China.

Will you please keep me informed of your address so that we can get into immediate touch with you when we hear from Doctor Wu?

Sincerely yours,

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208 South Queen Street
Lancaster, Pennsylvania
June 1, 1940

Dr. B. Andrews
Teachers College
Columbia University
New York, New York

My dear Doctor Andrews:

President Yi-fang Wu, of Ginling College, has cabled us asking us to get in touch with Miss Hsiao-yun Yung in relation to a position in home economics at Ginling College in Chengtu, China. I have written to Miss Yung and she is interested in the position. Among the references that she has given us is your name. Would you be willing to let me know your opinion of Miss Yung, both as to her equipment for a position in the department of Home Economics and as to her ability to assume responsibility in that department and any impressions which you have of her personality? Would she be willing to give herself freely to the task, and do you think that she would be cooperative and able to adapt herself to the rather Spartan conditions in which they are all living in West China?

I think I had the pleasure of meeting you in the China Colleges' office two or three years ago when you were using the Ginling College film.

Sincerely yours,

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Chairman of the Personnel Committee
of the Ginling College Board of Founders.

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TEACHERS COLLEGE
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
NEW YORK

Rec'd. 6/9/40.
Ack. 6/10/40.
Replied to Dr. Vee - 6/10/40

June 4, 1940

Miss Rebecca Walton Griest
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Miss Griest:

n [I have your inquiry about Miss Hsiao-yun Yung. She came to us in the summer of 1938 as a graduate student and finished the courses for her A.M. degree in June 1939. She has been recently doing graduate work at Cornell University. Miss Yung took with us courses in the following subjects: foods and cookery, clothing, child care and development, parent education, American education, foundation principles of education, adult education in home economics, clothing construction and home management. In all she took twelve courses and made a good academic record with 3 A's, 4 A-, and 4 B+'s, and only 1 course of a lower rank, that in Educational Foundations, in which she was given a grade of C+. This course, you may know, is a short-cut course for American students which in a single block of work tries to give our American students a comprehensive view of education in terms of psychology, sociology and economics. A student from abroad might well be excused for dropping in grades at this point.

I remember Miss Yung well and am glad to recommend her personally for a teaching post in Ginling College. I do not know her well enough to give a trustworthy judgment on her total reaction to the teaching situation in West China, but personally would give her an affirmative recommendation.]

I am trying to reach Professor Cora M. Winchell who acted as her adviser, and if I reach her - she is out of New York - she will send you an additional opinion.

I do find in our file a couple of letters from which I quote the following:

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Mr. Chen, Head of Yenching University Department of Home Economics, writing us with regard to Miss Yung, says: "She is a girl who has proved herself to be a person of potentialities. She took general work in Home Economics with us, but her interest has been in child study."

Miss Ruth L. Stahl, Acting Dean of Yenching College for Women, writing April 14, 1938, says:

"Miss Hsiao-yun Yung has asked me to write a letter of recommendation for her, and I am very glad to do this.

"Miss Yung graduated from the Department of Home Economics in Yenching University last summer, and has since been teaching in True Light Middle School in Hongkong, formerly in Canton. Miss Yung comes from a well known Cantonese family, her father having been one of the first Chinese students to study in America. An elder brother and sister are at present in the United States. Miss Yung is now anxious to proceed to America, particularly to study Child Psychology and Nursery School work, lines of work along which she has had some training during her undergraduate work in Yenching. She has a pleasant personality, and has taken a lively share in many student activities. Her English is good, and quite sufficient for her to carry on work in an American institution.

"Miss Yung is applying for entrance to your graduate school, and would wish to register for work for the master's degree. I have no hesitation in recommending her to you as a careful, hardworking student who would certainly profit from study abroad. We shall be very grateful for any help that you are able to afford her."

Sincerely yours

Benjamin R. Andrews

Benjamin R. Andrews
Professor of
Household Economics

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June 4, 1940.

Miss Rebecca W. Griest
208 South Queen Street
Lancaster, Pennsylvania

My dear Miss Griest:

Your wire of May 31st was on my desk when I returned yesterday after a weekend holiday.

I am interested to know that Dr. Wu is interested in Miss Yung. I knew Miss Yung quite well during her residence for one semester at the Merrill-Palmer School. She is a young woman of unusual capability and although quiet is a forceful personality. In the nursery school she showed excellent judgment in handling children, especially in behavior situations; she also evidenced critical thinking in her questions.

The entire staff felt that she had unusual intellectual ability, was very energetic and gave evidence of considerable ability in organization. Her purposefulness in the work that she did was commented on by all of the staff. Her house counsellor, her adviser and her major leader all rate her with exceptional ability. She made one of the best records that has been made at Merrill-Palmer among the foreign students.

In my contacts with Miss Yung I found her entirely dependable, thoroughly community minded, with a fine point of view about the development of home economics. She is so unassuming that it takes a little while for a person to know her well enough to appreciate her. In the student residence where she lived she was very well liked. She mixed easily and comfortably with people and although an Oriental, made a very real place for herself. She is not very fluent in the use of the English language but in spite of this handicap and her reticence she availed herself of every opportunity that was given to study methods of teaching, to collect illustrative material for class room work and to observe in all types of education, both formal and informal.

In the intimate conversations which we had about her work when she returned to China, I found that she had a very genuine love for people and an exceptional understanding of human problems. She was especially interested in family life and the development of home economics around the family life of China. I would have no reservation about her ability as a teacher or about her preparation. The only reservation that I would have would be that she should develop home economics which would fit into the tradition, the philosophy and the habits of the Chinese people and not impose the methods learned in America on the school system.

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Miss Griest
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She has the ability and the creative art to do this if Dr. Wu will back her up and will give her a certain amount of guidance. I feel that too often in the Chinese schools the teachers of home economics have taken over our art, our technique for making clothing, our food customs and transplanted them in the Chinese colleges. They do not function because they are utterly remote from the life of the people and, therefore, home economics becomes meaningless.]

I am saying this confidentially to you because I feel so strongly that it is so easy to have it happen and so difficult to change once it becomes entrenched in a course of study.

If there are further questions I can answer, do not hesitate to write me.

Sincerely yours,
Mary E. Sweeney
Assistant Director.

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Rochester, N. Y. June 7.

3 My dear Miss Giest—

Kindly accept a most
informal response to your
inquiry concerning this
Hsba@yong Yung.

[Simpling] Polhe layee he
fortunate, indeed, to be
cure Miss Yung for its
step. She is a very rare
Woman in every sense

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of the word. Personally, professionally,
spiritually - ^{she} all
she is well above the average.
Indeed she will give her-
self to whatever responsibilities
she accepts - and will do
her part ^{and} creatively ^{and}
wholeheartedly. ^{and} how she
longs to meet the needs of
womanhood, and family life,
in China! ^{There} no ^{more}
trouble in advising that ^{the} ^{University}
College appoint her!
Most sincerely yours,
C. M. Binkell

TEACHERS COLLEGE
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
NEW YORK

Rec'd 6/9/40. 517
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Replied to Dr. Ure 6/10/40
Je 7/40

My dear Miss Geist:

I met in 1935

Miss Pauline Sun, then head
of Home Economics at Hopei
State Teachers College, Tientsin,
an institution since destroyed.

She is a Yenching graduate
and seemed to me a young
woman of unusual promise,
possessed of executive power
and leadership ability.

She is living in the French
concession at Tientsin.

Her former President Dr.
Chi, is at the Northwestern
Univ - Is this in Cheng-Tu
and would be available

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COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
NEW YORK

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for President Wu to consult
as to Min Sun's ability
and availability?

Min Sun, I remember,
had arranged for the
reception of my group of
American teachers at her
College, had prepared and
presented in an address a
review of their work and its
developing program that was
very well thoughtout and
effectively stated in a welcoming
address. I was impressed
by her "extension" work thro
a column in the local newspaper
later I had correspondence
with her in her request for

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TEACHERS COLLEGE 1940
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
NEW YORK

a grant for Laboratory
equipment presented to the
Educational Fund (Boson Indemnity?)
of which Dr Paul Monroe is a
Trustee.

A younger sister, Miss
Dora Sam (Yenching, Mills
College, & Mt Holyoke), we have
kept close in touch with. She
is a brilliant student of English
Literature and now with her
husband, Dr Ho, is in agricultural
Reconstruction work in Southern
China.

I think it well to send this
word as of possible interest
to Jen King College - in the care
of Miss Pauline Sun at Trenton -
Miss West / Sincerely, B.R. Andrews

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Yung Hsueh-jin

208 South Queen Street
Lancaster, Pennsylvania
June 21, 1940

Miss Mary E. Sweeny
Merrill-Palmer School
71 Ferry Avenue, East
Detroit, Michigan

My dear Miss Sweeny:

I think I wrote you a note while I was in Iowa with Miss Vattrin acknowledging your letter of June 4 in regard to Miss Yung. I had the pleasure of meeting Miss Yung this week. While she is young, she has, I think, the qualifications which will make her a staple and thoughtful member of the Ginling College staff. She has accepted Doctor Wu's offer and will sail on August 3 on the President Coolidge.

Home economics is, as you may know, a new venture at Ginling. For a good many years in China the division of work has allotted to Yenching the development of home economics and to Ginling the teacher training work in physical education for women. There was even before the war a good bit of pressure upon Ginling to do something in the field of home economics, but Miss Wu loyally stood by the earlier agreement. Now in West China when, because in part of war conditions, the pressure is even greater and when because of the isolation between the students of North China and the students in Free China, it seemed wise to start work in this field. Miss Yung will have, therefore, the responsibility of this initial effort at Ginling. I told her that I felt sure those under whom she had worked in this country would be happy to have her consult them on any matters which she wished to.

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She would be just as anxious as you, I think, that she not only have the opportunity, but that she have the initiative to "develop home economics which would fit into the tradition, the philosophy and the habits of the Chinese people and not impose the methods learned in America on the school system. Since she will have so much initiative at Ginling, she will have this opportunity and her limitations will be, I believe, only those of her own imagination.

You may wonder why we send out so many papers in regard to Miss Alice Settlemyer and nothing in regard to Miss Yung. It is

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Miss Mary E. Sweeney

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June 21, 1940

the policy for us to appoint Chinese candidates only at the request of Doctor Wu. Sometimes she asks us to secure information about these candidates and sometimes she herself has the information and simply asks us to make the contact with the Chinese candidate. In this case she seemed to have a great deal of information and the arrangements about Miss Yung were conducted between President Wu and me by cable. On the other hand, with Americans she asks not for specific people but for departmental personnel, and it is expected that the Personnel Committee here will function very thoroughly in relation to new Americans who are sent to the field.

Sincerely yours,

RWG:JB

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160 Claremont Ave
Apt. 3-B
New York City
N. Y.

June 1940

Dear Miss Griest:

Thank you so much for your letter of June 10th regarding the position offered at Ginling College as acting head of the Home Economics Dept. I have just returned from seeing Mr. Evans who has been most kind in making the necessary arrangements for travel to the coast and to China. I have agreed to travel per third class and will be able to pay for my passage. However since the S.S. Coolidge does not arrive Hong Kong until the latter part of August, travel by plane to Chengtu may be necessary if they wish me to be there by Sept. 15th. Mr. Evans said that you would probably come to N.Y. this coming Saturday, so I am looking forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely Yours,

Hsiao-yun Yung

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Ginling College,
Chengtu,
June 21, 1940

Miss Lung Hsiao-yun
c/o Miss Rebecca Griest
208 Queen Street
Lancaster, Pennsylvania

Dear Miss Lung:

We were very happy to receive the cable message from Miss Griest saying that you have accepted our invitation to join the Ginling faculty in Chengtu. From Miss Kramer's strong recommendation, we are sure you will be able to do a great deal in making a good beginning in this new major of Home Economics in Ginling. It is one of the lines a woman's college should try to develop. Before the war this special training was being done by Yenching according to the correlated program among Christian institutions in China. Now, under war conditions, we are in West China and the difficulty of communication makes it advisable for Ginling to also start this major. There are several different lines of need which should be met by our training of Home Economic students. The first is, naturally, to train Home Economic teachers to go into the middle schools. The Ministry of Education sees the importance of this training for the middle school girls, yet in the curriculum they have not allowed enough time for it so the Home Economic teachers will have to be prepared to teach some other subjects at the same time. Secondly, the hospitals are paying more attention to the question of diet for the patients and consequently there is a great need for dieticians. Thirdly, the improvement of the home is being recognized as most important in this period of reconstruction, especially by the rural and extension workers. We have heard for many years the cry of "going to the country," and yet it was not until very recently that rural workers have actually touched the rural home. Even the agricultural extension workers have realized that the home is the center and what will be accomplished by reaching the family. Such important questions as nutrition, care of children, family hygiene are all important in improving the rural community. With a Christian institution which emphasizes the spirit of service, we expect to train our students to render a real service in meeting definite needs.

While we were in Nanking, we gave only one general elective course on Home Management. We had very few books and these have not been moved to Chengtu. The College, therefore, wishes to order some books at once. The library for any department has to be built up gradually. This year the College is appropriating \$200 US to make a beginning. I am writing to Miss Caroline Chen in Shanghai to ask her to buy books available in Shanghai and to loan us some from her own library. However, I wish you to just go ahead with making an order list of the most recent books on the various lines in this field of Home Economics. If there is time for you to get the books before you sail the best way is to bring them with you. On the other hand for the books that are not likely to be needed next fall, the best way is to have them sent by book post. During these past few years, books and magazines have been coming through although some may take as long as six to eight months to reach here. Dr. Ruth Chester, our acting dean of studies, has worked out a very tentative program for the Home Economic department. It is not her own line and she did it after consulting catalogues and a few people here who are interested in Home Economics. Enclosed, I am

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sending you a copy of this rough draft. I have written Miss Speer twice to secure the most recent program of the Home Economics department from Yenching, but somehow I have not received a reply yet. From what Dr. Chester could tell, the fundamental courses of nutrition, home management, and textiles should be offered this autumn. Again she wished me to say this is not final. The fact is that most of these students that have registered to major in Home Economics have not had any courses in Home Economics. As far as their special interest is concerned, most of the juniors expressed their desire to go into the field of nutrition. From the pre-registration list, there will be six or seven juniors and six sophomores in Home Economics.

I fully realize the difficulty of starting a new department and it is especially so here in Chengtu when we cannot secure books and equipment easily. However, all refugee institutions in the interior have to carry on their work with all sorts of limitations. Both the faculty and students have learned to get the most out of existing conditions. We will try our best to help you in securing what is urgently needed. I am sorry not to be able to give you a more encouraging picture. However, it is better for us to face the facts of war time and then try to do our best.

There is a keen interest among the girls who have decided to major in this line. There is also a desire for promotion on the part of the Provincial Educational Commissioner and also some officials in the Ministry of Education. At the same time, there are the various organizations waiting eagerly for the graduates that we may send out. I can, therefore, assure you that it will be a piece of interesting and challenging work that you will take up and it will be highly worth your energy.

In regard to travel, after you reach Hongkong, we shall send you word as soon as we know of your boat. At present, we are planning to have you and other teachers coming from America to come by way of Kunming. It means taking a boat from Hongkong to Haiphong and the railway from Haiphong to Kunming. From Kunming, if the bus travel is too trying and uncertain, we will arrange for you to take the air plane and leave your baggage to be transported by truck. However, conditions may change by the time you arrive in Hongkong, so we shall send more definite information to your boat in Hongkong.

Looking forward with much anticipation to welcoming you to the Ginling faculty.

Sincerely yours,

/S/ Yi-fang Wu

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Tentative Plans for Major in Home Economics - Ginling College

(Drawn up by Ruth M. Chester after conferences with Miss Highbaugh)

While it is not necessary that all students who major in this field should be planning to go into rural work, the main purpose of the College in introducing such a major is to prepare students for various types of work needed in rural homes and communities, for which women are especially suited. With that general purpose in view it is suggested that we should plan the course so that after certain common basic requirements have been met a student may choose to emphasize any one of the following more specialized lines of work:

- A. Emphasis on Nutrition and Dietetics.
- B. Emphasis on Family Life and Personality Development.
- C. Emphasis on Household Arts.

Below is a preliminary draft of a possible curriculum for these three lines, presented for criticism and discussion.

| <u>Freshman Year</u> | | |
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| *Chinese 111-112 | 3 | 3 |
| *English 111-112 | 4 | 4 |
| *History 111-112 | 3 | 3 |
| *Chemistry 121-122 | 4 | 4 |
| *Mathematics 111-112 | 4 | 4 |
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*Required for science majors by Ministry of Education
 **Additional Ginling requirement.

Electives might be chosen from courses required of other groups or from among courses listed for juniors in that line, or from among other courses offered, according to the interests of individual students.

| <u>Junior Year</u> | | |
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| A. Nutrition Group | | |
| *Nutrition | 3 | 3 |
| Foods and their preparation | 3 | 3 |
| *Physiology | 4 | |
| *Biochemistry | | 4 |
| Household Economics | 3 | |
| *Household Biology | 2 | 2 (3?) |
| Research methods | 1 | 1 |
| | <u>16</u> | <u>16</u> |

| <u>Sophomore Year</u> | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| **English 151-152 | 3 | 3 |
| *Sociology 121-122 | 3 | 3 |
| *Biology 121-122 | 4 | 4 |
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| A. Nutrition Group | | |
| *Chemistry, Organic | 4 | |
| Chemistry, Quantitative and applied (Household) | | 4 |
| Elective | 4 | 4 |

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| B. Family Life Group | | |
| *General Child Psychology 151, 231 | 3 | 3 |
| Elective | 3 | 3 |

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| C. Household Arts Group | | |
| *Chemistry, Organic | 4 | |
| Chemistry, Quantitative & Applied | | 4 |
| Elective | 4 | 4 |

| <u>Senior Year</u> | | |
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| A. Nutrition Group | | |
| Child Nutrition | 3 | |
| Adv. Foods, special dietaries, etc. | | 3 |
| Research in Nutrition ₃ | | 3 |
| Electives | 10 | 10 |
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Home Economics Major - ContinuedJunior YearB. Family Life and Personality
Development Group

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| Household Economics | | 3 | |
| *Household Biology | 2 | 2 (3?) | |
| *Sociology 180 (Family) | | 3 | |
| Pre-School Child | 3 | | |
| Personality Development | | 3 | |
| *Education | 3 | | |
| *Religious Education | 3 | 3 | |
| (Elective ?) | | | |
| *Rural Education | | 3 | |
| Electives | 2 | 2 | |
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Senior Year

B. Family Life Group

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| *Case work Sociology 239 | 4 | | |
| *Child Welfare, Soc. 232 | | 3 | |
| Rural Economics | 3 | | |
| *Social Survey (238) | | 3 | |
| *Rural Sociology 209 | 3 | | |
| Research | 3 | | |
| Marriage | | 2 | |
| Handcrafts | 2 | 2 | |
| Electives | 1 | 6 | |
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Junior Year

C. Household Arts Group

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| Nutrition | 3 | | |
| Foods | 3 | | |
| Textiles | 2 | | |
| Clothing | | 2 | |
| Spinning, weaving | 3 | | |
| Dyeing | | 3 | |
| Handcrafts | 2 | 2 | |
| Household Decorating | 2 | 2 | |
| *Electives or required | | | |
| work in gardening, poultry | | | |
| raising, bee keeping, etc. | | | |
| largely from Univ. of | | | |
| Nanking | 1 | 7 | |
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Senior Year

C. Household Arts Group

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|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|--|
| Household Engineering | 2 | 2 | |
| Household Economics | 3 | 3 | |
| *Household Biology | 2 | 2 (3 ?) | |
| Research or creation of | | | |
| materials | 3 | 3 | |
| Electives | 6 | 6 | |
| | <u>16</u> | <u>16</u> | |

Courses marked * are already offered, or must be offered in connection with other major work, either at Ginling or at the University of Nanking and some others may be available.

Group B. Better put something from Junior year into Sophomore year and make room for adolescent and social Psychology 3 - 3.

208 South Queen Street
Lancaster, Pennsylvania
June 24, 1940

Miss Hsiao-yun Yung
160 Claremont Avenue
Apartment 3-B
New York, New York

My dear Miss Yung:

A cable has been received from Doctor Ku this morning asking that you purchase here books which you will want to use for your departmental work up to the sum of \$200.00. I think you can assume that you will have no library facilities available for your work in Chengtu.

You will need to consult Mr. Evans about this, for he will be able to purchase at a far better price than you would be able to do individually. If you can make out a list of what you need with the publishing house and take that list to him, he will attend to it as soon as possible for you.

I understand that he is back in the office today after a rather unpleasant week of illness. Sincerely yours,

RWG:JB
c/c Mr. C. A. Evans
Room 803
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

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Yung

160 Claremont Ave.
New York City
July 3, 1940

Miss Rebecca W. Griest
208 South Queen St
Lancaster, Pennsylvania

My dear Miss Griest:

Your letter dated on June 24th has been received. Thank you very much for sending me Dr. Wu's message.

I had spent more than a week in the library and in Teachers College in order to get informations to make out the lists of books for the department. Two days ago, with Mr. Evans' help, the ordering lists had been sent out. Hope that they will get everything on time.

Last year I heard from Dean Dyn, Dean of the School of Home Economics, Michigan State College, that American Home Economics Association in Washington, D. C., had a number of books collected and was ready to send to China in case being asked for. I have already made out and sent a list of books, that I think are useful, to the association by the help of Mr. Evans. This may be one of the economical ways to start a new library for the department. In case you know some other sources where I can write for books, I shall be more than glad to take the chance. There are quite a number of popular books related to home life and education printed before 1934 and are still circulating in most home economics libraries. I am sure you know this much more than I do. Hope to get your advice from time to time.

I have changed my plan, not to go to Oregon in the near future, because I have got advices from my formal teachers in Teachers College where I can do some self study now. I am anxious to stay in the states one more year before I go home.

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The situation in South China is uncertain. It is impossible to imagine any change within the coming month. I am afraid that Miss Lee and I will have a difficult time to go to the interior part of China.

I think I shall write to Dr. Wu later. I am working on a curriculum which is possibly used in Ginling. As soon as I finish it, I shall discuss it with Dr. Wu.

The weather gets warmer and warmer. Hope you will have a grant time for your summer.

Sincerely yours,

Hsiao-yun Jung

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208 South Queen Street
Lancaster, Pennsylvania
July 5, 1940

Miss Hsiao-yun Yung
Apartment 3-B
160 Claremont Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Miss Yung:

I was in New York on Tuesday and Wednesday in consultation with Mr. Evans. He told me that he had been in touch with you about the books and that you had that helpful information concerning the American Home Economics Association in Washington, D. C. I hope that you will receive satisfactory information from them because it will be a very helpful gift if they are able to supply us with the books which are needed. I certainly do not know of any other association to which you could write for books. If, however, this association is not able now to supply you with books, you are still authorized to purchase books up to the sum of \$200. These, however, should be purchased through Mr. Evans because he can secure discounts on them.

Do you mean by your statement, "I am anxious to study in the States one more year before I go home", that that is now what you are planning to do? If that is the case, we must cable the field immediately that that is the plan. I hope, however, that that is not your plan. I understand, of course, the difficulties and even some of the dangers of the situation in South China and the anxiety of any family to protect those who are safe at the moment from danger. However, when one has something which can be rendered to one's country in a time of crisis, it is a pretty thrilling thing to be fitted to render it, and I am hoping that, unless the situation grows far worse than it is at the moment, that you will not consider changing your plan of sailing this summer.

Will you kindly let me know just what is in your mind concerning this appointment for the fall of 1940? I think you know that I would not be unsympathetic with any major crisis, which would necessitate a change in plan, but I realize that West China is trying to build a new country as well as to fight a war, and that the assistance of each one of those sons and daughters is a source of strength for both. My impression of you was that you are one of China's daughters who has both courage and conviction.

Sincerely yours,

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8 July 1950

Dear Miss Yung:

You will receive herewith, through Mr. Evans, a two-page letter to you received on to-day's Clipper mail from President Wu Yi-fang and a two-page outline of a course for those students who will be registering for a major in Home Economics as students in Ginling College. These pages came from President Wu in a letter to Miss Griest, who is unable herself to write you to-day because of a death in her family.

In passing on to you the proposed course for majors, we wish to emphasize its tentative nature, which is recorded in the heading of the outline and in a subsequent comment: "Below is a preliminary draft of a possible curriculum for these three lines, presented for criticism and discussion." Miss Griest asks me to say that we feel sure of the serious consideration which will be given at Ginling to any changes in this curriculum you may suggest, within the limitations of the general requirements laid down by the Government's Department of Education. We trust your judgment, and are looking forward with enthusiasm to the service you will give in planning this new field of specialization at Ginling.

Miss Griest also calls attention to the fact that the final paragraph of President Wu's letter - relating to travel in China - must be superseded by other arrangements which take account of events since the date of this letter. Mr. Evans will have talked with you on this point. The situation is changing so rapidly that travel arrangements must also change, but you will have the best possible counsel before you leave this country, and experienced wisdom will also be at your disposal as you proceed. We are now assuming that the excellent air service from Hongkong to Chengtu will continue, and that you will travel that way, as most of our people have done within the past two years. I hope that the element of uncertainty in your plans will add to your zest for this splendid opportunity. From my own twelve years in China I have a conviction that the challenge to constant adaptability is one of the many rare gifts which your country has to give to all those who serve her loyally.

With my very best wishes, and with keen envy for the satisfactions you are certain to know through the years which lie ahead, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. T. D. Macmillan, Secretary
Board of Founders

Miss Yung Hsiao-yun
Apartment #b
160 Claremont Avenue

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Mailed letter to Dr. You & return of course -
by Clipper - 7/25/40.

160 Claremont Ave.
New York, N. Y.
July 25, 1940

Miss Rebecca W. Griest
208 South Queen Street
Lancaster, Pa.

Dear Miss Griest:

Enclosed herewith is a letter addressed to Dr. Y. F. Wr, president of Ginling College. I shall feel very much obliged if you will kindly forward it to her in China, as I do not have her exact address.

I have not changed my plan to proceed to China. I shall leave New York City in a few days for the west Coast, sailing from San Francisco on the steamship "President Coolidge" on or about August 9th.

I have been most fortunate and honored to make your acquaintance. I look forward to pleasant personal relations between us in the future.

Very sincerely yours,

Hsiao-yun Jung

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ZETA TAU ALPHA FRATERNITY

NATIONAL COUNCIL

November 7, 1944

Mrs. W. Plumer Mills
150 Fifth Avenue
New York 11, New York

Dear Mrs. Mills:

Thank you so much for the brief sketch of Ginling College which reached me via Mrs. Roberts. I shall be very happy to use it in Themis in connection with the introduction of our newly sponsored Chinese scholarship, in which I am especially interested.

Mrs. Roberts also sent me a number of very interesting booklets which I believe you sent to her - I have read them all thoroughly and from them I have some ideas of pictures that I should like so much to have for use in Themis. As you know, pictures add so much, if not everything, to the interest value of stories. I hope it will be possible to borrow some glossies for use in high-lighting Chinese scholarship stories. I feel confident the pictures will help to increase and stimulate interest, and thereby contribute materially toward the building up of our Chinese scholarship fund which, of course, is what we want.

- The following are pictures that I should like particularly to have:
- ✓ 1. The picture of President Wu Yi-fang, preferably the latest picture of her in the December 1943 booklet which started "Dear friends ... "
 2. The picture entitled "Double Deckers at Ginling" on page 3 of that pamphlet. I especially want this picture because in talking to the girls here in Illinois about our scholarship I found that they were particularly intrigued by the fact that the college girls in China also had double deckers.
 - ✓ 3. Picture of the Ginling dormitory in Chengtu on page 5 of that pamphlet.
 4. From the Ginling College Primer:
 - ✓ A. Ginling students on rural service.
 - B. Workers in a Cooperative under College supervision.
 - C. Sun dial memorial.
 5. From the April 1944 Ginling News:
 - ✓ A. Nursery School Children.
 - ✓ B. A Ginling Athlete.

I know this is quite a list to ask for and of course I won't be using them all in one issue but I should like to use at least two in the November - December issue and two or three more in the January number of Themis, the deadline for which is almost here. All pictures will be returned in good condition as soon as Themis is through with them and I shall greatly appreciate your cooperation.

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November 7, 1944

I am also wondering if it would be possible to have a heading made up in Chinese characters which translated would mean "Zeta Tau Alpha Chinese Scholarship". I have before me a letter-head used by the Associated Boards of Christian Colleges in China. Directly beneath that line there are two lines in Chinese characters - I have no idea what they mean but they gave me the idea of using Chinese characters as a heading for our Chinese scholarship presentation in Themis - I think that would intrigue our thirteen thousand readers and again, stimulate interest. I really think that Chinese characters so written in the heading in each issue will be most appropriate and interest stimulating. I noticed on the stationery which you used in writing Mrs. Roberts that there were Chinese characters at the left side of the sketch of Ginling on the letter-head, so I am sure you will understand just what I need and I shall surely appreciate your efforts in securing these characters for me. All that will be necessary will be for them to be written or inscribed on a plain sheet of paper.

Needless to say I can use these characters and several of the pictures just as soon as possible for the November issue of Themis is well in the making.

You will be interested to know that yesterday I had the pleasure of hearing Mrs. Fitch when she spoke in Mattoon, which is about fifty miles from here. Mr. Strout and I drove down to meet her and had dinner with her and a group of Rotarians, all of whom were greatly impressed by her charm and able presentation of her subject. She had an audience of about one thousand whom she literally kept spell bound. Afterward, at the forum, there were many questions which she handled most brilliantly. The consensus of opinion and comment was that she was a marvelous speaker - in which I heartily concur - and a very capable and clever one.

Thank you so much for any cooperation you can give me in presenting our Chinese scholarship to our members. I am,

Cordially yours,

Shirley K. Strout

Mrs. Ross Pressly Strout
Editor of Themis

312 West Washington Street
Champaign, Illinois

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November 13, 1944

Mrs. Ross Pressly Strout
312 West Washington Street
Champaign, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Strout:

Mrs. Mills is away from the office this week and therefore I am acknowledging your letter of November 7th which reached our office this morning.

I am enclosing seven of the eight photographs for which you asked. Our Ginling office does not have the "Sundial Memorial" available, and therefore it is not included. However, I am sure that you will be able to choose the four or five pictures you need from the ones enclosed. As requests come in rather frequently for the use of our photographs, we should appreciate having these returned to our office just as soon as possible.

I have inquired about the offices of the China Colleges about the possibility of having Chinese characters to represent "Zeta Tau Alpha Chinese Scholarship" on your letterhead, and have gotten the following information. It is possible to pick Chinese words which, together, resemble the sound of Zeta Tau Alpha and to add the words "Chinese Scholarship". This name, when first seen by a Chinese person, would need to be explained because the first few words would be used only for their sound and not for their meaning. This is common, however, in transferring names of places and persons into Chinese writing which has no alphabet and therefore cannot spell anything.

I am sorry that it is not possible for me to send you the written characters which you could use. It would be necessary to have a Chinese pick out suitable words whose

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combined sound would represent "Zeta Tau Alpha", and then write them down. For our own Associated Boards letterhead we had to go outside our office to find someone, and then it took considerable time before the letterhead was finally set up. Perhaps there is a Chinese in Champaign who would be willing to do this for you. I am sorry we cannot be of more help to you in this.

We greatly appreciate the desire of Zeta Tau Alpha to raise a scholarship for Ginling. Please let us know if we can be of further assistance to you.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Alfred Foster,
Secretary to Mrs. W. Plumer Mills

Enclosure: 7 photographs

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ZETA TAU ALPHA FRATERNITY

NATIONAL COUNCIL

March 17, 1945

Mrs. W. Plummer Mills
American Office, Ginling College
150 Fifth Avenue
New York 11, New York

Dear Mrs. Mills:

The November-December issue of Themis was somewhat delayed but I am herewith returning the two Ginling College pictures used in it - the Double Decker picture and the picture of Dr. Wu Yi - fang. I have asked the publisher to send directly to you two other pictures being used in the March issue of Themis - the one of a Ginling athlete and the one of Ginling students on rural service. That makes a total of four which I am able to return at this time and I do want to thank you so much for sending them for use in Themis. I am not sure but I think, when I wrote you in the fall, I explained that I would have to use these pictures in various issues during the year, which I am doing. I realize that the fine selection you sent me took a number out of circulation and I am sorry that I could not finish with them sooner but truly they have been used in a good cause and with wonderful results. When you see Mrs. Roberts I know she will tell you about the splendid results of our Chinese scholarship campaign and the splendid reception with which it is meeting all over the country.

I have asked our central office to send copies of Themis to you, and you should have the November-December issue by now. I will see that other issues reach you so that you will be apprised of what Themis is doing in regard to this worthy cause. Mrs. Fitch has proved to be a brilliant ambassador of good will not only for China but also in the promotion of our Chinese scholarship project and we are all so delighted - as I know you will be too.

I shall check through the other pictures which you sent me and I will try to have cuts made up ahead of time so I won't have to hold them longer for coming issues. I do want to release them for other purposes for I realize their value. Thank you again and I should be happy to hear from you after you have received Themis.

Sincerely yours,

Shirley K. Strout
Mrs. Ross Pressley Strout
Editor of Themis

312 West Washington Street
Champaign, Illinois

*The pictures are being sent
under separate covr.*

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March 26, 1945

Mrs. Ross Fressly Strout
312 West Washington Street
Champaign, Ill.

Dear Mrs. Strout:

This morning's mail brought me two of the seven pictures which I sent you in November for use in Themis. I am very glad indeed to have these back and I hope that they were useful to you.

Thank you for sending me a copy of the November-December issue of Themis. Since two additional ones of our pictures were used in that issue, I assume that you do not need them any longer either. I should therefore be most grateful for their return.

If you still need the remaining three, of course we are glad for you to keep them a while longer. However, since we have many calls for our pictures, we would greatly appreciate your returning them at your earliest convenience. For your information, I am listing the pictures that we sent you and noting the ones that have been returned:

1. Ginling Students on Rural Service - Returned March 26th
2. Ginling Athlete - Returned March 26th
3. Dr. Wu - Used in November-December issue of Themis
4. Double-deckers - Used in November-December issue of Themis
5. Ginling Dormitory on West China Campus
6. Workers in a Cooperative
7. Nursery School Children

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. W. Plumer Mills

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Article written by CSM for

October 1944

Mrs Roberts
of Zeta Tau
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Ginling is the only Christian college for women in China supported interdenominationally. It was founded in 1913 by a small group of American women in the Yangtze Valley who realized the need for educated women as leaders in the new social and economic order brought about in China by the revolution of 1911. The first class entered college in September 1915, and each succeeding year has brought a new group of girls eager for the education Ginling has to offer.

For the first eight years the college was housed in a large official residence in the heart of Nanking, but the rapid increase in the number of students and faculty made more adequate quarters imperative. Stout-hearted friends, with a vision of what a college education would mean for Chinese women, raised funds for land and buildings, and in 1923 the college moved to its new home just inside the western wall of Nanking. On a beautiful forty-acre campus facing Purple Mountain, buildings for dormitories, administration, classrooms and laboratories were erected, gardens were planted, and a gracious academic atmosphere developed.

For the next fourteen years the college grew rapidly, weathering many storms, and came to be recognized as the most outstanding college for women in China. In 1937 when the Japanese armies advanced upon Nanking, it became evident that the college could not continue to function in an area of conflict. Therefore the faculty and students, taking with them a very limited amount of books and equipment, started the 1600-mile trek that ended on the campus of the West China Union University in Chengtu, on the plains of Szechwan.

Here Ginling is one of four refugee institutions who are guests on the West China campus, where the facilities planned for one college must be shared among five. Naturally conditions are far from ideal. Dormitory

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space is so limited that double-decker beds and six or eight girls in a room are the rule rather than the exception. Classroom, laboratory and library facilities are totally inadequate. Some of the faculty are housed in true refugee quarters where each family has two rooms, 10 feet by 12 feet, with a tiny kitchen and a small room for a servant. Prices soar to astronomical figures. The mere machinery of life, food, shelter, clothing, become matters of the gravest importance and the simplest of everyday commodities become unattainable luxuries.

But a college is more important than its buildings, and has a life that is not confined within its walls, and the Ginling of Szechwan is holding as staunchly to its ideals under stress of war as did the Ginling of Nanking amid the gracious settings of peace.

The enrollment is approximately 300, and the girls come from all parts of China. In peace times standards were very high, and a valiant effort is being made to maintain these standards in spite of the limitations imposed by war conditions. The college seeks to fit the girls constructively into the problems of the nation and to equip them for service in the days of reconstruction that lie ahead. The sociology department is the largest in the college and under its auspices various relief and rural projects are being developed. The music department is also very strong, and Ginling choruses and Glee Clubs, as well as soloists, are in great demand in musical circles.

More than 70 per cent of Ginling graduates have gone into some form of educational work. Others are doctors, nurses, Y.W.C.A. secretaries, or are doing some kind of social or religious work. They are always in such demand that there have never been enough to fill the places open to them. Madame Chiang once said, "Ginling is fine in everything save one

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point only - instead of 150 undergraduates you should be training 1500 here today."

Dr. Wu Yi-fang, President of Ginling, is a member of the first graduating class, and is the foremost woman educator in China today. A figure of national importance, she is a member of the People's Political Council and one of its five presidents, and takes her turn presiding at the meetings of the most important political body in the country. Incidentally, though she is the only woman among them, she is considered the best of the presiding officers. Yet she shares the very simple food and daily life of her students, and inspires them with her cool courage and clear judgment. Small wonder that they are public spirited, and leaders in all that requires intelligence, training, and devotion.

It is in this college, under this leadership, that we are hoping to establish a scholarship for at least one year. There has never been a time when girls needed help so much. The latest word from Dr. Wu says that living today is 560 times as much as it was before the war. Prices rise month by month, and reserves, always slender in China, have vanished long since. Yet girls are more eager than ever for an education because the war has brought home to them as never before the need for knowledge and training with which to meet the demands of a world in chaos. If Zeta Tau Alpha women assume the responsibility for a Ginling girl for a year, they will have the satisfaction of knowing that they have made a real contribution to a better life in China.

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April 5, 1945

Mrs. Ross Pressley Strout
312 West Washington Street
Champaign, Ill.

Dear Mrs. Strout:

Thank you for your letter of March 17th which reached me yesterday, and thank you also for returning the two pictures that came in the same mail.

I am glad that you explained to me the use being made of the Ginling pictures which were sent to you last November. I had not understood that you planned a series of articles in which these pictures would be used, and I had therefore assumed that with the publication of your November-December issue your need for the pictures had been met. It was on this basis that I wrote asking for their return.

You are most welcome to keep the other three as long as you need them. We are very happy to have the story of Ginling told to your group through Themis, and of course a picture makes a story more graphic. I have read with interest the article about Ginling that appeared in the November-December issue, which has been sent to me. I hope that this story will strike a responsive cord in many Zeta Tau Alpha members and that they will contribute generously to the need in China. You may be sure that any scholarship fund sent to Ginling will be gratefully received and wisely used.

You will be interested to know that Dr. Wu Yi-fang, President of Ginling, is to be one of the China Representatives at the San Francisco Conference. Perhaps you have already read this announcement in the newspapers. We hear that she left Chungking yesterday en route to America. We therefore expect her in this country before very long.

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Mrs. Ross Pressley Strout

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April 5, 1945

May I again express to you our sincere appreciation for the interest that Zeta Tau Alpha has in Ginling and assure you that we are most happy to furnish you with any material that we have.

Cordially yours,

Mrs. W. Plumer Mills

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April 19, 1945

Mrs. W. C. Roberts
39 Fifth Avenue
New York 3, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Roberts:

Dr. Wu was in New York an even shorter time than she had at first planned, so the hours were very few indeed and I did not have much opportunity to talk with her about the Zeta Tau Alpha Scholarship Fund. However, I did tell her about it and she expressed very great appreciation for this interest and generous gift. I also told her of your suggestion that the group in San Francisco make the presentation to her personally, and she agreed to this. She will be leaving Washington for San Francisco on Friday, and will be staying at the Mark Hopkins Hotel. Perhaps it would be advisable to put, as part of the address, that she is a representative at the United Nations Conference. There may be some rearrangement of hotel accommodations after the delegates arrive.

Dr. Wu will be glad to meet the Zeta Tau Alpha group in San Francisco and told me that she would be happy to have tea with them when it can be arranged. She asked particularly for the exact name and the Greek letters for the organization, because she said that she wanted to know more about the group behind such an interest in Ginling. I am sure that your representatives in San Francisco will find her a very charming person and will have a delightful time with her.

May I express to you again our sincere appreciation for this generosity to Ginling College. As I have said to you before, our girls need help now as never before and this timely aid from Zeta Tau Alpha will meet a very real need.

Cordially yours,

Mrs. W. Plumer Mills

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April 20, 1945

Mrs. Robert Williams
5 The Uplands
Berkeley, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Williams:

Mrs. Roberts has talked with me about the plan for presenting the Zeta Tau Alpha Scholarship Fund to Dr. Wu Yi-fang while she is in San Francisco. I think this is an excellent idea and have spoken to Dr. Wu about it. She expressed great appreciation for this interest in the College on the part of your Sorority members and said that she would be most happy to meet with your group in San Francisco.

Dr. Wu is leaving Washington today for the West. She will be staying at the Mark Hopkins Hotel unless there is some rearrangement of accommodations after she arrives in San Francisco. A letter addressed to Dr. Yi-fang Wu, Member of the Chinese Delegation to the United Nations Conference, San Francisco, will reach her, even if you do not put the hotel on it. Just to make doubly sure, however, you might add the name of her hotel.

I do not know Dr. Wu's schedule after the Conference opens, of course, but I am sure that you will find her more than willing to find a time when she could meet with the Zeta Tau Alpha group.

Dr. Wu has been ill this winter and therefore we are very anxious to conserve her strength. The Conference itself will make heavy demands upon her, and for this reason, I hope that you will not ask her to make a public address or to do anything that would be taxing. She told me that she would be glad to receive the gift at a reception and, of course, would expect to make a brief response, but I am seeking to protect her from the necessity of preparing and delivering any long, formal speeches during her stay.

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Mrs. Robert Williams

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April 20, 1945

On behalf of the Board of Founders of Ginling College, may I express to you our very sincere appreciation for your generosity. Dr. Wu tells me that a scholarship fund becomes more and more necessary each year, as prices in China rise and incomes shrink. Your gift is therefore meeting a very real need and is very deeply appreciated.

Cordially yours,

Mrs. W. Plumer Mills

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May 28, 1945

Mrs. William C. Roberts
39 Fifth Avenue
New York 3, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Roberts:

Dr. Wu has forwarded to me the check for \$1,000 presented to her at the Zeta Tau Alpha reception. I am enclosing our receipt for this most generous gift.

I am sure that Dr. Wu told the group in California how great a need this check will help to meet and that she expressed far more adequately than I can the appreciation of the College for this interest on the part of Zeta Tau Alpha. We are indeed grateful to your organization and to Mrs. George Fitch for arousing the interest of American college girls in the needs of college girls in China.

I hope that the connection thus begun will be continued through the years and will be of mutual interest and benefit.

Cordially yours,

Mrs. W. Plumer Mills

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September 28, 1945

Mrs. Ross P. Strout
312 West Washington Street
Champaign, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Strout:

The interest in Ginling College expressed by Zeta Tau Alpha women in a check for \$1,000 presented to Dr. Wu in San Francisco is a source of great pleasure to us. We are happy indeed to know that Zeta Tau Alpha is concerned for college girls in China and we greatly appreciate the generous gift. May I venture to express a hope that this is a beginning of an interest that will grow through the years. Dr. Wu was most pleased to receive the check in San Francisco and has spoken appreciatively of the very lovely occasion at which it was presented to her.

I am sure that the good work done by Themis helped to create and maintain interest in this project; and I would like to say again that we thank you for what you did. As you plan your publication for the coming year, you may want some information about Ginling and its work. If I can be of any assistance to you in this, please let me know.

I believe that you still have a few of our pictures, which we sent you last year. As we have a number of calls for these pictures I should be most grateful if you would return the ones which you do not plan to use immediately. I am especially concerned about the picture of the nursery school children. This is the only copy we have and we have recently had several requests for just such a picture.

I have read the issues of Themis which you sent me with great interest and congratulate you upon the very fine work represented in this magazine.

Sincerely yours,

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Mrs. W. Plumer Mills

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Zeta Tau Alpha

December 19, 1946

Mrs. A. Duane Jenkins
Nat'l Sec.-Treas., Zeta Tau Alpha
708 Church Street
Evanston, Ill.

Dear Mrs. Jenkins:

Enclosed we are sending our receipt for the contribution of \$61.40 from Zeta Tau Alpha for Ginling scholarships. This amount was received through Mrs. George Fitch.

We are indeed grateful to Zeta Tau Alpha women for their interest in Ginling and for this contribution to the work there. The generous check given to Dr. Wu last summer has been used for scholarships and has helped to meet very real needs on the Ginling campus. This amount will also go for that purpose.

Thank you for your help.

Cordially yours,

Mrs. W. Plumer Mills

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