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February 28, 1946

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U. EARL FOWLER

Mr. J. Earl Fowler
281 Fourth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear Mr. Fowler:

I have received the notice of the Hua Chung Board Meeting on **March 14**. I regret that other commitments will not allow me to be present. I would, however, like to draw attention to the paragraph immediately preceding Vote 374, which was taken at the meeting of the Board held November 2, 1945.

After reading this paragraph, it appears to state a conclusion at variance with the opinion I understood Dean DeVane to express regarding future commitments of Yale-in-China. After consultation I find that others gained an impression similar to my own. I think, therefore, that it would be well to confirm this interpretation with Dean DeVane before it is recorded on the minutes as approved.

With the best of wishes,

Sincerely,

Arthur O. Rinden
Executive Secretary

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Phila. Pa.

April 12, 1946

Mr. Arthur O. Rinden, Executive Secretary
Yale-in-China Association, Inc.
Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Sir:

I am writing to you with reference to the final steps to be taken in order that Hua Chung College may become a unit in the United Board for Christian Colleges in China. After long and careful consideration, the Hua Chung Board of Trustees has voted to enter into the necessary agreement provided that our five supporting missions shall consent thereto.

Some time ago Yale-in-China Association signified its general approval of the plan for the United Board, now we need your action regarding the formal agreement.

The wording of the agreement differs somewhat from the papers first sent to you, and in order that your record may be complete, I am enclosing herewith a full set of copies of the official documents, as follows:

- 1 Minutes of Meeting of Board of Trustees of Hua Chung College held February 15, 1946 (7 pages)
- 2 Draft, dated January 31, 1946, of an Agreement between United Board for Christian Colleges in China and Central China College Foundation (3 pages)
- 3 Constitution of the United Board, adopted September 25, 1945 (5 pages)
- 4 By-laws of the United Board, approved September 25, 1945 (4 pages)
- 5 Declaration of Purpose of the United Board (1 page)
- 6 Outline of Proposed Operating Structure, Consolidated Board, dated October 10, 1945 (1 page)

Documents 3,4,5 and 6 are parts of the Agreement

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(Document 2) and are referred to in Article 4 of said Agreement.

Referring to Document No. 1, I call your attention particularly to page 3 of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Hua Chung Trustees. The Agreement in the form shown in Document No. 2 has been approved by the Board of Trustees of Hua Chung College and by the Central China College Foundation. The National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church, acting as the Board of Directors of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, approved the Agreement at its February meeting. Letters similar to this present one are going to the other three supporting missions and we are hoping for unanimous approval at an early date.

Please note that if Hua Chung shall execute this agreement, Yale-in-China will be expected to nominate two persons who will become members of the United Board, representing Yale-in-China directly and not through the Board of Trustees of Hua Chung College. These nominations should be made at the meeting at which you give your approval. I hope you will nominate persons who will have time to attend the few meetings of the United Board and otherwise be interested in its activities.

May I ask for an early reply to this letter stating when your association will be able to take this matter up for decision?

Yours very sincerely,

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905A Yale Station, New Haven, Conn.

April 13, 1946

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J. EARL FOWLER

Rev. J. Earl Fowler
281 Fourth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear Mr. Fowler:

I have received your good letter of the 12th with enclosures relative to Hua Chung official actions. I will see that this matter is brought before our Trustees at our next meeting, which will be on April 27. Soon thereafter I will let you know the action taken.

With the best of wishes,

Sincerely,

Arthur O. Rinden
Executive Secretary

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April 30, 1946

EARL FOWLER

Rev. J. Earl Fowler
281 Fourth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear Mr. Fowler:

On Saturday last we had our Board of Trustees meeting, but no action was taken relative to our college work. Actually, the important meeting which may eventuate in action will be held this coming Friday here in New Haven. Anything of significance that occurs at that time will be reported to you. I daresay you already know of the word sent to Dr. Addison and to Dr. Wei from Dr. Coffin. It simply indicates that the University here is considering an increased concern for work in China.

With the best of wishes,

Sincerely,

Arthur O. Rinden
Executive Secretary

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May 20, 1946

Dr. Arthur O. Rinden
905A Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Dr. Rinden:

In your letter of April thirtieth you mentioned an important meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Yale-in-China Association that was to be held on May third and that possibly some action regarding Huachung would be taken at that meeting.

If any significant action was taken I will be very glad to know about it. I am bringing up the question because Dr. Wei will be leaving the United States for England en route to China the end of this month and I think he ought to know of any special action taken regarding Huachung before leaving this country. If there is anything to report, will you please let me have it in the near future?

With very best wishes and kind regards.

Very sincerely yours,

J. Earl Fowler

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May 22, 1946

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J. EARL FOWLER

Rev. J. Earl Fowler
281 Fourth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear Mr. Fowler:

The matter of Yale-in-China's commitment for college grade work in China is still under discussion. No significant action has been taken since last I wrote to you. I think you understand that we are practically bound to give very serious consideration to any action that is taken by the University, and I must say that sometimes progress is made at a much slower pace than we desire. Just as soon as there is some action that is definite and significant I will communicate with you.

Sincerely,

Arthur O. Rinden
Executive Secretary

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American Office
905A Yale Station, New Haven, Conn.

Mr. Fowler

June 14, 1946

Mr. Oliver S. Lyford
54 Dana Place
Englewood New Jersey

Dear Mr. Lyford:

We are sending you herewith today the check in amount of \$5,000.00, which represents the grant for the year 1945-46 for Hua Chung College, from the Yale-in-China Association. This is in accordance with the budget approved for the current fiscal year by our Board of Trustees. Our fiscal year ends, as I think you know, on June 30th.

When it is convenient, we would be glad to have an acknowledgment of this payment. Also, when you write, will you tell me whether the amount of Yale-in-China's share in the administrative budget is \$325.00 for this year. That is the amount paid to you last year and I assume it is the same this year - at any rate we budgeted it at that.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) Rachel A. Dowd

Rachel A. Dowd
Assistant Treasurer

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June 14, 1946

Mr. Arthur O. Rinden, Executive Secretary
Yale-in-China Association
905A Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Mr. Rinden:

At a meeting yesterday of the Executive Committee of the Board of Founders of Huachung College, it was reported that the Yale-in-China Association will be holding their annual meeting on June twenty-third. I was requested to write you a follow-up letter, and especially to request that the Yale-in-China Association take action on the letter I wrote you dated April 12, 1946.

I am enclosing a copy of my letter of April twelfth without the various enclosures. I will be looking forward to hearing from you shortly after your annual meeting regarding the action taken by the Yale-in-China Association.

With very best wishes and kind regards.

Very sincerely yours,

J. Earl Fowler
Associate Secretary

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June 18, 1946.

Rev. Luther Weigle, D. D.,
Yale Divinity School,
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Dean:

I am very sorry to say that personal circumstances will prevent my attendance at the Yale-in-China meetings. I have a feeling that an important new chapter in the life of Yale-in-China will start at those meetings. I only wish that Grandpa could shake off about 20 years and have an active part in the new program.

I hope that at the meeting of the Trustees action will be taken which was requested in a letter of April 1st to Dr. Rindon, copy of which is enclosed herewith. I see no necessity for a discussion of the contents of the documents referred to in that letter. The list simply indicates the care with which the plan for the United Board has been developed and provides for the Yale-in-China record a full set of the important documents. We are being equally careful that the record shall show that the step taken by the Hua Chung Trustees has had the previous attention of each of the five cooperating missions.

The other four missions have consented officially to the entry of Hua Chung into the United Board and it is important that we have the consent of Yale-in-China at this time. Also, I hope that the Trustees will nominate two New Haven men to become members of the United Board as noted on the second page of the letter to Dr. Rindon. This will maintain the continuity of relations of Yale-in-China with Hua Chung and the other China colleges, but will not restrict Yale-in-China or Yale University in any new procedure which later may be found desirable. For instance, even a withdrawal is provided for in the By-laws of the United Board.

Yours very sincerely,

Copy to Dr. Rindon

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July 8, 1946

Miss Rachel A. Dowd
Yale-in-China Association
905A Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Miss Dowd:

Many thanks for your letter of June twenty-fifth in which you state that the Yale-in-China Association took action agreeing to Hua Chung University joining the United Board for Christian Colleges in China.

I will be looking forward to receiving Dean Luther Weigle's appointments as the two representatives of Yale-in-China Association on the United Board.

Very sincerely yours,

J. Earl Fowler

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September 30, 1946

Mr. J. Earl Fowler
Church Missions House
281 Fourth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear Mr. Fowler:

Thank you for sending the account of the moving of Hua Chung by John Lo. All of us here in the office have read it with interest. It is a simple, straightforward account that is quite impressive. It will be useful for our publicity.

We have had the letter written by Dr. Wei to Dr. Sherman mimeographed and are sending it out to the Yale-in-China Trustees. I know that they will find it interesting to learn of Dr. Wei's travels and of his nomination to head St. John's University and of the reasons why he preferred to remain at Hua Chung.

The pictures of the campus at Hua Chung that you lent us are now being copied. We will send them to you as soon as they come back from the photography shop.

Both Brank and I are very glad to accept the invitation to the meeting of the Board of Trustees of Hua Chung University. We are looking forward to seeing you again on October 31 in New York.

Sincerely yours,

Ken Morland

John Kenneth Morland

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October 4, 1946

Mr. John Kenneth Morland
Yale-in-China Association
905A Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Mr. Morland:

Many thanks for your letter of September 30th. We will be looking forward to seeing you and Brank at the Board of Trustees meeting.

I told you when you were here in the office that John Wei would not be coming to this country for graduate work until next year. We received a letter yesterday saying he was in Shanghai trying to get transportation and hopes to leave during this month. He will probably be pretty late for entering this term. I thought you should know he was still planning to come this autumn.

With very best wishes and kind regards.

Very sincerely yours

J. Earl Fowler

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October 8, 1946

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Mr. J. Earl Fowler
Church Missions House
281 Fourth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear Mr. Fowler:

Enclosed you will find the two pictures that you so kindly lent us. We have made duplicates of them and they will be helpful in our publicity about Hua Chung. Also the John Lo letter will be of great aid in telling about the return of Hua Chung to Wuchang.

Thank you for the news about John Wei. I am passing this information on to Brank. We hope that we can see him while he is in the States.

Looking forward to seeing you on October 31,

Sincerely yours,

John Kenneth Morland

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November 8, 1946

Mr. J. Earl Fowler
281 Fourth Avenue
New York, New York

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J. EARL FOWLER

Dear Mr. Fowler:

When in New York at the Hua Chung Board meeting, I spoke to you about Yale-in-China problems concerning its salary schedule. We are proposing an increase in basic salary according to the price index rise in U. S. currency. This rise is primarily adapted to fit the needs of our personnel on furlough. However, if it is to work out satisfactorily as a basis for the staff in China, it will be used there also. As in the past, those in China, under the direction of the Representative of the Trustees, have been able to draw subsidies in case of an emergency.

Following is our 1941 schedule with the proposed increase for this current year. We would appreciate it very much if you could give us your basic salary figures in order that we might know whether these proposed increases are too large or too small. We feel that it is important, so far as possible, for all missionaries working in a given area to be on a somewhat equitable scale of living.

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	<u>1941 Schedule</u> (per month)	<u>1946 Schedule</u> (per month)	<u>1946</u> (yearly)
1st year	\$100.00	\$140.00	(\$1680.00)
2nd-4th year	110.00	154.00	(1848.00)
5th-10th year	120.00	168.00	(2016.00)
10th-15th year	130.00	182.00	(2184.00)

In addition to the above:

Rent up to \$75 per month
1/2 Medical care and dental care
Retirement (5% basic salary plus equivalent from Yale-in-China)
Insurance (from \$200 to \$300 per year)

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Married (all US\$)

	<u>1941 Schedule</u> (per month)	<u>1946 Schedule</u> (per month)	<u>1946</u> (yearly)
1st year	\$145.00	\$203.00	(\$2436.00)
2nd-4th year	165.00	231.00	(2772.00)
5th-10th year	180.00	252.00	(3024.00)
10th-15th year	195.00	273.00	(3276.00)

(The addition items of rent, etc. refer also to married appointees.)

A note was received today from

Mr. Ralph W. Powell
75 West Norwich Avenue
Columbus 1, Ohio.

Mr. Powell taught in the College of Yale-in-China until 1927. He wrote that he had files of "Science," the weekly publication of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He has been saving these magazines with Hua Chung in mind. He raised the question as to whether or not Hua Chung could use these, and also about how to get them to China. I wrote him that materials were being sent out by the Episcopal Board and that I would let you know about his collection since you would best understand the need and the method of getting them out.

Both Brank and I enjoyed the meeting in New York. It was good to come to know many of the Board members and to hear about the progress and problems of Hua Chung. I am looking forward to working very closely together with you in this matter during the coming years.

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth Morland

John Kenneth Morland

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November 15, 1946

Mr. John Kenneth Morland, Executive Secretary
Yale-in-China Association, Inc.
905A Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Mr. Morland:

Many thanks for your letter of November 8th. I was glad to hear that Frank Fulton enjoyed the Hus Chung Board Meeting on November 31st. I personally greatly appreciate your interest. For the past three years there has been almost nobody from the Yale-in-China Association that was interested enough in Hus Chung to attend the meeting. Of course, this assumes the exception of Hume, Dr. Lobenstine and Mr. Lyford. They are always very keen, and present at board meetings. Since Dr. Fulton went out to China back about 1943, there has been nobody from New Haven that attended our meetings.

Many thanks for sending me the salary schedules for 1941 and the 1946 salary payments for Yale-in-China members. We will be considering new salary scales for our China missionaries in the near future.

The following is the schedule that we are working on at the present time:

	<u>Single</u> <u>Missionaries</u>	<u>Married</u> <u>Missionaries</u>
First three years	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,700.00
Next four years	1,000.00	1,800.00
Next seven years	1,100.00	1,900.00
Service beyond fourteen years	1,200.00	2,000.00

To meet the present situation in China all bishops have been authorized to pay a bonus to all missionaries to assure them an adequate living income. We have not been advised by the bishops how much of a bonus they have been paying to missionaries. I do not think that they have

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handled the situation adequately as there has been much grumbling and rumors that individuals were starving. In all probability there would be some people that would gripe regardless of how much they received. The National Council has a commission in China at the present time making a survey. They will be returning to the United States in December, and in all probability, by the first of the year, something more definite will be worked out. Besides the missionaries' salaries, our people are given a house, or living quarters. The National Council also pays 80% of all of their medical and dental expenses. In the China field there is also a summer vacation allowance of \$50.00 U. S. currency for single missionaries and \$100.00 for married missionaries. Our retirement allowances are based on a flat sum for missionaries that have served over a definite period of years. For single missionaries it is \$1,000.00 per year; married missionaries \$1,800.00 per year.

I am sure Hua Chung would be very glad to have the files of "Science" which Mr. Ralph W. Powell has been saving with Hua Chung in view, since 1927. If Mr. Powell would like to send these files here I would be very glad to receive them and will arrange to have them shipped to Wuchang. When is

When is Brank Fulton planning to return to China? If I can be of any assistance in arranging his transportation, please do not hesitate to let me know.

With very best wishes and kind regards, I am

Very cordially yours,

J. Earl Fowler
Assistant Secretary

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905A Yale Station, New Haven, Conn.

November 20, 1946

Mr. J. Earl Fowler
Church Missions House
281 Fourth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Fowler:

We are sending today by parcel post a group of "Readers' Digests" for Hua Chung College. These were given us for use in our Yale-in-China work and we feel that they can be of greatest value at the college level. If you could take charge of sending them out to China, if they are really needed there, we would appreciate it.

I was very glad to receive your letter telling of the financial arrangements that are being made for your staff in China. During these inflationary, uncertain days out there, it is very difficult indeed to know just what arrangement is best. Your suggestions will be of very real help.

Sincerely yours,

John Kenneth Morland

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November 26, 1946

Mr. John Kenneth Morland
Yale-in-China Association, Inc.
905A Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Mr. Morland:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 20th and also the parcel of Readers' Digest which came in yesterday. I will have these sent on to Huachung right away.

I hope that you will do everything possible to assist John Wei, Dr. Frank Wei's son, who has recently arrived at New Haven. Any help or influence you and Dr. Fulton can exert in getting him a scholarship will be greatly appreciated. I am sure that he is a very deserving student.

Very cordially yours,

J. Earl Fowler
Assistant Secretary

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Excerpts from Letters from Dr. Francis Wei to R. B. Fulton

Hua Chung College
Wuchang, China
December 17, 1946

"I received yesterday your letter of November 22. As the Senate was meeting in the afternoon I took the liberty of reporting to it the relevant parts of your letter for their information.

Regarding the new policy of the Yale-in-China Association, it seems to be a complete reversal of their old policy, which was to send us only money appropriation and no personnel at all. I always considered it unwise to do that because as you say, without a personalization of our relationship, the cooperation of Yale-in-China with Huachung may not continue very long. I see also your point that the choice is not between continuing your financial contribution to the budget or sending personnel, but between sending personnel or ceasing any support at all sooner or later.

Neverthe_ less, the sudden withdrawal of US \$5,000 from our income will leave a very serious gap in our budget, beginning with the next year. I wonder if it would be possible for the money appropriation to continue as you have suggested in your proposed Five-Year Program, perhaps with some special projects being designated. I have written to the National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, asking whether in view of the changed policy of the Yale-in-China Association, they would be willing to send us fewer missionaries for the faculty and increase their money appropriation, which at the present time is US \$12,000 a year besides the support of twelve missionaries. At the present juncture it seems not easy for any of the other cooperating missions to increase considerably their money support. Anything you can do to strengthen the Yale-in-China Association contribution, personnel to our work here, and at the same time maintain some money appropriation so as to tide over the next period of two to three years until our resources for income are further developed, would be a great help.

I am sending to you a cablegram today as follows:

"LC YAMIS NEW HAVEN CONNECTICUT (U.S.A.)
FULTONS ROGERS WELCOME WEI."

I couple the Rogers with your name in our cablegram of welcome, so as to answer your question with regard to Burton Rogers and his wife coming to us if they should be appointed by Yale-in-China, as well as to welcome you and Mrs. Fulton as members of the Huachung faculty, beginning with next summer.

As to your work in Huachung, may I repeat that we would want you to teach in the field of Christianity and Economics, and also in the field of Economic Thought. We have a number of theological students, three who are taking the joint course in the second year, and six doing the same in the first year. The first group are already in the third year of college, and the second group in the second year of college. Our limited program for this combined theological course will not permit many courses listed as theological courses, and so within the next two or three years you may have to teach possibly four or five hours in the field of Economics, and two in Christian Ethics. I hope this will leave you enough time for your other duties as the Trustees' representative of Yale-in-China Association in the Field.

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If Mrs. Fulton is willing to teach also, she would be welcome in the department of Biology to teach one or two courses which may be needed by that department. It is our hope that our work in the Biology department may develop along the lines of medical research and public health, and Mrs. Fulton would be amply qualified for that line of work. It would be a great help to us if as soon as possible you will ask Mrs. Fulton to send to us a list of courses which she would be prepared to teach, beginning with the next year, so that I may send it on to the Biology department and ask the acting head to give me a reply to be forwarded to Mrs. Fulton in due course of time.

Regarding the coming of Mr. and Mrs. Burton Rogers, I would like to have them here for the next academic year, if possible. While in Calcutta last August the Rogers raised with me this question of their coming to join Huachung as Yale-in-China appointees. Burton Rogers is qualified to teach English, which is his own subject. He would like himself to prepare students in the teaching of English in middle schools, but that happens to be the new line David Anderson of the London Missionary Society is preparing himself for in England now, and for a little while there may not be much work of that kind for a second man. But Burton can certainly teach English Literature and Composition, and in my conversation with him I emphasized that idea. Mrs. Rogers took her degree at Oxford in Modern Greats. Of course, they have a child, and I do not know how much Mrs. Rogers would be able to teach. She would be welcome to do whatever work she can and will as a voluntary member of our faculty. "

(Signed) Francis C. M. Wei

P. S. "With regard to Sidney Hsiao, I would like to hold the matter for a while until I have had time to discuss it with some measure of thoroughness with Richard Bien and his colleagues in the Yale-in-China School of Science. I agree with you that Sidney is a very well-trained scientist, but there are other factors that enter into the situation. I owe him a letter and before very long I would like to write him, and perhaps by that time I may be able to write you again concerning his return to Huachung. I am favorably impressed with his ability, and certainly a man of his calibre will not be available very long. So I shall lose no time in taking up the matter with him."

December 13, 1946

"We are short an Old Testament teacher, and we would like to have someone who is really a specialist with adequate knowledge of the Semitic languages and possibly with a good postgraduate theological degree in the subject. Unless Yale-in-China is prepared to appoint such a man if he should happen to be a Yale graduate, the candidate ought to be an Episcopalian, because we have only vacancies to be filled by the Episcopal Church, as far as missionary members of our staff are concerned, and the Episcopal Church would hesitate to appoint a candidate who is ordained into another church--which condition I hope you will understand.

"We have at the present time nine theological students, three who started their theological studies a year and a half ago., and six only this semester. They begin their theological studies only in the sophomore year and finish the course at the end of the fifth year when they will take their bachelor's degree in Arts or Education after a combined course of Arts or Education and Theology. It is our hope that next year we may have at least half a dozen more students taking the same work.

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"For our theological faculty we have now a lady professor, Dr. Edith Wai-king Taai, whose special field is Religious Education with a B.D. from Union in New York and a Ph.D. from New York University. Starratt, who is taking his Ph.D. in New Testament at Harvard this winter, is coming out to join us immediately. Francis Gray, who has a First-class Honors B.A. in Theology from Cambridge University, comes to teach Church History; and Beaver, whom I have already mentioned has a B.A., B.D. from Oberlin, and Ph.D. from Cornell in Church History, and he has been lecturing one afternoon a week at the Union Theological Seminary in New York on "Missions." If you should come to join us representing the Yale-in-China Association, I hope you would be able to specialize in Practical Theology along the lines of Christian Ethics and Economics.

"Dr. Dwight Rugh passed through here late last week with his family and with the stuff that had come out to Shanghai. He seemed to be quite hopeful that the Yale-in-China Association would remain with us at least for some years to come until Yale University itself was able to reach a decision whether to cooperate with one of the universities in China in graduate work or not. This will give some breathing space, and we hope that by the time Yale University makes up its mind about cooperation with one of the universities, we may be in a position to offer some facilities.

"You may have already read the reports I sent back in forms of letters to the Huachung Board of Founders from time to time. Conditions here were much better than I had expected when I returned from abroad in August. We have this term over 400 students, and the freshmen are much better prepared than the students we admitted in Hsichow during the war. This faculty is pretty well lined up, although there are still gaps, particularly in Economics, Biology, Music and Mathematics. We are in touch with some one in England for Physics, but the prospects of his coming are not very good. So if you should find some Episcopalian who is fully qualified to teach Physics, please contact him and let Fowler know at 281 Fourth Avenue, New York City 10. Please do the same if you should find a man for the other subjects. I say "Episcopalian," because the Episcopal Church Mission is the only cooperating unit at the present time which can still fill vacancies, as far as missionary members of our staff are concerned."

(Signed)
Francis C. M. Wei.

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Mr. J. Earl Fowler
Church Missions House
281 Fourth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Fowler:

Thank you for your notice about the Hua Chung Board meeting. I am very sorry to say that I will be unable to attend. On that day I plan to be in Richmond, Virginia, acting as Best Man at my brother's wedding.

Brank Fulton is still in New Haven, and I wondered if it would be possible for him to go in my place. As you probably know, he has been invited by Yale-in-China to teach at Hua Chung this coming fall.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Kenneth Morland

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"I just returned a week ago from a trip to Shanghai, Hongkong, and my home in South China, and Canton. The college reopened for the second term on February 5. Registration of students took place on February 6 and 7, and lectures began on Monday, February 10. We have at present 366 students already registered, but transportation has been very difficult from Hunan and Shanghai, and about 35 students are still to arrive. We allow late registration for one week. Probably we shall have for this term 385 students, which will mean about 60 students fewer than the first term. This is not unusual because every year we have in the second term only about 85% of our enrollment of the first term. Some students dropped out because of poor work, and others have financial reasons, and in times like these it is not easy for some of the families to find the money to send their sons and daughters to college, although we are still charging comparatively low fees. Including board and lodging, a student pays for this term about \$320,000. I did not tell you how much it was in US currency, because while the official rate is 3350, the free market a week ago was 7,000, and day before yesterday it was 14,000. No one knows what it is today. It may be 20,000 or it may have gone back to 8,000. I mention this in order to give you some idea of the chaotic condition of the money market in China at the present time. We are awfully afraid that it may mean the beginning of the end of the present economic structure, but the authorities may be able to rescue the ship and keep it afloat for sometime yet, but something has to happen before we can see light again in the financial situation in China.

"I do not know how we are going to balance our budget in the college this year, but my conversations with the presidents in the universities in Shanghai and Canton showed me that we were slightly better off in this respect than they were, but I feel that we may have a deficit of about US\$10,000 at the end of this academic year in July. It is of no use to speculate on what will happen next year because we can only live from month to month. This will show you what it will mean when the Yale-in-China Association cuts out US\$5,000 from our income, beginning with the next academic year, but as you have written we have to accept the situation as it is and hope for the best when the interest in Huachung is further cultivated in New Haven.

"We are fully expecting you and Mrs. Fulton before the opening of the fall term, and as I have written you before, we are expecting you to teach the courses which I mentioned in a previous letter. I saw Dr. Edmund Hsu in Shanghai, and there seems to be no possibility of his joining our faculty within the next three years, because of financial reasons. His salary in St. John's University is not enough for him to support his family, but in Shanghai he is able to have extra income, which is not likely if he should come to Wuchang. At any rate, we do not permit the earning of extra income, but make our faculty devote their whole time and energy to their work in the college. We had counted on Edmund Hsu to teach Systematic Theology, but since he is not able to come, we may have to call upon you to take care of that subject for the theological students here. We have now three men students doing their second year of Theology and their third year of the college course; five men and one woman student are doing their first year of Theology and their second year in the college course. It is possible, of course, for us to combine the two classes in any one of the theological subjects, but we shall talk about this after your arrival.

B "In one of your letters you mentioned the possibility of Yale-in-China sending us two to three teachers, including yourself. We would like very much to have one or both of them in the Science departments, particularly in Physics. In order of urgent needs for new teachers, I would say Physics, Music, Mathematics, Biology, English and Economics. We are still trying to find a man to teach Old Testament and Semitics, but the National Council of the Episcopal Church in New York is trying to find one to fill one of the vacancies in the quota of their missionaries. If you should find a Yale graduate with such qualifications, please let Earl Fowler know about him, but he has to be an Episcopalian before the National Council will appoint him on its own support. But if Yale-in-China is willing to support him, we would accept him as your contribution. As soon as you have found any qualified candidate, please let me know with all the particulars, and we shall cable you our decision, whether we could accept him or not.

"Mrs. Walter Allen (c/o 281 Fourth Avenue, New York City (10)) has been in touch with a Chinese girl, Miss Liu, who took her Bachelor's degree at Duke University, and her M.A. last summer in Teachers' College, Columbia. She is qualified to teach Piano in the judgment of Mrs. Allen. I interviewed her while I was in New York last spring, but she decided to go to New Haven to teach Chinese in the Yale School of Chinese in order to earn enough money to pay her way back to China. If it is possible for you to locate her, please see whether there is still any chance of her coming to join us here in the department of Music.

"Dr. P'u Hwang has just returned from a visit to Yale Middle School in Changsha, of which he is chairman of the Board of Directors. The middle school seems to be getting along very well, although Dr. Hwang feels that the methods of teaching could be improved in many of the subjects, particularly in English. Dr. Hwang is trying to get Mr. Paul Wu to go to Changsha to demonstrate his method of teaching English. Mr. David Anderson is taking another year of postgraduate study in London in the methods of teaching English to foreign students. When Mr. Anderson returns to the college next autumn, he will be our expert in that field, and I am sure he will do everything possible to help Yale and other affiliated Christian middle schools in the improvement of their methods of teaching English.

"My son John, now in New Haven, has written that you have given him a great deal of assistance in getting adjusted to a new environment. Dr. Bien is planning to take his sabbatical leave this summer. Probably he will go back to Brown University, his Alma Mater, for some research work. He cannot leave with an easy conscience unless he is able to find some well-qualified senior physicist to head up the department during his absence. He has written to John in New Haven, charging him with the duty of finding such a physicist and I am sure you will be able to succeed better in locating such a man and getting him out to Wuchang during the summer, since you have more contacts. Again, we would prefer a Yale graduate if you can find one."

Handwritten signature: B. Francis Wu

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J. EARL HUNTER

YALE - IN - CHINA ASSOCIATION, INC.

905A YALE STATION
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

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Dear Mr. Fowler:

Feb 20

Please excuse the longhand; but all the machines in the office are in use and I want to get this in the mail tonight.

Relative to Y-in-C representation in Huachung affairs for the future — 4 questions:

- 1) How many representatives may we have on the United Board — 2?
- 2) Should 2 alternates also be appointed?
- 3) Are there to be any "members-at-large" on the Huachung Sub-Committee.
- 4) Is the Episcopal Board still planning to appoint Luther Tucker as one of its representatives for Huachung affairs? (over)

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At present our records show
Dean DeLone and Dr. Humes as Representatives
on the Hushing Board with the Messrs
Rudin and Loberstine as alternates.

Dr. Loberstine, I believe, is also a member - at
large, as is Ken Morland (since the
adoption of your motion.)

In making recommendations to
Dean Weigle, I want to suggest

a) representatives who will attend meetings,

b) people who would not otherwise
be included. If Luther Tucker, Ken
Morland & Dr. Loberstine will be on the
Committee anyway, we can select others.
If not - at least one of these three should
certainly be among our selections.

Many thanks, sincerely,
R. B. Fulton

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February 25, 1947

Dr. R. B. Fulton
Yale-in-China Association
905-A Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Dr. Fulton:

I am enclosing a couple of lists of suggested things for individuals to take to China. One has to use his own judgment in selecting things. If you took everything suggested on the lists it probably would cost you a few thousand dollars for crating and freight.

I am sorry I don't have all the details in hand to answer the questions in your letter of February twentieth. It is my understanding that all members of the present Board of Trustees of Huachung will become the Huachung Committee of the United Board until after we have joined and all the business arrangements are settled with the Executive Committee of the United Board. As soon as I get any further information on this I will let you know.

It is my intention to have Luther Tucker elected one of the National Council representatives just as soon as there is an opening. Dr. John W. Wood who has been a member of the Board since the beginning of the same is over eighty years of age and very ill and is not expected to live very long. I should have gone ahead and had Luther Tucker appointed at the last National Council meeting but deferred this as a courtesy to Dr. Wood. If I might venture a suggestion I would like to say that I would like to see representatives from Yale that will attend and also younger men. I think there is no doubt but what Mr. Lyford and Dr. Lobentine, and possibly Dr. Hume will be coopted members of the United Board whether they are regular representatives from the Huachung Trustees or not. These men are all getting along in years and the Huachung Board really needs younger and more

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Dr. R. B. Fulton

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vigorous men. I should think two regular representatives appointed with one alternate would be adequate. I truly hope you will find somebody who will be able to attend our meetings and keep in closer touch than in the past. By this I mean somebody from New Haven. All of the New York representatives have been very regular in attendance but have very little influence in the University in New Haven.

With very best wishes and kind regards.

Very sincerely yours,

J. Earl Fowler

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905A Yale Station, New Haven, Conn.

February 24, 1947

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J. EARL FOWLER

Mr. J. Earl Fowler
281 Fourth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear Mr. Fowler:

Mr. Lyford was here on Saturday and thought you would like to see copies of these letters from Dr. Wei. They are enclosed for your files.

Mr. Lyford spoke of your having received a reply from Dr. Wei to your cable requesting information about Sidney Hsiao. If there is anything you wish me to do in the way of chatting with Dr. Hsiao on the matter, I will be very glad to do so. Mr. Lyford said that a copy of Dr. Wei's reply would be reaching this office very shortly. We will be looking forward to seeing it.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely,

Robert Brank Fulton

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February 26, 1947

Dr. Robert Brank Fulton
Yale-in-China Association
905A Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Dr. Fulton:

Thank you for the excerpts from Dr. Wei's letter.
The following is the cable we received from Dr. Wei:

"HSIAO REAPPOINTED PROFESSOR ACCORDING GOVERNMENT AND
COLLEGE REGULATIONS LETTER FOLLOWING."

As soon as I received this I wrote to Sidney Hsiao. I
do not understand from the telegram whether Dr. Wei is
writing to me or Dr. Hsiao. Should he write me I will
pass on the information to both you and Sidney.

I think it would be a good idea if you talked with
Sidney and use all of your influence to keep him on the
Huachung faculty.

With kindest regards.

Very sincerely yours,

J. Earl Fowler

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905A Yale Station, New Haven, Conn.

March 4, 1947

Mr. J. Earl Fowler
Church Missions House
281 Fourth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear Earl:

As you see, I am addressing you in accordance with your signature, and will be very happy if you will use my first name also. Thank you for breaking the formality.

Soon after receiving your letter I went up to see Sidney Hsiao in his office, and chatted with him a bit about the whole situation, expressing my strong hope that he would be able to see his way clear to accept the offer of re-appointment. He felt a bit embarrassed, I gathered, because he feared that perhaps the re-appointment offer had been obtained through the mediation of his American friends. I undertook to assure him that the telegram sent was not in any way exceptional in view of the fact that Dr. Wei had requested all of us to be on the look-out for Chinese or American possibilities for the faculty, and that letters and telegrams requesting information as to faculty and other needs were a regular procedure. He seemed to appreciate this assurance. I believe he is giving the offer real consideration, but is not ready to commit himself one way or another until there is further word from Dr. Wei.

Thank you ever so much also for your earlier letter with the very valuable enclosures. Anne has gone through them with great care and made lots of red marks by items of special interest. Regarding the appointments to the United Board, I am sure every effort will be made to secure representatives who will have the time and the interest to take an active part in the affairs of the College. Your suggestions in this matter will be of real assistance.

Very sincerely,

Robert Brank Fulton

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J. EARL FOWLER

Mr. J. Earl Fowler
Church Missions House
281 Fourth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear Mr. Fowler:

I would like to ask your advice about how to ship books to China. We have been told that it is very difficult to get things through Shanghai at present and that perhaps HongKong would be a better route. We have about 100 medical books that are urgently needed at the Medical College, but I am not sure just how to send them. Knowing that quite a few things have gone through your office to Huachung I thought that you might have some suggestions.

I am sorry that I was unable to attend the Huachung meeting. However, I did enjoy having a part in my brother's wedding down in Richmond.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Kenneth Morland

Kenneth Morland

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China*

March 7, 1947

Dr. Robert Brank Fulton
Yale-in-China Association, Inc.
905A Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Brank:

I am mighty glad that you had a chance to talk with Sidney Hsiao. I hope that all of our efforts will prevail upon him and he will decide to return to Huachung. Sidney was a former student of mine and I considered him the most outstanding student that I ever had in China. He was a good athlete, played on my soccer team and had the finest all-around character, as well as outstanding scholastic ability. I feel that it would be a very great loss to the university if he does not return. Everything that you can do to prevail upon him will be greatly appreciated.

Very cordially yours,

J. Earl Fowler

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March 7, 1947

Mr. Kenneth Morland
Yale-in-China Association, Inc.
905A Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Mr. Morland:

I hardly know what to say in giving you advice about shipping books to China. We have a group of missionaries sailing from San Francisco tomorrow for Hong Kong. Part of them are going to Hankow and we have advised them to proceed direct from Hong Kong to Wuchang by rail. I have told them that I am interested in getting information about sending freight through to Central China by that route and to get all the information they can after arrival in Hong Kong and to let me know all the details.

At the present time it is impossible to send freight direct from America to an inland destination in China. It must be consigned to an address at the port of arrival. All of our shipments to Huachung have been consigned to our mission treasurer's office in Shanghai and trans-shipped by him to Hankow. Your medical books are probably very heavy, so it would not be practical to send them by registered book post. That would be the ideal way of sending them at the present time, if it didn't mean so many parcels. We have been sending a great many books to St. John's Medical School in Shanghai by registered book post. It is expensive but seems to be the most practical way to get them out there. I am afraid that I haven't been of any assistance to you. If I get any real information about shipping by freight via Hong Kong, and thence by rail to Central China, I will pass it on to you.

I should have sent you an official notice before this that you were elected a member at large of the Huachung

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Mr. Kenneth Morland
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March 7, 1947

Board of Trustees at our last meeting. I do not know just how long this will be effective as I am not sure whether members at large will be regular members of the Board after we join the United Board For Christian Colleges in China. This will be ironed out after we have become regular members of the United Board.

With very best wishes and kind regards.

Very cordially yours,

J. Earl Fowler

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"I received your letter of February 6th and I am now answering it enclosing the confirmation copy of your letter of November 22nd at your request.

"The first thing I would like to say, and you may already have known it, is that owing to budget difficulty the National Council of the Episcopal Church in the United States is unable to increase their money grant in the next year from US\$12,000 to US\$17,000; and they are not able for the current year even to send new missionaries to the college to fill their full quota of contribution in personnel which is 12. We may expect only nine missionaries from them for the present including two on furlough.

"I have also heard from Burton Rogers in India that while he is glad to accept Yale-in-China's appointment to teach English in Huachung, they will not be able to come until a year from the coming autumn, owing to commitments already made and also to their need of adequate rest in England and in the States.

"Enclosed I am sending you the titles of the few books we have on Christian ethics, the history of economic thought, and the co-operative movement. You will see that you may have to buy quite a number of books for the courses that you are going to offer. Our policy is to replenish our library with books when there are people to use them, and so books for your courses are not many so far.

"As to the way you should handle your courses, you may make your own choice. Usually, we follow the American method of lectures supplemented by readings assigned in reference books. If there should be one or two books which you would like to use as the skeleton of your course you may have two or three copies bought to let the students use them in the library.

"I wonder whether it would be possible for you to get some of the books you need from the Yale University Press or from other publishers as gifts to our library which suffered heavy losses during the war, or you may buy them up to US\$300 for the three courses you have in mind, and we can write to Mr. Lyford to let you have the money if you should let us know before May so that we may reserve this amount from our book fund. US\$300 is of course only a tentative figure. If you should need a bit more, please indicate your desire of this in your letter by return mail.

"I quite understand Mrs. Fulton's position with regard to her work in the university. She has some good suggestions which we would like to follow up, but it will be better for us to leave the matter until after her arrival in Wuchang.

"I am glad that you are keeping an eye on my son John in New Haven. He seems to be enjoying life there, and before I know it, he may decide to study theology instead of physics. Whatever help you may give him in any way will be appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

/s/ Francis C. M. Wei

P. S. In reply to your question raised in your letter of Feb. 17 as to what to bring with you from America by way of furniture and as to the amount of space in the house you are going to live in I would suggest that you get in touch with John and Mary Coe who sailed from Shanghai to the U. S. A. on March 5. You can reach them through "281."

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Mr Fowler

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MAR 13 1947

J. EARL HOWELL

905A YALE STATION
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

March 12

Dear Earl:

I am sending you a copy of another letter from Dr. Wei, just received.

I have already contacted the "Miss Lin" (should be Miss Lin) he speaks of, and she is at least interested and will be writing Dr. Wei.

Burton Rogers has accepted appointment, though he probably won't be able to go to Wuchang till the fall of '48 that exhausts present Y.-in.-C. appointment possibilities. But is it correct that you or the Episcopal Board still have certain personnel funds available? And if so, do you want me to make inquiries at the Grad. School Dean's Office with regard to possible teachers of the subjects Dr. Wei mentions (underlined on the 1st page).

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March 28, 1947

Dr. Robert Brank Fulton
Yale-in-China Association, Inc.
905A Yale Station,
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Brank:

Please pardon the delay in replying to your letter of March 12th. I passed it on to Chaplain Titus, who is in charge of our recruiting, and inasmuch as he has been out of town a great deal, it has just come back to my desk.

Should you find any prospective teachers for Huachung that are Episcopalians, it would do no harm to refer them to the Rev. Frank L. Titus at this address. We still have some salary vacancies for teachers. However, inasmuch as we had to cut our 1947 appropriation last month to balance the budget, we do not have items broken down into classifications for the University, the middle school, and other work. Chaplain Titus has written to Bishop Gilman asking his opinion in regard to how the vacancies should be filled. We have been very fortunate in the last year in sending a great many new teachers to Huachung. While we have not filled many vacancies for the middle school, the few salaries we have open will have to fill any demands for the balance of this year, whether it is for priests or teachers. Any appointments we make from now on will be limited of course to the amount of money we have in the appropriation. Should we hear from Bishop Gilman in the near future and he assigns any definite opening for the University, I will let you know. Still, it will do no harm to put any possible candidates in touch with us. We may be able to juggle things and send another teacher to the University even though there is no appropriation assigned for one.

I hope Sydney Hsiao has heard from Dr. Wei. In case you hear anything further on this subject, please drop

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Dr. Robert Brank Fulton

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March 28, 1947

me a line.

I interviewed a very promising prospect as a physics teacher for Huachung last summer. However, before he was signed up to go to China, he decided to continue his study for a doctorate. I am suggesting to Chaplain Titus that he get in touch with Mr. Ackerman and see whether he is still interested in going out to China and possibly defer his graduate study until some future date.

Very best wishes and kind regards.

Very sincerely yours,

J. Earl Fowler

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905A Yale Station, New Haven, Conn.

APR 9 1947
April 7, 1947

Mr. J. Earl Fowler
281 Fourth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Earl:

Thank you for your letter of March 28. I have gotten in touch with the Yale Graduate School with regard to the positions mentioned in Dr. Wei's last letter as open. The person who is now handling such matters is Miss Barbara Chatfield and she says that at the present time she does not know of any Yale graduate who would be a possibility. However, she has promised to keep the matter in mind and to let me know if there should be any developments. There is, however, one possibility of real interest to me, and I think to you. I talked the other day with Professor Robert Dentan of the Berkeley Divinity School in regard to the need for a teacher of Old Testament. And he spoke of one of his students who is at present a "middler." The person is John Edler, and Professor Dentan spoke very favorably of his work, and also of the fact that he has long been interested in going to China. He is majoring in Old Testament and also studying Hebrew, in addition to other related areas. He would not, of course, be able to consider starting his teaching work until a year from this June, but I thought you might like to keep him in mind and possibly interview him during the next few months. Professor Dentan thought he would be a very useful member of the faculty. Perhaps you might like to write Mr. Dentan directly?

In a recent letter from Dr. ~~Wei~~ answers the question I had raised about books for the courses he wants me to teach. I am enclosing a copy of the letter. You will note a reference to the possibility of buying extra copies of certain books up to US\$300, and I am now working on some suggestions which I will send to Dr. Wei. I just wanted to make sure that you would know of the matter so that there would be no crossing of wires. I will send copies of the suggested lists to you and Mr. Lyford as soon as they have been completed.

Best wishes as you carry on,

Cordially,

Robert Brank Fulton

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April 10, 1947

Dr. Robert Brank Fulton
Yale-in-China Association
905A Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Brank:

Many thanks for your letter of April 7th. I have passed on to Chaplain Titus, who is in charge of our recruiting, the name of John Edler. I am sure that he will get in touch with him and try to get him interested in going to China after he has finished his work at Berkeley Divinity School. Many thanks for passing on his name.

When you have made up your list of books that you wish to purchase for Huachung, please send me a copy and I would suggest that you let me place the order for you, as we can get as good a discount as possible, and also, I can have the list checked against our files here, of books that have been sent out already, and unless it is desirable to have duplicate copies, there will not be unnecessary duplications made. We have a card index of all of the books that have been purchased for Huachung.

How are you taking care of your transportation arrangements? If I can be of any assistance to you in making reservations, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Very best wishes and kind regards.

Sincerely yours,

J. Earl Fowler

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June 17, 1947

JUN 18 1947

J. EARL FOWLER

Mr. J. Earl Fowler
281 Fourth Avenue
New York, 10, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Fowler:

I plan to attend the June 18 meeting of the Hua Chung Committee of the United Board for Christian Colleges in China.

I have waited in writing you until after our Board of Trustees meeting. I will be leaving Yale-in-China after this month and thought that my successor Mr. W. Reginald Wheeler might possibly attend in my place. However, in talking with Mr. Lyford, it was decided that it would be best if I did attend.

Looking forward to seeing you tomorrow, I am

Sincerely,

Kenneth Morland

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Memo:

June 20, 1947

For: Huachung file

Mr. W. Reginald Wheeler will be the successor to Mr.
Kenneth Morland of Yale-in-China.

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June 27, 1947

To: Yale-in-China Folder--Huachung file

Excerpt from a letter received from John Coe dated
June 23, 1947:

"I have just had a letter from Kenneth Morland of Yale-in-China saying that Yale was making a grant to Huachung of \$2,300 for repairing the Yale-in-China houses at Huachung. He asks as to the best way of turning over the money to Hauchung and I am writing suggesting that he send the money to you as I imagine that Lyford is away from New York and I am not sure if Greiner is on his vacation or not. When and if the money comes in, it should be credited to the Huachung Rehabilitation Account. This represents money already spent in Wuchang and debited to the rehabilitation account. I submitted at the request of Brank Fulton and Morland an account which totaled that amount as my estimate of what had been spent on the houses to date. This thus adds \$2,300 to the Huachung funds for rehabilitation.

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July 1, 1947

Mr. J. Earl Fowler
281 Fourth Avenue
New York 10, N. Y.

JUL 2 1947
J. EARL FOWLER

Dear Mr. Fowler:

Mr. John Coe said that in the absence of Mr. Lyford, treasurer of Hua Chung College Board, we could refer financial matters to you. As you may know, at the June 15th meeting of our Board of Trustees it was voted that Yale-in-China would pay the amount of \$2,300 to the Hua Chung treasurer toward the repair of the Yale-in-China houses on the campus at Wuchang. Mr. Coe suggested that this money be turned over to you and you would see that the assistant treasurer has it. This will be done sometime this month, I hope.

I am now writing to ask you about the payment of Yale-in-China's grant for 1946-47 to Hua Chung in the amount of \$5,000.00. I was ill at the time of the June 15th meeting and so could not talk with Mr. Lyford about this, but perhaps he left some message with you about it. It is our custom to pay this to the Hua Chung Board at the end of June or early in July. We will be ready to send the check on or before July 10, and I should like to have instructions from your office as to where it should be sent. Also has the Hua Chung Board been counting on Yale-in-China paying a share of the administrative expense in this country for 1946-47? For several years we have paid \$325.00. There again I haven't had a chance to check with Mr. Lyford about this, due to my illness the first two weeks in June. I will await word from you about this also. Possibly you will wish to write Mr. Lyford about it and then pass on to me his reply.

Thank you very much for any information you can give me about these matters.

Sincerely yours,

Rachel A. Dowd

Rachel A. Dowd
Assistant Treasurer

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July 7, 1947

Miss Rachel Dowd
Yale-in-China Association
905A Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Miss Dowd:

Your letter of July first has come during Mr. Fowler's absence from the office due to illness. I have written to Mr. Lyford regarding Yale-in-China paying a share of the administrative expense in this country and as soon as I have his reply I will pass it along to you.

If you will send the check for Yale-in-China's grant for 1946-47 in the amount of \$5,000.00 to this office we will see that it is taken care of properly.

We shall look forward, also, to receiving the check for \$2,300 toward the repair of the Yale-in-China houses on the campus at Wuchang.

Very sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Robert E. Holloway)
Secretary to Mr. Fowler

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July 7, 1947

Mr. Oliver S. Lyford
54 Dana Place
Englewood, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Lyford:

We have just had a letter from Miss Rachel A. Dowd, Assistant Treasurer of Yale-in-China Association in which she asks about financial matters and I am afraid I shall have to bother you for the reply! Miss Dowd says:

"Has the Hua Chung Board been counting on Yale-in-China paying a share of the administrative expense in this country for 1946-47? For several years we have paid \$325.00."

Would you be so kind as to drop me a post card in regard to the above matter so that I may pass it on to Miss Dowd?

Many, many thanks.

Very sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Robert E. Holloway)
Secretary to Mr. Fowler

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July 8, 1947

Miss Rachel Dowd
Yale-in-China Association
905A Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Miss Dowd:

Mr. Lyford has just been in the office and I have talked with him about the administrative expense in this country which you wrote about the other day. He informs me that the Huachung Board does expect Yale-in-China to pay the usual \$325.00 for 1946-47. However, we do not know about next year as we do not know how far we will go into the United Board.

If you will make all three checks payable to the "Huachung Treasurer" and send them to this office they will be cared for properly.

With every good wish.

Very sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Robert E. Holloway)
Secretary to Mr. Fowler

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July 25, 1947

Mrs. Robert E. Holloway
Church Missions House
281 Fourth Avenue
New York 10, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Holloway:

Your letter of July 8 was received in regard to the payments which are due from Yale-in-China for Hua Chung College. I am about to leave for a brief vacation and before going I want to send you two of the checks referred to in your letters of the 7th and 8th.

Please find enclosed herewith these two checks, as follows:

- \$ 5,000.00 - representing the grant from Yale-in-China Association for the fiscal year 1946-47 toward the operating expenses of Hua Chung College.
- \$ 325.00 - representing Yale-in-China's share for 1946-47 in the administrative expense incurred in this country on behalf of Hua Chung.

The check for the repair of the Yale-in-China buildings at Wuchang will be sent to you a little later, in all probability about August 15th. I trust this will be satisfactory to Mr. Lyford and Mr. Fowler.

I shall appreciate it if you will send an acknowledgment of my note, mentioning the two checks, so that we will have it for our records.

With best wishes for a vacation if you haven't had one yet!

Sincerely yours,

Rachel A. Dowd
Rachel A. Dowd
Assistant Treasurer

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July 28, 1947

Miss Rachel Dowd
Yale-in-China Association
905A Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Miss Dowd:

This is to acknowledge your letter of July twenty-fifth with the two checks enclosed. We are crediting the following to our Huachung University funds:

\$5,000.--grant from Yale-in-China for fiscal year 1946-47 toward operating expenses of Huachung University

325.00--representing your share for 1946-47 in the administrative expense incurred in this country on behalf of Huachung.

We shall look forward to receiving the check for the repair of the Yale-in-China buildings at Wuchang about August fifteenth.

I hope you had a most enjoyable vacation.

Very sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Robert E. Holloway)
Secretary to Mr. Fowler

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July 28, 1947

Mr. Oliver S. Lyford
54 Dana Place
Englewood, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Lyford:

This is just to advise you that I have, today, received the following checks from Yale-in-China Association:

- \$5,000.00 - representing the grant from Yale-in-China Association for the fiscal year 1946-47 toward the operating expenses of Huachung.
- \$ 325.00 - representing Yale-in-China's share for 1946-47 in the administrative expense incurred in this country on behalf of Huachung.

Miss Dowd has assured me that the check for the repair of the Yale-in-China buildings at Wuchang will be sent to us about August fifteenth.

The above checks have been handed on to Mr. Greiner for his attention.

Mr. Fowler is coming along very nicely and is now spending sometime in Connecticut getting some country air. I hope you and your family are having a nice summer.

Very cordially yours,

(Mrs. Robert E. Holloway)
Secretary to Mr. Fowler

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NOTE: This same letter was sent also to: Rev. Harold S. Rattenbury
London, England.

Rev. R. K. Orchard,
Westminster, London, England.

Dr. Dobbs F. Ehlman
1505 Race St. * Rm 904
Philadelphia, 2, Pa.

September 4, 1947

Mr. Reginald Wheeler
Yale-in-China Association
905A Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Mr. Wheeler:

On January 30, 1946 I wrote to the societies cooperating in Huachung University, Wuchang, to carry out the necessary provisions in the constitution for electing the Board of Directors of Huachung University in China. In that letter I gave a copy of Article 13 from the constitution of the Board of Trustees which covers the election of the Board of Directors. I have not received information as to the action your Board has taken regarding this matter.

Even though the Board of Trustees has joined the United Board for Christian Colleges in China, it is impossible for us to dissolve until a permanent Board of Directors has been organized in China. If you have not taken the necessary action to nominate to the Board of Founders names to be appointed as directors of Huachung in China, will you please do so at the very earliest opportunity.

I will be anxiously awaiting information regarding your choice.

Very sincerely yours,

J. Earl Fowler

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U. EARL FOWLER September 15, 1947

Dr. J. Earle Fowler
281 Fourth Avenue
New York, 10, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Fowler:

Your letter of September 4, 1947 has been received referring to the carrying out of the provisions in the Constitution of the Board of Trustees or Founders of Huachung College for the appointment of the Board of Directors of Huachung in China. In your letter of June 30, 1946 to Dr. Arthur O. Rinden, my predecessor as Executive Secretary here, you kindly sent a copy of Article 13 from the Constitution of the Board of Founders which covers the appointment of the Board of Directors. I am sorry for the delay in action on this matter. I will bring it up at the meeting of the Yale-in-China Trustees scheduled to be held September 28, 1947.

I would appreciate hearing from you if other cooperating Boards have acted in this matter and would like to have the names and affiliations of those already nominated with the indication of the number of Chinese and of Americans.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

W. Reginald Wheeler
W. Reginald Wheeler
Executive Secretary

P.S. We would like very much to have the information requested in the last paragraph above before the meeting of the Board of Trustees September 28.

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September 16, 1947

Mr. W. Reginald Wheeler
905A Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Mr. Wheeler:

Thanks for your letter of September fifteenth. I am very sorry to have to say that the only cooperating Society in Huachung University who has elected members of the Board of Directors of Huachung in China is the Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Our representatives on the Board are Rt. Rev. A. A. Gilman, Bishop of the District of Hankow, Rt. Rev. Lindel Tsen, Bishop of Honan, Rt. Rev. Robin T. S. Chen, Assistant Bishop of Anking, Very Rev. Stephen Tsang, Dean of the Cathedral in Hankow, Dr. K. C. Wu, Minister of Information for the National Government., Mr. Chamber Chow, and Mr. Newton S. K. Tsuei.

I presume that the reason why Bishop Gilman was elected to the board is because it is one of our rules of the mission that our Bishops be members of such organizations in the mission field. Bishop Gilman has resigned to take effect next August. It seems very probable that the next Bishop of Hankow will be Chinese in which case all of our members on the Board of Directors in China will be Chinese Nationals.

With very best wishes and kind regards.

Very sincerely yours,

J. Earl Fowler

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October 3, 1947

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Dr. J. Earl Fowler
Church Missions House
281 Fourth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Dr. Fowler:

At the meeting of the Trustees of Yale-in-China, September 28, we took up the question which you had raised in your letter of September 16 of the appointment by the Yale-in-China Trustees of representatives on the Hua Chung Board of Directors. The Trustees voted to refer the matter to President Wei at Hua Chung in consultation with Mr. Brank Fulton, our American representative on the Hua Chung faculty, for their advice. We will act after we hear from them.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

W. Reginald Wheeler

W. Reginald Wheeler
Executive Secretary

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W. REGINALD WHEELER
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October 18, 1947

Dr. J. Earl Fowler
 281 Fourth Avenue
 New York, New York

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J. EARL FOWLER

Dear Mr. Fowler:

It was a true pleasure to see you when I was in New York on the 15th, and I enjoyed very much our conferences and our mutual exchange of experiences and impressions of the work in China. Miss Jean Mackenzie, a former missionary of the Presbyterian Board and a well-known author, said once: "There is a tribal feeling among all missionaries." I am sure this is true, and no bonds are warmer or brighter or more lasting than those that unite the missionaries in their fellowship and service.

We received your telegram reporting the meeting of the Hua Chung Trustees, which is set for October 24 at 10:00 a.m., and I expect to be present. Mr. Lyford has been in the office today and I have enjoyed talking with him about the work.

With best wishes and looking forward to seeing you on the 24th, I am

Sincerely yours,

W. Reginald Wheeler
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 Executive Secretary

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October 21, 1947

Mr. Reginald W. Wheeler
905A Yale Station
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Mr. Wheeler:

I greatly enjoyed your letter of October eighteenth and will be looking forward to seeing you at the meeting on Friday. You are very right that there is a "tribal feeling" among all missionaries. I consider both the friendships I have made in the foreign mission field and since returning among the missionaries as the most valuable contacts of my life.

I have just received a letter from Dr. Paul Ward, Huachung University, Wuchang, in which he tells me that on Dr. Taylor's request he wrote to you on August twenty-first requesting that you get information about the right sort of recording machine for the Language School in Wuchang. He requested you to send the necessary information regarding the machine, as to accessories, cost and where to make the purchase to me. I hope that if you have been able to make the necessary investigation regarding this matter you will be able to give me the information when you come down on Friday. In Dr. Ward's letter to you he mentioned that he wanted information on a machine for about \$500.00. He has since then found it was not adequate and I believe there is over \$1,000 available for this purchase. I hope we will be able to get this in order and go forward with the purchase in the near future.

Thank you for your help and with very best wishes.

Very cordially yours,

J. Earl Fowler

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November 12, 1947

W. Reginald Wheeler, Executive Secretary
Yale-in-China Association
905A Yale Station
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mr. Wheeler:

I am afraid I have never acknowledged receipt of your letter early in October regarding the appointment of members to the Board of Directors of Huachung University in China. We will be looking forward to hearing from you as soon as this matter has been decided.

Last week I had a letter from Mr. Arnold Vaught, of Church World Service, regarding the visit to the United States of Mr. and Mrs. Chang Fu Liang. I do not know whether Yale-in-China at the present time has any particular interest in this family or not. Mr. Chang, when I first went to China in 1921, was headmaster of the Yali Middle School. At present he is general secretary of the Chinese Industrial Cooperatives and is a member of the American Advisory Committee and of its Protestant Sub-committee.

Church World Service is providing \$1,000 towards the cost of the visit of Mr. Chang and his family. I call this to your attention as you may be interested in using Mr. Chang for speaking purposes in promoting your campaign. I think Mr. Chang is a Yale graduate. His wife is one of the famous Shui sisters.

Very best wishes and kind regards.

Very sincerely yours,

J. Earl Fowler

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