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Shantung Christian University

January 3, 1930

Dr. Hugh H. Weir,
22, Farnival Street,
London, E.C.4.

My dear Dr. Weir:

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 21 to which you attach Dr. Wheeler's letter of December 18.

I am grateful to you for giving me the opportunity of seeing Dr. Wheeler's letter. I am returning it herewith for your files.

We have all been very much troubled by the recent news of the disturbances at Cheeloo. Although it is rather cold comfort, it is at least some relief to realize that similar disturbances have sooner or later affected practically every one of our Christian colleges in China. It seems that such disturbances are almost inevitably a consequence of the unsettled and rapidly changing conditions in China just at this time. It is, however, profoundly disappointing that Cheeloo has had to pass through these new troubles just at a time when it was recovering from the effects of the disturbed conditions of the last few years. A recent letter from Dr. Shields, and also minutes of the Administrative Council meeting held in Tsinan during the latter part of November, inform us that the Administrative Council eventually decided to recommend to the Board of Governors that Dr. Li's resignation be accepted. I understand that this recommendation implies absolutely no criticism of Dr. Li but is simply an effort to meet the situation in the way that it seems will offer the best solution.

Personally, I am keenly disappointed that the Field Board has found it necessary to recommend the acceptance of Dr. Li's resignation. It seems to me that he has done a very fine piece of service under extremely difficult conditions and that he is little, if any, to blame for the difficulties the University is now undergoing. I doubt whether any man, either Chinese or Western, could have accomplished much more. For the University to bow to the demand of a few radicals within and without the University for the withdrawal of an important administrative officer against whom no real charges have been brought seems to be setting an extremely unfortunate precedent. I do not see where we can get a Chinese leader superior to, or even equal to Dr. Li. Even though such a leader is secured, neither he nor we would have any assurance that he could survive any disturbance a similar group of radicals might create.

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I feel, however, that we in the West will have to suspend judgment until more facts are available. It is extremely difficult for us to judge at this distance what is the wisest course to pursue. About all we can do is to follow the recommendations of the field, once we are convinced that these recommendations are based on careful and mature judgment.

The plans we have been formulating for Dr. Shields' promotional work in America will, of course, be very definitely affected by the outcome of these disturbances on the field. Until we see what this outcome is to be we can do little more than to mark time.

With all good wishes for this New Year, I am

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

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D. M. CARR (MRS. A. C. CARR)

REPORT on VISIT to CHEELOO, as requested

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I paid my first visit to Cheeloo during October, spending a most interesting fortnight there shortly after the opening of term. The staff were extremely kind in giving me facilities for studying the work of all departments. They put themselves to much trouble in order to answer my questions, and to show me all there was to see, and gave me the impression that, toiling away at their difficult job, they are cheered rather than worried by visits from the Home Base. Dr. Li was, of course, in charge when I arrived, though absent for a few days at the opening ceremonies at Yenching. He returned escorting a party - known rather untruthfully, I think, as the American Millionaires! and we were all delighted to see our University making a favourable impression on these visitors. They proved to be warmhearted Christian people, thoroughly sympathetic with Cheeloo ideals, and Dr. Shields is hopeful of securing practical help from some of them later on.

As you know, the student enrolment for the autumn term was exceedingly good. Foreign members of staff especially were encouraged, and there was a feeling of hopeful expectancy in the air. As things turned out it might have been better if the new students had been more carefully sifted, and one or two ringleaders in the later troubles refused admittance on the score of previous records. Along with the optimism just referred to certain signs of discontent and uneasiness were apparent. One heard particularly that the Arts School were dissatisfied at being given first Mr. Hunter and then Mr. Lautenschlager as Acting Dean, instead of the permanent Chinese Dean they had hoped for. The scale of staff salaries in this School had been upset by the engagement during the summer of several new teachers on terms made possible by the Hall Bequest. This was causing trouble amongst the older men. There were also certain anxieties about the relations of the President and his Chinese staff. On the other hand we heard encouraging reports of the way in which he was tackling things, and particularly of his bold speaking at the opening ceremony of the academic year, when he came right out with an unequivocal statement of the Christian purpose of the University. It was delightful to see the different Schools busily at work. The campus hummed with life. Relations between foreigners and Chinese, staff and students seemed on the whole to be most cordial. Mrs. Yui won golden opinions as she started out in her capacity of Dean to make life brighter and better for the women students.

The School of Theology is, I gather, in a more satisfactory state than perhaps ever before. They have a strong staff and a good many hardworking older men amongst the students. All the staff are undertaking some bit of translation work. They meet quite frequently in each others houses for fellowship and conference, and are in close touch with church life in Shantung and elsewhere. Staying in the house occupied by three of the women doctors, I had ample opportunity

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for hearing all I wanted about the School of Medicine and the Hospital. These enthusiastic ladies quite frankly enjoy talking shop, while the same is true of the Nurses! Indeed the whole group connected with that side of the work are so utterly keen and devoted that the only fear is lest their zeal outruns what is physically right and possible. Some of the foreign staff seemed to work all day, beginning classes or reading with a teacher at 7 a.m., and they cut out all sociabilities to which Chinese are not also invited. Of course their Chinese colleagues become equally keen. Hours, and "times off" are taken little count of in the Medical School and Hospital. Work seemed to go with a delightful verve and enthusiasm. Dr. Heimbürger is very strict and thorough in Hospital administration, and hopes to effect economies in several directions. Miss Wilson was anxious to pass on her ideas about the nursing standard, and had some convincing reasons to urge in their favour. One could not miss realising that there is still a certain tension between American and British Nurses - I am sure it is most desirable for at least two Englishwomen to be on the spot, not just a solitary one as at present. It was fine to see new developments over at the Institute. Indeed in quite a number of ways it seemed to be that Cheeloo is reaching out, and drawing closer than before to the life of the community. Day and Night schools flourish, students taking a practical share where possible: "theologs" have certain responsibilities at the Institute.

The Leper Hospital is splendidly run by a fine Chinese leader under Dr. Heimbürger's supervision. When asked for figures, Mr. Swen said naively that "all the patients join the Church". Perhaps Government views about compulsory religion scarcely reach as far as that little compound south of the Campus!

Another interesting thing was to see the School for foreign children being run cooperatively by a number of the Mothers, the plan proving most successful.

I noticed a great deal of social mixing up between Chinese and foreigners. Simple meals for mixed parties seemed to be rather the rule, in entertaining. Chapel services on Sundays were also attended by a good many of each nationality. Attendance at daily Prayers was improving in each School. In conversation with Dr. Li I felt he was gradually coming round to a greater appreciation of the place assigned to Cheeloo under the Correlated Scheme. He said he wanted to see all departments cooperating in it, not merely the Arts School. If this were thoroughly taken up and supported, might it not have a good effect in drawing the different schools more closely together, so that some of the rather deplorable "departmentalism" might disappear under the influence of a big common task?

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Returning to Cheeloo on October 29 after brief visits elsewhere I found the Campus in the throes of a serious disturbance, and strike in progress amongst one section of the Nurses (3rd year class). It is thought that the two affairs had no connection with each other. In spite of attempted interference by the "Party" who stationed emissaries in the Hospital "to see that the patients did not suffer" the trouble with the Nurses was finally dealt with and resulted in the temporary dismissal of the whole class. The situation in the Arts School was far more serious. If not chiefly due to outside pressure, it was at any rate immensely complicated by this factor. Ho. Commissioner of Education in the Province is notoriously anti-foreign and anti-Christian, and he is irritated at failing for want of funds to get the provincial University started at Tsingtao. There is ground for thinking that he would like to annex the Medical School and establish himself on the Cheeloo campus, and at any rate he had good reasons for wanting to foment trouble there. In addition to this, there was Dr. Cheng, who left the staff in dudgeon last summer after resisting Dr. Li's appointment, still in the city, and acting as secretary to the Mayor. In the opinion of a good many, but not of all, this man had worked for his own ends most of the time he was on the staff. He was angry at being offered only the headship of a department last July instead of the Deanship of the Arts, which he wanted. It seems all but certain that he had a pretty big finger in the pie.

As far as I could learn, the course of events was as follows: News got round that the Authorities were about to nominate a new Dean. Students resolved to forestal this action, probably to seize on the chance of making trouble with a view to accomplishing something more radical. They called a mass meeting (of the Arts only, of course), elected committees and proceeded during the night of Saturday, October 26th to decorate the campus with unpleasant posters. Indignant foreigners tore down some of these on Sunday morning. This infuriated the students, who demanded immediate apology on pain of various terrible consequences. A brass band and procession enlivened the campus during the afternoon. On Monday they requested a holiday from classes for a day or two. This was granted. They sent in a list of requirements for a Dean. Briefly, he must be, A man of learning and experience, A Chinese returned student, A Ph.D., Not a doctor, Not a pastor, Not one of the present staff. (All this exactly fitted Dr. P.C. Cheng). By Tuesday or so it became evident that the dean question was only a pretext for aiming at Dr. Li, and upsetting the whole place. In spite of the influence of the moderate section and of various groups who did their best to intervene, the extremists won the day, and by Thursday a strike from classes was started. Posters grew extremely offensive and personal, Dr. Li's name being plastered about, sometimes written upside down or otherwise insulted.

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Pickets armed with sticks kept guard at entrances to classrooms. Efforts of the alumni, various doctors and medical students failed to win over the extremists, but on the other hand their attempts to bring in students from the other two schools were entirely unsuccessful. Medical students said they were far too busy to think about grievances. The School of Theology held quite aloof. Having allowed several days for peaceful mediation, the Senate posted a notice on Sunday afternoon to the effect that work must be resumed by Monday or the School would close down. That afternoon Dr. Li sent in his resignation, on the ground that it would clear the issues, he being freely quoted as the "obstacle to Registration". I believe he had been in favour of stronger action being taken by the Senate at an earlier period, but he did not carry the day with his colleagues. And when on the same Sunday night a large group of the Arts teachers conferred privately with the students, and in thoroughly Chinese fashion made terms with them, offering a further day of grace so that faces should be saved, the Senate was in a most awkward position. Apparently the teachers acted in good faith, and felt that they had "saved the Arts School". At any rate the Senate left things as they were thus arranged, and by Tuesday classes were resumed. The students, we were told felt sore and defeated, though from our point of view they had accomplished a good deal. I do not know whether the ringleaders who were said to be in the pay of the Party have since cleared off - the Chinese who intervened at the last minute were all against expulsion, assuring Dr. Shields that it was unnecessary, as these fellows would not have the wish or the face to stay. The Senate refused to accept Dr. Li's resignation, but there was no real conviction behind the action as far as Chinese members were concerned.

I left Cheeloo on November 7th, travelling with Dr. Li as far as Taian, where he went to stay and consult with a brother. No words can express the admiration one felt for his attitude under insult and provocation. He acted throughout as a Christian gentleman - brave and patient and unresentful. Some who visited him in his home during those intensely trying days realised that he and his wife were passing through a deep spiritual experience, and in the train he talked little of personal injury but much of the grievous "spirit of hate" which was being engendered in China. The pity is that such a man should just fail to win affection and warmhearted loyalty.

The heaviest burden in connection with this unhappy affair fell, of course, on Dr. Shields, who was pushed into a most unenviable position. I would like to pass on to the Board a remark made to me by a senior medical student and old Shansi friend. He said "The agitators wanted us to join them, but we said No, when

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we've any trouble in the Medical School we talk it over with our good Dean and there's an end of it - we have no reason whatever for going in with your crowd". I thought this spoke volumes.

I have written at length about these matters, because Dr. Shields asked me to report on them to the Board, and because letters from Cheeloo seem to be coming very slowly to hand. They have probably been sent by a slow mail, and the Governors must be anxious for information.

One very interesting letter from Miss Morton Smith has reached me, and as it carries on the story I am venturing to send a good part of it round for all to see. I have left no room for mentioning my visits to Hangehow, Soochow, Hanking, Tientsin, Peking, at all of which places and at Shanghai I gathered much information about educational work. I have come back more than ever convinced that only by adopting some form of Correlated Programme can Christian Higher Education keep any place in modern China.

D.M. CARR.
January 3rd, 1930.

Letter from Miss Morton Smith to Mrs. Carr, dated Dec. 2nd, 1930.

Dear Mrs. Carr,

I ought to have got a letter off to you before this, but we have been through another upset since you left, and it seemed useless to write till things were settled once more. Now they seem to be more or less so, and I will try and give you a resume of the course of events since you sailed. You knew pretty well all that had happened up till then.

On Monday, Nov. 18th, the Arts students had another demonstration, marched round the campus, and tried to get the girls to join them, but without success! They stood outside the girls' dormitory in a bitter wind for a quarter of an hour while their leaders went in and tried to persuade them to join, but the girls, with Mrs. Yui backing them, stood firm and the men had to go away with no support from that quarter! The Mosses watched it from their upstairs window, and wanted to cheer when they saw the outcome! The men then marched down to the Tang Pu and the Education Bureau and were away most of the afternoon. They were not so well supported by the moderate students this time, most of whom were

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well fed up with the business and declined to have anything more to do with processions and posters and such like, and wanted to be allowed to go on with their work quietly. Finally, a day or two later, 154 of the loyal Arts students, got out a statement to the effect that they did not approve of the methods of the strikers and wanted to return to class. However, they were not allowed to do so by their "red" brethren!

On Tuesday, 19th, most of the Administrative Council members began to arrive, and they had preliminary talks with different people, so as to get in touch with the situation. Dr. Ch'eng Ching Yi, unfortunately, wasn't able to come, in spite of two telegrams from Dr. Shields, urging him to. Everyone else, however, turned up, and they met all Wednesday and Thursday the 20th and 21st. You will, of course, see their minutes, probably as soon as you get home, so I won't go over them all, but they set on foot several pretty drastic changes, in order to make registration more possible. The reorganisation of the Senate has been done, but, as the members of the Arts & Science Administrative Committees resign almost as soon as they are appointed, the final constitution of the Senate isn't quite complete! However, they have had one meeting of the "New Senate", and didn't achieve much in it! The Administrative Council finally, after much discussion, and very regretfully, accepted Dr. Li's resignation, as, under the circumstances (chiefly the feeling amongst the Chinese members of staff) it seemed the only thing to do, for him and for the University. They appointed a Committee, consisting of Mr. Yi Hsing Lin, Dr. Kiang, Dr. Fugh and Dr. Shields to carry on the Presidency, and for several days they worked very hard, meeting with the students, with the Tang Pu and the Educational authorities, as well as with influential people in the city, trying to make some friendly contacts. It was a great relief to Dr. Shields to have this committee to take over so much of the responsibility. The final result of their efforts was that a settlement was reached, satisfactory to all parties, and the students returned to classes last Monday, Nov. 25th, and apparently all is now going smoothly. Of course, how long this peace will last, no one can say, but anyway we are very thankful for it.

During the days of the Administrative Council meeting, the air was thick with rumours! It was rumoured that the radical students were going to get in help from the city and were going to take the Church for their meetings, removing the cross and setting up Sun's picture in its place! They, fortunately, never made any attempt to do such a thing. They did, however, threaten Mr. S.C. Lo one day, with sticks, and warned him that, if he passed the Arts and Science buildings the next day, they wouldn't guarantee his safety. However, he is still alive and flourishing! Then they tried to

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involve the Middle School, but with little success. There was also a rumour that the Educational people were out to smash the Medical School as well, at which Dr. Shields, naturally, was not a little concerned, but we heard no more of that! But it seems quite clear that they have been behind all the Arts trouble, they and the Tang Pu.

So, at the present moment, reorganisation is the order of the day, and you will probably hear of a good many changes week by week! Of course, they are trying to get a Dean of Arts and a President, but both seem rather vain hopes at the moment! There are only about two bona fide deans left now, I think! Most people are acting, and the Arts and Science committees have new Chairmen every few days!

The suspended nurses are to be taken back this week, all but four or five of the worst ringleaders, who are to wait another month. Three of these blew in unexpectedly the other day, evidently expecting that, once here, they wouldn't be turned away again, but Miss Wilson was adamant, and they were not allowed into the dormitory and I believe have been sent home again till the proper date for returning. The hospital is only admitting emergencies now, but even so, they are very busy, and Thea (Miss Reade) dashed in at all hours for meals! The N.A.S. exams for the 4th year begin tomorrow and continue all the week, so it will be worse than never when they are off the wards!

December 6th. The last few days have been busy ones, and I have not been able to touch this. There is not much new to report. The Arts Faculty had a meeting the other day and nominated Mr. Lin Tse I (Mr. Yi Hsing Lin's brother) for Dean of the Arts School. The Science Faculty also had a meeting, and decided to try and get a Dr. C.C. Ch'en at present in Shanghai, for Dean of the Science College. Whether either of them will accept remains to be seen.

The Tang Pu yesterday, in great force, came to look round the Hospital, I believe at Mr. Yi's invitation.

Today seems to be nothing but interruptions, so I must make one more shot to finish this, before I get switched off again! The 3rd year class, except for four, I think, are back on duty, very chastened, Thea thinks! So now, I hope, Thea is not going to be quite so hard at it. She is actually hoping to get a whole Sunday off this week-end!

Tomorrow will be the Shields' silver wedding day, and we are having a tea in the Medical Assembly Hall for them, the whole of the Medical School and Hospital Staff being hosts and hostesses. We are giving them a silver rose-bowl, and Dr. Kiang, who is in charge of part of the arrangements, is planning to have the man who is to read the congratulatory letter in Chinese (Mr. Ch'en, of the Translation Dept). dressed up in mandarin robes, and the whole audience is to give three "chu kungs"!

(signed)

Maida Morton Smith.

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Jan. 6, 1930

Dr. George T. Scott,
Board of Foreign Missions
Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.
156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

My dear Scott:

It was good to get your Christmas and New Year greetings, which I warmly reciprocate. You were out of New York when I was there in July for the Williamstown Meetings, and therefore I did not have a chance of seeing you, and I am sorry to think that owing to the altered arrangements with regard to the P.U.M.C. Board, I shall not be paying my usual visit to New York, and having the opportunity of seeing you and other friends.

I am writing you today in my capacity as Chairman of the Governors of the S.C.U. Like ourselves you have no doubt been greatly distressed and concerned about the recent news from Tsinan. We have heard scarcely anything direct, but no doubt you have been kept fully informed of the situation by Dr. Shields. I understand that the Minutes of a Meeting of the Administrative Council, held in November, are expected on any day.

But we have heard a good deal indirectly. There have been very disquieting paragraphs in letters from Lobenstine, and from our own China Secretary, Mr. T.C. Brown, and I have seen several private letters. Weir has heard something from Bishop Scott. We have a Meeting of the British Section on the 17th instant, when the whole question will be carefully considered, and especially the situation created by the departure of Dr. Li T'ien-Lu. It would be a very great satisfaction if Dr. Balme could go back to deal with the present emergency, but I am given to understand there is very little chance of this.

I have however, heard a first hand account of the situation from Mrs. Carr who has just returned from China, and it certainly gives cause for alarm. She is preparing a Report for the British Section, which no doubt you will see in due course. She spent an afternoon with me last week and told me in some detail of the position. It is about one aspect of the situation which I want to write you. According to Mrs. Carr's account the local Chinese Education Commissioner, backed by the local Government, is using every endeavour to cause a collapse, with a view to taking possession of the buildings and organizing a Government Education Institution there. Mrs. Carr thinks that there is very real danger of this happening. As soon as I had seen her I went to see Mr. Wilson, of the B.M.S., as his Society and your own are the owners of by far the greater part of the property. We had an opportunity of consulting with two or three other British Governors - Dr. Percy Bruce, Mr. W.B. Sloan, and Mr. Sparham.

I have been wondering whether, in view of the contingency above referred to, any steps could be taken to preserve the rights of the Western Societies' property there in case of a collapse. I believe Mr. Burt, of the Baptists, and your Mr. Wells, have been to Tsinan, and it is possible that they may be endeavouring to deal with this situation, but no news has reached this country that they are taking any steps. I am writing to suggest that you should ask Mr. Wells to confer with Mr. Burt, with a view to an approach being made to the British and American Consuls at Tsinan, explaining the whole matter and the grounds for our apprehension that the property may be seized, so that all

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possible steps may be taken to prevent this calamity. Mr. Wells might see the American Consul at Shanghai, in the first instance, and if Mr. Burt is not available I am sure our Mr. Cocker Brown, of Shanghai, will be willing, with Mr. Wells, to see the British Consul-General there. It may be expedient to get into immediate touch with the British and American Ministers and to seek their help. I know that Nanking professes its inability to control the Education Commissioners in the various provinces, but something - at any rate - might be done. It seems a thousand pities to let matters drift until the confiscation of the property becomes a fait accompli, and I imagine it would be easier to keep the local Chinese out than to get them out when they are once in.

I am writing this letter with the full approval of Mr. Wilson, who is also writing a similar letter to Mr. Burt. One feels pretty helpless this end in facing a situation, but we shall all desire to give all the support and advice we can to the people on the spot. I trust it will commend itself to your judgment to write to Mr. Wells on the lines suggested above. I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Garside, as Secretary of the North American Section.

May I venture to make a further suggestion? As you know, Dr. Warnshuis has made very good contacts with the State Department in Washington. I would suggest that you should see him and explain the circumstances and consult with him whether it is worth while to see the Head of the China Department in Washington with a view to asking him to communicate with the proper American authority in China on the question of the property. One hundred and fifty poundsworth of buildings, etc., are at stake, and a communication from Washington might facilitate some effective action on the part of the American authorities in China. We are considering a similar move here.

With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

(Sd) F. H. HAWKINS.

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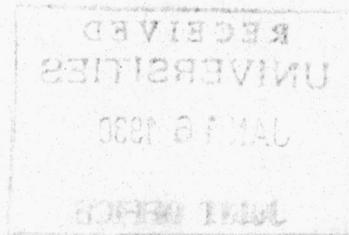
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Yours very sincerely,

F. H. Hawkins.



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Dr. George T. Scott.

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Yours very sincerely,

(SA) F. H. HAWKINS

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6th January 1930.

Dr. George T. Scott,
Board of Foreign Missions,
Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.
156, Fifth Avenue. New York.

My dear Scott,

It was good to get your Christmas and New Year greetings, which I warmly reciprocate. You were out of New York when I was there in July for the Williamstown Meetings, and therefore I did not have a chance of seeing you, and I am sorry to think that owing to the altered arrangements with regard to the P.U.M.C. Board, I shall not be paying my usual visit to New York, and having the opportunity of seeing you and other friends.

I am writing you today in my capacity as Chairman of the Governors of the S. C. U. Like ourselves you have no doubt been greatly distressed and concerned about the recent news from Tsinan. We have heard scarcely anything direct, but no doubt you have been kept fully informed of the situation by Dr. Shields. I understand that the Minutes of a Meeting of the Administrative Council, held in November, are expected on any day.

But we have heard a good deal indirectly. There have been very disquieting paragraphs in letters from Lobenstine, and from our own China Secretary, Mr. T. C. Brown, and I have seen several private letters.

Weir has heard something from Bishop Scott. We have a Meeting of the British Section on the 17th instant, when the whole question will be carefully considered, and especially the situation created by the departure of Dr. Li T'ien-Lu. It would be a very great satisfaction if Dr. Balme could go back to deal with the present emergency, but I am given to understand there is very little chance of this.

I have, however, heard a first-hand account of the situation from Mrs. Carr, who has just returned from China, and it certainly gives cause for alarm. She is preparing a Report for the British Section, which no doubt you will see in due course. She spent an afternoon with me last week and told me in some detail of the position. It is about one aspect of the situation which I want to write you.

According to Mrs. Carr's account the local Chinese Education Commissioner, backed up by the local Government, is using every endeavour to cause a collapse, with a view to taking possession of the buildings and organizing a Government Education Institution there.

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Mrs. Carr thinks that there is very real danger of this happening. As soon as I had seen her I went to see Mr. Wilson, of the B.M.S. as his Society and your own are the owners of by far the greater part of the property. We had an opportunity of consulting with two or three other British Governors - Dr. Percy Bruce, Mr. W.B. Sloan and Mr. Sparham.

I have been wondering whether, in view of the contingency above referred to, any steps could be taken to preserve the rights of the Western Societies' property there in case of a collapse. I believe Mr. Burt, of the Baptists, and your Mr. Wells, have been to Tsinan, and it is possible that they may be endeavouring to deal with this situation, but no news has reached this country that they are taking any steps. I am writing to suggest that you should ask Mr. Wells to confer with Mr. Burt, with a view to an approach being made to the British and American Consuls at Tsinan, explaining the whole matter and the grounds for our apprehension that the property may be seized, so that all possible steps may be taken to prevent this calamity.

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(Sd) F.H. Hawkins

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Shantung Christian University

January 14, 1930

Dr. Hugh H. Weir,
22, Furnival Street,
London, E.C.4.

My dear Dr. Weir:

I am writing to report the information received during recent weeks relative to the most satisfactory dates, from the standpoint of the members of the North American Section, for a London meeting of the Board of Governors. This information is summarized below.

Both Mr. Henry Cochran and Dr. Paul Monroe think it is probable they will be in London sometime during the month of April. Neither one is able as yet to give detailed information as to dates when he might be available for a Cheeloo meeting. Each of them has stated that if such a meeting is held in London while he is in the city he would make every effort to attend, but each has so many other responsibilities that it would be difficult to alter the other plans they will work out during the next few months.

It now seems likely that the West China Board of Governors will have a meeting in England about July 3 to July 7. So far as I know, none of the members of the Shantung Board of Governors will be attending the West China meeting. However, it is likely that representatives of the American Mission Boards cooperating in Cheeloo will be present at the West China meeting. I understand that Dr. Endicott of the United Church of Canada will probably be going to London for this meeting. Dr. Endicott is quite well informed concerning Cheeloo matters and no doubt could acceptably represent his Board at a Cheeloo meeting. I do not know as yet who will represent the Methodist Board. Since the Presbyterian Board does not participate in the work at West China they would not have any representative present at the West China meeting.

The replies I have received from the other members of the North American Section seem to indicate that the possibilities referred to in the preceding paragraphs cover about all the prospects for having representatives of the North American Section present at a Cheeloo meeting in London this year. Dr. Armstrong writes that he does not expect to make a trip across the Atlantic this year, and adds a comment that he could not personally afford the trip and that his Board could hardly be asked to bear the expense. I am sure that if the University could care for the major portion of the expense of Dr. Armstrong's trip to such a meeting he would be glad to attend.

No definite consideration has as yet been given to the ques-

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tion of whether someone from our Central Office might make a trip to London to attend the West China and Chealoo meetings. If both of these meetings were arranged during the first part of July either Mr. Evans or I would, of course, welcome an opportunity to attend the two meetings; being present at the West China meeting primarily to report on financial matters, and at the Chealoo meeting for secretarial matters. The primary obstacle in the way of either of us making such a trip would, of course, be the question of expenses for the journey. Possibly some arrangement might be made for dividing such an expense between the two Universities.

All of these suggestions are very general and I fear you will find them quite unsatisfactory. Considering all the different factors, do you think it would be better to proceed with plans for holding the annual meeting in April or defer it until just before or after the West China meeting in July? I should say that the major consideration is the preference of the British Section since representation from the North American Section is so uncertain and is likely to be very small in any event.

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Carside

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20th January 1930.

B.A. Garside, Esq.,
China Union Universities,
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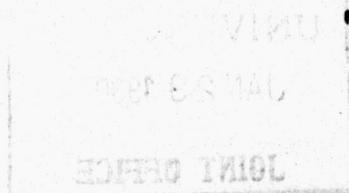
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F. H. Hawkins



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Rev. T. Cocker Brown, B.A., B.D.
The Missions Building,
23, Yuen Ming Yuen Road,
SHANGHAI. China.

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21st January, 1930.

B.A. Garside, Esq., M.A.,
Shantung Christian University,
150, Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK CITY, U.S.A.

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Dear Mr. Garside,

Many thanks for yours of 16 and 28.12.29. with the Minutes of your Section of November 29th and of the Promotional Committee of December 20th. In return I enclose the Minutes of our Section meeting just held, and copies of my covering letters to Dr. Armstrong.

Jan. 17, 1930

You will notice that in addition to the ordinary covering letter I am this time sending him a separate one, of which a copy is not going to China, dealing with the property question and possible diplomatic activities. I do not think there is anything I need add apart from what I have said to him in this letter. The Section were quite clear that you and he ought to be informed of what we were doing, but was distinctly anxious that the information should not be in any way broadcast.

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In connection with our Minute on your N.A.S. 196 and 197, I should like your opinion as to whether it would be necessary or desirable for me to write in the name of our Section to the bodies concerned, or whether the communication which you have probably already made should be regarded as sufficing. We felt we ought to associate ourselves with you in expressing our appreciation and thanks, but at the same time I cannot help feeling that a multitude of letters from different persons with the same object might not be desirable. I shall be glad to hear your view on the matter, and in the meantime am taking no definite action beyond what is actually expressed in our Minutes.

The one point which needs to be taken up further is that of the Annual Meeting. You will note that I had heard from Dr. Armstrong that there was a prospect of Dr. A.J. Brown visiting this country sometime during the year, and I have just discovered from Friends' House that Dr. Endicott is planning to represent the United Church of Canada at the Annual Meeting of the Board of

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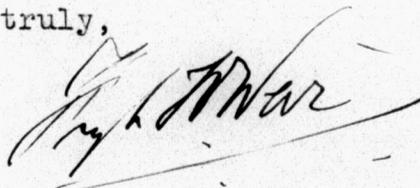
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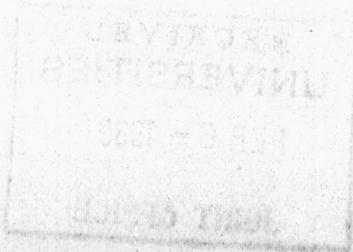
I think you will understand our feeling that we could not deal with the other business on the agenda just at this juncture. We are, as it were, standing by for further information.

I am sending you sufficient copies of Mrs. Carr's Report for your Section.

Yours truly,



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21st January, 1930.

Rev. A.E. Armstrong, M.A., D.D.,
The United Church of Canada,
299, Queen Street West,
TORONTO, Canada.

Dear Dr. Armstrong,

In enclosing the Minutes of the meeting of the British Section which has just been held, may I take the opportunity of thanking you for your letter of 31.12.29.

I am very sorry that there is no chance of your coming over to this side. Perhaps it may be practicable upon some future occasion if we are able to have the Meeting on this side. You will note what we have minuted on the subject, and I should add that, while none of us can see any prospect of visiting Canada this year, we are very clear that the immensely important business which will naturally come before the Annual Meeting must not be transacted by a meeting which does not contain at least some representative of both Sections. We shall, therefore, make every effort to fall in with any proposals which may come from your side, and I am communicating further with Mr. Garside on the subject. I note that you say that there is the possibility of Dr. A.J. Brown's coming to Europe, and if so we shall undoubtedly do all that is possible to meet at a time suitable to him. Furthermore, I have just learned that Dr. Endicott is planning to be at the Meeting of the Board of Governors of West China Union University, to be held at Woodbrooke early in July. It would be most fortunate if the visits of these two gentlemen should coincide, so that we might have their presence at our Annual Meeting.

I do not think there is really anything else in the Minutes of our Section which calls for comment, for as you will see we felt entirely suspended so far as effective activity was concerned by the extremely grievous news contained in the cablegram of 13.1.30. We are holding ourselves prepared for an emergency meeting at any time should news which we get from China call for it.

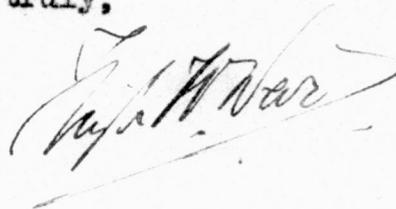
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In connection with our endorsement of N.A.S. 202 - Memorial Minute to Dr. R.P. Mackay, we did not feel that we could attempt to express in different fashion from the North American Section what they had said so effectively, but we are all of us, and particularly those among our number, of whom there are several, who have had the privilege of meeting Dr. Mackay, most anxious to associate ourselves with the rest of the Governors in this expression of sorrow and appreciation. May I therefore present to you as his colleague and the present representative of his Board our deep and earnest sympathy in the loss you have sustained.

I am sending copies of this letter to Mr. Garside and to Dr. Shields.

Yours truly,



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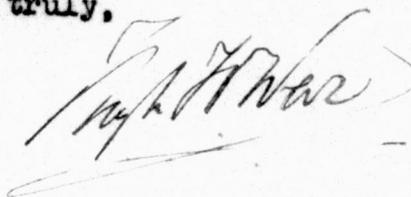
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299, Queen Street, West,
TORONTO, Canada.

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Yours truly,

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REV. C. E. WILSON, B.A.

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*Mr. Guinness
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22nd January 1930.

Dr. G. T. Scott,
156 Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK, U.S.A.

TRANSFER

Dear Dr Scott,

You and your colleagues are, I am sure, following with the same anxious concern as ourselves the course of events at Tsinanfu, Shantung, and share fully the sense of perplexity we feel as to how we can most effectively help our colleagues in the Shantung Christian University in dealing with the present crisis.

One of the matters which appears to be of immediate importance is the protection of the College property by every possible means from intrusion or misuse. It has been reported to us here that there has been some real apprehension in Tsinanfu lest the local Tang Pu might make a pretext of the stoppage of any of the University Departments to take possession of the buildings on behalf of the Government Education Department.

As the result of conversations we have had with representatives of the other British Missions co-operating with us, I have written to our B.M.S. China Secretary, Rev. E. W. Butt, advising him confidentially to keep the British Consulate apprised of what is happening in the University and to make clear to him how large a part of the property which is in use in connection with the S.C.U. is in the registered ownership of the British Baptist Mission. From the enclosed correspondence you will see what I have written. I have also supplied a copy of this correspondence to Dr Weir, of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. You will observe that I have pointed out to Mr Burt the importance of his acting in full consultation and co-operation with Dr Wells, the representative of your Society in China, and that such action as he has taken in this direction by way of information, reminder and precaution, with the Consular Authorities should be regarded as confidential. In the present excited temper that prevails in Shantung, we want to do all we can to allay irritation as well as to prevent injury being done.

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We are gratified, however, that the Chinese leaders of the Shantung Baptist Union have been quite steadfast and outspoken. While they approved of the Society's consent to registration on the condition that the schools could still maintain voluntary observance of religious worship and religious instruction, they agreed that the schools could not be registered or carry on in any way by the mission and the Church if religions were excluded, so at present our schools are closed. You will of course recognise what that means so far as any supply of students from our mission to the University is concerned.

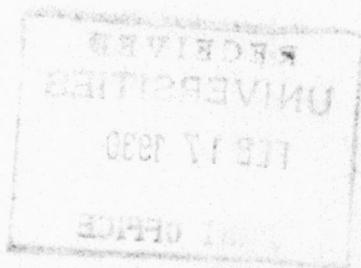
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With much esteem and every good wish,

I remain,

Yours very truly,

C. E. Wilson



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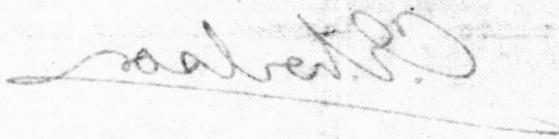
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Extract of Letter from Rev. C. E. Wilson, dated 15th
January 1930, to Rev. E. W. Burt.

All the news this week from Shantung is of a rather tragic kind. The British Section of the Board of the S.C.U. is to meet here on Friday. We had a little informal group meeting with Dr. Balme here last week to talk over the latest letters received concerning the resignation of Dr. Li Tien Lu, and we sent a cablegram asking for the latest news, as the result of which a message has come from Dr. Shields announcing that the workmen are on strike, the hospital is temporarily closed, the Arts College is closed, but the Medical School is open. A good deal of anxiety has been expressed by several members of the Board on account of the report that attempts were being made by the Chinese authorities to get possession of the University property.

I arranged to go with Mr. Maclennan to the British Foreign Office to-day, and we saw Sir John Pratt, who was formerly Consul at Tsinanfu and now has an appointment at Downing Street. He is, as you know, very friendly, and advised us to keep the British Consul and the British Legation apprised of what was happening, so that, in case of emergency, they would be prepared to make immediate representations on our behalf so far as the British missionary interests were concerned.

I went over with Sir John Pratt the schedule of the property held in the name of the B.M.S. in the city of Tsinan, reminding him also, of what he was already aware, of the co-operative interest we have with the American Presbyterian and other missionary societies in the property on the campus outside the city wall. He advised us to be ready to report to Sir Miles Lampson, British Minister, if any overt act towards occupation or commandeering of our property took place. I learned to-day that Consul Affleck is still in Tsinanfu and is not expected to leave for some time yet, and you can therefore count upon his interest and help. There is far too much at stake, both in regard to property and religious missionary interests of the Institution, for us to fail to exercise the utmost caution and foresight. It is very fortunate that the property has not been transferred from the ownership of the missions to a Chinese trust body, and we must not hesitate to take full advantage of the fact that it is the private property of the foreign missions and not Chinese property. As the B.M.S. Field Secretary and Representative of our Society, you will have the responsibility of dealing with this matter, of course, in association with Mr. Wells, or whoever is the legal representative of the American Mission in China, and with the Vice-President of the University.

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It seems to us also to be very important that, in the event of any extension of the period in which the Arts College is closed, that the buildings on the campus should be kept in occupation and not be left too invitingly vacant. We are a little puzzled to interpret the report that the hospital is closed but the Medical School is open. In that case again, it is very important that so valuable a property should be safeguarded by the continuance of occupation. The B.M.S. has over half a million dollars worth of property in Tsinanfu, dedicated to the sacred purpose of our mission; and it is a big responsibility for us to keep it inviolate.

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Draft

16th January 1930.

His Majesty's Consul,
British Consulate,
TSINANFU, Shantung.

Sir,

I have been informed by the Rev. C. E. Wilson, Foreign Secretary of the Baptist Missionary Society in London, that in a recent conversation he had with Sir John Pratt at the Foreign Office, Downing Street, he was advised that it would be wise to keep the British Consulate authorities fully informed regarding the recent disturbances, and the attempts which had been made to get possession of the missionary society's property at Tsinanfu, and it was suggested that it would be well to place in your hands a detailed statement concerning the property actually held in the name of the British Baptist Mission in association with, but quite distinct from, the property held in the name of the American Presbyterian Mission and other Societies who are co-operating in the educational work of the Shantung Christian University.

The responsible share of the British Baptist Missionary Society in this extensive property being so great, it is especially important to us that every step should be taken to safeguard it from intrusion or misuse. By the schedule attached it will be seen that, generally speaking, the land and buildings used in connection with the Shantung Christian University which are situated within the walls of the South Suburb of the city of Tsinanfu, are the property of the Baptist Missionary Society, having been erected on land acquired by them, and with funds raised by them for evangelistic, medical and educational missionary purposes. The land and buildings on the College campus outside the south wall of the city are held by the American Presbyterian Mission. Although some of the buildings erected in that land were paid for by the British Baptist Mission, some by the British Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, there is a clear mutual understanding between the missionary societies as to the ownership of those particular buildings.

It must be clearly stated that this valuable property in land and buildings has not been transferred to the Chinese but is the property of the missionary societies and was acquired for definite Christian missionary purposes and is held by them for these purposes only. The deeds of the property have all been registered in the British Consulate, and copies have been deposited.

I beg to remain, Sir,
Yours very truly,

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SCHEDULE of MISSION PROPERTY of the BAPTIST MISSIONARY
SOCIETY in the CITY of TSINANFU, SHANTUNG, NORTH CHINA

| <u>Description of Building</u> | <u>Fire Insurance Value</u> |
|---|-----------------------------|
| | <u>Mexican \$</u> |
| 1. Main Hall, School of Medicine | 25,000 |
| 2. Laboratory Wing, with equipment.. .. | 60,000 |
| 3. Five Students' Dormitories | 35,000 |
| 4. Nurses Home | 15,000 |
| 5. University Hospital, with equipment .. | 95,000 |
| 6. Out-Patients' Dispensary, with equipment | 35,000 |
| 7. Four Doctors' Residences.. .. | 27,000 |
| 8. Arthington Museum and Institute, with equipment | 120,000 |
| 9. Two staff residences | 14,000 |
| 10. Church | 20,000 |
| Original cost of site within City South Suburb Wall, 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ English acres .. | 32,000 |
| 11. B.M.S. buildings on the University Campus outside south wall: | |
| Theological Hall | 45,000 |
| Tutor's residence.. .. | 9,000 |
| Tsinanfu West Suburb: | |
| 12. Mission Hall and Staff residence .. | 5,000 |
| Cost of site, one-fifth English acre .. | 5,000 |

The deeds of the Baptist Missionary Society property in Tsinanfu have all been registered at the British Consulate, where copies have been lodged. The deeds of the land of the University Campus, outside the South Suburb wall, are registered in the name of the American Presbyterian Mission, and held by them on behalf of the other Missionary Societies of Great Britain, Canada and the United States, the partners in the Shantung Christian University, and to whom the whole property belongs. There is an understanding between the B.M.S. and the American Presbyterian Mission concerning the Theological Hall and the Baptist Missionary tutor's residence erected and paid for by the B.M.S. on the University Campus, the land of which is held by the American Presbyterian Mission.

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The total value of the land and buildings belonging to the missionary societies who co-operate in the University, and used by them for the University purposes, is not less than £150,000.

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22, FURNIVAL STREET,

LONDON, E.C.4.

27th. January, 1930.

B.A. Garside Esq.,
Shantung Christian University,
150, Fifth Avenue,
New York City,
U.S.A.

Dear Garside,

In addition to my other letter here of 21:1:30 I have now to thank you for yours of 3 and 14:1:30, the former of which does not need very much comment but the second is extremely important. It has only just arrived, and, of course, I have not been able to bring it before my Board, but I have consulted Mr. Hawkins, who immediately expressed the opinion which had already formulated itself in my own mind, namely, that it would be much wiser to try and meet here early in July, getting Dr. Endicott as you suggest, and if possible you, at the same time doing anything that may be possible to induce Dr. J.A. Brown to come also. The reasons for this are first, that your information shows grave doubt as to whether we could get Mr. Henry Cochran or Dr. Paul Monroe even if they were in this country at that time; then the time is short for making such arrangements, and, further, and much more important, in view of the extraordinarily critical situation at Cheeloo, it would be well to have the annual meeting fairly late, in the hopes that things will have settled down and the way of action may be more clear. Consequently, I suggest that we try to fix the meeting early in July, and, perhaps, you will get Dr. Armstrong to try and secure Dr. Endicott as his proxy and arrange for him to be with us. Further, that you should try and proceed with your proposal of getting the West China University to agree to go shares in the cost of your visit to this country and that the two universities together should send you. In view of your connection with all these China universities I do feel that it is most desirable that you should be known to more people in the mission houses of this country, and that the great importance that we are likely to find in the business of the annual meeting makes it most advantageous for you to be with us. Of course, it is clear that your expenses should be paid, but I think it ought to be possible for the two universities between them to do that, and we can have Dr. Endicott, Dr. Brown and you it will indeed be splendid.

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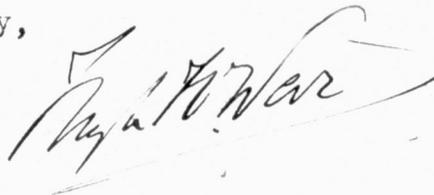
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I was very grieved to hear from Dr. Armstrong of your mother's death. I had not the privilege of knowing her, but I can understand how much it means to you and I sympathise with you most heartily.

Yours truly,



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Shantung Christian University

February 8, 1930

Dr. Hugh H. Weir,
22, Furnival Street,
London, E.C.4.

TRANSFER

My dear Dr. Weir:

I enclose herewith a copy of the minutes of a meeting of the North American Section held on February 5. Under separate cover we are sending 25 copies of these minutes for distribution to the members of the British Section.

Your letters of January 21 and January 27 arrived the day after the meeting of the North American Section so I have not as yet had an opportunity to bring formally before the Section the minutes of the January 17 meeting of the British Section or the other matters discussed in your covering letters. I believe, however, that the two Sections are already substantially in accord in the matters discussed by the British Section on January 17 and by the North American Section on February 5.

Election of coopted members. You will notice that the North American Section increased the number of its coopted members from four to seven by the election of Mrs. Ellis Phillips, Dr. Ezra Squier Tipple and Bishop Wilbur P. Thirkield. Mrs. Phillips is a very active worker in the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church and she and her husband are also well known for their philanthropy. Dr. Tipple is well known, I believe, in the field of medicine. Bishop Thirkield is one of the veteran Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church and I understand he has now given up most of his active duties so he should have a substantial amount of time free for such interests as the work at Chee-loo. We are also hoping that Dr. George A. Vincent, the retiring President of the Rockefeller Foundation, may agree to accept membership on the Chee-loo Board. His wide educational experience and his years of service at the head of the Rockefeller Foundation would make him an invaluable member of the Board.

Present situation at the University. Most of the meeting was devoted to the thoughtful discussion of the present situation at the University, and the way in which the North American Section might best assist those who are carrying on the burden and responsibilities at the institution. In advance of the meeting I had sent to all members of the Section copies of Dr. Li's letter of December 3, Mr. Hawkins' letters to Dr. Scott and Mr. Brown. Just the day before the meeting we received a copy of

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Dr. Shield's letter to the Board of Managers dated January 10 and I was able to give mimeographed copies to the members of the Section who were present at the meeting. Dr. Warnshuis had sent me a copy of his letter to Mr. Hawkins dated February 3 and I read excerpts from this to the Section. We had invited Dr. Warnshuis to be present but other responsibilities prevented his attendance.

From Dr. Shield's statement to the Board of Managers the Section felt assured that those on the field are taking all the steps they feel to be wise in keeping the diplomatic representatives of Great Britain and the United States informed of the situation on the campus, and of any measures the Western governments might wisely take to assist. It seems that one of the fundamental sources of disturbances of recent months has been the appearance in Shantung of the anti-imperialistic agitation which was so troublesome in South China about four years ago, and in the Yangtze Valley, two years ago. Obviously if any intimation reached the Shantung provincial authorities that Western governments were taking definite steps in the interest of the University, it would almost certainly increase the propaganda material of those who have for several months been attempting to show that the University is run by foreigners and is an agency of foreign imperialism. Even though such diplomatic representations might produce temporary relief (and this is extremely doubtful) they would almost certainly result in a prolongation of enmity toward the University on anti-foreign grounds. There are at the present time so many adverse and mutually antagonistic elements in the Nationalist party that it seems likely that any diplomatic approach from the West, no matter how carefully guarded, could not be kept from being published abroad in China. I doubt whether the foreign office of the Nanking Government could prevent the leakage of information of this sort, no matter how carefully secrecy was sought.

Dr. Shield's statement that the University has "kept the Consuls informed of everything but has asked them not to take any steps officially", undoubtedly indicates that they are anxious to work out a solution of the situation at the University without any action that could now or later be interpreted as pressure from the Western governments. His statement that "evidently very strict orders are given not to harm any foreigners personally, or to destroy any property," is distinctly encouraging. Evidently those on the campus are quite familiar with the rumors that the Provincial Commissioner of Education would welcome opportunity to seize the University property on a pretext that the institution has been closed, but Dr. Shield's letter does not indicate how much weight they give to these rumors.

From the history of similar disturbances in other places, one may hope that the strike of the workmen and the disturbances among the students will soon pass without any lasting harm. The antagonistic attitude of the Provincial Commissioner of Education may prove a more serious problem, for it appears that he is effectively blocking the path to registration. I understand that the University might possibly present its application for registration direct to ^{the} Nanking Government if action is refused by the Provincial Government. Only those on the field could determine

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whether such a direct appeal to Nanking would be advisable.

We will all be anxiously awaiting further word from the field. It seems that the most important question just now is the extent to which the University will reopen its work at the conclusion of the China New Year vacation.

Date of annual meeting. You will notice from the minutes that the North American Section indicated its preference for holding the annual meeting during the latter part of June or the early part of July if this time is acceptable to the British Section. I am glad to note from your letter of January 27 that the trend of your thinking has followed the same line. I am today sending you a cable summarizing the action of the North American Section relative to the date of the annual meeting, so you will have this information at the earliest possible date.

I am grateful for the cordial statement you make in your letter of January 27 in regard to my going to London for the annual meeting this year. I have always been extremely anxious to meet all the members of the British Section, and to have an opportunity to join with you in the discussion of Cheeloo problems. A number of details are yet to be settled before we can be sure that I will be able to make the trip to London, but I am quite hopeful that all these details will be worked out satisfactorily.

On the basis of information now available I hope that you will soon be able to reach a definite decision as to the date of the Cheeloo meeting. Apparently a date just before or just after the West China meeting would be equally satisfactory to representatives coming from North America. If the period just before the West China meeting is more satisfactory to the British Section, by all means set the Cheeloo meeting then; and if the second week of July is better for the British members, by all means choose a date during that week. So far as I know, neither Dr. Endicott, Dr. Barton, or Dr. Downs have made final decisions as to the dates they will be in London; but no doubt they will wish to finish up their schedules at the earliest possible date.

Developments in the correlated program. We were very much pleased to receive a cablegram from Mr. Cressy dated February 6 informing us that the Council of Higher Education at a meeting held in Shanghai during the past fortnight has unanimously adopted a correlated program for Christian higher education in China, including a solution of the East China problem. As yet we do not know what the details of the program are, and we will all be waiting anxiously for later mail to arrive from Shanghai giving further information. Mr. Cressy states that he is leaving Shanghai at the end of February, traveling by way of Siberia and Europe. He expects to arrive in New York City early in April. He should be available, therefore, the meetings of the various Boards of Trustees to be held here during the spring and summer. The Boards of four of our union institutions will probably meet during the latter part of April and the first part of May. No doubt the Boards of other colleges not represented in our Central Office will also be meeting about this same time. I hope we can also arrange to have Cressy present in London for the meetings of the Cheeloo and West China Boards. Mr. Cressy does not indicate in his

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cable whether he will be going through London on his return journey from China. Possibly he will be passing through London early in April and will have an opportunity to see at least a few members of the British Section of the Cheeloo Board of Governors, and others interested in our China colleges, even though official meetings are not arranged at that time.

Undoubtedly we will be holding another meeting of the North American Section within a few months. At that time we will try to clear off any matters arising either from the minutes of the British Section of the Board of Managers.

We are grateful for the personal word of sympathy you extended in your letter of January 27. Both my brother and I miss our mother very greatly, but feel that she left us a beautiful heritage in the memory of a lifetime of remarkable devotion to both of us.

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Very cordially yours,

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22, FURNIVAL STREET,
LONDON, E.C.4.

TRANSFER 11th February, 1930.

B.A. Garside, Esq., A.M.,
Shantung Christian University,
150, Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK CITY, U.S.A.

Dear Garside,

Many thanks for your cable received yesterday. I have consulted Hawkins and he assures me that either Wednesday, July 2nd, or Tuesday, July 8th, the days preceding and following the West China meeting would be quite possible for him, and are not occupied by important engagements in this country to his knowledge. Consequently I am sending you a cable as follows:

"July 2 or 8 agreeable. Decide your convenience."

We shall, naturally, be glad to know as soon as possible which of the two dates would be most convenient to you and to the others who hope to attend, so that we may make sure of keeping the right one, but it is clear that your convenience is the more important element in the decision.

Your cable reads "Endicott, Barton, Downs and myself can probably attend." I suspect that the third name is a mistake for Brown, is it not? I shall be glad to hear from you in due course about this, and if it should be Downs please let me have some information about him, as neither Hawkins nor I recognise the name.

We have just had a cable from Cheeloo as follows: "Strike satisfactory settlement reached. Meeting of Board of Directors March 4th." We shall probably postpone our next meeting of the British Section in consequence until late in April, so as to enable us to have the Minutes of their meeting on March 4th before us when we meet. It is gratifying to know that things have settled down again at any rate to some extent.

Between now and May I shall be most grateful to receive any ideas or suggestions from you as to the Agenda and Docket for the Annual Meeting. I have already impressed upon you my sense of inadequacy in dealing with this matter, and shall value

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THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
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156 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

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February 11, 1930

Rev. C. E. Wilson, B.A.,
Baptist Missionary Society,
19, Funnival Street, Holborn,
London, E.C. 4, England

TRANSFER

Dear Dr. Wilson:

We are greatly indebted to you for your fully appreciated letter of January 22 relative to the present extremely disturbed situation at Shantung Christian University. Mr. Hawkins had written previously and it is possible that, by this time, he may have shared with you my reply to him as Chairman of the Board of Governors.

The point of view of our Presbyterian Board was to expect the regularly constituted administrative bodies of the University to fulfill judiciously and faithfully their natural responsibility for the welfare and progress of the University, the protection and proper use of the plant. In the exercise of their duty, we of course would be only too happy to cooperate with them and help share the burden in any way they might desire. With this in view we cabled (in accordance with Mr. Hawkins's suggestion) to our Presbyterian China Council in Shanghai and asked them to get in touch with Dr. Burt. We also wrote to the China Council and quoted our Presbyterian Board action in a general letter to the China Missions. Our Board action reads in full as follows:

"The Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions expressed concern over the present disturbances at Shantung Christian University and is gratified to learn that the latest cablegram states 'Situation is improving.' The Board assumes that the official bodies of the University are taking such appropriate emergency measures as may be advisable for the protection of the valuable plant and earnestly hopes that before long the constructive service of this notable institution may again proceed unimpeded. Toward these ends the Presbyterian China Council and Shantung Mission are requested to offer their assistance to the University Administration."

The matter came up last week in a meeting of the North American Section of the Governors, report of which is probably reaching you about this time. We were very happy to receive today from Dr. Shields a cablegram, which has doubtless also been sent to you, reading: "Satisfactory settlement of strike reached. Meeting of Board of Directors will be held March 4, 1930."

We have learned from time to time, with the greatest sympathy, of the destructive attacks upon your own missionaries and their work in the Western Shantung area. We sincerely trust that these attacks have not unduly injured your magnificent undertakings but have rather led to the furtherance of the Gospel in that very needy part of the world. We Presbyterians have been through this sort of thing for the past four years, starting first in our five stations in Hainan and passing down through Kwangtung and into Hainan, then back northward again. Shantung is suffering now what South China went through three or four years ago.

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Dr. Wilson

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It all seems very tragic but apparently inescapable in the present circumstances. I am inclined to believe that, taken by and large, there is an eventual benefit to spiritual factors although unfortunately through material loss. While the Church may lose some of its dying or dead branches during the tornado, it certainly is more deeply rooted after the experience.

I am venturing to send a copy of this letter to Mr. Hawkins. To Mr. Garside, I am sending, as a matter of information and record, your letter to me of January 22 with its enclosures with a copy of this my reply.

I am glad to say there seems to be large hope that there will be one or more American representatives at the Annual Meeting of the Shantung Governors in London next summer but of this you will hear directly and officially from Mr. Garside.

With best wishes for the highest success of all the work of your Society and with warm personal regards, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

(G.T.S.)

George T. Scott.

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An enclosure is sent a copy of this letter to Mr. Hawkins. To Mr. Garfield, I am sending, as a matter of fact, your letter to me of January 28 with the enclosure with a copy of this reply.

I am glad to say there seems to be some hope in the future with one or more of our members in the United States. I am glad to say that the Government in London has not yet decided to take any action against the Society from Mr. Garfield.

With kindest regards to all, I remain
Sincerely,
[Signature]

(C.P.P.)

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London

17th February 1930.

Dr.A.L.Warnshuis,
International Missionary Council,
419, Fourth Avenue, NEW YORK CITY.

My dear Warnshuis,

Many thanks for your letter of the 3rd instant, which reached me on the 15th instant, dealing with the Tsinan situation. We on this side are very grateful to you for the active interest you have taken in this matter, and I am much obliged to you for reporting so fully on what you have done. At present it is not by any means a case of asking for Government intervention; we made that quite clear to Sir John Pratt, as no doubt you did to the Washington authorities. It is simply a question of giving information to our respective Governments, and no question of principle seems to be involved. I am much obliged to you for your suggestion with regard to some of us seeing Dr.Alfred Sze, as you have seen Dr.C.C.Wu. I am consulting Wilson, whose Society is primarily concerned in this matter, on the subject. The attitude of the American Presbyterians North, seems to be a curiously aloof one, in view of the fact that they have such a very valuable property at stake. They seem to wash their hands of any responsibility and to be content to leave their large property interests in the hands of the Board of Governors.

With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) F.H.Hawkins

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Shantung Christian University

February 20, 1930

Dr. Hugh H. Weir,
22, Furnival St.,
London, E.C.4,

My dear Dr. Weir:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 11, and of the cablegram you sent at the same time. I am enclosing herewith a confirmation copy of a night cable we sent you on February 18. A few explanations of this wire are in order.

Immediately after receiving your cablegram reporting that July 2 or July 8 would be agreeable to the British Section I got in touch with Dr. Barton, Dr. Endicott and Dr. Downs to see which of these dates would be satisfactory to them. I discovered, however, that Dr. Barton expects to be in Bournemouth from July 1 to July 9 inclusive. He is the Moderator of the International Congregational Conference being held during this period so it would be difficult for him to attend a meeting in London during these eight days. Dr. Endicott states that he is hoping to attend the Congregational Conference on July 1, July 2, or July 8 so his availability on any of these three dates is rather uncertain. Dr. Downs informs us that he does not arrive in England until July 11. I am afraid, therefore, that we shall have to abandon the hope of having him at the Cheeloo meeting, for Dr. Endicott sails for home on July 11 and probably it would be difficult for you to obtain Dr. Barton's attendance at a date late enough to satisfy Dr. Downs.

Considering all these facts, it appears that June 30 is the date most satisfactory to the representatives coming from America. Both Dr. Endicott and Dr. Barton state that this date will be satisfactory to them. I am, of course, arranging my own plans to suit whatever date is chosen for the meeting. The one possible difficulty of holding the meeting on June 30 is that this date falls on Monday. Possibly members of the British Section have responsibilities at some distance from London on Sunday, June 29, and would therefore find it inconvenient to attend a Monday meeting of the Cheeloo Governors. There is, of course, also the possibility that other meetings are being held on this same date which would make a Cheeloo meeting at that time undesirable.

If June 30 is not satisfactory, the preference of the American representatives would probably be July 8th or 9th, preferably the latter.

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I understand that Dr. Endicott would probably be available on either of these two dates and that Dr. Barton might be induced to absent himself from the Congregational Conference for one of the days late in the session.

I presume we will have a wire from you within the next few days, but I am sending these explanations to catch tonight's mail.

I am not sure that the letters we have written give you much information as to the identity of Dr. Downs. He is one of the secretaries of the Northern Presbyterian Board, but his work has been chiefly in the promotional field so he has not had any very direct contact with the work of the various China colleges. He was suggested as a representative of the Presbyterian Board because he is the one member of the Board likely to be in London during June or July. Dr. Brown tells us that he does not plan to cross the Atlantic this year, but we may be able to induce him to change his mind. There are a number of meetings in London and on the Continent during the late spring and early summer at which his attendance would be greatly welcome.

I will be glad to send you any suggestions I can as to items for the agenda of the annual meeting. We will no doubt have a meeting of the North American Section sometime during the latter part of April. Minutes of that meeting will probably indicate what matters arising here in North America should come before the annual meeting.

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Carside

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22, FURNIVAL STREET,

LONDON, E.C.4.

27th. February,
1930.

B.A. Garside Esq.,
China Union Universities,
150, Fifth Avenue,
New York City, U.S.A.

Dear Garside,

Many thanks for yours of 8:2:30 with the minutes of the North American Section and also for various cables. I take it we can now regard June 30th. as definitely settled for the annual meeting and we may hope to see you with others at that time.

It is rather a pity that apparently no one who is actually a member of the North American Section will be there except yourself, but those who expect to come will be very valuable representatives and I am sure that many of our Section will be extremely glad of the opportunity of making their acquaintance.

I am writing this in my own office and, consequently, have no access to past correspondence, and am not quite sure what I may have said in answer to previous letters. In case I have not mentioned it it will be as well to tell you that when we got the cable from Cheeloo telling us of the meeting of the managers - or directors as I suppose I should call them - in March, we decided to postpone the meeting of our Section which we had arranged for to-morrow, and have fixed it for Thursday, April 24th. Consequently, I shall not have any formal answer to give to your letter and minutes until after that, by which time we hope to have the report of the March meeting of the Directors to consider.

I am most grateful to you for the information about the co-opted members and also for your comments on the situation at the University. Clearly, you have all been taking a somewhat calmer view of the situation than had some of us here, but our latest news is entirely in line with what you report of the action you have taken, or rather perhaps I should say absence of action.

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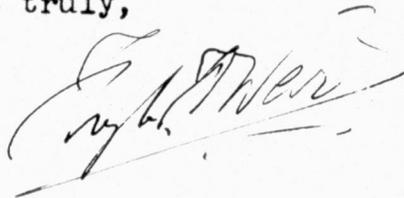
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Yours truly,



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The China Committee of our Conference of Missionary Societies is hoping to elect Mr. Gray on his way through and have a meeting with him, and it is hoped that it may be possible to notify the members of the British Section of the General Conference to come to that meeting as a special meeting of the Section might be a difficulty. It is very much wanted to call them over with this.

Yours truly,

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28th February 1930.

B.A. Garside, Esq.,
China Union Universities,
150, Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK. U. S. A.

Dear Mr. Garside,

I thank you for your letter of the 18th instant with regard to the Annual Meeting of the Trustees of the Yenching University on the 23rd April. I am very sorry that I cannot be present at it. Will you please make my apologies? I hope Miss Burton and Dr. Warnshuis will be able to be present. Kindly let me have the Docket for the Meeting, although I am unable to be with you.

I also have to thank you for your letter of the 31st ultimo, which reached me on the 7th instant, and I thank you for the copy of Dr. Li Tien Lu's letter. Since your letter arrived I have seen your letter to Dr. Weir, with the Minutes of the North American Section, and I have also heard from Dr. Scott. We are very grateful for your letter. I must not stay to comment on it, or the situation at Cheeloo. No doubt Dr. Weir will be writing to you. I was very sorry to hear from your letter of the death of your Mother. Will you please accept my warm sympathy.

I am delighted to know that there is a very good prospect that you will be able to attend the Annual Meeting of the

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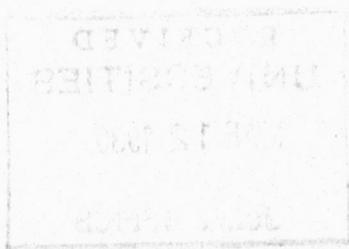
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Trustees on the 30th June. It will be a great pleasure to see you in London. No doubt in due time before the Meeting you will be sending Dr.Weir any items from your side which should go down on the Agenda, so that it can be properly prepared in time for the Meeting. It probably would facilitate the business of the Meeting if you and he, and I could meet beforehand to go through the Agenda. I do not know when you are likely to arrive. It may be by the boat on the previous Saturday. If so we could only have a little time together on the Monday before the Meeting. If, however, you are coming over by an earlier boat - as I trust is the case - I will arrange with Dr.Weir for us to meet on the 26th or 27th June. Unfortunately that week is very full, as we shall be holding our June Committees and our Board, and any time in the first three days of that week will be quite impossible for me, but I could give time on the Thursday or Friday. Later on when we know the time of your arrival I will discuss this with Dr.Weir. When you have fixed your boat will you kindly let me know, so that we can, if necessary, communicate with you on the arrival of the steamer.

With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

F.H.Hawkins



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With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

William Brewster

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22, FURNIVAL STREET,
LONDON, E.C.4.

3rd March, 1930.

B.A. Garside, Esq., M.A.,
Shantung Christian University,
150, Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK CITY, U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Garside,

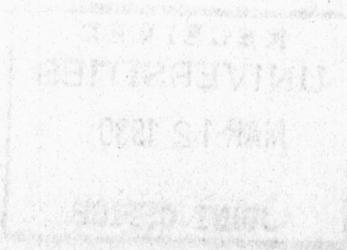
It has been good news to hear that you are hoping to come over to this country during the summer and I want to send a note of welcome in advance and to say how much I hope you will be able to give me some quiet time for conversation. I want very much to get your experience of a United Board, for it has been upon my mind for years really that we should do something similar in this country, but I scarcely know how to approach it. At present we are the only one of the Christian Universities that has an office of its own. It would be a splendid thing, I am sure, if all the Universities in which the British Societies participate could share a joint office, pooling their experience and sharing in propaganda work. Your experience and advice will be invaluable on this subject.

We are so used to friends from the other side coming and going in a kind of whirlwind that I venture to hope your visit will not partake of that character! Time for quiet, unhurried talk is what we shall want, and as you see I put in an early plea on my own behalf!

Yours sincerely,

pp. D. M. Carr

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Shantung Christian University

March 7, 1930

Dr. Hugh H. Weir,
22, Furnival Street,
London, E.C.4

My dear Dr. Weir:

Thank you for cabling us that June 30 is satisfactory to the British Section as the date of the annual meeting this year. I have communicated with both Dr. Endicott and Dr. Barton and they have informed me that they are holding this date open and are making plans to attend the Cheeloo meeting. I do not know what steamers Dr. Barton and Dr. Endicott plan to take but understand they will arrive in London at least two or three days before June 30. I have made application for reservations on three steamers arriving in England from June 26 to June 28. Since it is difficult to get accommodations just at this period of heaviest travel, it may be a week or two before I find which steamer I am to take.

You will, of course, keep me informed of anything I might be able to do here in preparation for the annual meeting.

I have this week received a letter letter from Mr. Henry J. Cochran in which he states that "It is my plan to leave on a business trip to our foreign offices on March 28 and I do not expect to return until toward the middle of May". I understand, therefore, that Mr. Cochran will be in London for a number of days during April. I have suggested to him that you would undoubtedly be glad to see him while he is in London and that you might wish him to meet other members of the British Section even though it is not likely that he could attend any regular meetings of the Section. I know Mr. Cochran will be extremely busy while he is in London so possibly he may not have time to get in touch with you.

With warmest personal regards, I am

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Very sincerely yours,

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Shantung Christian University

March 12, 1930

Mr. F. H. Hawkins,
London Missionary Society,
London, S.W.1,

My dear Mr. Hawkins:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 28.

We sincerely regret that you and Dr. Weir will not be coming to the States this spring for the meetings of the Yenching Trustees and the various other college boards. We are, however, counting on the presence of Dr. Warnshuis and Miss Burton as representatives of the London Missionary Society. I will try to send you a docket of the meeting far enough in advance to permit you to send us your comments for presentation at the meeting.

Recent correspondence from Cheeloo indicates that the situation at the University is changing rather rapidly. Apparently most of the changes taking place are in the direction of progress, although some factors in the situation are causing rather serious uneasiness among members of the North American Section. In particular, there is concern over the fact that the Arts College is closed for the spring semester and the prospects for re-opening in the fall are exceedingly vague. While everyone is heartily in favor of a ruralized program for the Arts College - and for that matter for the entire University - many of the Section feel that it is not necessary to make such radical changes in the Arts College program as seem to be contemplated. It is felt that the chief alteration which should be made in the work of the Arts College as heretofore carried on is not so much in a revision of the content offered as a redirection of objectives sought. During the sixty odd years of its existence the Arts College has, as a matter of fact, devoted itself almost entirely to the training of leaders in education and in social and religious work for the rural areas and the smaller centers of population. During recent years there has been a drift away from this program but the change has been more in the emphasis than in the content of the Arts College work. It seems as though this situation could be corrected without casting aside the organization already built up and beginning the work of construction all over again on a new basis.

We are having a meeting of the Executive Committee of the North American Section on Tuesday, March 18, to consider many of these questions arising out of recent news from the field. Shortly after this meeting I will send members of the British Section a supply of the min-

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utes, and will send Dr. Weir our usual letter of comment in explanation.

We are looking forward to meeting the members of the British Section in London at the time of the annual meeting on June 30. I am trying to arrange my sailing so I can arrive in England on June 26 or June 27. There is a possibility that I may not be able to get a boat that will arrive before June 28. As soon as our reservations have been definitely made I will inform Dr. Weir or yourself.

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Very cordially yours,

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Shantung Christian University

March 14, 1950

Mrs. J. C. Carr,
22 Furnival St.,
London, E.C.4,

My dear Mrs. Carr:

I am grateful to you for your cordial letter of March 3.

I am looking forward with keen anticipation to the prospect of meeting the members of the British Section at the annual meeting of the Cheeloo Governors on June 30. While I am in London I shall certainly be glad to take as much time as you wish for the discussion of matters connected with Cheeloo or others of our China colleges. I will be attending meetings of the West China Board of Governors from July 3 to July 7 but aside from this have not made any engagements for my stay in London. Possibly on July 1 and July 2 we will have free time for the discussions you have in mind. If these dates fit in with your convenience please give Dr. Weir a word to that effect so he will not inadvertently plan other engagements which might conflict. Thus far I have not thought it necessary to ask anyone in London to arrange a schedule of engagements for me, for I have not thought I would be called on for enough things to make such a formality necessary. You and Dr. Weir may feel assured that from the time I arrive in London on June 26 or 27 until after the West China meetings close July 7 my time is entirely at the disposal of those of you who are interested in these two institutions or in the other China colleges.

I shall be glad to have your advice also as to whether I should stay in London one or more days after the West China meetings close on July 7.

Very cordially yours,

B.A. Carvide

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Shantung Christian University

March 15, 1930

Dr. H. H. Weir,
22, Farnival Street,
London, E.C.4,

My dear Dr. Weir:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 27.

I note that you are arranging for a meeting of the British Section on Thursday, April 24. A meeting of the North American Section will be held here in New York on the following day, April 25. I presume that both of these meetings will devote some time to shape up any matters they wish to present to the annual meeting on June 30. I presume also that at these preliminary meetings of the action will be taken on the 1930-31 budget of the University as the annual meeting is held so late that postponement of action on the budget until that time might seriously interfere with the opening of the new fiscal year on July 1. In one of the recent letters I have received from Dr. Shields he intimated that some questions in connection with the reorganization of the School of Arts and Science might delay the preparation of the budget on the field so long that we would not receive it in time for action at the April meetings of the two Sections.

I am sure that Dr. Shields has been sending to London about the same letters and cables as have been coming to our office. Apparently the School of Medicine and the School of Theology are this semester going ahead with their work on a relatively normal basis. There is a growing concern here in New York over the closing of the School of Arts and Science for the spring term; and perhaps even more concern over the intimation in correspondence from the field that extremely radical changes may be made in the personnel and program of the Arts College before it is again reopened. We are having a meeting of the Executive Committee of the North American Section on March 18. This meeting will be devoted largely to the consideration of this problem of the Arts College. I will try to send you shortly after this Executive Committee meeting full information as to the discussions held and the actions taken. My own personal conviction is that it is not necessary to change the personnel and program of the Arts College nearly so much as some of Dr. Shields' letters would indicate, but I do not know how far this viewpoint is shared by the members of the North American Section.

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I am looking forward to the opportunity of meeting the members of the British Section at the annual meeting on June 30. I am trying to arrange a sailing date that will get me to London on June 26 or June 27 so as to have a little time to talk over with Mr. Hawkins, Dr. Balme and yourself in matters which should be discussed before the Governors assemble on June 30. As soon as definite steamer reservations have been made I will send you further details.

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Carvide

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18th. March, 1930

TRANSFER

B.A.Garside Esq.,
China Union Universities,
New York City, U.S.A.

Dear Mr.Garside,

Many thanks for yours of 7:3:30 which has just reached me. I write at once in the hope that you might be able to communicate with Mr.Cochran before he leaves New York. I do not know his address and so cannot do it direct.

I fully appreciate that he will be very busy during his time in this country and that it may be quite impossible for him to be able to spare any time for any of us, but there are many who would like to see him if possible and we are having a meeting of the British Section at 5 o'clock in the afternoon of Thursday, 24. April, and should he be in London then we should most heartily welcome him with us. The meeting will be held at the Baptist Missionary Society's offices, 19, Furnival Street. The British Section has a room under their roof though the number, as you know, is different. Furnival Street is in the City, quite near to Chancery Lane.

I expect that Mr.Cochran realizes that most of us are at our own offices in different parts of London. Mr.Hawkins at the London Missionary Society, Livingstone House, Broadway, Westminster, and I am at this office, also in Westminster. Both of us are within a few minutes of Westminster Abbey, but on opposite sides of it. I should like Mr.Cochran to have this information in case he has not got it already.

Yours truly,

(Signed) Hugh H. Weir

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Shantung Christian University

March 19, 1950

Dr. R. T. Shields,
Cheeloo University,
Tsinan, China.

My dear Dr. Shields:

I enclose herewith a confirmation copy of a cablegram we sent you yesterday immediately after the meeting of the Executive Committee of the North American Section. I am enclosing also a copy of the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting. We do not usually send the field a sufficient quantity of Executive Committee minutes to supply members of the Board of Managers, but because the matters discussed yesterday are of particular importance to the field, we are mailing under separate cover thirty additional copies of these minutes for you to distribute to the Board of Managers and others as you may desire.

Arrangements with Mr. Carson. I ~~know~~ that you on the field will be gratified to know that Mr. Carson's plans now seem to be developing in such a way that he will be able to return to the field this summer. I understand the Presbyterian Board has already sent you a cable to that effect.

Recent developments at the University. Practically the whole time of the meeting was devoted to a very earnest discussion of the recent news we have received from the University campus. I believe that all members of the Committee came to the meeting with a very good understanding of the situation so far as they were able to obtain such an understanding from the letters and cables which they had received copies. All of those present took an active part in the discussion. Dr. Lair and Mr. Smith were present but did not participate in the discussion further than to answer questions asked them by members of the Committee. I believe that their presence did not materially influence any of the actions taken.

The discussion centered around two specific problems, registration and the reorganization of the Colleges of Arts and Sciences. I will discuss these separately.

A. Registration. The Committee discussed at some length your cablegrams of March 8 and March 11 stating that it might be necessary to proceed with the registration of the School of Medicine separately, and informing us that the Board of Managers approves this procedure but is now making further investigations. While the Committee most earnestly hopes that registration of the University can be effected at the earliest possible date so as to provide a solution for some of the difficult problems with

which you are now struggling, the general consensus of opinion seemed to be that registration of the School of Medicine alone would create more numerous and more serious problems than it would solve. It appeared to the Committee that separate registration of the Medical School would be a further serious blow to the Colleges of Arts and Science. It would be extremely difficult for these schools to obtain students or to keep their student body contented if these schools were carrying on on an unregistered basis with one section of the institution working on the same campus carrying on on a registered basis. It is easy to see how such a division might make for serious disunity running through both the student body and the faculty.

Several members of the Committee expressed the opinion that for the School of Medicine to register separately, leaving the Colleges of Arts and Science unregistered, would seem to be playing into the hands of the hostile educational authorities of Shantung Province since it would give them still further grounds for attack on the College of Arts and Science, would make it even more difficult for these colleges to register in future, and would probably make it impossible for them to carry on at all. Looking at the situation from the opposite angle, the Committee felt that for the University continues its united front in asking for registration it seems most unlikely that the Chinese Government authorities can long continue their refusal to permit registration. Knowing the conditions under which some of our other institutions in China have registered we firmly believe that there is no legitimate reason why the Chinese Government should not accept the registration of Chee-oo.

These were the factors brought out in the discussion by the Committee preceding their action NASEC-210. In accordance with this action I sent you our cablegram yesterday afternoon. The Committee desired to make it clear that they do not wish definitely to oppose separate registration of the School of Medicine if this is found necessary as a last expedient, or if the judgment of the field is that such separate registration would not seriously embarrass the work of the other colleges. The Committee does feel, however, that before any definite steps are taken by the field in the direction of separate registration by the Medical School the Board of Managers should report to the Governors the result of investigations they are now making and the Governors should have an opportunity to take action on the recommendations of the Board of Managers growing out of these investigations.

B. Reorganization of the Colleges of Arts and Science. The Committee was unanimous in deploring the necessity for closing up the work of the Colleges of Arts and Science during the spring term. They all recognized the seriousness of the problems confronting these colleges, but regret was expressed that some course could not be found for keeping the work going ahead during the spring term even though it had to be on a restricted basis. The fear was expressed that the very fact of these colleges having closed for a term would create an unfortunate condition that it would take several years to overcome.

The Committee also discussed at some length the question of what changes should be made in the curriculum of the Colleges of Arts and Science to enable these colleges to best fit in with the new responsibilities proposed under the correlated program. The Committee recognized that initiative in such matters as these should come from the field rather than

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from the home base. We have as yet received only informal reports as to the actions taken by the Council of Higher Education at the meeting in January, but we are hoping that more official statements will soon be coming both from the Council itself and from the University.

Because of the great uncertainty expressed in your letters of January 23, February 3 and February 7 as to what the Colleges of Arts and Science are expected to do under the new correlated program the Committee felt that it would be desirable to have a statement prepared summarizing the convictions of the Board of Governors as to the work which these colleges should do in future if they are to carry their load under the correlated program and are to discharge their responsibilities to the Mission Boards that look to them for the training of Christian leaders. Dr.Brown, Mrs.Haven and myself were appointed a special sub-committee to draft such a statement.

I am enclosing herewith a tentative draft of a statement along these lines which I drew up a few days ago. I have not as yet consulted with Dr.Brown and Mrs.Haven so do not know how far this statement represents their viewpoint or the viewpoint of other members of the Governors. I noted, however, at the meeting yesterday that all those who discussed their viewpoint as to the future work of the Colleges of Arts and Science followed very much the same lines as does my statement. While this statement, therefore, represents only my own personal conclusions as to the work it is proposed that Cheeloo should undertake, I have tried to base it on the program outlined for Cheeloo on page 22 of the "Correlated Program for Christian Higher Education in China" as adopted by the Council of Higher Education in 1928; together with the conversations and correspondence I have had with Dr.Wallace, Mr.Cressy and others relative to the place of Cheeloo in the correlated program. I also showed Dr.Lair, Mr.Smith and Mr.Carson copies of this statement and they have all indicated that, except for suggestions as to minor changes in detail, they agree with the general program outlined in the statement.

This statement does not attempt to set forth any new ideas whatever, but simply to summarize what has already been agreed upon both on the field and here at home. Both Dr.Lair and Mr.Smith told me that you already have in the University files in Tainan various statements as to the ruralized program of Cheeloo which are quite similar to this one.

I wish we had time to obtain from the field in advance of the meeting of the Section on April 25 your comments, criticisms and emendations of this tentative statement. The only way you could get us your comments in time to bring them before the meeting of the Section on April 25 would be for you to cable on any matters which you considered of primary importance. I would suggest that if you find the field is widely at variance with any of the major assumptions of this statement you send a cable to that effect before the meeting of the Section on April 25. You will, of course, have plenty of time to write us more fully before the annual meeting at the end of June.

We sincerely hope that nothing in the actions taken by the Executive Committee yesterday may appear to you to indicate any withdrawal from the position taken by the North American Section on February 5 when they

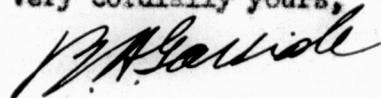
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by action NAS-205 voted to assure the administrative officers of the University of the hearty support and cooperation of the Section. I know that all the members of the Board of Governors have the warmest appreciation for the tremendous difficulties under which all of you have been laboring during recent months and have every confidence in the judgment of those of you who are carrying on the burden. The sole desire of those on the governing boards here in the West is to cooperate with the field in every way possible in an effort to keep the work of Chaeleo going steadily forward as the years go by.

Very cordially yours,



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Shantung Christian University

March 20, 1930

Dr. Hugh H. Weir,
22, Furnival St.,
London, E.C.4

My dear Dr. Weir:

I enclose herewith the following:- ^{See "Minutes"} minutes of meeting of the Executive Committee of the North American Section of March 18, 1930; copy of my letter to Dr. Shields of March 19, confirmation copy of cablegram ^{March 20, 1930} we are sending you today.

You will note that the Executive Committee devoted practically the entire meeting to a discussion of recent developments at the University. My letter to Dr. Shields reports on this discussion at some length so I will not repeat again what I have already written him. It was quite apparent throughout the meeting that the members of the Executive Committee are seriously concerned over the present situation in the Colleges of Arts and Science and the developments in plans for the future work of these colleges. The North American Section is whole heartedly committed to the "ruralized program" for Cheeloo under the new correlated program but the conception of this ruralized program has been rather that it means carrying out more fully the ideals the University has long acknowledged, rather than making any drastic changes in organization or curriculum. The recent communications received from the field have led the Section to fear that those at the University are going much farther than is absolutely necessary in closing the Colleges of Arts and Science during the spring term, ⁱⁿ intimating that they will never again be reopened on a basis anything similar to their organization in the past, ^{in connection} and that the whole question of the date and manner of their reopening is still far from settled.

There is a feeling here that the whole process of reorganization could have been carried out far more simply, less expensively, and with infinitely less loss in faculty, student body, finances, and prestige if the work already being done by these colleges had been continued throughout this year and all the necessary changes in direction and content of the curriculum had been made while the colleges were continuing in operation. Possibly the difficulties of recent months were sufficiently serious to justify closing these colleges for one term, although there is some doubt of this in the minds of many members of the North American Section. Several of our other Christian colleges in China have passed through difficulties almost, if not fully, as great during recent years without the necessity for closing the colleges concerned; or at most, closing them for only a few days or weeks during the height of the disturbed conditions.

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As yet the North American Section has not met as a body to discuss these matters so it is too early to make very definite statements concerning their attitude as a group. Also the information we have received from the field is not very complete as yet, being contained almost wholly in a few letters from Dr. Shields. We all appreciate the fact that Dr. Shields has been working under a tremendous strain; and we know too that he makes more emphatic and categorical statements in his personal letters than he would if he were preparing a carefully thought out report for presentation to the governing boards. I hope that we may learn within the next few weeks that the situation as regards the Colleges of Arts and Science is not quite so serious as we have been led to fear. It seems the part of wisdom, however, for the Governors to express to the field any convictions they have on these subjects without waiting so long that their representations will be too late to produce any effect.

We have not as yet had time to ascertain what is the attitude of the British Section on these matters. Possibly you may look at these questions in a somewhat different light. I hope you will not hesitate to set forth frankly and fully any points at which you may disagree with us.

No doubt we will soon be receiving some communication from you in connection with action NASEC-212 by which the Executive Committee expresses the conviction that both Sections of the Board of Governors should urge the field authorities of the University to take early steps looking to the reopening of the Colleges of Arts and Science for the autumn term of 1930-31.

With best wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Carvide

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21st March 1930.

B.A. Garside, Esq.,
China Union Universities,
150, Fifth Avenue, NEW YORK.

Dear Mr. Garside,

Many thanks for your letter of the 12th instant. I have read with much interest what you say about Cheeloo. We, on this side, share your regrets with regard to the Arts College. Of course we have not yet received the Minutes of the Board of Managers held earlier in the month, although we have had a cable, as no doubt you have had. We have a Meeting of our Section on the 24th proximo. It would be a very great pleasure to us if Mr. H. J. Cochran could arrange to be present at it.

Yesterday I heard from Mrs. Carr, with copy of a letter from Dr. Miner to her. I have sent it on to Dr. Weir with the suggestion that as it contains some information new to us it should be circulated with the Agenda for our Meeting, and I will ask him to send you a copy, as I think it is very desirable that we should pool information of this sort. I shall look forward to seeing the Minutes of your Executive Meeting held this week.

We are very much looking forward to the pleasure of seeing you here in June and will endeavour to arrange for you to meet Dr. Weir and myself before the Meeting on the 30th so as to discuss the Agenda. I note that you will let us ~~know~~^{hear} when your ~~arrangements~~^{reservations} are

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With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

J. H. Hawken

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Dear Mr. Garside

We have your cable urging the British Section to take steps about the Arts College, and, after consultation with Mr. Hawkins, I am sending you a cable to the effect that we propose to meet on April 24th after receipt of the minutes of the Managers meeting and, we hope, of your meeting.

I hope you will not feel that this is letting you down in any way, but we do find ourselves so lacking in data and in the requisite detailed information as to be quite incapable of giving any reasonable consideration to the problem until the managers minutes, at least, have arrived. The fact is that you folk are in many ways in much closer touch with the field than we are, partly because you are somewhat nearer, but more because you have so many more people coming and going between New York and China and so are kept more fully informed.

I think we all feel the seriousness of the problems which need to be solved just now, and we do not wish in the least to shirk our share in the responsibility of dealing with them, but our temporary inactivity need not do any harm, as your protest will suspend action in China as effectively as it would if backed by ours, for both sections must agree on action before it can be taken, and in a month's time we should be in a much better position to form an opinion. Further, during that time I hope that we shall have more statement of your views to help us.

I have got copies of letters from you to Mrs. Carr and to Mr. Hawkins, both of which throw light on the question, and I enclose a copy of a letter to Mrs. Carr from Dr. Miner, which we are circulating as a confidential document to our governors. I think it is important and it certainly gives us a great deal of information about which we were entirely in the dark.

See "Miner" 2/4/30

May I say, speaking for myself, that I feel that the Arts School is much more the interest of your section than of ours, we have but a small share in it and know much less about it. Consequently, while we wish to do all we can to help we are not in a position to make proposals so much as to comment on and advise about the proposals which you may make. This makes it the more desirable that we should wait until we have your views before us.

Your letter to Mrs. Carr suggests my keeping open July 1 and 2 for talks. I will surely do my best, but both days are largely occupied by committees which I ought to attend, indeed I shall have to cut an important one for

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our board meeting on the Monday. I am freer the end of the week before
and am trying to keep June 26, 27 and 28 free. If you are not otherwise
occupied perhaps you would spend part of Sunday, June 29th with my wife
and me, we live in London and are fairly easy of access.

Yours truly

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May I say, speaking for myself... more the interest of your... in it and know much less... we can to help we are... comment on and advise... if the more desirable... us.

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Shantung Christian University

March 26, 1930

Dr. Hugh H. Weir,
22, Furnival St.,
London, E.C.4,

My dear Dr. Weir:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 18 and your cablegram of March 22.

Mr. Cochran is sailing for England in two days so I will have time to send him a copy of your letter of March 18 and will urge him to see you in London and to meet with the British Section if he can possibly find time to do so.

Within a few days now you will be receiving the material I sent you after the meeting of our North American Section Executive Committee last week and will have a fuller understanding of the cablegram we sent soon after that meeting.

I note from your cablegram of March 18 that you will probably not be holding any meeting of the British Section or its Executive Committee (if you have an Executive Committee) before the twenty-fourth of April. No doubt the latter part of April will be the earliest time at which full information can be received from the field and studied by the members of the Section. Here in New York we are awaiting with interest fuller information from the field as to the actions taken by the Board of Managers at the meeting held early this month.

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Carside

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B.A. Garside Esq.,
China Union Universities,
150, Fifth Avenue,
New York City,
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Garside,

Many thanks for yours of 15/3/30. I am glad to hear you are having a meeting of your Executive Committee on March 18th. and shall look forward to getting your remarks on it and if possible your minutes in time to circulate to our section before our meeting on April 24th.

What you tell me about the School of Arts and Science is to some extent new. I have, of course, appreciated the fact that considerable changes are intended, but we have not had any information from China as to what those changes are, and your letter suggests radical changes in personnel and programme. I am not altogether surprised by this, but even now have no details and, consequently, any information on the subject which you have would be most welcome.

There is anxiety amongst us here also, especially lest there should be any risk of a clash of view between your section and ours. I do not think that is likely to happen but we here do need the fullest information possible to enable us to avoid it.

If I may speak personally and merely personally, out of great ignorance, I cannot help feeling that Mr. Cressy's report and many things which we have heard from time to time about the School of Arts and Science, suggest that some considerable change is desirable and that the present crisis with its lamentable closure may be a really great opportunity of a more effective start, but this is purely hypothesis and I have not the least idea of the lines of thought of the people in China nor of those which might be passing in the minds of the members of your section. I feel strongly, and I think many of those of this section agree with me, that the primary interest in the School is with your folk and that while we want to help in any way that we can in planning improvements, we are not entitled to run counter to those who are primarily concerned.

I note what you say about the budget. We shall certainly try and deal with it next month, though we may not get it in time, though

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Dear Mr. Garfield,

from what you say, it looks as if that might be the case. I am
having a meeting of your Executive Committee on March 29th, and
I shall look forward to getting you, unless you see otherwise.
Your minutes in this connection to our section before our meeting
on April 2nd.

Yours truly,
J. H. Ward

Hon. Secretary.

If I may speak personally and merely personally, out of great
sympathy, I cannot help feeling that the present crisis in the
things which we have heard from time to time in the school of
Arts and Science, suggest that some considerable change is taking
and that the present crisis with the Executive Committee may be a
really great opportunity of a more effective work, but this is
purely hypothetical and I have not the faintest idea of the line of
thought of the people in China nor of those who might be passing
in the minds of the members of your section. I feel naturally
and I think many of those of this section agree with me, that the
primary interest in the work of this section is in planning improvements,
we are not entitled to be concerned with those who are primarily
concerned.

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I note what you say about the budget. We shall certainly try
and deal with it next month if you may not get it in time, though

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