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E. B. Struthers

SHANTUNG CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY
TSINAN, SHANTUNG
CHINA

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TRANSFER June 5/24

Dear Dr Scott

Many thanks for the copy of your letter of Apr 16th to the China Medical Board letting me know that they were considering my application for a fellowship, and also for your letter of May 6th which came to hand this morning. Your letters are the first to reach me regarding the fellowship and the news coming as it does when we are in the throes of packing is very welcome.

I hope that I may get an opportunity to go to New York during my furlough and if so shall certainly call to see you.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely

E B Struthers

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OVER TRANSFER SHANTUNG

June 19, 1928.

Dr. E. B. Struthers,
Tsinan, Shantung,
China.

Dear Struthers:

I saw your brother in Toronto, and also your future sister-in-law. I intended to write to you before this, telling you of my visit; no doubt some of them have written. It was a great pleasure to meet them. I was staying with Leslie Kilborn. Your sister-in-law is certainly full of pep. I suppose they will get out to China this fall.

We have been watching the news in the papers with great interest. I have been sending letters regularly to Tsinan, as my bet was that you fellows had not left, and the last letters that I have had from there tell me you did not.

We have engaged passage on the "Empress of Canada" September 6th. We have to travel second class, as Evy is going to be with us, and we have to pay her passage. I would have preferred an earlier date, but August 17th was a little too early. I have been travelling practically all the time since I have been in the States, and I have promised my family to visit them some this summer. If we had to make Vancouver by the 17th of August, we would not have time to do it. I am sorry not to be there when school opens, as I know that with so many absent you will need all the help you can get.

I have already written to Kiang and Wheeler about the financial situation as I see it. I want you all to think about this in the fall. We will get help from the Rockefeller people for this year and next year, but we should have an endowment on which we can rely, and with which we can employ Chinese teachers when necessary. I am in pretty close touch with the Rockefeller committee here, and I am sure they will give us an endowment. I hope it will be $500,000. The question of when to ask for this endowment will depend on the situation in China. If things look well, I think we should ask definitely for $500,000. at the November meeting of the Rockefeller Foundation, and with that as a lever, somebody should be set aside for a time to try to raise money, presumably in New York, to match the condition of the Rockefeller gift. It will certainly be given with conditions attached of raising a certain amount ourselves.

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I am sure that there is no one on our staff at present who has any better contacts in New York than I have. How much I can capitalise this, I do not know, but I rather think that the school ought to send me back here if the situation in China justifies it. If we could get an endowment of $1,000,000., we would not be so cramped as we are at present. There will be plenty of time to talk this over in the fall, but this is my present reaction to the situation.

I wonder how the movie camera is working. Some friends suggested that they would give me one, but they haven't sent it yet. I told them I would need the funds to pay for films and development also.

Garside is doing a fine work here. It is not an attractive job to play around an office instead of working in an institution, as he used to. Of course he can give Cheeloo only a fraction of his time, as he is employed by all six universities.

It is not necessary to send an answer to this letter, as you will barely have time anyhow. Give my regards to all your family and the Cheeloo friends.

Yours as ever,

R. T. Shields

RTS/A

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COPY FOR MR. B. A. GARSIDE'S INFORMATION

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February second.
Nineteen twenty-nine.

Mr. Ernest B. Struthers.
Shantung Christian University.
Tsinan, Shantung.
C H I N A.

Dear Mr. Struthers:

I have your letter of Jan. 3rd, and note the following in it:

> "We were glad to notice that.....the Board would pay the salary of the teacher who is taking Mr. Hartmans' place in the Physics Department. We would be glad to know what the amount would be, and from what date, etc. All I know is that in the minutes you sent out it is stated that the Board had agreed to the principle."

You refer, of course, to the action of our Board in October which was as follows:

> "Prof. H. W. Hartmans.- (Min. p.68) It was REPORTED THAT Prof. Hartmans has completed his regular furlough, and is remaining in Canada for another year to complete special post-graduate work. On motion, it was agreed that salary cease, temporarily, September 30.
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> "Field Board request re staff quota.- Request of the Field Board was presented asking that the Board agree to meet the financial equivalent when there is a vacancy in our staff quota. On motion, it was agreed to grant the request."

You will see that as Prof. Hartmans temporarily ceased to draw salary from this Board from October 1st last, the University is entitled to maintain at our expense on a salary not exceeding, and possibly not equalling, that drawn by Prof. Hartmans, an instructor in his place. Presumably Prof. Hartmans will be placed

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on salary again this coming Summer at which time we would not continue the payment of another member of the staff. This would not, I suppose, be any inconvenience to the University, as you would not require a substitute for Prof. Hartmann beyond the close of the session next Summer.

A copy of this letter is being sent to Mr. McCormic, as his authority to pay the salary of Prof. Hartmann's substitute. I am sorry that such instruction was not sent earlier.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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P.S. I shall be in N.Y. next Friday

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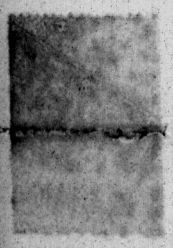

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May 6, 1924.

Dr. E. B. Struthers
Shantung Christian University
Tsinan, Shantung, China

Dear Dr. Struthers,

You are without doubt learning directly from the China Medical Board that on April 22nd it took the following action:

"RESOLVED that E. B. Struthers, M.B., be, and he is hereby, granted a FELLOWSHIP for medical study in America or Europe for the year 1924-1925, with stipend of One thousand dollars ($1,000) it being understood that there shall be no additional charges for either tuition or travel."

I write to make sure that the notice reaches you and to send you a word of congratulation on this fine opportunity for Post-graduate study.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours

George T. Scott.

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Copy for Mr. Armstrong

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SHANTUNG CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY
THE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL
TSINAN,
SHANTUNG, CHINA
DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE

TRANSFER

Oct 14/29

Dear Garside,

I keep putting off writing to you month after month hoping to have a supply of photos to send you at the same time. I have taken about 100 or so since Mrs Carter sent you the last lot. I'm hoping the publicity committee or someone will pick out the ones for which the Univ. will be willing to pay. Perhaps I ought just to send you whatever I think may be of interest & charge the Univ for the prints.

I was glad to receive your letter of May 27th and took your advice re having 'movie' films developed here 100 ft developed cost 0.04 per ft. printing 0.14 which is a little cheaper than you pay in New York. I am waiting for the Institute repairs to get finished and their machine set up again to see the result of the next 2 rolls. If you are not using the positive ~~I sent~~ you had made at N.Y. I should like to see what it is like. Someone might bring it out. I expect to go on

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THE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL
TSINAN, SHANTUNG, CHINA
DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE

furlough — Feb 1931.

My reason for being in such a hurry to get this letter off to you is that I'm afraid you will some day send out a tripod and we already have one bought from Kodak Co. The screw however is for a small hole Will you therefore kindly buy a Tripod Plug for enlarging size of screw of small tripods to fit DeVry Camera. This is listed at .40 cents.

We are getting along splendidly with the work of the term. In spite of adverse conditions we have been making progress during the past 2 years.

Drake is giving a lecture tonight to the Literary Society on Turkestan. I am trying instead of attending to catch up with a table full of over due correspondence.

With kind regards to your wife.

Sincerely yours

E B Struthers

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We liked the motion picture story very much but there has been no one here with ability of this kind who has time to organize it. — What would you say to taking a few views of country life harvesting - threshing etc.?

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Shantung Christian University

November 11, 1929

Dr. E. B. Struthers,
Shantung Christian University,
Tsinan, China

My dear Dr.Struthers:

Thanks for your good letter of October 14. I can quite appreciate the way in which you find time flitting by with an accumulating pile of unanswered correspondence constantly stacking up on your desk. Even though I spend practically all my time in clearing up correspondence, I usually find only the absolutely necessary letters are written and that correspondence which I put off to be done at my leisure never gets attended to.

I have been much ashamed of my delay in sending you the promised tripod. It seems, however, that this is one case where my lack of promptness did no harm. I am glad that you were able to secure a tripod on the field and am enclosing herewith a tripod plug which I hope will make your tripod fit the DeVry camera. You did not give a full description of the tripod you have so I am not absolutely sure that the thread on the inside of this plug will be the size you want. If it does not fit please let me know and we will try again.

I have not yet succeeded in having titles added to the films the University has sent during the last few years .but hope I may get this done during the next few months. The film would be far more effective if suitable titles were prepared. Since our Chealoo promotional work has been inactive during the last year I have not thought it wise to call on Mr. Cochran or Dr.Milliken for any further contributions to the promotional fund. We must try to conserve their interest until a little later when we hope some very active work can be undertaken. I fear that if we kept calling on them for small sums when no dafinite promotional results are accomplished they would become rather restive. However, this temporary termination of income for promotional work has embarrassed us a bit for meeting such comparatively small expenses as having motion picture films developed and titled. Our promotional funds have been exhausted for a number of months and it has taken quite a bit of scraping around to get the small amounts I have spent for miscellaneous items during that time. This financial embarrassment is, of course, the main reason for my delay in sending out the tripod, and is the thing that just now is holding up the titling of our films.

I hope that when we get the films titled we will be able to use them more frequently here in America. For that reason I am [illegible]

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it would be wise to send out the positive film to Tsinan. To send out the film would mean that for a number of months at least we would be unable to use this material in America, and, as you know, it always happens that just when material of this sort has been sent away one is certain to have urgent calls for it. Do you think it would be worth while to have a new positive film made either of all the negative you have sent us during the last few years, or at least of portions you may find of special use on the field?

I am more and more convinced that if we are to get anything really valuable in the way of a motion picture film we must have a connected story of some kind. If something along the line of the suggested story I sent you can be worked out it will be of tremendous value. I know how busy all of you are and how difficult it is for anyone to find time for such motion picture work. The only time to undertake such a job, however, is well in advance of the need for the material. If we wait until Cheeloo is ready to engage in active promotional work it will be too late to have such a picture made and sent to this country. When Dr.Julia Morgan was here in America she seemed very much interested in such a picture. I am sure that since her return to Tsinan she has once again become thoroughly immersed in her teaching and hospital work. However, if she could be persuaded to take the lead in preparing such a picture she could do it admirably. I am still hoping that a motion picture with a continuity of interest can be worked out at Cheeloo during 1929-30, and am willing to do anything I can to help it along.

You ask whether views of country life, such as harvesting, threshing, etc., would be of interest. It seems to me that this material is quite valuable although it does not do much toward accomplishing the primary purpose of giving people in America a vivid impression of the University.

I note with interest that you are planning to send us photographic material before long. Dr.Armstrong just last week wrote suggesting that our office should have a large collection of Cheeloo photographs which we could lend to various Boards and of which we could supply prints as requested. I have a fairly good collection of this sort as a beginning but need new material to complete it and bring it up to date. Also, much of the material I have consists only of single prints and not negatives. A single print of a picture is of very limited value, but if one has the negative as well, he can duplicate the print as much as necessary. In case of a few pictures I have had duplicate negatives made here in America, but this is a rather expensive process and, unless the work is done very carefully, the duplicate negative is not wholly satisfactory.

I realize that at both ends of the line we are working at a big disadvantage in trying to keep these publicity matters in motion. You on the field are all so busy with your special duties that you have little time for publicity work of this kind. Here in New York I have my hands thoroughly filled with administrative matters of all six of our China colleges. I have practically no time for any Cheeloo publicity work and as a matter of principle would not be able to engage in it if I did have because my salary is provided on the understanding that I will confine myself to administrative work for all six Universities on a strictly impartial basis.

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We must, however, continue our preparation of Cheeloo publicity material during this time when any promotional work for the University is inactive. Otherwise we will discover a little later that we are in urgent need of this material and are unable to obtain it in time enough to be of any use.

Very cordially yours

B. A. Garside

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Enc.

P.S. Since dictating the above I have received the envelope of Cheeloo photographic material. Thank you very much for sending these pictures. They will be of real value.

STRUTHERS, E.B. [illegible]

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About 200 miles north of [illegible]

Dear Garside,

Saigon.

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For some months I have had a few prints in an envelope on my desk waiting for an opportunity to write you.

When I left home I put all unanswered correspondence in my Kore and an-gradually catching up.

I'm now on my way to the meeting of the Far Eastern Association of Tropical Medicine which meets in Bangkok Dec 6. – I intend to go overland from Saigon and see Ankor Vat en route.

Expect to spend 2 months in India mostly the time at the Tropical School – Calcutta.

Should arrive home about the end of March. My address until ~~the end of~~ Sept. will be 36, Dearbourne Ave. Toronto. 6, Can. –

It's of course possible that I may touch New York on my way home – in which case I would look you up. If however I can get a boat from Cherbourg to Montreal should go in that way.

So far this trip has been very enjoyable. It is very pleasant on deck now with a stiff breeze blowing – this afternoon was hot even with summer clothes on. I had no idea it was so warm down here during the winter season.

I'm not sorry to miss a winter in the north

With kind regards.

Yours sincerely E B Struthers

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Cheeloo University
Tsinan, Shantung, Nov. 6 1939

Dear Friends,

Autumn days are upon us and the maples on our campus are a blaze of color. They remind us of the approach of Christmas and also of the fact that there are many friends to whom I have not written this year.

Last year on returning to China I was requested by our Mission Executive to help staff one of the hospitals in Honan. Our students from the medical school had gone to Chengtu, and, though the hospital was full, there was no teaching to be done. At that time Dr. Reeds was in need of furlough and as my brother owing to illness was unable to return to China, I was consequently asked to go to Changte, Honan, to help Dr. Isabelle McTavish.

Trains are now running more regularly but at that time the tracks were frequently blown up and subsequent delays had to be patiently endured. Each railway station looked like a small fort with soldiers on all sides and one on top. The district which surrounds the city of Changte, the most northerly of our stations on the railway, has been for years notorious for the frequency of its bandit raids. People come to the hospital from all around the countryside for a distance of forty miles. It took 24 hours for a boy seven years of age who had been shot through the lung to reach the hospital. As conditions this past year were more disturbed than usual we had many patients with gun-shot wounds. Some had been wounded by bombs but most stated that they had been wounded by bandits.

Our mission at Changte has Men's and Women's hospitals with a capacity of fifty beds each. There is also a hostel for women and children which accommodates another fifty patients. Most of the work was surgical and this was done by Dr. McTavish. Changte however is surrounded by villages in which Kala-azar is endemic so we had many patients come to the Out-patient department suffering from this disease. If not treated at least 95 per cent die within a few years, whereas after a course of intravenous injections of an antimony preparation nearly all recover in a few weeks. This spring over 40 children were under treatment at one time.

My wife and Mary arrived from Canada the middle of May. After that I returned to Tsinan and carried on in the hospital until called to a consultation in Peitaiho the end of the first week in August. After a holiday in Peitaiho, a fine summer resort on the East coast north of Tientsin, I went to Changte. A few days later Mary went to the Canadian Academy in Kobe, and my wife returned to Tsinan when flood conditions permitted. At one point part of the trip had to be made by boat as over 40 miles of the tracks were under water.

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When the troubles began most of our Chinese staff and students went to West China. The Arts and Medical Colleges are carrying on their work in Chengtu so the number of students on our campus is much diminished. The Theological school however has continued its work here and there are classes for hospital technicians, nurses and sanitarians.

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Nov. 6. 1939

Perhaps you may know that the anti-British movement in north China has resulted in the evacuation of nearly all British missionararies from their fields of work to Peking or Tientsin. The last of our missionaries from Honan arrived in Peking a few days ago. Two large hospitals have had to close and a third is running under Chinese management. That is in our own mission field and there are other hospitals closed such as the C.I.M. hospital in Kaifeng and the English Baptist mission hospitals in Shansi and Shantung.

With due regard to the limitations imposed by the censor I shall describe briefly why it was necessary to evacuate Changte. I arrived in Changte Sept. 9th. Several weeks before this our missionaries had been ordered to get out by the anti-British committee. A police officer was stationed at the gate to prevent any Chinese from entering the hospital compound, so there were no patients in the hospital and no servants to do any of the house work. One night the hospital gate was burned, kerosene and straw having been lighted at the base of the big wood gates. A notice posted outside ordered Britishers to evacuate within three days. Dr. McTavish was due to leave on holiday the next day so there was left in the compound the nurse Miss Preston, Mr. Mitchell and myself. Mr. Mitchell kept the engine running when required for water, light, and radio service. Miss Preston prepared meals etc., and I spent a good deal of time with Mr. Mathieson from the other mission compound in an effort to obtain from the authorities some help in the protection of mission property and the lives of those in charge. Saturday Sept. 16th. we were assured at military head-quarters of complete protection, and the same night at exactly midnight nine hand grenades were thrown into the compound. Most of these fell near the path along which we had been accustomed to walk in our night watches. Fortunately both Mr. Mitchell and myself were in the house at the time. The next week another gate was burned, nine more hand-grenades were thrown into the compound and we were informed that worse would follow. A picture of a bloody sword through the neck of a grotesque head was pasted on the gate posts. The head of the police came to inform us that he had not the slightest means of providing any protection.

There did not seem much to be gained by remaining longer so I returned to Tsinan via Weihwei, Kaifeng, Kweiteh and Hsuchow. The others went directly to Peking. As a long section of track had been blown up east of Kweiteh I stayed at the hospital there for two days until the track was repaired. The doctor at the hospital is a graduate from our school.

Things in Tsinan are much as when I left. The hospital is full and at the Out-patient departmeet there are over 300 visits a day. There are a great diversity of complaints and many diseases to treat. Some of these are rare, and others obscure and difficult to diagnose.When I returned to China last year I had expected to proceed to our West China mission so probably when you hear from me again it will be from there.

My wife joins me in sending CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS.

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DEC 13 1939

Duplicates of P.B.Price's Letters to Dr. Y.Y.Liu

Letter arrived at Chengtu, before Christmas 1939 from Baltimore:-

Dear Yung Yao:- You will be glad to hear that Dr. Hugh H. Young agreed to give you place in his department. Your position will be that of volunteer assi- assistant. There will be no salary, but on the other hand there will be no tuition or other academic expenses . You will live outside the hospital and arrange your own meals. You willhave the run of the clinic,assist in O.P.D. attend lectures and rounds and clinics, assist at times in the O.R. and be given facilities to do some research work if you do desire. Dr. Young says he will be glad to have you,and that you can stay as long as you wish. It will be the same position Dr. George Char of PUMC had here. I told Dr. Young I felt sure he would be as much pleased with you as he was with Dr. Char. I really think thatwill be a splendid opportunity for you. .....

Another letter written from Price May 9th, 1941 . Baltimore:-

Dear Yung-Yao; The money for your living expenses for two years in America has been secured. Your tuition as a graduate student at Johns Hopkins has been waived, and Dr. Young says he will be glad to have you whenever you can get here. So I hope that nothing stands in the way now of your coming to Baltimore. .....

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THE UNITED HOSPITAL
OF THE
ASSOCIATED UNIVERSITIES IN CHENGTU

CHENGTU, SZECHWAN
CHINA

Dr & Mrs Heeren
Garside

June 17, 1940

Dear Friends,

In my last circular letter Nov. 6th., I mentioned that when you would hear from me again it would probably be from our West China Mission. I left Tsinan Nov. 17th., spent a day in Nanking and a night in Shanghai. The next morning with the assistance of Miss Margaret Brown I obtained a steamer ticket for Hongkong and was on board an hour later. Four days later I was in Hongkong, where I stayed with an old friend, Prof. Gordon King of the University of Hongkong, who for years was a member of our staff in Cheeloo. One afternoon Prof. and Mrs. King entertained Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell, their family, and myself to tea at a hotel to the south of the island where we had a wonderful view of the sea and the near-by islands. I was impressed by the large amount of new building in recent years, and particularly by the fine new ''Queen Mary'' hospital. The trip by boat to Haiphong and the side trip to Kwangchowwan was not, without interest. One night only was spent in the port of Haiphong. In Hanoi I was treated with much courtesy at the Pasteur Institute which has a wide reputation in the East. The doctor in charge of malaria investigation had been called to war service in France. This French looking city was well kept. The parks had nicely clipped grass on which I lay and enjoyed the warm December sunshine. From Hanoi the flat rice lands passed in the night but the trip through the mountains to Kunming is were one of the scenic routes of the world. it vies with a trip through Switzerland for interest though there was no snow on even the highest peaks.

Kunming, the capital of Yunnan province has had an influx of about 10,000 students from other parts of China. On the streets people may be seen from the Tibetan border, and from nearly every province of China.

The road from Kunming to Chungking runs through Kweichow province up and down over many mountain ranges, sometimes descending to a pontoon bridge over a river, at other times hugging the edge of a precipice or coming down the side of a mountain in 27 sharp turns. The drivers shut off the engine on these descents, as gasoline is costly and difficult to obtain, and what they save in this way they are able to sell on the road and pocket the money. Going up a steep slope it was necessary to stop and back up in order to get around a sharp turn in the road. The brake did not seem to work so I applied the emergency brake, the truck stopped, but the driver told me at the top of the hill that the emergency brake was out of order. Arriving safely at the end of the journey one is glad to have made this trip once. Some parts of the road were as picturesque as can be seen anywhere, especially near a waterfall where mountains rise right out of the plain like stately cathedrals. At one point on this road mountain peaks are

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over 10,000 feet above the sea level. At various points along the road we encountered groups of the Miao or aboriginal inhabitants wearing their native costumes. An interesting account of these people and the fruitful Christian work that has been carried on in their midst is given by Rev. W.H. Hudspeth in his book ''The Stone Gateway''. A student in one of my classes who will graduate this year in medicine is from one of these tribes.

The road from Chungking to Chengtu for the first part is hilly and picturesque like that through Kweichow. A great difference in the fertility of the soil in Szechuan is soon apparent for the Kweichow hills are rocky and barren. The wealth of Kweichow (valuable province) lies in its buried treasures of quicksilver, gold, iron, coal and tungsten; that of Szechuan in its agricultural products.

The last part of the road to Chengtu crosses the southern part of the ''Chengtu plain'' which is 80 miles long and 65 miles wide. This is considered the most fertile part of China, and someone has said, of any place in the world. It is watered by a splendid irrigation system which dates from about 250 B.C. This Spring I had an opportunity to visit the site where the irrigation system begins (40 miles to the west) and observe the annual ceremonies at the temples and on the river bank which were conducted this year by the President of China. In fact the Governor of the province invited us to view the opening of the irrigation dam from the platform prepared for the President. About 100,000 people lined the river banks on this occasion.

The plain in which Chengtu lies is surrounded by high mountains (those on the west are the foothills of Tibet and rise to heights of 11-21,000 feet) thus, shut off from the cold winds of the west and north, Chengtu enjoys a ''soft almost windless climate''. In winter however the days are mostly cloudy, in great contrast to the bright winter weather and cloudless skies to which we are accustomed in North China. The city of Chengtu is surrounded by a wall about twelve miles in circumferencc which may have been built about 300 B.C. The streets at one time were paved but are now mostly macadamized. The houses or stores along the street are mostly two story, the shop fronts are open; there is an overhanging verandah and the clerks often live above the store. The shops contain all manner of goods, chiefly Chinese made articles but if one can afford the greatly increased cost almost any common article of necessity can be purchased.

The University has a beautiful and expansive campus; the buildings are in Chinese style and so harmonize with their surroundings. Since the Universities in other parts of China have had to move into the far interior, Chengtu has been an excellent asylum for a number of these, such as the University of Nanking, National Central and Ginling from Nanking, and Cheeloo from Tsinan, Shantung. Now on the campus of the West China Union University there are students from five Universities. They are distributed as follows:—West China 556, Cheeloo 254, Ginling 160, U. of Nanking 502, National Central 116, making a total of 1,588. West China has in affiliated schools an additional 1,324, so altogether there are 2,912 students on or near the campus. Life at the University here is very similar to life in Tsinan. There are frequent student gatherings and opportunities to hear well known speakers. The students have an excellent choral society which

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gave a concert recently to collect money for the rebuilding of the part of the medical building which was destroyed by fire on Feb. 19. A few weeks ago Ginling girls gave a concert of vocal and instrumental music that was much enjoyed. These days when the country is at war, and when nearly all the educational institutions of higher learning in the North and East are closed, it is a source of satisfaction to see young people able to complete their education in an atmosphere of peace, except for the occasional air-raid warning. This year so far no bombs have been dropped within the city.

About 2 o'clock on the morning of May 2, a fire broke out in the basement of the Women's hospital. A doctor in the room above who had just delivered a baby smelled the smoke and ordered the hospital evacuated. The 108 patients who were in the hospital at the time were all quickly removed to a place of safety. The building which except for the walls was entirely of wood was soon a mass of flames. The medical staff, nurses, coolies and medical students all worked with great energy. One doctor carried out seven patients. As the night was warm the patients suffered no serious harm. The radium fortunately was in a patient who went to a hotel and reported her whereabouts the next day. Medical students stirred by the scenes of the early morning passed the following resolution, which I give in their own words—''Pre-doctors pay high tribute to Heroines and Heroes of the Hospital Conflagration."

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THE UNITED HOSPITAL OF THE
ASSOCIATED UNIVERSITIES IN CHENGTU

CHENGTU, SZECHWAN
Sept. 26, 1940

Dear Friends,

Since my last letter to you my experiences have been numerous and varied. I have been trying to get a first hand acquaintance with the work of our mission in this province, and also to gain some knowledge concerning the province itself,

I agreed to relieve Dr. Sheridan at Tzeliutsing for a month during the summer. No truck was available until the 8th of July. That morning after a very heavy rain we started off. There were seven of us perched on top of the boxes with which the truck was loaded. As we rushed out of the city we were swished by the waterladen branches of the trees and had to duck to escape decapitation by the telegraph wires. About two hours out of the city the roads were dry and the sun so hot that before evening my hands were swollen with sunburn. The next morning I sat on my baggage, as did thirty others, in an open public truck. The public bus, for which I did not succeed in getting a ticket, was packed so full that, in the midsummer heat, I was surprised some of the passengers did not suffocate. The road was good and we reached our destination in about 3 hours. I arrived in the city at the time of an air-raid warning and at the hospital found all the patients, about 70 in number, had been placed in the air-raid shelter. Five days previously 4 bombs had been dropped in the mission compound doing considerable damage to the houses and one end of the hospital. This part of the hospital had not been in use as it had been too badly damaged in an air-raid last year. For the next few weeks we had 3 or 4 warnings a week and each time the patients who could not walk had to be carried out. Fortunately the hill was close to the hospital so there would be about 20 feet of shale rock on top of the dugout. Five days after I left 7 bombs were dropped in and around the compound. Three hit the hospital. The roof was blown off but has since been replaced. Several of the wards cannot be used until extensive repairs have been carried out. It is likely that the hospital will be moved to a quieter spot in the country, and dispensary work carried on in the city hospital. The hospital has a good nursing school under an efficient Chinese head Miss Chu. It has also a goodly number of fine graduate nurses who have been trained in Chengtu. One of these nurses was a graduate of Cheeloo and had spent some months in our Public Health department in Tsinan before the "Incident".

I was surprised to find three Cheeloo graduates on the staff of the Shu Kuang Middle school, one of the finest middle schools that I have seen anywhere. I hear some bombs have since been dropped on it. The school doctor was a Cheeloo graduate, as was also a recent women graduate who was connected with the Salt medical service. Altogether at a Cheeloo dinner there were 12 who had received some or all of their training at Cheeloo.

A TZELIUTSING SALT WELL

The district is one of hills and valleys. Chinese houses fill the valleys through which flows a small navigable river. At one point below the city this is spanned by a modern cement bridge still under construction. On the hillsides are to be seen numerous derricks which indicate the position of the wells. These wells have probably been in existance for a thousand years and in many, ancient methods are still in use. One day seeing a wheel turning at the top of one of these derricks I decided to investigate. Near the entrance was a stable which contained fifty water-buffaloes. The well was an inconspicuous hole about a foot in diameter near the entrance. Into it ran a bamboo rope cable which had at the end a bamboo container with a trap door at the bottom. The rope was carried over a pulley some fifty feet above the ground. and from there to a wooden drum about twenty feet in diameter, situated at the back of the building. Attached to the drum were six buffaloes, and alongside each was a driver girt in his shorts only. In his right hand he held a thick rope whip while with the the left he determined how much weight his animal was pulling. These drivers as they went round and round paying little attention to anything, looked much like the pictures you have seen of early Egyptian slave drivers. When the container was approaching the top the buffaloes were unhitched in turn and stood puffing at the side. The brine was allowed to run to the evaporating pans, and the container and rope descended by its own weight a distance of 2,600 feet. The revolutions of the drum soon gained such momentum that the building shook and the rude drum seemed to be in danger of flying to pieces. Nothing however happened except that pieces of dung from the cross-trees were flung in all directions.

Another day I walked two miles to another part of the city where I saw 230 pans full of brine being evaporated over jets produced by natural gas. The brine comes from long distances in bamboo pipes in order that advantage may be taken of this natural fuel.

SELF FLOWING WELLS TO HIGH STONE STEPS

After leaving Tzeliutsing I went by ricksha, then boat and again by ricksha until at about 9 o'clook I reached a mission school where I stayed the night. The next morning after going four miles by ricksha I was overtaken by a Communications truck which took me on to Junghsien. There were several people on the truck from North China, Nanking and Shanghai. There was time to look over the Mission hospital before going up to Kao-Shih-Ti, (High Stone Steps,) also called Douglas Heights

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a mountain resort 2½ hours by chair from Junghsien. There were fourteen bungalows occupied by missionary families. The height is about 3,000 feet and the scenery rugged. For the past 30 years the trees have been allowed to grow and the height is now wooded with many fine pine, fir, cedar, bamboo, oak, spruce, tung and banyan trees. It is one of the finest mountain resorts that I have seen.

HIGH STONE STEPS TO KIATING

Four days later I left for Omei, 100 miles distant, as I had planned to spend a week there. The road was a foot-path but over the hills there were usually stone steps. I had a chair and a man to carry my baggage but walked at least half the way. Wages for the three men for the three days trip cost $4.00 gold. The second morning while we were on a new motor road it rained heavily for about two hours. As the road had not been surfaced walking in the mud was almost impossible. Consequently by four o'clock in the afternoon my men were too tired to complete the journey and I had to stay in a small town in the smelliest little inn imaginable. I was glad when the first streaks of dawn appeared so that I could get out into the fresh air of a beautiful morning. It was lovely walking before sunrise, and after a few miles had been done one was ready for breakfast. The road led over hills from the top of which a wonderful panorama of mountains on the borders of Tibet could be seen.

KIATING

To reach the city of Kiating it was necessary to cross a wide river much swollen by the recent rains. The boat was poled a long distance up the east side of the river before the crossing was attempted. From the waterside for many blocks all the shops and houses had been completely destroyed by bombing. The mission property at the north end of the city had escaped damage. The hospital is situated on top of a hill and commands a splendid view of the city and the rivers which meet at Kiating. The dugouts below the hospital are excellent as they are in solid rock with at least 40 feet of rock overhead.

KIATING TO OMEI (HSIN KAI SI)

There were two more swollen rivers to cross and these in mid-stream required all the energy of the boatmen. The night was spent at the home of some bridge engineers from Nanking and Kiangsu with whom I had a pleasant visit. They spoke a dialect that I could easily understand. In Omei Hsien, the city about 4 miles from the base of the mountain, I was sitting after lunch in a food shop when an air-warning sounded and my chairmen "beat it" at once for the open country. The missionary bungalows are situated on a spur of Omei which is about 4,000 feet high. Here I spent a delightful week though it rained frequently, for this has been an unusually wet summer

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CHEELOO UNIVERSITY
CHENGTU, CHINA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:
CHEELOO

20th November, 1941

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Mr. C. A. Evans,
Associated Boards,
150, Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Evans,

We were very glad to receive your cable a short time ago informing us that US$5,000 had been deposited in our account. This helped us considerably. We were also glad to learn from a letter to me from Dr. Armstrong under date of Oct. 2nd that it would now be possible to draw funds direct from New York. This should go a long way towards solving our difficulties in these times when communications are so slow and difficult. Miss Hickson has kindly helped me to draw up this letter as she has been in touch with things in the office. The following is a note from her regarding the way in which the monies so far received have been expended.

"We had hoped that this $5,000 would be sufficient to pay off the loan from the bank on which we have been paying such high interest, as well as care for our current needs. However there were so many outstanding bills to be met that we are now again in a precarious situation, with only just enough money left to meet the pay-roll for the current month, nothing for other current expenses, and all scholarship funds, which ought to be on deposit, being used to make ends meet.

The US$5,000 sold for just over l.c. $100,000, which was used as follows:-

Equipment of new offices and class-rooms and chapel	$32,000
Sinological Research payments for printing etc. in Shanghai	10,000
Running expenses (outstanding bills)	10,000
Rice purchases	27,000
Set aside for November salaries	30,000

This still leaves the $30,000 bank loan to be paid off, and some thousands of dollars scholarship funds which should be drawing interest. In addition our average monthly needs amount to between $40,000 and $50,000. It would be a great relief to us all and especially to Miss Priest, if you could deposit sufficient now to wipe out these loans, and thereafter a sufficient sum at regular intervals to keep us ahead of our running expenses.

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As we indicated in a radio message through the Voice of China Mailbag (Chungking) this week, President Liu is now convalescing satisfactorily, but it will be several weeks yet before he ought to attend to much business, and in the meantime our financial situation admits of no delay, so I am writing this letter."

The radio message referred to above also informedd youtthat it was impossible for Dr. Fan to go to America this year. We sent word to Dr. Scott early in April telling her that the state of his health precluded his taking advantage of this scholarship this year, but apparently this news did not reach you. It is possible of course that some letters went astray. I am sorry that the message did not reach you in time to save your further cable. I understand the difficulty was that the American Consul would not give a visa unless a certificate was granted Dr. Fan that he was free from tuberculosis, ~~and~~ but was naturally impossible for anyone here to ~~do~~ write such a certificate.

Sincerely yours,

Ernest B. Struthers

P.S.
I asked Miss Priest
to look over this letter and
she makes the enclosed
comment.

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As I have been appointed
Dean of Medicine for this academic year
I shall be glad to answer any questions
or give you any information you wish.
I look forward to keeping you
informed from time to time as to how
things go. We have had no visits from
hostile aircraft for nearly 3 months and
teaching and hospital work is running
very well. The hospital is full and the
staff are doing very good work. There is a
good spirit of cooperation between West China
and Chulow. The work for the last 3 years is
combined. In the hospital I am chairman of
the Department of Medicine, medical services and
so regularly visit all the medical wards. ~~Patients~~

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UNITED CHINA RELIEF - OFFICE MEMO

To Mr. Carl A. Evans

From B. A. Garside

Date December 9, 1941

Subject Message received from Dr. E. B. Struthers

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Through the official listening post in Ventura, California, we have received the following message which was transmitted from Chungking, China, by the Chinese in a National Broadcasting Station at 10 P.M. November 29th:-

"We were delighted to learn from your letter of October 7th of the encouraging prospects for help at this time. We seem to have reached the peak of difficult times and look forward to better times soon.

Ernest Struthers"

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NOTIFICATION TO NATIONALS OF ENEMY COUNTRIES

Notification is hereby given that a state of war now exists between Japan on the one hand and the United States and Great Britain on the other. Accordingly, the Imperial Japanese Army, in conformity to international law, will eliminate any enemy armed resistance throughout North China as well as take all measures deemed necessary to place under its direct control certain assets and interests belonging to enemy countries and to detain certain persons recognized as warranting such detainment.

The Imperial Japanese Army does not intend, however, to accord ill-treatment or to molest the innocent and law abiding people in general, including nationals of enemy countries.

Nationals of Great Britain and the United States are expected henceforth to refrain from committing any hostile acts and at the same time to conform to the regulations listed below. In the event any person fails to comply with these regulations, such person shall be dealt severe punishment.

1. Within seven days from the proclamation of this notice, enemy nationals must register their present residence and all property in their possession (both movable and immovable property) at the nearest Japanese Consulate or Japanese garrison headquarters. Persons under fourteen years of age, however, may register through their parents or guardians.

2. Without possession of a new travel permit issued by the Japanese Military Authorities, enemy nationals are prohibited from proceeding more than six kilometers from their registered residence, or from leaving their residence for more than twenty-four hours.

3. Without the express permission of the Japanese military authorities, all transfer of property rights or movement of property or assets is strictly prohibited.

4. Without the express permission of the Japanese military authorities, all kinds of meetings are prohibited.

The above regulations may also apply to persons who have transferred their nationality to neutral countries, as well as properties which have been transferred to neutral nationality before the issuance of this notification.

December 8th, 16th year of Showa

Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese
Forth in North China.

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Tsinan Shantung, January 7, 1942

To the Chief of Japanese Military Police
The Japanese Imperial Army.
Tsinan, Shantung.

Dear Sir;

I, R.G.Struthers, a citizen of Canada residing in Cheeloo University, Tsinan, agree to the rules of the notification to nationals of enemy countries issued on Dec. 8, of the 16th. year of Showa by the commander in-chief of the Japanese forces in North China.

There are four rules. In case I fail to observe these four rules I am liable to be severly punished by the military authorities according to their regulations.

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Jan. 18th.,1942.

Dear Mr. Chung,

We wish that you would inform Captain Sugimoto that all the property of the Medical School and Hospital has been taken over by the Japanese Imperial Army and keys given to the Officer in charge.

We wish to express to him and the officer in charge of the Hospital our thanks for their courtesy and helpfulness in making the transfers.

We would like to know if there is anything further that we should do.

There are some matters to which we would call attention:

(1) There is sufficient coal to keep the furnace going for about 7 more days, and the furnace men are still carrying on. They would however like to know if they are to continue to attend to the furnace. Unless more coal is to be bought the water pipes in all the buildings should soon be drained.

(2) There are nine (9) sheep, more than 20 very fine rabbits, and more than 100 guinea pigs and rats. There is food enough for them for only a few days. What shall we do with them ? If the Hospital is to be reopened, these animals will be needed for diagnosis and experimental work.

(3) There are more than 1000 valuble Pathological and Anatomical Specimens, mounted in glass jars, which may all freeze after the heat is stopped. They might be moved into one room and a small stove used to keep them from freezing. These specimens will be of value to any Medical School.

(4) There are some valuable Bacteriological cultures in the incubator in Room 30 which should be attended to once each week, or they will die.

If there is any further information desired we shall be glad to give it.

Yours sincerely,

P. J. Shields

R. G. Struthers

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May 4, 1942

Dr. Ernest B. Struthers
Shantung Christian University
Chengtu, Szechwan, CHINA

Dear Dr. Struthers:

Late as it is, I presume it is in order for us to acknowledge your letter of November 20th. However, many of the questions therein have been cleared up.

Since this $5,000.00 referred to in your communication has been sent out, the following have been made available and drawn:

Cable from Miss Priest, January 19th, $6,750.00. During March, $12,000.00 was made available through drafts No. 796 and No. 800.

I am hoping that this answers the questions which have been raised regarding other financial requests.

We are glad to have the word regarding Dr. Fan, although we regret it will not be possible for him to accept this scholarship.

Thanks for the added note which gives us some of the details of your duties and of conditions on the campus.

A meeting of the Shantung Board will be held this coming week and further word will be sent to the field as soon as possible.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Chengtu, China

August 7, 1942

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Dear Dr. Morgan:

Thanks for your letter of May 24th to hand July 10th. I hope you received my radio message in reply, and congratulations on your new and well deserved honors. There is little news from Tsinan that is different from what you will know when our contingent arrives on the shores of the U.S.A. Mr. Chang of the treasurers office arrived and demanded aabout $3,000 for travel expenses and about 7 months back pay. As he had no note from Lair I said I would have to have better evidence than his word before the administration could pay out money on his account especially since he was not employed here. I am told that the books in the main library are being sold on the street at so much per lb. Our Chinese friends get letters from time to time and every few weeks more students turn up. This week I had three students arrive from Peking. The home of one is in Hwaiking, the other Tinghsien, and the third Kalgan.

Your list of needs is very good. Please add some Pneumothorax needles WuahTa has a thoracoscope, and 3 B.M.R.'s and an electrocardiograph. Hua Ta has a proctoscope but we need one for ourselves. The rest of the list is O.K. I am still trying to get microscopes. You remember over two years ago I tried to get permission to get 30 from Tsinan or have them ordered from New York. I suggested that Tsinan might let us have 50% of their apparatus. At that time there was no difficulty in getting things in Hongkong. I could not get support even for half a dozen books that we needed. The reply was that everything was needed in Tsinan. I pointed out that they stood a good chance of losing ewerything by adopting that attitude. However this is past and we lost out; our more serious loss however is not in material, but in not being able to persuade anyone to come here. We have carried on during the year in a more or less normal way in some ways better than last year. Our greatest difficulty has been that salaries are insufficient and this means that some have found additional sources of renumeration outside the school.

About three months ago the alumni criticised the policy of the President and so he said he would resign. So far the deans of the schools were not allowed to write their own requisitions. I wrote none for the Medical School last year. Mrs. Yu and I were the only deans last year. There were a number of other criticisms particularly the f act that we were losing some of our best men in Arts, another was regarding the accounts of the business manager whom I told the President last year should not handle money when we already had a treasurer. I have not written to New York regarding the matter as this is the business of the Advisory Committee. I do however enclose for your information and any others interested a copy of the statement prepared by the Advisory Committee, Although in the nature of things it was not possible to have this committee registered with the government as our advisory board it was the best the President could have set up and I told him that he would be well to accept its advice. He has gone to Chungking to see the government officials amd says that as the committee is not legal he does not need to resign. The chairman of the committee also started out for Chungking but about 30 miles out the bus rolled down the hill 60 feet, turning over four times. Most of the passengers were seriously injured and Mr. Wu is laid up in the country. The report is that no bones are broken. One of the alumni is leaving to go with him to Chungking if he is well enough to proceed. He is now at Dr. Irma Highbaugh's place. A batch of mail, ordinary letters 5¢ postage - six in all, arrived by tonight's mail. There is nothing to tell by what route they have come. One of our mission nurses arrived back from Canada two weeks ago, and is now in Chungking relieving Clara Preston who is on a holiday.

We are beginning the publication of the C.M.T. here shortly. I have invited a committee of two from each of three schools to help me. Do keep pretty busy. There is more work to do than I can manage, which is probably is a good thing these days.
Best Regards to my friends.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Ernest B. Struthers

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I had written a letter to you but this is covered by the letter enclosed from Dr. T'ang. E.B.S.

Dear Mr. Evans,

After I had written the enclosed letter to Dr. Shields your letters were received. We were very glad to get them. You may show the letter to Dr. Shields to anyone interested before you send it on. Mr. Liu is on the campus and we hope that his friends will prevail on him to adopt the right attitute to the changes that are necessary in the administrative head. Sincerely yours Ernest B. Struthers

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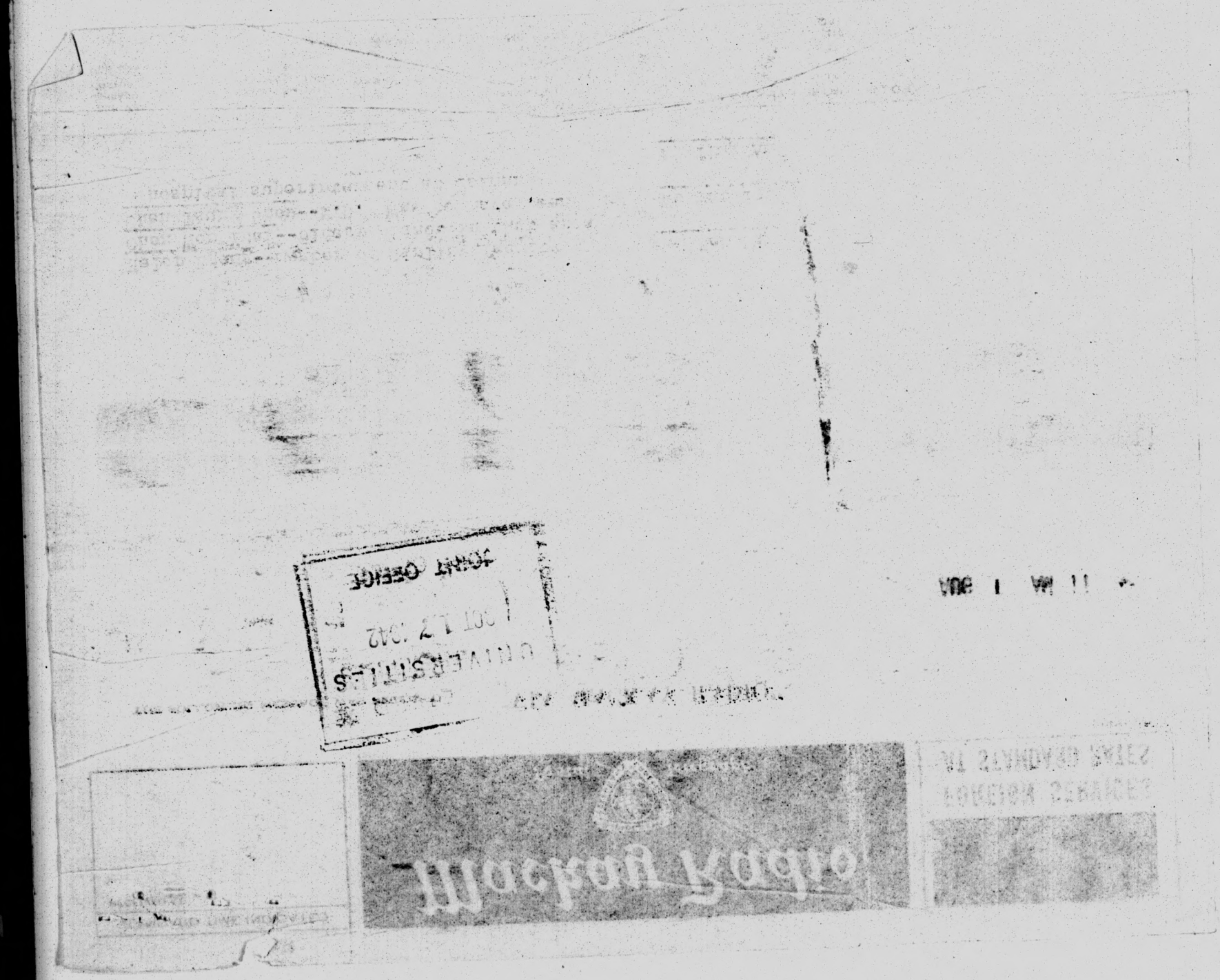

September 9, 1942

Dr. Ernest Struthers
Shantung Christian University
Chengtu, China

Dear Dr. Struthers:

I have not written you a covering letter regarding the August 7 meeting of the North American Section as it did not seem advisable at that time to send anything through the mail. Discussion with the officers of the Section, however, indicate that it would be best to forward to you the minutes showing the exact actions, and at the same time give some further light regarding the atmosphere of the meeting. The minutes of the meeting are rather full and yet at the same time in no way reflect the very sympathetic spirit which was manifested. As a matter of fact, this situation seems to have cemented together more strongly the entire Board membership, and Dr. Ruland is showing fine leadership and is thoroughly familiar with China conditions, while Dr. George Scott has in mind the background of the establishment of Shantung Christian University.

It might be said that the entire Board of Governors has given most hearty and cordial support to President Shuming T. Liu. It was the feeling on the part of some when President Liu was in America that there was not sufficient discernment on his part as well as caution on the part of some here to give the balanced judgment which should have resulted from that visit. Be that as it may, we are faced with a condition, and while some people personally might have encouraged President Liu regarding his own personal authority, yet his own judgment should have led him to see the result of any drastic moves aside from those well plotted out and understood by the Board of Managers in China. Of course, these are unusual conditions. Yes, they are more than unusual--they are extreme to the last degree. The world has never seen anything like it before and it is quite possible there are temptations to do things which under ordinary circumstances would be unthought of.

In connection with the membership on the Advisory Committee, I am suggesting that at your earliest convenience you give us a memorandum regarding each person. Many questions are asked as to who is who, and while we know some of these individuals personally, both Chinese and foreigners, yet it would be of great benefit if we could have an outline of their achievements and their particular fitness for membership on the Advisory Committee.

You should know that some time ago President Liu cabled us and asked approval for the appointment of four additional Chinese on the Advisory Committee. As he did not mention names the officers of the North American Section felt that it was inadvisable to do anything, and authorized me to raise a question regarding the names of the individuals, stating that it would be impossible to present any such request to the Board without more details. President Liu never answered that cable.

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The minutes of the meeting of August 7 require no further elaboration as the subsequent meeting will show the actual outcome of some of the actions taken at the earlier gathering. It is my conviction now that the Board of Governors is thoroughly aroused to the seriousness of the situation and will give every consideration to the conditions which have developed at Chengtu.

Very truly yours

C. A. Evans

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September 9, 1942

Dr. Ernest Struthers
Shantung Christian University
Chengtu, China

Dear Dr. Struthers:

I am writing regarding the minutes of the September 2 meeting of the North American Section. You will note that this was held particularly to give the Board of Governors an opportunity to hear the reports of those returning from Tsinan. It was very interesting indeed to observe these good people who had been in practical confinement since December emerge into the world without any knowledge of happenings during the intervening period. Dr. Shields was advised to make no effort to meet with any group as he felt so seriously the lack of up-to-date knowledge and his inability to evaluate recent events because of the lack of a background. He is now in Winchester, Virginia, resting up.

Dr. Lair presented the general report for the university. It is worthwhile in my estimation for you to have these reports, and they are being included. Naturally we could not in one afternoon study the entire department group of ten reports, but much of Dr. Lair's report covered activities in these various departments. This is especially true as he interpolated remarks during his presentation of the report.

Both those who had returned from China and those members of the Board who were present felt that the gathering was especially valuable. It gave something of a background for the developments in West China and somewhat corroborated the statement which I have made in my letter covering the minutes of the August 7 meeting, to this effect--that the trip to the Occident was of no particular value to President Liu because of many impressions which he gained here and in England. But this matter is in the hands of the Advisory Committee.

You will note that authorization has been granted to the Assistant Secretary of the Section to sign checks on the Woman's Committee Account.

Further comment regarding the presidency situation seems hardly necessary in the light of the minutes. Your Advisory Committee has a very delicate task to perform. Under ordinary circumstances I would write you at length regarding some of the things which have come to our knowledge regarding the circumstances in West China, but undoubtedly you are familiar with all of them and it would be a waste of time. It is worth while, however, in the light of what we know to pass a word of caution in respect to securing adequate Chinese backing for making any move toward replacing the president on to you. Drastic measures of course could be taken from this end but that would be disastrous to the whole cause of Shantung Christian University. It is not

in the thinking of the Board at the present time, largely because there is implicit trust in your committee to handle the affairs according to true Chinese procedure and save the good name of the university at the same time. One very important development in these last two meetings has been the deep spiritual note which has been sounded in the consideration of the handling of situations of this kind. They are not handled through human strength alone. It is only through divine power that the right solution is found. There is no need of our admonishing you in this respect, but I did want you to know the attitude of the Board itself. I have every faith when these factors are brought into the foreground that proper solutions will be found. May the good Lord direct you in your very trying situation.

Very truly yours

C. A. Evans

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Cheeloo University,
Chengtu, Sze.

1st December, 1942.

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Dear Dr. Scott,

It was very good of you to write me a number of times. I have letters of June 21 and July 30. We were very glad and much relieved to know that all our Tsinan folks were able to get away, with the exception of Arabella, who is getting along quite well. We have had recent letters from her, enclosing letters for friends at home, and she is enjoying her work and finding conditions not too difficult. I hope that if it is not possible to return to North China in the very near future as many of our staff as possible will come out to West China. A knowledge of the background and conditions under which we have worked here for the past four years would be very valuable to any member of our staff so that they may understand the manner in which we have endeavoured to carry on during these years of exile.

In regard to our future needs: as you know, we have probably lost most if not all of our equipment, so that what we will need to start with will be the essentials,--needles, syringes, stethoscopes, tubes for gastric analysis, et., microscopes. We shall probably have to get along for awhile with a minimum of equipment, and if this is so it should be those things which are (li pu liao-ti) essential. As you know, we are getting along here with less than the minimum equipment. This is done by borrowing from West China who fortunately have been very well equipped. Our staff keeps fit and is working pretty hard. We cooperate 100% with Hwa Hsi, all the classes being taken together with no distinction made as to whether students belong to Cheeloo or Hwa Hsi. We have in our University 276 refugee students and of these 98 are students who have come this year. Forty-nine of these are in medicine. Half of the medical students in Hwa Hsi are from the eastern provinces, Hopei, Kiangsu, Chekiang, and so forth, so that when we go back to Tsinan no matter when this happens--and the prospects seem good at present for an early return--we will have plenty of students to make a full school. Without these extra students from Hwa Hsi from the occupied areas we have 156 medical students out of a total of 400 in Cheeloo.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Ernest B. Struthers

December 13, 1942.

Dear Dr. Scott,

Dr. Tsang wrote me from Chungking on the 9th of December stating that the Ministry of Education was now agreed that the actions of the Board of Directors that met in Chungking September 14th were legal and they, the Ministry, would issue an order to that effect in a week's time. The meetings of the Plenary session in Chingking has held up action in this matter. Mr. Liu will then be able to "retire".

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Chengtu. Feb 5/43

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[redacted] read any or all of the enclosed letters and then you can send them on. As you will note from my letter to Dr Shields Mr Liu has finally turned over the seals of office to Dr Tang. He had received a further order from the Ministry of Education which he said reached him on Jan 25th — or Dec. ~~In any case~~ It will now be much easier to make plans for the next term's work. The work of the University in general has not been interrupted — all the staff including the administrative office staff have remained and carried on. Only ~~two~~ one or two have helped Mr Liu in ways that did not help our new administration. For the past 6 months the staff have all realized that Mr Liu would be unable to retain his office no matter how much he might wish to do so.

I enclose a note from one of our medical students who escaped from Hongkong, and who was recently found to have pulmonary tuberculosis. He has no money except what is being advanced by the British Embassy. We are taking care of him in a ward we have for students with tuberculosis. At present there are 27 — about an equal number from each University.

I expect you will hear soon from Dr Tang. This is an informal note, with kind regards.

Sincerely yours
G B Smithers

P.S. I'll be glad to turn over the office of Comptroller to Dr Lair as soon as he comes, and I hope that won't be long.

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May 28, 1945

Dr. Ernest B. Struthers
Dr. H. P. Lair
Shantung Christian University

Dear Friends:

I am referring to action "WAS-678" passed at our Annual Meeting, which reads as follows:

> "VOTED That we deem it advisable to correspond with Dr. Lair and Dr. Struthers and with the field at Chengtu, with the idea of setting up in New York a reserve of not exceeding $5,000 American currency out of unused balances of 1941-42 budget for present unknown but anticipated obligations in Taiwan."

In taking this action the Board did not know what obligations have been incurred in Taiwan - whether implied or actual - and it seemed only prudent to take immediate steps toward investigating the situation and, if possible ascertain any liabilities incurred. If you will let me know at your earliest convenience, I will report same to our Finance Committee for further study and action.

It is assumed that there are some Chinese remaining in Taiwan who will consider that they have a responsibility (insofar as it can be exercised) for the property. How far compensation must be made is a question.

Your judgment will be appreciated.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Via Air Mail to:
Dr. Struthers in Chengtu
Dr. Lair in California

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CHEELOO UNIVERSITY
CHENGTU, CHINA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

24th June, 1943

TELEGRAPHIC A. CHEELOO

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Mr. C. A. Evans,
Associated Boards,
150, Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Evans,

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A year ago I went to Chungking to meet Dr. Balfour who had requested a meeting of the Deans from Al Medical Schools. There were present the Deans of four national schools and myself, also Dr. Edwards and Dr. Bachman. Dr. Balfour at this meeting suggested that as the cost of everything had risen so rapidly it would be reasonable to give special grants in aid to those Medical Schools, including Cheeloo of $200,000 for 1941-42 budget However in September of that year he wrote to me stating: "Referring to the discussion which I had in Chungking last April with the Deans of the Medical Colleges, I believe that one result has been the emergency grants by A.B.M.A.C. to the four national medical colleges. It seems that Cheeloo as well as West China Medical College are the responsibility of the Associated Boards which receive large allocations from the United China Relief." On December 21st I again had a note from Dr. Balfour in which he states: "Regarding grants from A.B.M.A.C. or U.C.R., I believe that they are acting on the policy that the Christian colleges, including medical faculties, are primarily the responsibility of the Associated Boards, which during the year 1942 received a share of U.C.R. funds amounting to about three-quarters of a million U.S. dollars." I wrote to Dr. Bachman to know if they would be able to give us some grant which was given to the national schools, and in his letter of Feb. 1st 1943 he states: "At the last meeting of the Medical Committee it was decided to recommend to A.B.M.A.C., New York for 1943-44 a grant of U.S.$25,000 to each of the four national medical colleges for the maintenance of teaching efficiency and purchase of local equipment. In addition a sum of U.S. $10,000 is to be set aside for purchase of materials in the United States when transportation conditions permit. I received instructions from the New York office that mission medical colleges would be taken care of by the Associated Boards and that A.B.M.A.C. medical committee should not make any overlapping grants."

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With kind regards, Sincerely yours, Ernest B. Struthers

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(b) Mr Edward C. Carter U.C.R. 1790 Broadway
(c) Dr. George Bachman. "

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I'm sorry that I have not written to you oftener, but you can understand that it is partly explained by having too many extra duties.

Please show this note to Dr Garside and give him my personal regards. EBS

EB Struthers

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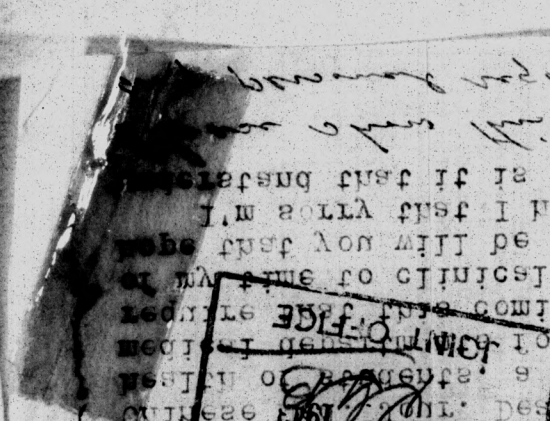
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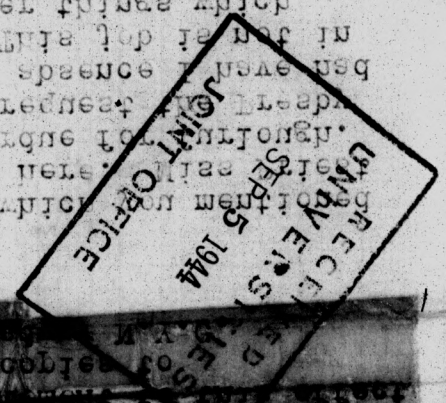
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August 12, 19[illegible]

Dr. Ernest Struthers
Cheeloo University
Chengtu, Szechwan, CHINA

Dear Dr. Struthers:

You are probably wondering why I have not replied to your note of January 12th regarding Khoo Kim-Keng, but I have nothing to report; seemingly the British have nothing to work on or else it takes an interminable length of time to delve into facts. It is also possible there are no records of this case. Nevertheless, we periodically follow it up with the hope that something will emerge.

This letter actually came to hand with a letter written on February 5th in which you enclose copies of letters to Ran Shields which were forwarded immediately.

Several communications have been received from Dr. Tang and we are gratified to know that the situation in Cheeloo has been pretty well smoothed out.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

CAE/B

Via China Clipper
c.c. via next Clipper

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Dear Dr. Struthers;

Men's Hospital, August 24, 1943

Sunday afternoon I had a chance to see Dr. Sung the Dentist who would very soon fly for Calcuta then to States. He told me his experience in getting touch with the Chungchiang people ; such as getting passport signed etc. He pointed to me one thing which would be of value to notify you now , that is the American Consul was strictly emphasize the seeing of a formal reply either a letter or telegram from the very school you are going to join or else he would not sing the passport because that he thinks your position in States were not so settled and that then you probably would not allowed to land even you are near the land. He even refused to [illegible] the letter given and signed by Mr. Beech in States. Dr. Sung then spent several weeks (or months) and considerable amount of money in getting a formal reply(telegram) from the school in States. Merely because this important point so I write you in haste that you can then emphysize the point to Mr. Evans in N.Y. and get direct contact with Hopkins people and get a formal reply(either letter or wireless would the best and quickest) from the dean or hospital authority directly to me or to you the Cheeloo School Authority so that in time I can present the same to the American Consul when I get my passport ready.

H. Y. Lin

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CHEELOO UNIVERSITY
CHENGTU, CHINA

OFFICE OF THE ~~[illegible]~~ Dean
College of Medicine

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS: CHEELOO

file after talking with Dr. Strathers

Aug. 24, 1943

Dear Mr. Evans,

Dr. Y.Y.Liu has requested that we take up again the possibility of his getting post-graduate work in Baltimore. You may remember that in 1939 there was some correspondence on this matter and arrangements were made too late for him to get away while travel was still possible.

I understand from Dr. Williams that there are now opportunities for our men to get abroad, and that funds are available to cover their travel. I should be glad if you would take up this matter again. I am sure that either Dr. Annie Scott or Julia Morgan would be glad to help or Dr. Philip Price, if any help is necessary in making arrangements.

I enclose the relevant paragraphs from correspondence received in 1939 and 1941. Although conditions in Baltimore may be slightly changed I have no doubt permission to work there could be again obtained.

We are very glad to get word that the Presbyterian Mission are sending out Mr & Mrs. Mather for work in the English department. I am glad that you appointed a committee to endeavor to find Cheeloo staff to strengthen our staff here. This is very much needed.

There seems no suitable Chinese member on our staff who could take over the work of Comptroller and Dr. T'ang prefers to keep finances in foreign hands. This is not work for which I have been trained and I ought not to have to take so much time from my clinical and hospital O.P.D. administration to do it. We are much in need of someone to do this work and especially take over the work which Miss Priest is required to do as treasurerx I have not been able to get a holiday the past 3 summers and as this is my 6th. yr. onthe field it is possible I may want to go home next year. There should be someone here to take over.

Dr. T'ang is in Chungking at present making a drive for funds, what he calls K'ung Chairs. He is collecting from the Cheeloo Alumni. I expect him back before the opening of the new term. As usual there are many students applying for admission.

With kind regards, Sincerely yours, E.B. Strathers
Acting Pres.

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We will be glad to have Dr Annie Scott or Dr Morgan out here when it is possible for them to travel.

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Copy of letter sent on June 24th 1943

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Cheeloo University
Chengtu
24th September, 1943

Mr.C.A.Evans,
Associated Boards,
150, Fifth Avenue, N.Y.C.

Dear Mr. Evans,

The bulk of the following letter I sent to you in June last, but as I have had no reply I am wondering whether it has gone astray. The letter was intended to bring you up to date with some correspondence which I had had with regard to the special grants to Medical Schools.

A year ago I went to Chungking to meet Dr. Balfour who had requested a meeting of the Deans from A l Medical Schools. There were present the Deans of four national schools and myself, also Dr. Edwards and Dr. Bachman. Dr. Balfour at this meeting suggested that as the cost of everything had risen so rapidly it would be reasonable to give special grants in aid to those Medical Schools, including Cheeloo, of N.C. $200,000 for the 1941-42 budget. However in September of that year he wrote to me stating: "Referring to the discussion which I had in Chungking last April with the Deans of the Medical Colleges, I believe that one result has been the emergency grants by A.B.M.A.C. to the four national medical colleges. It seems that Cheeloo as well as West China Medical College are the responsibility of the Associated Boards which receive large allocations from the United China Relief." On December 21st I again had a note from Dr. Balfour in which he states: "Regarding grants from A.B.M.A.C. or U.C.R., I believe that they are acting on the policy that the Christian colleges, including medical faculties, are primarily the responsibility of the Associated Boards which during the year 1942 received a share of the U.C.R. funds amounting to about three-quarters of a million U.S. dollars." I wrote to Dr. Bachman to know if they would be able to give us the same grants as was given to the national schools, and in his letter of Feb.1st 1943 he states: "At the last meeting of the Medical Committee it was decided to recommend to A.B.M.A.C. New York for 1943-44 a grant of U.S. $25,000 to each of the four national medical colleges for the maintenance of teaching efficiency and purchase of local equipment. In addition, a sum of $10,000 U.S. is to be set aside for purchase of materials in the United States when transportation conditions permit. I received instructions from the New York office that mission medical colleges would be taken care of by the Associated Boards and that A.B.M.A.C. medical committee should not make any overlapping grants."

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With kind regards,

Sincerely yours, E.B. Struthers.

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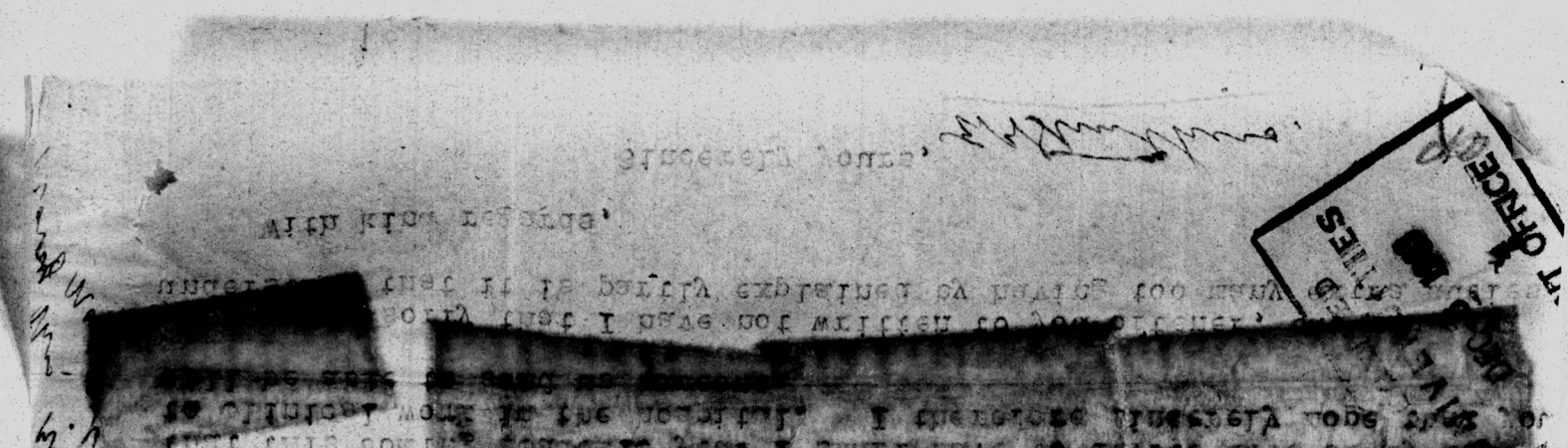

January 28, 1944

Dr. Ernest B. Struthers
Shantung Christian University
Chengtu, Szechwan, CHINA

Dear Dr. Struthers:

I have been making vain efforts to reconcile information contained in the Medical Committee of United China Relief with those of A.B.M.A.C. and the questions you raised in your letter of January 24th. Upon receipt of same we immediately contacted United China Relief where records were found showing that there had been such a discussion but no definite action.

As Dr. Bachman's name was mentioned in your letter and as it was rumored that he was returning to America we deferred action with the hope that he could clarify the situation.

As you know, Dr. Bachman did not return and consequently no progress was made in that direction.

Dr. Forkner was correct in his interpretation of methods of procedure but it has now been firmly established that $35,000 was appropriated by A.B.M.A.C. for four National Medical Colleges. Nothing was appropriated from their funds or from United China Relief funds aside from that allocated through the Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China. There has been not thought at any time since the organization of United China Relief that any other agency would displace the Associated Boards in its administrative tasks.

It would seem that the proper course would be for all requests to be filed through Dr. Fenn who will see that they are properly routed both to the Coordinating Committee in China and to us.

We have gotten Dr. Lair to the point where he will be sailing within the next six or eight weeks if it is possible to get passage. It is intended to have him spend his time waiting for a booking here in the office and in contacting the Cheeloo constituency in the East.

We cannot fully realize the burdens that you have had to assume but, nevertheless, deeply appreciate it and we have been pressing to get someone to China to bring relief and hope this will not be delayed much longer.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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15th February, 1944

Dr. C. A. Evans,
Associated Boards,
150, Fifth Avenue,
New York City, U.S.A.

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Dear Mr. Evans,

Dr. Tang has shown me your letter to him of Nov. 29th last year, enquiring specially as to arrangements for Mr. Li Tsan-wen's return to this country. We are anxious to have him back and hope that some arrangements can be made for travel. I have written to Mr. Li suggesting that he make application for travel back through A.B.M.A.C. If there is any possibility of getting money for his return travel from some source at home we should be glad to have this done. The cost of travel is so high that it would be quite impossible to meet it out of our budget.

I am expecting to return home on furlough this spring and hope that Dr. Lair can come soon and any other members of staff who are at home. I will call on you when I return to the States, which will probably be some time in July.

Sincerely yours,

E B Struthers

EBS/GMH

Could you kindly forward this note to Mr Li Tsan Wen.

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Ack 8/31/44 to — Dr. Theodore Greene
CAE/EW

6th March, 1944

Dear Mr. Evans,

On September 24th I sent you a copy of a letter written to you on June 24th last year, in which I referred to a special grant of $35,000 which should have been paid over to the Cheeloo Medical School. This was to come from the Associated Boards to match a similar grant being made by A.B.M.A.C. to national medical colleges.

I should be glad to know if either of those letters was received and if so I should be glad to have an answer.

Sincerely yours,

W. B. Struthers

Please reply to Dr Theodore Greene as I expect to leave on furlough soon

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May 12, 1944

Dr. Ernest B. Struthers
Shantung Christian University
Chengtu, Szechwan, CHINA

regarding appropriation

Dear Dr. Struthers:

A personal conference last week with Dr. Claude Forkner made me revive your letter of last September for National Universities by ABMAC and the lack of similar appropriations for the Christian Medical Schools.

I wish I could write you fully regarding this situation, but there is too much involved which would not pass the censor. When you arrive in America I can talk more fully. The simple statement is that did we accede to such a request it would only be the beginning of still further domination by one organization in UCR and which might give leeway to still further control. It is too bad if one of the other agencies of United China Relief desires to give funds to National Universities or National Projects and leave out our Colleges. The answer, however, is that our Universities are on-going propositions and would suffer still more later on when such support is withdrawn.

I hope that I will be understood when I say that the attitude taken by United China Relief as well as ourselves was for the best good of the Colleges.

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Wrote to Dr Arney 6/28/44

May 22/44

Dear Mr Evans,

Please pay to Dr Norman Parfitx from my account - (money remitted to me by Miss Priest) the sum of $513.70 Five hundred and thirteen and cents seventy only - This is made up of two sums

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E B Struthers

OK C.A. Evans

Received with thanks
Norman Parfitx

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122 Glen Road,

Toronto,5, June 28,1944.

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Mr. C. A. Evans,
Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, 11, N.Y.

Dear Mr.Evans:

I have returned to Toronto after attending the medical meetings and conference in Chicago.

At the conference the subject of Medical Education came up for discussion, and I was much encouraged by the number who spoke in favour of continuing all Christian Medical Schools existing before this war, and especially by the expressions of opinion from a good many North and East China doctors regarding their need for Cheeloo in any post-war planning. If you see Dr.Dodd, or Dr. Vaughan or Dr.Hume some time they will tell you how those in charge of mission hospitals in China feel about the re-establishment of our school in Tsinan. All said more than one school was needed.(If you were to circulate the doctors in North and East China as to which school,if only one were retained, they would likely reply Cheeloo ; if only two - Cheeloo and West China.)

The next thing to do is to find out what attitude the government in China takes with regard to re-establishment in Tsinan.

Have you received any money on my account from Miss Priest ?

My trips to New York and Chicago were very much worthwhile. I did not get everything done in New York that I had hoped but did very well.

Re Y.Y. Liu (Liu Yung Yao) . Dr.Price writes that he will leave the matter of arranging his fellowship work in the U.S.A. to you. Dr.Forkner asked me the other day if I would approve his coming to this country (U.S.A.) on a Fellowship and I replied that I did. He has been on the staff over ten years and will soon be past the time to profit, as he should, by this opportunity. I believe Dr.Forkner will be willing to expedite matters. I will leave it to you to clear with Dr.Forkner what he would be willing to do in the matter.

Dr.Ruland said that the Presbyterian Board would be willing to appoint Dr. Laube to Cheeloo, and he may be there already.

Miss Myers and Miss Miller , also Miss Danner, will be ready to return some time. They all want to stay with Cheeloo. There has been a fine spirit in Cheeloo amongst the staff such as is rarely seen anywhere.

Dr. Adolph, whom I called to see in Ithaca, will be willing to return to China when he has had his furlough. I should like to see him head of Chemistry

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for both Cheeloo and Yenching as long as we remain in Chengtu. This would go a long way to solve the present problem , as the criticism - mostly unjust- regarding Dr. Tang comes in part from Dr. Hsueh Yu, who apparently has done a good deal of agitating.

The letter on this subject which Dr.Cressy wrote is in part unfair and in places incorrect as to facts. I don't think it needs a reply. What we need to do is to build up our staff with the right kind of missionaries and the situation will soon improve. I don't believe we would have had any trouble at this stage if our mission staff had not been reduced almost to extinction. I agree with a good deal that Dr. Cressy says but it is destructive only. The fact that in many groups in China difficulties arise should not keep us from striving to bring about a situation where in spite of difficulties real progress can be made. Perhaps this is an important contribution that Westerners can make in that country.

Yours sincerely,

Ernest B. Struthers

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Dear Mr Evans.

Between Feb 29th and Mar 18th I deposited with Miss Priest the sum of $169300 N.C. to be exchanged at the rate of 40:1. We were at that time able to exchange at 39:01 to 1.

This should amount to $4.232.50 U.S.

On Mar 29. an additional $15,000 N.C. was turned in by Mr Copland. There should have been considerably more than this deposited before the end of April.

I hope Miss Priest has sent you a record of this transaction. I should like to get an amount of say $4000= transferred to Canadian funds while the difference in exchange remains at about 10%.

It is not wise to leave funds too long in U.S. Currency as Canadian money is likely to appreciate.

We had a very good conference at Chicago about which I expect you will have heard.

With kind regards

Sincerely yours E.R. Struthers

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July 18, 1944

Dr. E. B. Struthers
122 Glen Road
Toronto 5, Ontario, Canada

Dear Dr. Struthers:

A number of things are pending which I should take up with you and as the days are too short I am running up a bill for labor by dictating during these evening hours, when I expect to get time and a half for overtime.

First of all your letter of June 28th was much appreciated giving us the sidelights on the conference at Chicago. I have seen Dr. Vaughan, who likewise brings a good report but Dr. Hume has not been back in town as yet and I have only seen Dr. Dodd in passing.

The re-establishment of the Medical College at Tsinan in my own thinking should be done, but there are many 'if, ands, and buts' to be answered before the final decision is made. Primarily, in what condition will the campus be left-after that many other interrogation points arise.

No, I have not received any money from Miss Priest, or any report from her regarding your finances. I have before me your letter of July 7th also, bearing upon this, and I am beginning to think it is time to raise some questions by cable with Miss Priest. I will let you know immediately, as soon as I get a reply.

I have had considerable correspondence with Dr. Phil Price regarding Y. Y. Liu. One of the difficulties involved is travel, which the field says will cost $2,000. Apparently they do not have it to spare as I received a cable this morning from the field asking for more money for the current budget. Dr. Price is able to get a fellowship here in America and although we can secure additional funds for his support it is quite possible when Dr. Forkner arrives in China he will be able to do something about it. Meantime, however, if Dr. Liu does not have his passport it will be exceedingly difficult for him to leave China. I will clear definitely with Dr. Forkner within a day or two.

Our understanding is that Dr. Laube is all ready to go to China, as soon as he can get passage.

I note what you say about the Misses Myers, Miller, and Benner, and all are good people and should be back working in China. At the present we have a test case with the State Department to find out the attitude toward giving passports to Free China. We had hoped to have an answer today but it is still in the offing.

I am thoroughly in agreement with what you say about Adolph. He is a good man and should be back on the field. Incidentally, Saturday morning we received a cable from the field saying that Edgar Tang had been elected President and the Board of Managers desired the confirmation by the Board of Governors in America. Replies are coming in now from our ballot vote agreeing to this election.

I am not going to say anything about your remarks concerning Cressy's let er. We all have our 'ups and downs' and sometimes we write letters on the down side whereas they should be on the up side.

Dr. Forkner has written me a letter enclosing a request for assistance from Cheeloo School of Medicine. The letter was dated March 4th before he left China and the China Medical Board has provided funds for the purchase of equipment for a clinical laboratory. The letter and list is enclosed herewith. What do you think of it and how shall we get it to China?

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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c/o Mr A. H. McGillivray
Paisley Ont July 22/44

Ack 8/11/44

Dear Mr Evans,

Many thanks for your letter of July 18th to hand yesterday.

As Dr Forkner is leaving New York about Aug 11th I am replying at once regarding his request for an advance of money to buy part of the equipment for a hospital laboratory which Cheeloo will set up and staff. This suggestion in the first instance was mine, as it would greatly help in the teaching of interns and Clinical Clerks. The money for it has been granted by the China Medical Board and will be paid to Cheeloo.

Dr Forkner has been requested to buy as much apparatus as he is willing to take out to China with him. I have given him a free hand to buy whatever he can whether on this list or not. We will pay for it out of this grant so you may advance him as much as he requests. The balance of the grant will be spent in China.

As you may know we coopted Dr Forkner as a member of our Cheeloo staff. When I resigned as head of the dept. of medicine for both West China - Cheeloo - P.U.M.C. groups he was appointed to take over.

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Account -

In regard to my account with Chelos. I showed you the receipts for money turned over. If Miss Priest does not reply soon could I have an advance of $400 on account so as to get it deposited in Canada before any change in exchange takes place?

Y.Y. Lui

I think Dr Forkner will agree to recommending a fellowship for Y.Y. Lui. Dr Forkner asked me if I would approve of this. I am leaving the matter however between you and him. It's not well to have more than 2 people negotiating these matters.

Chelos College of Medicine

You have likely seen Mr H.W. Robinson's letter. He rightly calls attention to Chelos's need for increased missionary personnel.

Re future of Chelos — Is it not likely that mission boards, provided the Chinese government are willing, will want one medical school East of Hankow whether at the end of the war our buildings are intact or not? Mission policy at this stage does not depend upon buildings available does it? It is important that we know now whether as a tentative plan Chelos is or is not to be reestablished

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in Tsinan. Part of our difficulty today is due to the uncertainty that seems to exist in the minds of some on the Home Board. If there is any likelihood that the missions will want to support one school only and that school West China then it would save a great deal of work if we could know that now and plan accordingly. Personally I am willing to work in any province in China but it is only right that we should have some definite pronouncement on the subject by the Board of Governors.

Dr J.M. Menzies in a letter to Dr Armstrong says re the University & all schools on this point. My plea here is that the Cheeloo situation can be helped if not solved, in the Board of Governors in New York & London rather than some temporary adjustment to the temporary circumstances in Chengtu and West China. Assure Cheeloo of a stable place in the Christian post-war program and any group of Cheeloo staff, both Chinese & Western will work toward that end with wisdom and confidence. Leave that future in doubt and all the persuasion of angelic tongues will not secure an able President to administer the University."

I'm glad that Dr Tang has been recommended from the field as President. He has been very patient in the midst of much difficulty.

Sincerely yours

G.B. Struthers

Please show this letter to Mr Corbett. I should write to him someday.

August 11, 1944

Dr. E. B. Struthers
c/o Mr. A. H. Mc Gillivray
Paisley, Ontario, Canada

Dear Dr. Struthers:

I have had several conferences with Dr. Forkner and at last he finds himself so loaded down with things he actually promised to take back with him that he finds it impossible to take any of the equipment which Dr. Chen requested. His suggestion agrees with our own that it be sent to Calcutta in care of Dr. Grant and the people in Chengtu will make arrangements for getting it to China. I am returning the letter you sent us as we must secure priorities of all the equipment and must have accurate description. The items which I have checked must be more specific and I am wondering if you can give us the necessary data.

I have heard nothing more from Miss Priest about the $4,000 you speak of, but will take the responsibility of setting up some sort of a balance until word is received from her.

Dr. Forkner will take care of Y. Y. Liu when he gets to China. That seems to be about the best way to handle it. Thanks for your remarks on the College of Medicines that of West China. You will hear more of this situation later on.

Very sincerely yours,

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C. A. EVANS

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122 Glen Road, Toronto, 5. Aug. 14, 1944

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Dear Miss Priest,

I am sorry that by leaving a few days before we expected I was not able to clear up my personal accounts before leaving the campus. Today I received from Mr. Copland two receipts, Mar.27, 0521 for $16,289 and Apr. 4, 0556 for $10,417. In addition to the cheque from Nat. Cent Med. Sch. for $12,000 there should be the following amounts.
Feb 17,0469, $55,000, Feb.26, 0479 $7,300, Feb 29 (0487) $20,000
Mar. 15,(0507) $43,500, Mar 18 (0511) $31,700. Total $196,206

In addition to these items there was an amount of $27,000 to be sent in by Dr. Wilford. Miss Sawyer said that she would see that it was paid. There were also a few small amounts for drugs and a small amount from the Press (Mr. Small) for books sold there.

I should be glad if you could send Mr. Evans a memo of these receipts indicating the total amount which he may pay me and any significant data that you think will be of help. Mr. Evans quite rightly has so far not been willing to pay me anything on account without definite word from you.

I hope you have been able to get away somewhere this summer, though I suppose it is more difficult than ever. It's been pretty hot in the city here the past two weeks. I had several weeks on a farm and a week at the lake. Margaret and my daughter Mary are still there.

With kind regards, Sincerely yours, E.B.Struthers

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122 Glen Road, Toronto,5,
August 15,1944.

Mr. Mark H. Ward,M.D.,
American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions,
14 Beacon Street,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Dr.Ward:

You will remember that when I was in Boston and later in Chicago I asked if it might be possible to have Dr. Alma Cooke assigned to temporary work in Cheeloo University. As I have nothing on file regarding this request, I shall be glad to have a line from you stating what the prospects are of getting this help for Cheeloo University.

I was sorry that you could not be present when the China group in Chicago discussed the support of medical schools. Doctors and nurses who had worked in mission hospitals felt that all Christian Medical Colleges which had been in existence before the war should be resumed when possible. They were unanimous that all Missions that had not supported Mission Medical Colleges in the past be urged to do so.

Would your foreign mission board be willing to begin co-operating with Cheeloo now ? Considring the number of hospitals the American Board had in Shansi and North China, if the extent of co-operation was similar to that of the English Baptist, American Presbyterian or United Church of Canada, you could consider giving a contribution of three or four units. The United Church of Canada with three hospitals in Honan supplied three members of staff and $1500. (In addition, they supported a unit in the Arts Department, and another on the Theological School.) + 2000 to the Library

A 'unit contribution' means (if I remember correctly) one member of staff, with support and house, plus $500 U.S.

I should be glad to know your reactions to these suggestions as help for Cheeloo is needed now.

Faithfully yours,

E. B. Struthers,
Dean, College of Medicine.

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122 Glen Road, Toronto,5.
August 15, 1944.

Rev. Lloyd S. Ruland,D.D.,
Board of Foreign Missions
Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, 10, N.Y.

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Undoubtedly you have thought a good deal about the future of Cheeloo and its Medical College. I should very much value your opinion on this question if you are prepared to state it.

Yours sincerely,

Ernest B. Struthers
Dean, Cheeloo Medical College.

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Mr Charles Corbett

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Dean, Cheeloo Medical College.

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122 Glen Road
Toronto 5. Aug 18/44

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Dear Mr Evans,

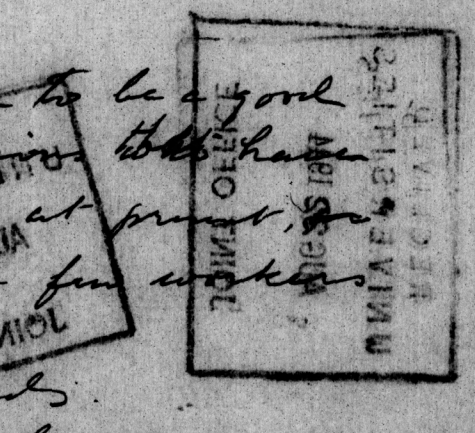
Thanks for Frank Price's address and for ~~thank~~ letter of Aug 11th.

I can quite beleive that Dr Forkner is well loaded with essential supplies. I expect Dr Scott and I will have to buy what we can and get someone else to take them out. I could spend a few days profitably in New York if I had some way of getting my fare covered.

I enclose a copy of another letter which I have sent Miss Priest. From this you can get the data you require. The last item $27,000 mex. is Chuloo money for syringes - not personal.

I enclose copies of letters for Mr Corbett. You may read them first. I still have to see the secretary for the Church of England in Canada. He has been out of town.

This would seem to me to be a good time to get support from missions that have hitherto not helped us and that at present, owing to Japanese occupation have few workers on the field.



With kind regards.

Sincerely yours

E B Struthers

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122 Glen Road, Toronto 5. Aug 19 '44

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Sincerely yours,

E B Struthers

Ernest B.Struthers

* EHB seems to have been elected Sec. of Bd. of Govs. on May 9

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2. Spadina Road
Toronto (4) Sept 2/44

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Dear Mr Evans,

Dr W.H. Judd has sent me some sternum puncture needles that we should like to have sent to China (Chelos) sometime when a favorable opportunity occurs.

I am sending this small parcel for you to hold until I can collect it or some one is willing to take them. I could not receive them here without paying duty - then might have to pay again when they are taken accross the border. Do not send them to Dr Judd. They Customs office would not allow me to send them to you except to him in your care. I registered the parcel as it is pretty small.

Have you had any news from Miss Priest re credit of my account? I went around by New York on my way home from Washington, but was told that you were having a few days holiday. Sorry to miss you. If I can't collect any money, I should probably be getting interest on my deposit.

I have been asked to do some work in Washington and its possible that something definite may materialize. In that case I will be able to get to New York again sometime

Sincerely yours
E.B. Struthers

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BALLOU

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2 Spadina Road, Toronto, 4,

September 5, 1944.

Mr. Earle H. Ballou,
Executive Secretary,
Associated Boards for Christian Colleges
in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York,11, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Ballou:

I appreciated the opportunity to talk over Cheeloo's future with you the other day. Since returning I have had a very good letter from Dr.Ruland. He reports that Dr. Laube, a new appointee to Cheeloo, is already on the field. He began work August 8th. They have also assigned a nurse and a lady doctor to our staff. The pharmacist about whom I had written him will not have completed his Ph.D. until next year.

Dr.Ruland says, "Personally, I feel that Cheeloo has a real place in our post-war program, both in the contribution that its Arts College can make and also in its Medical School." I agree with you that the time has come when we should be doing some concrete planning at this end, with an understanding that those plans must be tentative and referred to the Field Board and Administrative Group in West China."

The other day when I mentioned Mission Boards that I thought would be ready to help Cheeloo I forgot to mention the Methodist Church. We have in the past had support from the Women's but not from the Men's Board. What steps should we take to secure this support, and is there any reason why it could not begin in the near future ?

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

E B Struthers

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Office of the Surgeon General
Room 1231, 1818 H. Street N.W.
Washington Sept 24/44

BALLOU
REC'D 9/23
ANS'D 9/24/23

Dear Mr Ballou,

Your telegram suggesting that I attend the committee medical educ 2.15 Monday afternoon Sept 25th — arrived today. I sent a reply "Can attend." This note is for confirmation.

I expect to stay at the Chesterfield and should arrive sometime Sun evening. We don't get through here in time Sat for me to get into New York in reasonable time Sat night.

Shall look forward to seeing you Monday afternoon — or perhaps also in the Morning.

Sincerely yours
E B Slauthers.

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September 23, 1944

Dr. E. B. Struthers
Chesterfield Hotel
130 West 49th Street
New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Struthers:

Just a note to express our pleasure that you will be able to attend the meeting of the committee on medical education Monday afternoon.

I should have acknowledged some days ago your letter of the 5th written from Toronto. What I would have said was that probably the question you raised in the last paragraph, regarding possible help from the Methodist Church, would be something to discuss at the Cheeloo ensemble meeting. Perhaps Monday afternoon may give an opportunity to raise it earlier, but exigencies of time may preclude its consideration. I shall be glad to see you if you have time to drop in Monday morning.

Very sincerely yours,

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September 26, 1944

Dr. Ernest B. Struthers,
c/o War Department,
Services of Supply,
Office of Surgeon-General,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Struthers:

Herewith a check for $12.12 to cover your travel expenses from Washington to New York and return.

We are very glad indeed that you could come. It was exceedingly beneficial to have men from each of the four medical schools meeting at the same time in the same place - something which I think has not previously happened in our offices here.

With very kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Charles H. Corbett

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1422 Massachusetts Ave
Washington D.C. Oct 1/44

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Dear Mr Evans,

I have in hand your letter of June 15th in which it is stated that the Ensemble Board of Governors of Cheelow will meet in Toronto. Wed Oct 4th.

When in New York I heard that this meeting was likely to be postponed and called in New York and not in Toronto.

If the meeting is to be in Toronto on the 4th please send me a wire the word "Toronto fourth" will be enough.

Address wire c/o Office of the Surgeon General Room 1231, 1818 H. Street N.W. Washington. D.C.

I expect to attend even if in Toronto but it would suit me better in New York. I'll be busy until Nov.

Sincerely yours
E B Struthers.

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October 3, 1944

Dr. E. B. Struthers
1424 Massachusetts Avenue
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Struthers:

The Ensemble Meeting in Toronto has been postponed until the third of November in New York. Only three members of the Board could arrange to go from the United States and Dr. Armstrong, the Chairman of the Board, is in West Canada and could not be present.

I hope you will make a record of the third of November so as to be with us at that time.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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October 25, 1944

Dr. Ernest B. Struthers
Office of the Surgeon General
Room 1231
1818 H Street
Washington, D.C.

Dear Dr. Struthers:

I have had a telephone conversation with Dr. Annie Scott this afternoon as a result of which she asks me to write you about the future of Mr. Li Tsan-wen. Perhaps I had better quote a paragraph from her earlier letter of inquiry:

"A matter which should come before Cheeloo authorities is the return of Mr. Li Tsan-wen who has been at Northwestern University in the Physiology Department about 4 years. He was in Cheeloo Chemistry Dept. and came to U.S. about 1940 from Chengtu. He wrote me last year that the University will not pay his travel back to China. I have recently received a letter from a friend, who sees Mr. Li often, saying that Mr. Li is planning not to go back to Cheeloo because the University will not pay his return fare to China. I do not know what has been decided about Mr. Li's return to China. I only know that Cheeloo needs more good Chinese and Mr. Li is a good man in his field. You will know what should be done about this question."

To this I replied as follows:

"No one here in the office has more than a very hazy recollection of Mr. Li Tsan-wen. In any case the action to get him back to the university would have to be originated at the China end, I am told. Did he not come here on his own, that is, by his own arrangements rather than on university funds? This, if it is the case, would explain why this office has not had more contact with him during his stay in America. But as he would be returning to or

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joining the university on the university's budget rather than that of any of the supporting organisations on this side of the world, action would have to be initiated by university authorities rather than by the Board of Governors. I think this is quite clear. Is there not someone in Chengtu to whom you can put up the case strongly? Are you personally acquainted with President Tang?"

Following our conversation this afternoon I have looked up the files and find that when Mr. Li first came to this country in the early summer of 1941, it did look for a time as if he would be dependent upon univeristy funds. After the first payment was made, however, a fellowship was secured at Northwestern and Mr. Li promptly returned the first monthly subsidy of sixty dollars which had been sent him from this office. Since then evidently he has been entirely independent so far as any grants from the university are concerned.

Dr. Scott and I will be very glad to have your suggestions as to what should be done, if anything, to attempt to secure his future services for Cheeloo. Does the fact that he came here under the administration of Liu Shuming in any way complicate the question? With this data before you, perhaps you will have some suggestion when you come up for the Board meeting next week.

Very sincerely yours,

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October 25, 1944

Dr. Ernest B. Struthers
Office of the Surgeon General
Room 1231
1818 H Street
Washington, D.C.

Dear Dr. Struthers:

I think Mr. Evans has already told you of the change in date and venue for the Cheeloo Board meeting and asked you to be present. I write merely to repeat and urge the invitation. We ought to get out of this meeting a clear statement of Cheeloo's hopes for the future, even its raison d'etre, or at any rate get a committee to work on the matter.

Is your brother still in this part of the continent or has he returned to Canada? I am not sure that we are prepared to urge him to come from Toronto at our expense to be present at the meeting, but if he is as near as Washington I think we would!

Very sincerely yours,

EHB/mcc

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Room 1212.
Office of the Surgeon General
1818 H. Street. Washington D.C.

BALLOU
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ANS'D

Oct 27/44.

Dear Mr Ballou,

Thanks for your letter of the 26th. Yes. I expect to attend the meeting and have already told Col. Anderson that I expect to be away from him on that date.

My brother is in Ottawa, but a short time ago he said he expected to make a trip to Washington sometime. If it was possible for him to combine both, the Associated Boards would not require to pay travel expenses. I'm sure, if asked, he would be glad to attend.

His address is Surg. Lt. Cdr. R.G.S. RCNVR.
Room 2057 National Research Council Building Ottawa.

Dr Carson is sometimes in New York and would have ideas. Mr Faris I believe is in British Columbia too far away. I don't think of anyone else at the moment. Dr Morgan I suppose was informed as well as Dr Scott.

Looking forward to seeing you next week.

Sincerely yours
E.W. Ballou

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1422 Massachusetts Ave N.W.
Washington D.C.
Dec 1/44

Ack 12/5/44

Dear Mr Evans.

I don't know whether you expected me to send in a memo of expenses incurred in attending the meeting of the Cheeloo Board.

If you wish one here it is.

Railway fare Washington to N.Y.C.	4.25
return.	4.25
Hotel 2 nights	5.00
Taxi N.Y.C. & Washington	1.40
	14.90
In addition I have paid postage on 3 official letters to Ching	2.10
	$17.00

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Have you had any word from the field re Mr Li Tsan Wen? I have written for instructions. I find from Dr Tang's last letter that I am still officially dean of the Medical college. I thought he would have appointed Dr Hou as I had requested, Dr Hou is acting-dean. I suppose Dr Hou finds it easier to "carry on" as acting-dean - and at the same time it is a nice gesture in my direction.

Hope you are less busy than you were.

Sincerely yours
E B Struthers

I have received a receipt from Dr Wilford No 0680 9/26/44 for $2193.10 which he paid Miss Priest for drugs which I bought in India and sent to the hospital. I'll settle this at some later date when you get confirmation from the field -

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Mr. Ch. Evans

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Washington Dec 1/44
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Dear Mr Corbett,

As I was unable to see Dr Cartwright in New York for more than a few minutes, I have written the enclosed letter of which I send 2 copies. After you have looked it over if Mr Ballou and yourself approve will you kindly send it to Dr Cartwright. You are free to correct any mistakes or make any additions you please.

It seems to me that this is the time to get cooperation — or the promise of cooperation from all missions in the work of Christian Higher Education. Some missions are in a better position to help today than they ever were and if they would agree to help now it would enable us to meet the budget requirements for the coming year.

As long as these institutions are functioning this seems to be the right direction in which to move. As things are going at present in China one sometimes wonders if it might not be a bad thing to close all schools and prosecute the war a little more efficiently for a year. I'm opposed to war in ~~principle~~ theory but then we must get out of our present difficulties somehow.

With kind regards

P.S.

Sincerely yours

Ernest B. Struthers

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How many books were you able to send out to Cheelvo through the state department. It would be a help if I had a list of those sent.

I noticed in the list of books which Dr Scott requested (Nov 2) to have sent that there was no mention of the Year Book of Medicine or the Year Book of Roentgenology.

Were these omissions or is it that they are not yet published. If they can be obtained could you kindly have them sent and charged to the Cheelvo account.

I enclose a note for Mr Evans. Also the letter to send to Dr Cartwright. I enclose a copy for your files.

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There will be funds for Cheelvo late [illegible] for WCUU

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Office of the Surgeon General
1818 H Street, Washington D.C.
Dec. 1, 1944.

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Dear Dr. Cartwright,

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As you know the Women's Board have in the personnel they have supplied made a fine contribution through Cheeloo to hospitals throughout Free China.

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I don't know how many units of cooperation your Men's Board would wish to assume, but compared to what other missions are doing probably 4 or 5 units, perhaps more. The American Presbyterian Mission before the war had a quota of 13 for the whole University.

I suggest that you talk this matter over with Mr. Mallou or Mr. Corbett, and if I can be of any assistance I shall be happy to pay you a visit sometime. I understand you are to leave soon for China and after you have investigated the situation there I should be glad if you would give us the benefit of knowing the conclusions that you may come to with regard to the future service of Cheeloo to the country, in the light of her past history. I believe it will be possible to develop a better integrated program than we had in the past. I do not need to remind you that this cannot take place without more mission staff and that means more support from Mission Boards,

Sincerely yours,

E B Struthers

Ernest B. Struthers,
Dean. Cheeloo College of Med.

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December 8, 1944

Dr. Ernest E. Struthers
1432 Massachusetts Ave., N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Struthers:

The expense for your trip to New York to the amount of $17.00 is reimbursed herewith in the enclosed check for the same amount.

No word has come from the field regarding Mr. Li Yuan Yeh. You have received a copy of a letter regarding Y. Y. Lin. We hope this will work out satisfactorily.

It is a rather difficult to get out of a position one has occupied for years. I can understand perfectly as in a very minor degree I am in a similar position. Sooner or later Dr. Hsu will come to his own. He is a caliber of man that certainly should be given recognition.

I note what you say regarding the receipt for $2,185.10. We will make adjustment any time you so desire.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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December 6, 1944

Dr. Ernest B. Struthers
Office of the Surgeon General
Room 1231
1818 H Street
Washington, D.C.

Dear Dr. Struthers:

We are passing on to Dr. Cartwright the letter which came with your letter to Mr. Corbett of the 1st. We feel, however, that the only part of it which is likely to produce immediate consequences is the final paragraph, where you ask him to give particular attention to the situation as he finds it in China and the future service of Cheeloo to that country. As to the possibility of the Methodists making any commitment right now regarding the support of Cheeloo in general or the Medical School in particular, we have the gravest doubts. These are shared by Dr. Ruland, whom we have consulted as the Chairman of the North American Section of the Cheeloo Board. It does not seem likely to any of us that under present circumstances boards not already supporting institutions would have a good case to put up to their constituencies for immediate participation.

As to participation after the war, it is quite a different question. While actions taken at the ensemble board meeting were not as explicit at this point as they should have been, it seems to us here, including Dr. Ruland, that those which looked toward enlarging the body of supporting missions were based upon the expectation that plans for the University after the war should first be more clearly formulated. This you may recall was provided for in the action which read:

> "VOTED that the Executive Committee of the North American Section be the Post-War Planning Committee for the Board of Governors and that this Committee be asked to meet with the Planning Committee of the Associated Boards; that the British Section be requested to appoint a similar committee and that the two committees keep in touch with each other."

We are now hoping to set up a meeting of these two committees sometime in January, very possibly at the end of the [illegible] medical conference is held at that time. [illegible]

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are now under way, and before too many days you will be receiving some information about it, I am sure.

In your letter to Mr. Corbett you refer to the likelihood that some missions are in a better position to help today than they have been and that help right now would enable the University to meet the budget requirements for the coming year. At the moment these budgets are not causing us great anxiety. With the recent sudden jump in exchange, so that ten days or so ago our clearing board was getting 350 - 1, or even better, the question has already been raised, "How much of the grants made by UCR are going to be needed to meet our budgets?" We are holding our breath in the fear that commodity prices will also climb, but on the basis of what little we know so far they have not yet climbed very much, nor do many people feel they are likely to do so enough to counterbalance this tremendously increased income from American funds. The military situation of course also gives us very grave concern. While there is no pessimism around here, it is not a very good time to propose expansion, even in the circle of those who carry the support of the colleges.

You hint at such an attitude of mind yourself in the sentence where you refer to the possibility of closing all schools for the sake of a more efficient prosecution of the war. The fact that the precarious situation is being borne in upon the minds of people out there is attested by the decision of Bill Penn not to come home on furlough but to give most of his time and strength next year to service with our armed forces. We shall still get some help from him but hardly more than twenty-five percent of his time.

Hence, in view of these several considerations, while we are glad to pass on to Dr. Cartwright your letter we are qualifying our support of your proposal as indicated by what I am writing you. Let the Methodists know that we want their help; urge them to keep the matter in mind, and be prepared to put it on their docket just as soon as our own plans are a little clearer; but do not press for a decision right now. We feel pretty sure that we will get as far and probably farther in the long run by following this course.

One more thing:--You ask about what books were sent out to Chengtu through the State Department. On this second opportunity to send books out, it seemed best that all should go to the W.C.U.U. library, where they can be shared by the other institutions on the Chengtu campus. The first time we sent books in this way, they were distributed among several libraries, but there was an indication of the feeling on the part of State Department people that it would be better not so to divide them. There will be funds available certainly for rehabilitating the University library at Tsinan when the University gets back there. You can count on that, I am sure. As to the yearbooks you mentioned, I find on inquiring of Mr. Cameron that he sent on everything which was brought by Dr. Scott. Whether she did not have the yearbooks because they had not yet been published we do not know. We will try to secure them at once and

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December 26, 1944
(dictated December 22)

Dr. Ernest B. Struthers
Office of the Surgeon General
Room 1251
1818 H Street
Washington, D.C.

Dear Dr. Struthers:

Greetings of the season! I hope somewhat you are far from Washington, that is, if your family is not there with you. A week ago Mr. Cameron handed me a memorandum to the effect that the 1944 Yearbook of General Medicine had been posted to Cheeloo. The other book, the Yearbook of Roentgenology is not available at the present time and has been backordered by the publishers.

Very sincerely yours,

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