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58/9 NEW BOND STREET, LONDON, W.1.

28th. May. 1946.

Mr. Carl Evans & Dr. Winfield,
Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China,
150, Fifth Avenue, NEW YORK. U.S.A.

Dear Carl Evans & Dr. Winfield,

Since returning, I have had a letter from Cocker Brown about Hua Chung. I am sorry he did not address this letter, or a copy of it, to New York. In it he raises some very important questions, the chief amongst which is Hua Chung's programme in post-war planning. I have no doubt that these matters have been dealt with by the Hua Chung Committee and have been taken note of in the Promotions Committee or in whatever Committee will ultimately decide upon the division of the Rehabilitations Fund.

Mr. Brown has expressed his own satisfaction, that is shared by all of us over here, that the New York Planning Committee has agreed to the importance of Hua Chung University in the post-war programme. He goes on further to raise the question of Hua Chung's need for new buildings and makes certain very important points:-

1. The present buildings are borrowed and in a ruinous condition.
2. It was only the war that prevented Hua Chung starting on the new buildings five years ago.
3. Buildings and site to house the University, as it exists at present, are urgently needed.
4. The above cannot be described with any justice, as 'expansion'.
5. Mr. Brown makes the further point that the raising of the number of students to the economic figure, cannot be regarded as expansion.

I understand that Hua Chung is asking for £1,700,000. I should be glad to hear from you as to the official reaction to these points, of the Associated Boards or the Promotions Committee. Whilst I was in New York it was not possible for me to attend any official Hua Chung Committee, or to go into any of the details

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Mr. Carl Evans & Dr. Winfield (contd)

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mentioned above, but I hope that I did indicate in very general terms, what we have emphasised several times in the Minutes of our own Planning Committee, that we in this country are fully convinced of the future importance of Hua Chung. In our opinion it is likely to play an even greater part in the future development of China, as well as to make an even greater contribution to the Christian movement than has ever been possible in the past.

Mr. Brown also tells me that he is hoping that it will be possible to persuade some of the Lutheran groups in Central China, as well as the Swedish Mission, to take a party in the Hua Chung activities.

The strengthening of support for Hua Chung is all the more important in the future, now that Yale-in-China seems likely to withdraw its support altogether.

The latest news with regard to the important grants from the Chinese Government will, I hope, make more possible a special grant from the Promotions Committee for the building scheme as mentioned above.

Yours very sincerely,

(Noel B. Slater)

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學大中華昌武立私
HUACHUNG UNIVERSITY
WUCHANG, HUPEH,
CHINA.

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May 1st, 1947.

To Whom it May Concern:

This is to certify that Mr. Donald Do-en Wang of Huachung University has been granted the Huachung Fellowship for the year 1947-48 with the stipend of One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars U.S.A. currency (U.S.\$1,200.) for graduate studies in the United States. This fellowship is granted from funds contributed in America to the Central China College Foundation in New York City and held for this purpose by that Foundation in New York, U.S.A. The stipend is accordingly to be paid to Mr. Wang in New York City after his arrival.

Francis C. M. Wei,

President.

(signed)

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私立武昌文華中學校長室
PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE
BOONE SCHOOL
WUCHANG, CHINA.

JUN 16 1947

J. EARL FOWLER

June 6, 1947.

Dear Mr. Fowler:

First let me make a brief self-introduction. My name is Mark H. T. Li. I was one of your Boone students, and now am the Principal of Boone School, and Rector of the Church of Holy Nativity.

May I ask you to do a favour to Mr. Donald Do-en Wang, my son-in-law? Mr. Wang has been working with Huachung College for six years since his graduation from Huachung. Now he has been granted a Huachung Fellowship with the stipend of \$1,200 U.S. He has already secured papers of admission from both Michigan and Columbia Universities and has everything ready. But the Ministry of Education in Nanking will not issue a passport unless the Fellowship fund is proved to be granted by church organization in the States. Dr. Wei's statement (enclosed) to the Ministry of Education has explicitly made it clear that the money was raised by the College Foundation in New York city to be used for scholarship purpose.

Will you as secretary of the Department of Foreign Missions kindly make a statement to the Ministry of Education in Nanking and send the copy to me, proving that the Huachung Fellowship of US\$1,200 is raised in America by the College Foundation in New York city and definitely granted to Mr. Wang for scholarship purpose as it is mentioned in Dr. Wei's statement?

If you feel it inconvenient to make the statement yourself, will you kindly ask Dr. Addison's successor to issue it? I know Dr. Addison, but I don't know his successor personally; therefore I feel hesitate to make a direct approach to him. Mr. Wang has been working with the college in the past and is going to serve the college in the future, Any help to him is help to our Mission. Your speedy reply will be greatly appreciated.

With best regards and thanks,

Yours respectfully,

Mark H. T. Li

Enclosures: 1 copy of Dr. Wei's statement to the Ministry.
1 copy of the extract from Dr. Wei's "Development of Huachung College After the War".

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PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE
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AN EXTRACT FROM DR. WEI'S PLAN ON "DEVELOPMENT OF HUACHUNG COLLEGE AFTER THE WAR."

(APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE BY FOUNDERS, MR. LYFORD'S CABLE, MAY 2, 1944)

"Nothing is more important than the training of the younger men on the faculty for advanced teaching and for more responsible positions. Only people imbued with the Huachung spirit and tradition will have the loyalty to stand by for better or for worse. The younger men must be given advanced training abroad, to have the advantages of larger university for study and for research, to come into contact with the older churches and their leaders, to understand how missions are supported and carried on, and to see Western civilization at first-hand with all its merits and weaknesses. Two fellowships of an annual stipend of U.S.\$1,200 each should be provided. We are confident that after the first year abroad our younger men will be able to win fellowships in Western universities to continue their post-graduate studies. The method of selecting candidates for these fellowships is a detail to be worked out by the Directors of the College."

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June 18, 1947

The Rev. Mark H. T. Li, Principal
Boone School
Wuchang, China

My dear Mark:

I was mighty glad to hear from you and will be very glad to help in any way to assist your son-in-law, Mr. Donald Do-en Wang. Just a few days before your letter was received I had had an interview with Dr. Sherman in which he showed me your letter to him regarding this same matter. Inasmuch as Dr. Sherman has written the desired letter that your son-in-law needs to present to the Ministry of Education I do not think it will really be necessary for me to duplicate the process. However, I am following your request and enclose a copy of the letter I have written to the Ministry of Education. I sincerely hope that Don will have no further difficulty. I am glad he has already secured admission papers from both Michigan and Columbia Universities. Should he choose Columbia I hope that we will have the pleasure of meeting him here in New York.

There was no need for your first paragraph of self-introduction. I have followed your career very closely and have been greatly pleased by the very fine reports. I remember you very well. I would like to take this opportunity of expressing the appreciation of the National Council for your very sincere and conscientious work in directing the destinies of Boone School during the very difficult war years. I am afraid that the responsibilities were so heavy that they may have impaired your health. I hope that the vacation that you have been given from the school for a few months will be a big help and restore you to health and strength.

With very best wishes and kind regards.

Very cordially yours,

J. Earl Fowler

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June 18, 1947

The Ministry of Education
Chinese Government
Nanking, China

Gentlemen:

I have been advised that Mr. Donald Do-en Wang, teacher at Huachung College, Wuchang, China, has been granted a Huachung fellowship of \$1,200.00, U. S. currency.

This is to certify that the Huachung fellowship of \$1,200 is raised in the United States by the College Foundation. It is respectfully requested that Mr. Wang be issued a passport to come to the United States for a year's graduate study.

Very sincerely yours,

J. Earl Fowler

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