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Edgar Chi-ho Tang

Born at Kiukiang, Kiangsi, China, in 1902, of Christian family.  
Early education at Christian schools, graduation from St. John's  
High School, Kiukiang, in 1917.

A.B. Boone University, Wuchang, 1922.

B.J. (Journalism) 1926; A.M. (Political Sc.) 1927, Univ. of Missouri, USA

A.M. 1929, Ph.D. 1931 in Political Sc., Harvard Univ.

Cataloguer and sometime acting-librarian, Chinese Library, Harvard  
University, 1927-1932.

Lecturer, Boston University, Summer Session, 1930.

Lecturer, World Peace Foundation, Boston, 1930-1932.

Professor of Political Science, Nat. Central Univ., Nanking, 1932-35.

Prof. of Political Science, Central Political Institute, Nanking,  
1935-1939.

Director, Bureau of Research, Control Yuan 1935-37 (concurrent)

Editor-in-chief (concurrent) Current Events (Monthly) 1934-35.

Secretary-General Local Government Commission, Executive Yuan 1939.

Dean of Studies, Cheeloo University, 1939 to present.

Acting-Dean of Discipline, Cheeloo Univ. 1939-1941.

Founder and Editor-in-chief, Hsueh Sze (fortnightly) on cultural  
subjects, Chongtu, 1942.

Author of "The Censorial Institutions in China, 1044 to 1911".  
(PhD. Thesis at Harvard)

A History of Censorial Institutions in China, 1936  
(in Chinese, pub. by the Control Yuan)

Five years of the Control Yuan, 1937, pub. by  
Council of International Affairs (in English)

Judicial Reforms in China (in English) 1937  
pub. by Council of International Affairs.

Essays on Greek Political Thought, 1938, pub. by  
Central Political Institute.

Family: Married in 1931 Miss Ginsan Chu. Miss Chu is a graduate  
of Smith College, 1931, and sometime Professor of English in Central  
Political Institute and West China Union University. She is now Assis-  
tant Professor of English in Cheeloo.

3 children, a boy and two girls.

October 30, 1942

Professor Edgar Tang  
Cheeloo University  
Chengtou, Szechuan, China

Dear Professor Tang:

Word has come by radiogram that President Liu has been granted a year's leave of absence and that you have consented to act in his place. We therefore extend to you our greetings, accompanied by our sincere gratitude for your willingness to serve Cheeloo University in this way.

Herewith are enclosed two sets of minutes dealing respectively with (1) The Annual Ensemble Meeting of the Board of Governors of Cheeloo University, and (2) The meeting of the North American Section of the Board of Governors.

You will see from the minutes of the ensemble meeting that we received a rather complete picture of the situation at Tsinan. Previous to the meeting, the members of the Cheeloo staff repatriated on the "Gripsholm" had prepared ten written reports which had been circulated. Then at the meeting Dr. Lair, Dr. Shields and Mr. Faris supplemented their written reports by oral statements. Mr. Faris's remarks are reported more extensively because he took a line rather different from his previous statement, and the Governors asked for a more complete record, but they took no definite action on his recommendations.

The question naturally arose as to what attempts should be made to send to Chengtu repatriated members of the Cheeloo staff. In view of the extreme difficulty of securing transportation of any kind, it seemed best to ask the various departments at Chengtu, especially the medical faculty, to explain in detail the exact situation that exists, and to list their staff needs in order of priority. This will be a great help to us here in deciding who should be sent to China, and in what order. Will you therefore kindly secure and transmit to us the information asked for on page 6 of the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors?

It should be recognized clearly, however, that "Gripsholm" repatriates require a complete rest before going back to China, because even those who are in good physical health, have been under a severe nervous strain due to their internment.

The members of the Board of Governors were very much relieved to learn that the administrative problems of the University had been worked out satisfactorily. I am sure you may count on their hearty cooperation in your facing the problems which confront you.

The enclosed letter to all the presidents of the Christian Colleges in China will give you additional news about developments here.

With very kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Charles H. Corbett

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CHEELOO UNIVERSITY  
Chengtu, China

2nd November, 1942

Mr. Noel Slater  
United Committee  
2, Eaton Gate,  
London, S.W.2

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

Dear Mr. Evans and Mr. Slater,

You will have received the cable sent to you by Dr. Struthers after the meeting of the Board of Directors on September 14th, as follows: "Board OLD NEW MEMBERS MET CHUNGKING FOURTEENTH KUNG CHAIRMAN LIU VOTED YEARS LEAVE SEEKING NEW PRESIDENT EDGARTANG ACTING FACULTY LOYAL REGISTRATION GOOD".

The last letter written to you officially was Dr. Fenn's of August 29th in which he explained the situation which had arisen in the University. We have now received your minutes and reports of August 7th and September 2nd sent under cover to Dr. Struthers, and are glad to have this confirmation of the actions of the Advisory Committee.

When the Board of Directors finally met in Chungking it was not thought necessary to organise a new Board and re-register it with the Ministry of Education, but Dr. Kung called together the old Board, with the members who had either left the country or could not be communicated with replaced by new members. In the case of the five Mission representatives, these appointments had all been confirmed by the missions which would normally elect them, and the other members of the Advisory Committee including the four co-opted Chinese members, had all been approved by the Board of Governors. The remainder to make up the required 15 members were original members of the Board of Directors.

The enclosed minutes need no comment, except that the year's leave of absence given to President Liu was understood to mean that he would resign and leave the administration in the hands of the acting-president appointed by the Board. The Chairman wrote letters and announcements to this effect to the leading officials in Chengtu and a notice was posted at the University, while a formal letter was sent by the Chairman to President Liu.

Unfortunately President Liu still determined to fight the matter on the question of the legality of the Board of Directors as above constituted and went to Chungking for this purpose. He was there for several weeks and wrote letters from time to time in which he said that the Ministry of Education was not satisfied with the legal status of the Board and is still considering him as legal president.

In the meantime I have taken over my duties as acting-president so far as the routine of the university administration is concerned, and everything has been running smoothly. It is impossible, however, to carry on indefinitely with President Liu's status unsettled by the Ministry. This question of legality would never have been raised by the Minister himself, but having had his attention called to it some action must be taken, and until it has been settled the present administration is embarrassed with difficulties both internally and externally. One of the chief of these is of course our relation to the Ministry of

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Education. According to government regulations the names of our deans and our new students should be reported to the Ministry soon after the university term opened. Similarly, an application for the government food subsidy for poor students should have been submitted shortly after the semester began. Pending the settlement of President Liu's case the Ministry would not recognise anyone else as the official President of Cheeloo. Yet if these documents were presented in his name this would contradict the action of the Board of Directors.

Last Friday Mr. Liu returned to Chengtu and stated his intention of resuming his presidential functions. The local members of the Board of Directors met last Saturday and have taken steps which we hope may induce President Liu to keep away from the office and refrain from interference with the administration. Within the next few days I expect to take a trip to Chungking and will try to see the Minister, and make sure that he is fully informed of the true state of affairs and the constitution of the Board. Your minutes will help greatly in establishing the fact that the procedure has been the best that could be taken under the circumstances. I have every hope that this will make it possible to clear the matter up in the course of a few days. On my return I shall of course report to the Board of Directors and will write to you again.

The Board of Directors and the faculty are giving me their full support and the students have so far refrained from any undesirable actions or demonstrations. We are trying to keep them entirely neutral in this matter and the work has gone on steadily up to the present. We have 400 students, of whom 156 are women. Our dormitories are full, and some students are having to find accommodation outside. This is due partly to the fact that a good many came from north China and Hongkong after the term had started and we could not refuse to take them in.

We have every confidence in the goodwill of the members of the Board of Governors and of the members of the staff who have now reached America from Tsinan. We hope soon to be able to report that this unhappy situation is ended and that we are able to go forward steadily in cooperation with the other institutions on this campus.

Yours sincerely,

Edgar C. Tang

Acting-president.

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November 7, 1942

Hsiang Tsang, Acting President  
Shantung Christian University  
Chongtu, Szechwan, CHINA

Dear President Tsang:

I am taking occasion to acknowledge copies of letters written by Shunging T. Liu under date of August 28th, 1942 and addressed to Dr. Serge Elissoff of the Harvard-Yenching Institute.

Dr. Elissoff informs me that he has received the original report and same will be presented at the meeting on next Monday.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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December 28, 1942

Dr. Edgar Tang  
Shantung Christian University  
Chengta, Szechwan, CHINA

Dear Dr. Tang:

I am hastening to acknowledge your letter of November 2nd reviewing events subsequent to the meeting of the Board of Directors on September 14. We are preparing this for distribution to the members of the Board, and while we wish it were within our power to lend some assistance, yet there is no way at the present time of our implementing anything which will give sufficient force to be of immediate use.

However, it is my impression that the entire Board is thoroughly in accord with measures which have been taken, and I am perfectly within the thinking of the entire membership in saying that it is the desire of every individual member that Cheekee University be operated not as a one-man institution, but according to the best procedure which can be evolved through the use of a board of directors such as has been established.

If there are new phases of this situation, we would appreciate hearing immediately -- if necessary by cable and we will do everything possible here to keep the Board informed.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Very sincerely,

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MEMORANDUM ON CHEELOO UNIVERSITY

TIME: January 26 and February 7, 1943  
PLACE: Chengtu  
PRESENT: Dr. Edgar Tang, Dr. W. P. Fenn

There was full and frank discussion of the financial situation for 1943-44. At Dr. Fenn's request, certain possible sources of income were added to the anticipated income for 1943-44. These were as follows:

British Trustees	NC\$ 40,000.00
Ministry of Education	100,000.00
Missionary Personnel	20,000.00
British Relief	160,000.00
Contingent from 1942-43	150,000.00
China Foundation and Rockefeller	30,000.00
	<u>NC\$500,000.00</u>

It was suggested that more funds might be forthcoming from Harvard-Yenching, and Dr. Fenn agreed to investigate the possibility. All the figures given above are guesses, but their inclusion in the budget seems to give a fairer picture.

Dr. Fenn urged that every effort be made to secure more mission personnel from among those who had been repatriated from Tsinan. Dr. Tang reported that he was preparing a list including Drs. Scott and Shields, Dr. Lair and Miss Russell.

Dr. Tang reported on expenditures, pointing out the need for additional staff in certain departments if standards are to be maintained. In political science, for example, the departure of Dr. Liu Shuming and Dr. Tang's acting as president will make necessary the securing of one professor. The emphasis on logic and philosophy in the general requirements requires strengthening in those lines. The English Department is badly undermanned, but Dr. Tang hopes that additional mission personnel can meet this need.

In the College of Science, Dr. Fenn questioned the wisdom of starting any work in pharmacy that parallels the work in West China. Dr. Tang said that the factory was to be on trial for one year and might be discontinued if it could not become self-supporting. Dr. Fenn urged that it not even be started at a difficult time like the present.

Dr. Fenn pointed out that the estimate for Publicity and Printing seemed rather high. In the discussion it appeared that the three items involved were the "Bulletin," "Regulations," and general mimeographing, for each of which NC\$10,000 should be adequate. Dr. Tang agreed that the figures for 1942-43 were too high and that 1943-44 should show no increase.

In view of the fact that Dr. Tang has not had an opportunity to work out all the details of the budget, it was difficult to go further. On the surface it is hard to see how much saving can be effected without curtailment of activities. Dr. Fenn urged upon Dr. Tang the seriousness of the situation and the need for trimming the budget to approximate the likely income. Counting on NC\$500,000.00 additional income and say NC\$20,000.00 cut indicated above, the amount needed to balance is about US\$83,000.00. Dr. Fenn cannot recommend nearly that amount to UCR. Dr. Tang agreed to see what could be done.

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Dr. Fenn raised the question of further cooperation while recognizing that much was being done in medicine. Dr. Tang said that cooperation in science was being limited by physical limits, but admitted that there was room for improvement, particularly in arts. He pointed out that there was an opposite tendency at present, and that more external pressure was needed. Dr. Fenn asked how this might be applied. Dr. Tang said he was not prepared to answer at the moment.

Dr. Fenn pointed out that the Research Institute was using up a great deal more than its income, NC\$345,000 estimated for 1943-44 compared with Harvard-Yenching funds amounting to NC\$175,775. Dr. Tang outlined the work of the Institute, admitting that there had been too much emphasis on research but explaining that that was the result of their not having been adequately informed at first. Cheeloo is now changing its program to conform with the Harvard-Yenching requirements: there have been slight cuts in research, some projects having been stopped, but the university is under obligations to complete most of the work. He said further that the Institute was rendering considerable aid to both the History and Chinese departments. Dr. Fenn urged that further steps be taken to make the first objective of the Institute the promotion of undergraduate work in the two departments. Dr. Tang reported that the plan for 1943-44 was to have the fellows teach half a year and do research half a year, this arrangement being necessitated by the location of the Institute. There was agreement between Dr. Tang and Dr. Fenn that, however the work be re-directed, the fact remained that Harvard-Yenching funds were no longer adequate to carry the work for which they were intended (which is true in all other institutions receiving such funds) and that the Trustees should be approached for further support during this emergency period.

Further discussion of Cheeloo's problems was set for April, after Dr. Fenn's return.

Respectfully submitted,

William P. Fenn

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CHEELOO UNIVERSITY  
CHENG TU, CHINA

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1st April, 1943

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3 of 100 ft. each

Cheeloo University at work in the west

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  2. Faculty Dormitory
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  5. Pharmacology - Dr. Y.P.Chen
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  1. Physics Laboratory - Dr. Tung
  2. Biology - Dr. K. Chang
  3. Chemistry - Dr. Y. Hsien
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- X. Women students' dining-room; women students' bed-rooms - smaller, 8 to a room, larger 14 to a room.

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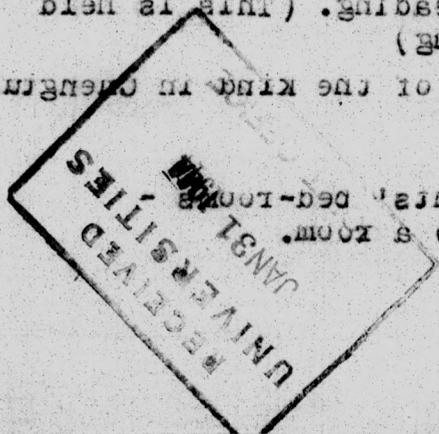
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

2nd April, 1943

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:  
CHEELOO

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

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Dear Mr. Evans,

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Yesterday I posted <sup>to you</sup> by air-mail a copy of the project report which we have made out for Dr. Dwight Edwards. A copy is being sent to him today in Chungking, and a copy is waiting here for Dr. Fenn when he returns.

Some problems remaining from the presidency trouble are still with us, but on the whole since Feb. 1st we have been going along quietly and without incident in the regular work of the University. The majority of the staff are giving me the fullest cooperation.

With grateful thanks for all your help, and with all good wishes

Yours sincerely,

*Edgar C. Tang*

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CHEELOO UNIVERSITY  
Chengtou, China  
19th May, 1943

Office of the President

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

Mr. Noel B. Slater  
2, Eaton Gate,  
London

Dear Mr. Evans and Mr. Slater:

It is time that I started to write you a regular newsletter and my present intention is to try and do this about once a month, even though there may be no very startling happenings to record.

The last month has been very busy with guests and conferences, most of them shared with the other universities and the whole community. There have been special meetings held by Bishop Shen Tze-Kao of Shensi, a series for Christian workers in connection with the Theological Seminary, and a week of addresses to students and faculties, which were very well attended. Of another nature are the lectures still in progress by Dr. Joseph Needham of Cambridge, and Sir Frederick Eggleston, Australian Minister to China. Some of these have been of a public nature and some for those specially interested in science, and all have attracted large groups of hearers, for, as Sir Frederick remarked, the appetite of this community for lectures is insatiable.

Another guest of note has been Dr. H. H. Kung, Minister of Finance and Chairman of our Cheeloo Board of Directors. Though ostensibly here for a holiday, Dr. Kung has given himself without stint to interviews, speeches and inspections, and came twice to inspect our Cheeloo buildings and to speak to faculty and students on the second occasion sitting down to an al fresco meal spread on fifty tables on the grass plot between the wings of our men's dormitory and office building.

On May 3rd Dr. Kung called our Board of Directors at the Central Bank, entertaining the members to lunch after the meeting. Unfortunately I had not yet arrived back from Chungking, where I had gone to interview Dr. Kung on business for all the Associated Universities. Still more unfortunately, owing to the number of conferences of various kinds then in progress in Chungking, several members of the Board were absent from Chengtu and it was impossible to obtain a quorum. However, reports were presented by the Deans of the three schools and by the Treasurer, and the matter of the presidency was discussed. A motion was framed which dealt with all Mr. Liu's financial claims, including salary for the year of his leave of absence and an additional three month's bonus, and informing him that his services would not be required in Cheeloo from the date of the meeting. This action is being circulated to all the members of the Board for their signatures. It was necessary to take such an action as Mr. Liu was already asking when he was to come back to his duties. He has now gone on a trip to the northwest, and when and if he returns this action will, I hope, finally convince him that his connection with Cheeloo is terminated.

From May 6th to 12th there were conferences here of the Council of Higher Education, the week-end being given to meetings and discussion groups for members of the faculties, and the rest of the time to a conference of selected representatives of each of the universities. The subjects of discussion were: 1. Policy; 2. Curriculum; 3. Discipline; and 4. Post-war plans. Under the first heading

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it was decided that the training of Christian character together with a liberal education and technical and professional training should be the aim of the Christian institutions. Under the second it was felt that the government curriculum was generally acceptable but that it should be more flexible. As regards discipline, it was decided that the government requirements do not conflict with the Christian ideal as both stress character-training. The question of post-war plans was much discussed but finally it was decided to appoint a commission of three - Chairman: Chu Ching-nung (Dr. King Chu, once for a brief period President of Cheeloo), Bishop W. Y. Chen of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Paul Kwei, formerly dean of Science of the Central China University, now of Wuhan University, who is at the moment in the United States by invitation of the U. S. government. It is felt that this small commission, of which Dr. E. H. Cressy and Dr. Wm. P. Fenn are also members ex officio, will be able to collate all the relevant facts and find a dispassionate and reasonable solution of the problem of concentrating Christian University institutions in fewer centers than in the past without imperilling the contribution of Christian missions to Chinese culture and post-war reconstruction. We all realize that it may be impossible under post-war conditions for the missions and the Christian community to undertake the reconstruction and re-equipment of more than a few of the institutions located in the present occupied areas. I am myself now engaged in writing a Memorandum embodying my ideas on this subject; I will send you a copy of it besides submitting it to the members of the Commission.

At the present time several of our Medical staff are in Chungking attending the C.M.A. Conference. On their return I hope we may be able to get them to write their impressions of the Conference and the part that our own people were able to take in it.

You are no doubt fully aware that next year, 1944, will be the 80th anniversary of the founding of Cheeloo. We hope that we shall be able to celebrate it in a suitable if not a spectacular manner. The best celebration we could think of would be the cessation of hostilities and a concrete hope of return to our original location in Shantung. In any case we hope that the special occasion may help you to gain more sympathisers and helpers for our work.

With many thanks for your help and all good wishes

Yours sincerely,

/s/ Edgar C. Tang

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May 26, 1943

Dr. Edgar Tang  
Miss Elsie M. Priest  
Shantung Christian University  
Chengtu, Szechwan, CHINA

Dear Friends:

You are receiving copies of the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the North American Section - Board of Governors of Shantung Christian University. This meeting was held at 2:00 P. M. on Tuesday, May 4th, immediately following the last meeting of the Associated Boards. Much of the fine spirit which prevailed during the Associated Boards meetings was carried over into the Shantung meeting, and the faculty which gathered around the table represented those of very keen interest in the affairs of this institution.

Status of the Presidency. We have purposely refrained from making any mention of discussion regarding the status of the Presidency, but all were gratified that the whole regime has seen the light and accepted the edicts of the Advisory Committee. There was unanimous gratification expressed over the appointment of Dr. Edgar Tang as Acting President, and the Secretary was instructed to express the well-wishes of the entire group to Dr. Tang.

Need of Additional Dormitory Space. Throughout the meetings of the entire week of May 3rd the note was sounded on all sides regarding the advisability of conserving the resources of all of the Colleges to the ultimate salvation and good of each one. This means a continued effort to face problems jointly and in the Spirit of the Master to carry on until a new day dawns. Please send us dormitory information as soon as possible.

Personnel in China. This request found a very sympathetic reception. There is a genuine desire to reestablish the foreign staff with the University as soon as possible. There are many things to consider, however, before application is made for travel, and it was deemed necessary to appoint a smaller committee to study the situation more carefully. You will see in the minutes the result of the action.

REPORT OF ACTIVITIES IN ENGLAND. The activities in the Aid for China in Great Britain has been most stimulating to us. Surely it must have brought great relief to the field to receive these extra funds during the year. At a time when there seemed to be no way of increasing appropriations to meet the increased cost of living came these appropriations from England. From a number of sources, we have received word voicing the deep appreciation for the results of the campaign.

HARVARD-YENCHING INSTITUTE. You all received copies of the letter issued by the Institute and will be very much interested in the action of the North American Section. Shantung, of course, was one of the original movers for the cooperative effort in the United States and it set an example in China in bringing together a large group of different organizations. It is, therefore, perfectly in keeping with the history of the Section to pass such a resolution, and the Chairman and the Secretary will prepare a reply suitable to the occasion.

FINANCIAL MATTERS. We may pass over the "Review of Securities" without comment.

Report on Current Budget. The Report on the Current Budget, however, presents some very interesting questions. These relate to the untraced balances held here in New York.

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Dr. Tang  
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particularly to the Current Budget. It is quite possible that within the next twenty-four hours we will cable considerable sums of money to all of the Colleges, in view of prevailing conditions. As a result also of these balances, the Board gave thought to obligations in Tainan which are not known at the present time, but which those who have returned recently should have some knowledge about. Action "NAS-680" was the result of a discussion regarding the holding of balances in China rather than using all funds available.

Budget for 1943-44. The Budget for 1943-44 was discussed at length. As the consideration for Sustaining Funds is still in process, nothing such could be done except to authorize further negotiations.

Participation in the Associated Boards Budget. This is of importance to the field to the extent that it brings into the entire financial picture the cost of operation in America. In a general way, Appendix C reflects the idea, excepting that the amounts are approximate. They cannot be considered as final. Word will be sent to the field as soon as a definite understanding is reached.

School of Theology. The American Board, of course, has been paying \$800.00 toward the budget of this school and as it is not operating, action "NAS-685" was vetoed. The application to the American Board has been filed.

Auditors' Report. The Auditors' Report was reviewed as set forth in the action and approved as stated.

REPORT ON PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES. This Report occasioned considerable discussion in that it touched upon a proposed campaign for the Luce Memorial. Every effort in our office was exhausted to incorporate such an idea, but without success. Two members of the Board likewise were involved and the debate centered around the possibility of carrying on such a campaign under prevailing conditions. We are now in the process of setting up a meeting of the Promotional Committee.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S COMMITTEE. I do not feel it is necessary to dwell upon this report as it is self-explanatory.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE. Neither is it necessary to comment upon the report of this Committee which included committees and representatives on the Associated Boards Committees.

The change in Board Membership, as involved in "NAS-689", is now the subject of correspondence.

ENSEMBLE MEETING - BOARD OF GOVERNORS. We are likewise communicating with the Chairman of the Ensemble Board regarding the Fall meeting.

After completing the work of the afternoon, I felt gratified at the fine spirit of cooperation and fellowship. It augured well for the other meetings of the week, for which I am grateful.

We are hoping for more activity in the group for the coming year and promise

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Dr. [unclear]  
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our cooperation in an endeavor to make the year 1933-34 most effective and worth while.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. FARR

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cc: Dr. Farr  
Rev. Slater

Via China Clipper

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June 24, 1943

Dr. Edgar Tang  
Acting President Shantung Christian University  
Chengtu, Szechwan, China

Dear President Tang:

For many years the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions has contributed \$800.00 toward the Theological School at Tsinan in connection with Shantung Christian University. Since the occupation on December 7, 1941 this appropriation has ceased. However, it seems only wise to make some effort to use a portion of this money at least for the carrying on of religious educational work. Therefore, at a meeting of the Shantung Christian University Board of Governors, the American Board of Commissioners For Foreign Missions was requested to appropriate this sum, or at least a part of it, for scholarships, particularly for students from North China or from the Cheeloo constituency.

At a meeting of the Prudential Committee of the American Board held on June 8th, only \$400.00 was appropriated out of the original \$800.00 for scholarships. The Board decided however, that it will be best to have this paid to the Mission in West China. It is our understanding that Mrs. Yui is on this committee and thus its Treasurer will be paying over \$400.00 US, to be used for the stipulated purpose. The American Board requests that I notify you of this action so that you will be prepared to properly allocate it.

Very truly yours,

Via: China Clipper  
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July 24, 1943

Dr. Edgar Tang  
Shantung Christian University,  
Cheongtu, Szechwan, CHINA

Dear Dr. Tang:

Your letter of May 19th addressed to Neal Slater and myself was most welcome.

We can well imagine how overburdened you were with the various conferences during the month of May, what with the conferences and visitors present in Cheongtu.

We had the pleasure of meeting Dr. Neidman while he was here in New York and had a number of conferences with him. He is a most energetic and intelligent person.

It is indeed fortunate that we have Dr. Tang's keen interest in the Colleges and are grateful for his willingness to participate so actively in the work of Christian Higher Education. We regret, however, that his President Liu has been adding difficulties to your other tasks. It is indeed a most unfortunate experience.

I am most grateful for the review of the conferences in connection with the meetings of the Council of Higher Education. The cable which was sent immediately after these meetings was received and here the most welcomed news of the appointment of Dr. King Ouy, Bishop Chen and Paul Kwei as a Committee to discuss post-war plans. Mr. Kwei is now in America and I have had the opportunity of having several conferences, but I am endeavoring to secure a more extended interview.

I note your own personal reactions regarding your post-war impressions of Christian Higher Education. In that connection I presume some of the extremely conservative members of our Boards in America have been communicating with the field and passing on a hard-luck story. However, I have faith in the on-going progress of these Colleges and in the ability of the American people to render assistance to the last degree. It may not be adequate to all of our desires, but it will far out-distance some of the pessimistic utterances which I have heard. However, I am not final authority and shall have to abide by conditions as they develop.

We are grateful to you for calling our attention to the 80th anniversary of Chealoo and are passing on to the Board this information which is of such vital importance to its welfare.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Via China Clipper  
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July 29, 1943

Dr. Edgar C. Tang  
Shantung Christian University  
Chengtu, Szechwan, CHINA

Dear Dr. Tang:

Your good letter of March 5th was received from the hand of Dr. Wu and was available for the Annual Meeting. For this and all you are doing may I express deepest gratitude.

The Cheelee report which you mentioned came to hand the latter part of May but, of course, too late for our Annual Meetings. However, this will be made available for the fall meeting of the Ensemble Board to be held on October 19th. Fundamentally, of course, we are using this report as a background for present enterprises in our contacts with United China Relief. They are an essential part of our whole program and I am grateful for the time and energy consumed in getting this material to us. Miss Miller wrote a report on the Cheelee University School of Nursing.

At this time may I thank you for your kind expressions of gratitude and likewise re-assure you that we stand ready at all times to lend a helping hand wherever possible.

With all good wishes to you in your very important position, I am

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

5th March, 1943

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:  
CHEELOO

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

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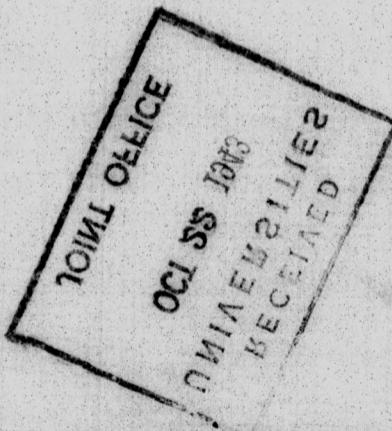
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With greetings and all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

*Edgar C. Tang*  
Acting-President.



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

*Edward King*  
Cheeloo University  
Chengtu, Sze.  
14th October, 1943

Dear Mr. Evans,

*We need  
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I have received several letters from you recently, some with duplicates. Yours of June 24th dealt with the action of the A.B.C.F.M. regarding their grant to the Theological College. This money has been sent to their mission here and they are allocating it to students in the W.C.U.U. or Nanking Theological Seminaries, in accordance with Dr. Fairfield's letter to them.

Your letters of July 24th and 29th acknowledged receipt of mine written in May. I have also had a letter from Dr. Ruland dated August 3rd regarding possibilities of return of some of the Presbyterian members of our staff, and one from Dr. Van Dusen with regard to post-war planning. I am taking the opportunity to deal with a good many of these matters in this one letter. Perhaps you would be good enough to pass on the information to those concerned. I am enclosing in this envelope a copy of a memorandum I have drawn up regarding post-war plans for the Christian universities, and for Cheeloo in particular. I am sending copies of this to Dr. Van Dusen direct, to Dr. Armstrong, Mr. Slater and Dr. Williamson, and hope it may be of some interest if not of great value.

The 100 ft. of movie film of Cheeloo activities, mentioned in my letter of April 2nd was sent off some time ago through the American Information office in Chungking to Dr. Winfield, and I hope it reached U.S.A. safely and has been put into condition to be of use in publicity work.

As cabled by Dr. Fenn, our new enrolment for 1943/44 is 461. This is 61 more than we intended to take in, but as all of them come from occupied areas, especially North China, we feel justified in giving them a chance. Probably by the end of the term some will fall by the way and reduce our numbers to their proper limit, which we take to be not more than 400.

We are very glad to hear the details you give (in Dr. Ruland's letter) regarding the Rev. and Mrs. Richard B. Nether and hope that by this time they may have started on their voyage to China. Judging by the experience of some recent arrivals it may be a good many months before we actually see them here on the campus, but when they do come they will receive a hearty welcome and full opportunity to use their various gifts in the service of Cheeloo and the community. We sincerely hope that they may be here in time for the opening of the spring term as Miss Deens is in desperate need of help in the English Department.

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Mr. C.A. Evans

Plans for the celebration of our 80th anniversary are progressing here. Might I suggest that one way in which you might make use of that occasion would be to broadcast a program on some appointed day.

My visit to Chungking in connection with the drive for Chairs as a memorial to Dr. Kung on the completion of fifteen years as chairman of the Board of Directors, was quite successful. I was able to get an assurance from three of the leading bankers in Chungking of one million dollars Chinese currency.

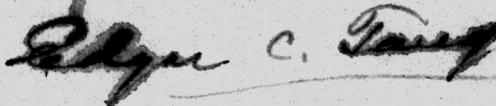
The question of finance is still one of our main problems. Costs in general continue to rise in spite of some temporary drops in the price of certain commodities.

We are holding a meeting of the Board of Directors here in Chengtu on the evening of the 15th when many of the above questions will be discussed. Minutes and a report of the meeting will be sent to you in due course.

We are extremely grateful for all the help and continued support which we are receiving from your office and that of the Associated Boards. I did not mention Mr. Corbett's letters covering minutes, but two have been received and their contents noted. We marvel that in these times when the money and effort of the allied nations are needed for the prosecution of the war so much time, money and thought are still being given to the work of Christian education and we are determined to do our best to make the utmost use of such funds as you are able to send to us.

With all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,



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As regards Dr. Lair, the position we have in mind for him is that of Comptroller, which is a very important post. The main duties of that office are:

- (a) To check accounts
- (b) To supervise properties, apparatus, etc.
- (c) To check purchasing
- (d) To be chairman of the Finance Committee, which decides the allocation of funds and budgets.

We are very anxious to have Dr. Lair come to take up this work. At present Dr. Struthers is trying to add these duties to his already overloaded time-table, and it is proving a heavy burden and yet he feels that he cannot satisfactorily carry out all that that position should involve. We have had several unfortunate experiences during the past year or two which might have been avoided had we had such a responsible and incorruptible person in charge of affairs.

Other members of the staff whom we are anxious to see here are Dr. J. M. Menzies, whose experience would be invaluable in the work of the Sinological Research Institute;

Dr. Shields  
Dr. Smyly  
Dr. Annie V. Scott  
Dr. Julia Morgan

who are needed by the Medical College for teaching and many other contributions which western members of staff with long experience of Cheeloo could make at this juncture. We should also welcome Mr. Lautenschlager when he can be released. His work would be to promote religious activities in cooperation with Mr. K. K. Hsiao, one of our former graduates of the Cheeloo Theological Seminary, who is now here as Religious Director.

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Memorandum on post-war planning of  
Christian Colleges and Universities in China  
with special reference to Chee-lee University  
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In order to clarify the issues involved, it may be desirable to consider first some of the fundamental aspects of the problem. First, there is the question of finance. The losses and damage suffered by all Christian Colleges and Universities in China, with the single exception of West China Christian University, have been so great that it is obviously impossible for our friends in China and abroad to raise enough money for their complete rehabilitation immediately after the war. While this is of course a very important question which must be considered seriously, it seems to me that it is not the sole determining factor in our post-war planning. If we remember the meagre funds our founders had at their disposal when they started these institutions, and if we consider the poor equipment of our institutions during the war, we shall readily realize that we should not be in too much of a hurry for the complete material recovery, or too worried about our post-war finance. Oftentimes money and work react on each other. If with poor equipment and small funds an admirable piece of work is carried on, more funds may come in course of time. For the promotion of Christian work, faith and a pioneer spirit seem to be more important than dollars and cents.

Secondly, there is the question of distribution. Some twenty-five years ago recommendations were made that there should be only five Christian Universities, distributed rather symmetrically in North, South, East, West and Central China. The plan has never been adopted, although the idea is still current in many peoples' minds. It is an ideal proposal but for one fatal flaw - it is not based upon the Christian geography of China. Christian Colleges and Universities, in order to be true and effective in their Christian purpose, must have Christian High Schools, hospitals, churches and other Christian services as their foundation, so that in a Christian atmosphere they can supply each other with Christian material and enrich each other's life in a Christian spirit. Such Christian foundations are not distributed in a symmetrical way, therefore any arbitrary distribution without regard to Christian foundations would mean, in some cases, the giving up of cultivated land for virgin soil.

Thirdly, there is the question of size. To the pedagogue, the ideal size for a Higher educational institution may be a question of conjecture, but for Christian higher educational institutions in China, it seems indisputable that small institutions are far better than large ones. In the first place, for a long time to come, our main work has to be the training of undergraduates, who need more personal contact with the teachers than post-graduates. When we think of the training of the Christian character of the students, such contact is all the more indispensable. A small-scale college or University certainly affords

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better opportunity for such contacts. The "Ford factory" type of education is, I submit, very unsuitable for Christian institutions. Moreover, it may safely be assumed that state education in China after the war will be extensively promoted. There will thus be a great many large universities all over the country, heavily financed by the government. It would be neither wise nor possible for Christian institutions to duplicate or to seek to rival them. Christian colleges and universities will have a great contribution to make and an honourable place in the Chinese educational system if they emphasize quality rather than quantity, and such lines of study as are most needed and not fully covered by the state education.

### II. A personal suggestion

Bearing in mind the considerations mentioned above, I take pleasure in submitting, as a personal suggestion, the following general principles for the post-war planning of Christian colleges and universities in China:

1. That as far as possible every Christian college and university now operating in China be allowed to continue its work on its pre-war site;
2. That each of the Christian colleges and universities be assigned a particular line of work, such as its present staff and equipment, and its work before the war justify, which line of work shall be given the main emphasis in the curriculum;
3. That in addition to the particular work assigned, each Christian college and university, give due attention to liberal education and other fundamental courses;
4. That graduate courses in particular lines be given only in institutions where the undergraduate courses assigned for special emphasis are in the same field;
5. That funds coming from the Associated Boards be earmarked in proportion to the work assigned to each college or university;
6. That should a college or university wish to expand its work beyond the limits assigned to it, the funds for such work, including those for staff, must be raised by the institution concerned independently;
7. That a permanent representative of the Associated Boards be appointed, with an office in China, to supervise the carrying out of the work assigned to each of the Christian colleges and universities.

### III. A proposed post-war ~~XXXX~~ plan for Chee-lee

Chee-lee, founded 80 years ago, is the oldest Christian university in China. Closely associated with the Christian hospitals, churches and middle schools in the provinces on both sides of the Yellow River, it has for years been the centre of higher education in that area. For instance, before the war sixty-five hospitals, missionary and non-missionary, applied to it for trained doctors and technicians, and to its pathology department for examination of specimens. Just as P.U.M.C. has made Peiping a non-Christian medical centre, so Chee-lee has made Tainan a centre for Christian medical educational service. Taking into due consideration (1) the purpose of its founders, (2) the policy of the Chinese government (3) the needs of the locality, and (4) the tradition of the university, the following plan is proposed for it after the war:-

- A. College of Medicine - the main emphasis shall be given to this college, with the object of developing it into a Class A College of Medicine in China.

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B. College of Science - The purpose of this College will be to give pre-medical training and to develop courses specially related to medicine. It shall have only a department of Chemistry and Pharmacy, a department of Biology, emphasizing parasitology, and a department of Physics, emphasizing radiography. Only foundation courses in mathematics shall be given.

C. College of Arts - The purpose of this college will be to give a liberal education to its students, to promote the study of Chinese culture in accordance with the programme of the Harvard-Yenching Institute, and to develop such studies as are closely related to the medical services. There shall be a department of Chinese literature and history, a department of sociology, with particular emphasis on rural social service and psychiatry, a department of religion, and a department of economics, emphasizing statistics and accounting. Only foundation courses in English, Western history, social sciences and philosophy shall be given.

D. Maximum enrolment - 600

E. Personnel - 120, of whom about 100 shall belong to the teaching and 20 to the administrative staff.

respectfully submitted,

Acting-president of Cheefoo University

October 1943

Cheeloo University  
Chengtu.  
15th October, 1943

Dear Mr. Evans,

On September 6th we sent you the following cable:  
"CABLE IF LIUYUNGYAO SCHOLARSHIP INCLUDING BOARD STILL AVAILABLE  
REQUIRE OFFICIAL REACCEPTANCE. ALSO TWOTHOUSAND GOLD TRAVEL". Edgar Tang."  
Dr. Liu is getting rather anxious about this as it looks as though any  
long delay just now might mean again the closing of the only route out.

You no doubt have full details of his case in your files but I  
will repeat the main points. Dr. Price wrote Dr. Liu in the winter of  
1939 stating that he had obtained a position for him in Prof. H.M.  
Young's Dept. in Baltimore, but the inability to secure board made it  
impossible for the position to be accepted then. When this was found  
two years later the Pacific war broke out and for the last two years  
the Chinese government did not permit doctors to go abroad. This  
situation has now changed, the Chinese government are anxious to have  
Chinese students and teachers go abroad for special study. Unfortun-  
ately the cost of travel has now risen enormously, and though Dr. Liu  
has served 11 years in Cheeloo and really deserves to have his travel  
and salary paid by the School the present condition of our finances  
makes it very difficult for us to raise the money.

Another reason which makes the present time favourable for Dr.  
Liu to leave is that P.U.M.C. have now come into cooperation on the  
campus so that more qualified surgeons are available for the work to  
be done.

It is essential that official acceptance of Dr. Liu be cabled  
from Johns Hopkins, and assurance that travel and board will be  
forthcoming.

You know of course that Dr. Philip Price is now in Utah Med.  
College, Salt Lake City, and you can get in touch with him there.

Please let us know as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

*Edgar Tang*

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MEMORANDUM ON POST-WAR PLANNING OF  
CHRISTIAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES IN CHINA  
WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO CHEELOO UNIVERSITY  
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Acting President, Cheeler University  
To Dr. Van Dusen

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for Christian higher educational institutions in China, it seems indisputable that small institutions are far better than large ones. In the first place, for a long time to come, our main work has to be the training of undergraduates, who need more personal contact with the teachers than post-graduates. When we think of the training of the Christian character of the students, such contact is all the more indispensable. A small-scale college or University certainly affords better opportunity for such contacts. The "Ford factory" type of education is, I submit, very unsuitable for Christian institutions. Moreover, it may safely be assumed that state education in China after the war will be extensively promoted. There will thus be a great many large universities all over the country, heavily financed by the government. It would be neither wise nor possible for Christian institutions to duplicate or to seek to rival them. Christian colleges and universities will have a great contribution to make and an honorable place in the Chinese educational system if they emphasize quality rather than quantity, and such lines of study as are most needed and not fully covered by the state education.

II. A personal suggestion

Bearing in mind the considerations mentioned above, I take pleasure in submitting, as a personal suggestion, the following general principles for the post-war planning of Christian colleges and universities in China:

1. That as far as possible every Christian college and university now operating in China be allowed to continue its work on its pre-war site.
2. That each of the Christian colleges and universities be assigned a particular line of work, such as its present staff and equipment, and its work before the war justify, which line of work shall be given the main emphasis in the curriculum.
3. That in addition to the particular work assigned, each Christian college and university, give due attention to liberal education and other fundamental courses.
4. That graduate courses in particular lines be given only in institutions where the undergraduate courses assigned for special emphasis are in the same field.
5. That funds coming from the Associated Boards be earmarked in proportion to the work assigned to each college or university.
6. That should a college or university wish to expand its work beyond the limits assigned to it, the funds for such work, including those for staff, must be raised by the institution concerned independently.
7. That a permanent representative of the Associated Boards be appointed with an office in China, to supervise the carrying out of the work assigned to each of the Christian colleges and universities.

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Memorandum on Post-War Planning of  
Christian Colleges and Universities in China  
With Special Reference to Cheeloo University

From Dr. Edgar C. Tang  
Act. Pres. Cheeloo University  
To Dr. Van Dusen

Dated October 19, 1943  
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III. A proposed post-war plan for Cheeloo

Cheeloo, founded 80 years ago, is the oldest Christian University in China. Closely associated with the Christian hospitals, churches and middle schools in the provinces on both sides of the Yellow River, it has for years been the centre of Christian higher education in that area. For instance, before the war sixty-five hospitals, missionary and non-missionary, applied to it for trained doctors and technicians, and to its pathology department for examination of specimens. Just as P.U.M.C. has made Peiping a non-Christian medical centre, so Cheeloo has made Tsinan a centre for Christian medical educational service. Taking into due consideration (1) the purpose of its founders, (2) the policy of the Chinese government, (3) the needs of the locality, and (4) the tradition of the university, the following plan is proposed for it after the war:-

A. College of Medicine -- the main emphasis shall be given to this college, with the object of developing it into a Class A College of Medicine in China.

B. College of Science -- The purpose of this College will be to give pre-medical training and to develop courses specially related to medicine. It shall have only a department of Chemistry and Pharmacy, a department of Biology, emphasizing parasitology, and a department of Physics, emphasizing radiography. Only foundation courses in mathematics shall be given.

C. College of Arts -- The purpose of this college will be to give a liberal education to its students, to promote the study of Chinese culture in accordance with the programme of the Harvard-Yenching Institute, and to develop such studies as are closely related to the medical services. There shall be a department of Chinese literature and history, a department of sociology, with particular emphasis on rural social service and psychiatry, a department of religion, and a department of economics, emphasizing statistics and accounting. Only foundation courses in English, Western history, social sciences and philosophy shall be given.

D. Maximum enrolment - 600

E. Personnel - 120, of whom about 100 shall belong to the teaching and 20 to the administrative staff.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Edgar C. Tang  
Acting-president of Cheeloo University

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CHEELOO UNIVERSITY  
CHENG TU, CHINA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

10th November, 1943

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:  
CHEELOO

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

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With all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

*Edger C. Tang*

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Yours sincerely,

*John C. Evans*

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November 29, 1945

Dr. Edgar Tsang  
Shantung Christian University  
Chengtu, Szechwan, CHINA

Dear Dr. Tsang:

Off and on, I have heard from Dr. Li Tsan-wen who is now studying at Northwestern Medical School and voluntarily I am asking the question regarding his return in case he finishes his work within this educational year and desires to return to Choesie.

In that case, what arrangements do you wish us to make for travel?

With every good wish, I am

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Dr. Edgar Tang,  
Cheeloo University,  
Chengtou, Szechwan, China.

(This postscript added to letter to Presidents dated December 20, 1943, copy  
for Dr. Tang)

P.S. Your letter of October 19th to Dr. Henry P. Van Dusen has just been transmitted to him through this office. The memorandum attached is very interesting, and we are grateful to you for expressing your ideas in such a forthright way. You may be sure they will receive careful consideration.

Your annual report with its useful appendices has greatly helped us to understand how Cheeloo University is organized in Chengtu. The analyses of student enrollment are very illuminating. They must have taken considerable time to prepare, but they are certainly worthwhile.

Your reference to the coming 80th anniversary of the founding of Cheeloo particularly interests me, because my father was a fellow voyager with Calvin Mateer when he first went to China in 1863, and they were always closely associated in their work from that time on. About the time when Calvin Mateer started the boys school in Tengehow, which later developed into a college, my father started a boys school in Chefoo with one teacher and two pupils. Within a short time one of the pupils withdrew being frightened by the hostile attitude of his neighbors toward those who associated with foreigners. The only place my father could secure for a residence was a building reputed to be haunted because of a suicide which had occurred there. When we think back on these early beginnings as compared with the present large enrollment of students we should feel greatly encouraged. Who can foresee the great developments which will occur in the next eighty years?

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January 27, 1944

Dr. Edgar Tang  
Shantung Christian University  
Chengtzu, Szechwan, CHINA

Dear Dr. Tang:

We have been patiently waiting for the films as listed in your letter of April 2nd and have put off writing you with the hope that each mail would bring something from Washington.

I conferred with Dr. Winfield when he was here but he had received nothing and it seemed best to report to you that the pictures have never come through. Of course, we would be delighted to have this material as it could be used to good advantage this winter. There are many calls for moving pictures of this kind and you have taken a very forward step in instituting such a procedure.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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January 27, 1944

Dr. Edgar Tang  
Shantung Christian University  
Chengtu, Szechwan, CHINA

Dear Dr. Tang:

I am chagrined to find that the minutes for the Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors of Shantung Christian University have never been sent to the field. They are enclosed herewith and do not require much explanation.

May I say that Dr. H. R. Williamson is now in America along with Dr. Stanley Dixon of Great Britain and Mr. M. A. C. Warner, Secretary of the Church Missionary Society. We have had a number of conferences with them in groups but are looking forward to personal interviews when they return from Canada on the 5th of February.

You will note that the Board is giving thought to the return of staff to Chengtu and at the present time we are figuring on the return of Dr. Lair and possible Miss Russell. Nothing much has been done about other members of the staff as the Committee has been widely scattered and the Chairman has been exceptionally busy this fall and winter. What has been accomplished has been through the Administrative Office.

You will note that on page 4 the Secretary was instructed to write you expressing appreciation for all that has been done and for the report which was submitted, while at the same time extending the best of wishes for continued success in carrying out the program of cooperation on the campus at Chengtu. Will you not kindly accept this as representing the personal wishes of the Board and as well to accept the personal thanks and good wishes of the Secretary.

I do not know whether Dr. Ruland has written you regarding Vote G-500, but the reports we have had indicate that the project seems to be making progress. It is, of course, the earnest hope that it will work out satisfactorily. You will understand, of course, that the participation of the FUMC came as a novel development as there was some thought that such a cooperation would not work out well with our Colleges. We know what is happening proves that it can be accomplished to the satisfaction of all concerned.

You will note from "G-501" the thinking of the Associated Boards as well as the individual Boards of Trustees.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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ASSOCIATED CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITIES IN WEST CHINA  
Chengtu, Szechwan, China

9th March, 1944

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

Dear Mr. Evans,

The proposed budgets for 1944-1945 are being forwarded to you under separate cover. The total budgets for our institutions total just over one hundred million Chinese dollars, and the total amount that we will be short is estimated at just over fifty million dollars. In arriving at this figure we have included in the estimated receipts the same grant from United China Relief as has been granted for the fiscal year 1943-1944 -- or US\$627,500. including US\$22,500. for joint projects. The official rate of 40:1 has been used.

Last November we were very much alarmed when word reached us from Chungking that the amount assigned to the Colleges amounted to C\$18,949,000. for the first nine months of 1944, and letters were sent immediately to Mr. Edwards and the Chungking committee, but the decision had been made and we were powerless to bring about a change. The pressure on the Chungking Committee is very great and we realize it has been difficult to refuse many appeals, especially for attractive projects which may be very worthwhile, but the support of which is a serious handicap to the existing work during these days when the cost of maintaining any work is mounting to unknown heights due to inflation. There can be no doubt that too many projects have been allowed under the category of educational work.

Have we reached the time when a new appraisal of the whole program should be made? We are told many times that the Christian Colleges and Universities are important ambassadors for international relations, and yet under the present basis we are faced with the necessity of closing more than half of our work. Someone has expressed it in this way - there is a definite fixed ceiling for the work to be done in the educational group, and the many projects together with rapidly increasing costs are rapidly squeezing the colleges out. Will you appeal to United China Relief on our behalf and if possible secure a re-distribution of the funds? We know it should come from the Chungking Committee and we are writing them again, but we fear they can do nothing further - we wish to appeal to the group in New York for consideration of the work, of the needs, and if there is no other way, to request that a special distribution be made of the unallocated reserve balance.

In one of your letters you state very clearly that the "additional 50% exchange grant decreases the obligation from this end". We know this was the decision of United China Relief, and realize that the burden of raising more and more funds to meet rapidly increasing costs in China creates a problem that is not easy to solve. We are very glad the subsidy of 50% has been granted by the government, but regret to report the increase in all commodities has been considerably more than any benefit from the improved exchange. In view of the fact that the appropriation from United China Relief for the first nine months of 1944 is in Chinese currency and

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is considerably less than we have been expecting, is it possible for the Associated Boards to urge United China Relief to make this special appropriation in order to maintain the work through the spring semester? Each institution has been counting on receiving one-half of the appropriation in United States currency for the period January-June 1944.

It is not easy for any of the institutions to face closing - yet we know that unless some way is found to secure funds, we shall have no alternative, and shall be forced to close a large part of the work that is being done at present. It is possible to reduce some work, and in some instances surveys are being made to see where cuts can be made to the best advantage. It is difficult to face the necessity of closing more than one-half of the work that is being done on the campus today.

The only solution that we can see at this time is in the exchange rate - if ways are found to enable us to sell our checks on the open market, we shall be able to manage for another year. We await with interest the decision to this question.

The cable has just reached us, stating that Mr. Ballou has accepted the appointment of Executive Secretary of the Associated Boards, to take effect May 1st. We are glad to hear this news and look forward with pleasure to our future associations with Mr. Ballou. Will you share this letter with him and assure him of our hearty support as he undertakes his new tasks?

Sincerely yours,

Edgar C. Tang, President, Cheeloo University

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For Dr. Dsang - *H.S. Robertson*  
Lincoln S. Dsang, President, West China Union University

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CHENG TU, CHINA

30th March, 1944

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:  
CHEELOO

Mr: C/A/Evens;  
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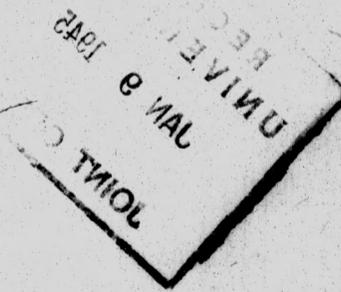
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Yours sincerely,

*Edgar C. Tang*



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April 22, 1944

Dr. Edgar C. Tang,  
Acting President, Cheeloo University,  
Chengtu, Szechwan, China.

My dear Dr. Tang:

I have been very tardy in acknowledging your gracious letter of October 19th which reached me some time ago.

Your letter was deeply appreciated. It was studied at once and carefully, not only by myself but by the staff of the Associated Boards and other members of the Planning Committee. We feel it of the utmost importance to gain just as much insight as possible into the thought of yourself and the other leaders of the Christian Colleges. Indeed the Planning Committee here has been reluctant to press forward to conclusions until we could be sure that we had as fully as possible the mind of our colleagues in China. For this purpose your letter is exceedingly helpful and it is being circulated to all of the members of the Planning Committee.

Since the next full meeting of the Planning Committee is only three weeks distant, I shall not write more fully until its conclusion in the expectation that we may then have more definite word to send to you.

With very cordial greetings, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Henry P. Van Dusen  
Chairman, Planning Committee

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P. S. We are sorry that it has not yet been possible to send out to China the distinguished American educator to visit the university centers and counsel with the leaders as had been planned. This is so late due to the fact that we are unwilling to send any one other than an educator of outstanding eminence and ability, and it is exceedingly difficult for such men to free themselves from responsibilities here in the midst of the war. I personally have been deeply disappointed that it has not seemed possible for me to take advantage of the generous desire of my colleagues that I also might visit you. On the other hand, we have been exceedingly fortunate in the visits here of many persons intimately familiar with the life and present thought of the Christian Colleges -- Dr. Wu Yi-fang, Professor Paul Kwei, Bishop Chen, Bishop Y. Y. Tsu, etc. etc. so that many of the purposes in view in proposing a visit to China by representatives of the Planning Committee have been at least partly accomplished through these friends from China.

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May 6, 1944

Dr. Edgar Tang  
Shantung Christian University  
Chengtu, Szechwan, CHINA

Re: Post-War Planning & Personnel

Dear Dr. Tang:

Elsewhere I understand Mr. Corbett has acknowledged your letter covering the memorandum on Post-War Planning of the Colleges and Universities in China. I am trying to clear my Planning Committee file of active correspondence and wish to add my word of appreciation for the thought and wisdom which is apparent in this document. It has been used by the Planning Committee and I am glad that you had the opportunity to give expression on this subject.

I note that this document was attached to a letter covering many subjects which have answered themselves. Some of the things to which you allude were answered in previous communications and other situations have been cleared through other channels.

It was too bad that the Mathers could not get away for Cheeloo, but it is best to control medical situations before they develop too far.

Dr. Lair is in and out of the office every day. He is now looking for some other employment although personally, I am sure, he would like to be back in China. I am convinced, however, that it would be unwise to press the matter still further at the present time.

Your request for further consideration of return of staff members will be presented to the Board meeting next week. Possibly some action will be taken which will inspire some of our people to go out if it is at all possible to secure sailings therefor. Later on you will receive further information regarding the meeting of the North American Section.

We expect to have Mr. Ballou in the office shortly and he should take on full responsibility of the Executive Secretarialship right after the Annual Meetings of our Boards. It is too much to ask him to be other than a close observer of activities during the next ten days.

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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June 30, 1944

Dr. Edgar Tang, Acting President  
Miss Elsie M. Priest, Treasurer  
Shantung Christian University  
Chengtu, Szechwan, CHINA

Re: Minutes of Annual Meeting - May 9, 1944  
North American Section - Board of Founders

Dear Friends:

This letter is addressed, as above, as no word has been received regarding the final action covering the presidency, but we are hourly anticipating a cable.

Our office is creating a stock paragraph apologizing for the delay in getting out annual meeting minutes. It is to the effect that the Planning Committee insisted upon a full two-day gathering in advance of the Associated Boards' Annual Meeting and the mass of material which accumulated during these meetings and subsequent thereto has simply swamped us. We had outside stenotype help, but it did not accelerate the final process of issuing the minutes. For two years now this has been the habit which is thoroughly disgusting and should be stopped. How to change it in these war days with limited staff is another thing. Generally speaking, our clerical staff is the most loyal and devoted that can be found any where. They are worked far beyond the point of endurance without complaint. That we are not more prompt in dealing with matters of routine, however, is of great chagrin to us all.

May I say that the meeting of the North American Section on May 9th was one of fine spirit and there was evidence from all present of a keen interest in the affairs of the institution and a desire to help in every possible manner.

Mr. Ballou has written you regarding action "NAS-700" and there is no point of my dwelling further upon this action. In addition to this expression of confidence, may I say that we in the office likewise share in this very, very sincere expression.

The College of Medicine. There is simply a resume of the report and discussion on the College of Medicine. Dr. Kilborn paid highest tribute to the work which has been done and challenged the Board to greater effort to secure staff members for the work in Chefoo at Chengtu. It was worth much to have Dr. Kilborn at this meeting of the Board.

COMMUNICATION FROM DR. E. H. CRESSY. The letter which Dr. Cressy had sent in advance of the meeting caused lengthy discussion and ways and means were studied to find some answers to the questions raised. It was finally decided that it would be impossible to reach any conclusion at the annual meeting and, therefore, a committee on personnel should be appointed. This vote was passed but the Committee has not been named as yet.

CONSIDERATION OF PLAN FOR CONSOLIDATION OF THE TRUSTEE BOARDS. In view of the fact that the Committee on Greater Unity has moved along so rapidly and as the Associated Boards has considered the final report and dismissed the Committee retaining Dr. North as a special representative to present the plan to other Boards, it would seem that the situation has gone the full limit. It is now up to the Mission Boards and cooperating Trustees to give the final answer. Up to the present time, there has not been one dissenting vote on the plan and we are looking to the future for a consummation of what has been in the thinking of the Committee for some time. The final papers have been sent to Dr. Fenn and they may be inspected by applying to him.

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Mr. Yang  
Miss Priest

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June 25, 1944

FINANCIAL MATTERS. I believe the field will be in agreement with Action HAS-705. In view of the fact that there seemed to be around \$15,000 involved in accounts at Taiwan, it was deemed advisable to set this aside for future use in North China.

Budgets for 1944-45. In regard to the budget for both the North American Section and the Field both are still in process of development.

I am attending a meeting this morning of the United Clearing Board in New York with the hope of getting further light on the plan which has been adopted. We hope that the machinery which has been set up will work out smoothly.

The Reports of the Auditors and Treasurer. As the Treasurer's Report for 1942-43 has been sent to the field, no further comment need be made.

We certainly hope that the Auditors will be able to do their work earlier than last year as it would appear that we are in a better position to carry on than then. Miss Cockingham is in the office to help out and Mr. Ballou should bring some relief from the administrative side.

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S COMMITTEE. It is my understanding that Mrs. Mills has written to Mrs. Yui regarding actions taken at the meeting of that Committee. You will note that certain actions were taken referring final allocation of funds to the sensitive group of the Woman's Committee. There have been strong criticisms of the living conditions of the Cheeloo girls. It is hoped that some clear-cut statement will be received in the near future.

There is no comment necessary on the election of officers and committees, but in relation to other business we must say that we have been faced with constant pressure from friends of Chinese here in America who wish to get people here to study and also a perfect deluge of correspondence from China asking for scholarships. This whole situation has involved itself into a stalemate as there are definite regulations which now limit the coming of students to the United States.

It is quite possible it will be necessary to clear some of these situations by cable.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, BOARD OF DIRECTORS,  
SHANTUNG CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY TO DR. EDGAR C. TANG,  
July 3, 1944

Dear Dr. Tang:

We have great pleasure, representing the Board of Directors, in requesting you to assume the Presidency of Cheeloo University. We fully realize that at such a difficult period for higher education such an office carries even greater responsibility than usual, but the spirit of service and sacrifice in which you have faced the difficulties of the past year and a half as acting president fills us with confidence in your ability to lead Cheeloo during these difficult times. We trust you will feel that the opportunity for preserving an institution with a long and illustrious past will more than compensate for the hardships involved.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed by T. A. Li, Mrs. Shen,  
W. P. Fenn and Y. T. Wu, the four  
members of the Executive Committee)

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REPLY OF DR. EDGAR C. TANG, JULY 8, 1944

Dear Dr. Li:

It is my pleasure to acknowledge receipt of a letter, dated July 3rd, from your Committee, requesting me to assume the Presidency of Cheeloo University. In reply, I have the honor to inform you that I shall be glad to accept this appointment, with a deep sense of gratitude and of responsibility, for the confidence the Board has so generously placed in me. While, as stated in your letter, the situation which the University is facing is indeed a difficult one, I am confident that with your wise guidance and full support it will not be long before we come to brighter days and an assured future. Inexperienced as I am, I shall do my best, with the help of Providence, to serve the highest interests of the University, in accordance with the wishes of the Board and of the Founders. I shall appreciate it very much if you will be good enough to transmit this reply to the other members of the Board of Directors, especially to those who form the Executive Committee.

Yours obediently,

(Signed: Edgar Chiho Tang)

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NOEL B. SLATER, B.A., Secretary  
2 Eaton Gate, London, S.W. 1, Eng.

July 13, 1944

To the Members of the  
North American Section,  
Board of Governors,  
Shantung Christian University.

Dear Friends:

A cable has just been received from Miss Hickson indicating that Edgar Tang has accepted the presidency of Shantung Christian University and that approval by the Board of Governors is wanted at once. The Ministry of Education has already approved.

This would seem to be a most encouraging piece of news, since it indicates mutual confidence on the part of the university administration which has been carrying on in a temporary capacity during the critical events of the past few months and the Board of Managers who have been so concerned that the best possible solution be found to the question of the university's long-term leadership.

As it is impossible to convene a meeting of the Board of Governors at this time and as the necessity for early action is clearly indicated in the message, a vote by correspondence would appear to be in order on the following motion:

Moved, that the election of Edgar Tang as President of Shantung Christian University be confirmed by the North American Section, Board of Governors, Shantung Christian University.

We will appreciate your prompt action in signing and returning the appended ballot.

Very sincerely yours,

Earle H. Ballou

Secretary, Board of Governors,  
North American Section

CHEELOO UNIVERSITY  
Chengtú, China  
13th July, 1944

Office of the President

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

Mr. Noel B. Slater  
United Committee  
2 Eaton Gate,  
London, S.W.1

Dear Mr. Evans and Mr. Slater:

On the 11th of this month a cable was sent to New York as follows:-  
"Edgar Tang has accepted invitation to Cheeloo Presidency with approval of Ministry.  
Need Governors' approval by cable." This cable was signed with Miss Hickson's  
name as I did not feel that I ought to sign it myself and I was not sure that the  
name of the acting-chairman of the Executive Committee would be known to you.

Enclosed you will find the Minutes concerning the settlement of the  
Presidency issue, which I am asked by the Executive Committee of the Board of  
Directors to send to you and the Board of Governors. I must apologize for the  
long-continued uncertainties in the University. Most of the Board members as  
well as myself are new to the problems in the University, having assumed respon-  
sibility only about a year ago. While we have tried our best to minimize the  
difficulties the problems seemed to be so deep-rooted and so magnified by war  
strain that, to our great regret, no settlement has been feasible until now. The  
Minutes and summary of documents which I am sending with this letter will partially  
explain this. Now that an appointment has been made and the approval of the  
Ministry secured, we are waiting only for a cable of approval of the Board of  
Governors to complete the procedure. In the meantime I am carrying on the  
administration as before, pending the Governors' approval. Such assumption of  
office is, of course, a temporary measure, so that the administration may not be  
interrupted.

Inexperienced and new to such an important task, my acceptance of the  
invitation of the Board has been given with mixed feelings of pleasure and fear,  
pleasure at the generous confidence the Board has reposed in me, and fear for my  
personal shortcomings. However, with the wise guidance and full support of  
Cheeloo friends in China and abroad I believe it will not be long before Cheeloo  
may reach the position she formerly held. Your constant advice and that of others  
on the Board of Governors will therefore be most welcome.

I am glad to know that my memorandum on post-war plans for Cheeloo reached  
you in good time. I am now working on a more detailed one in collaboration with  
P. C. Hou, our acting-dean of Medicine, with Dr. Greene of the medical staff, and  
other members of the Arts and Science faculties. I hope to be able to have some-  
thing ready for you in the Fall.

In closing, I must take the opportunity of thanking you for having answered  
most of the questions I asked last Fall. One thing I would like to know more  
definitely in regard to my request to the supporting missions and church bodies for  
the salaries of personnel (as in such cases as those of Drs. Winfield and Sargent)  
contributed to Cheeloo, who have for the moment taken up temporary jobs elsewhere.  
We are greatly in need of extra funds to balance our budget for the coming year,  
and such substitute salaries would be a great help to us.

Thanking you for past help and with good wishes for the work of the  
coming months,

Yours sincerely,  
(Signed) Edgar C. Tang

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July 24, 1944

Dr. Edgar Tang, President  
Shantung Christian University  
Chengtu, China

Dear Dr. Tang:

I have just dictated a covering letter to Miss Hickson amplifying the cable which was sent yesterday notifying the field that the entire Board had approved of your appointment to Chaeloo Presidency. At a suitable time later on, some minute will be passed by the Board when it is in session, as the vote we have taken is by circulating ballots among the membership and by cable with England. Right now, however, in behalf of the Board may I wish you the best possible administration and pray that God Almighty will be with you and strengthen you in all of the problems and duties which fall to the lot of a President.

During these days of high tension and constant pressure I have been only able to live in the strength which Almighty God has given. That is the only way in which any of this work in which we are engaged can be carried on successfully in His Name. Our prayers go with you and will continue to be with you from day to day. May God richly bless you.

Most sincerely yours,

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G. A. EVANS

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September 7, 1944

Dr. Edgar C. Tang, President  
Cheeloo University  
Chengtou, Szechwan, China

Dear Dr. Tang:

This is a belated expression of our gratification at the news of your election to the presidency of Cheeloo. We wish for you a long and notable administration. As you must know, the problems which have confronted you have weighed very heavily upon our hearts, none the less so because of our inability to bear any active part in helping you toward their successful solution. May the skies continue to grow brighter so far as the internal affairs of the university are concerned, no less than in relation to the ordeal which China has been and still is undergoing. We have all been heartened by the fact that there has been quite a bit of good news from China to offset some of the more discouraging things that have taken place.

I am writing today more especially to follow up correspondence which has already gone from the Presbyterian Board office to Dr. Fenn. We received copies of this correspondence some time after it was written and just when I was away from the city for a fortnight. For a number of reasons I was delayed in attending to it immediately upon my return.

The correspondence raises the possibility of the appointment to the Cheeloo Medical College faculty of Dr. J. Hester Hayne. Dr. Hayne has had a thorough training in medicine and years of experience as a missionary nurse, and later a missionary physician, in China under the Church of the Nazarene and the P.U.M.C. Dr. Fenn has had sent him the biographical material about her, but I am inclosing a copy as supplied by the Presbyterian office. The question for you and the Cheeloo authorities to consider there in China is whether Cheeloo Medical College now and in the future, as you envisage the future of the institution, needs a foreign specialist in ophthalmology enough so that one of the limited missionary quota on the faculty of the college should be filled by such a specialist.

It occurs to me that if Dr. Fenn's plans, as we know them, are carried out he may have left China before you receive this letter, but I am sure that he will have talked the matter over with you, so that this will be little more than a formal notification from the office here of a subject on which you are already posted. We shall wait with interest to learn the recommendation which you will make to your Board of Managers, and the action taken, and I think there is little question but that it will be confirmed at this end.

Faithfully yours,

Earle H. Ballou

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

CHENG TU, CHINA

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:  
CHEELOO

A Summary of the correspondence relating to Mr. Wu Keh-ming  
and the Presidency of Cheeloo University.

1. Letter from Dr. T.A.Li, dated March 4th 1944, informing him that Mr. Chang Fu-liang has declined and inviting him to be the President.
2. Letter from Dr. Li to Dr. Wang Ti-ming, dated March 13th, asking him to urge Mr. Wu to accept the Presidency.
3. Telegram from Dr. Li, dated March 13th, to the Ministry of Education, briefly reporting the resolution of the Board of Directors regarding the question of the presidency, and stating that the official report would be submitted later.
4. Reply from Mr. K.M.Wu, dated March 14th, stating that regarding the presidency "I can say nothing until I have consulted Dr. Kung".
5. Dr. Kung's letter to a prominent official in Chengtu, dated March 29th, stating that both Mr. Chang and Mr. Wu had expressed their intention of declining the presidency and that the only choice that remained was Dr. Tang.
6. Minister Chen's letter to Dr. Tang, dated April 21st, stating that on the recommendation of Dr. Kung, Chairman of the Cheeloo Board, the Ministry had approved the appointment of Dr. Tang as president.
7. Telegram from Dr. Tang to the Ministry, dated May 17th, asking for the official document approving his appointment.
8. Telegram from the Ministry to Dr. Tang, dated June 8th, informing him that the document asked for had already been telegraphed to the Board on May 18th 1944.
9. Note from Commissioner Kuo to Dr. Tang, dated June 8th, informing him that the Ministry was going to send another copy of the document requested.
10. Telegram from Dr. Li to Mr. Wu, dated May 2nd, again urging him to come immediately to assume the presidency.
11. Mr. Wu's telegram to Dr. Li, suggesting that a delegation be sent to approach Mr. Chang Fu-liang again.
12. Telegram from ~~xxxxx~~ four members of the Executive Committee to Mr. Wu dated May 25th, requesting final decision before June 1st.
13. Telegram from Mr. Wu to the four members, dated May 31st and received June 2nd, stating that he might come in spite of difficulties.
14. Telegram from Dr. Kung to prominent official, dated June 26th, ~~xxxxx~~ ~~xxxxx~~ agreeing with his suggestion that Mr. Wu had better not come.
15. Telegram from the Ministry to Dr. Li, dated June 26th, confirming the approval of the Ministry of Dr. Tang's appointment.

Minutes of the Executive Committee of the Board of  
Directors: 19th June, 1944

Present: Dr. Li Ting-an (in the chair), Mrs. Shen, Dr. Fenn; Dr. E/C. Tang  
(ex officio); Miss Hickson minute secretary.

Telegram from Mr. K.M.Wu

The Executive Committee received evidence that Dr. H.H.Kung on March 29th had stated that both Mr. Wu and Mr. Chang had refused the position of president and that therefore ~~xxxxx~~ all that could be done was to ask Dr.

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Tang to take it; that on April 21st the Minister of Education had sent a letter to Dr. Tang stating that on the recommendation of Dr. Kung, Chairman of the Board of Directors, the Ministry had approved the appointment of Dr. Tang; that a telegram asking for the official document revealed that it had been telegraphed to the Board on May 18th (but this telegram had never been delivered to the Executive Committee): the telegram sent by the Executive Committee to Mr. K. M. Wu on May 25th was despatched in ignorance of these facts, therefore -

Resolved: That the Executive Committee feel that this matter must be cleared up with the Ministry of Education before Mr. Wu's telegraphic reply of May 31st can be officially dealt with.

Telegram to the Minister of Education

Resolved: That the Acting-chairman of the Executive Committee be authorised to send a telegram to Minister Chen, asking that a duplicate of the original telegraphed document sent to the Board of Directors on May 18th (which telegram was not delivered to the Executive Council) be sent immediately to the acting-chairman at the New Hospital, W.C.U.U. (since we understand that the Chairman of the Board, Dr. H.H.Kung, is out of town), so that the position may be clarified and the Executive Committee may know how to act.

Renewal of contracts

Resolved: That in view of the necessity of sending out contracts at an early date, on account of the policy of retrenchment to be followed by the Associated Universities, the Executive Committee authorises the Acting-president, Dr. E.C. Tang, to act in this matter with full authority.

Minutes of the Executive Committee - 3rd July, 1944

Present: Dr. T.A.Li (in the chair), Dr. Fenn; Dr. Li proxy for Mrs. Shen, Dr. Fenn proxy for Mr. K.M.Wu; Dr. Tang ex officio; Miss Hickson; Minute Secretary.

Invitation to Dr. Edgar Tang

The Executive Committee have received from the Ministry of Education a telegram of confirmation of the Ministry's approval of Dr. Tang as President of Cheeloo University, on the recommendation of Dr. H.H.Kung, Chairman of the Board of Directors, acting in accordance with the minute of the Board of Directors of February 17th 1944, therefore

Resolved: That we have pleasure in approaching Dr. E.C.Tang with the request that he accept appointment as President of Cheeloo University.

Term of Presidency

Resolved: That the Executive Committee recommends to the Board of Directors that the term of appointment of Dr. Tang as President be for five years, in order to ensure continuity of policy and stability.

Telegram from Mr. K.M.Wu

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Telegram from Mr. K.H.Wu

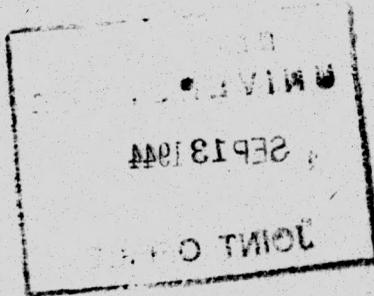
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Letter to Dr. Tang of 3rd July, 1944

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( Signed: Edgar Chiho Tang )



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Telegram from Mr. K.H.Wu

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September 8, 1944

Dr. Edgar Tang  
Shantung Christian University  
Chengtu, Szechuan, CHINA

Dear Dr. Tang:

Dr. Claude Foraker will be seeing you or someone in the Medical Department regarding Dr. Liu Kung-yao.

I had a conversation with Dr. Foraker and he has some ideas regarding the possibility of getting Dr. Liu to America. Very definitely we have not been able to do as much for him as the request included travel at \$2,000 and we have not been able to secure that. No one seems willing to give money for that purpose. Scholarships are available and we can secure funds for living expenses.

Dr. Philip Price has done a great deal of work on this and has been in constant touch with our office, and I am greatly abridged that we have not been able to make more progress.

There have been additional difficulties regarding restrictions on Chinese coming to America; although even in spite of that several have come through on the basis of having made application prior to the time when restrictions went into effect.

I am convinced that Dr. Foraker thinks very well of Dr. Liu and is anxious to do everything possible toward getting him to America. We will gladly do everything which will help this situation and will await further advice.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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cc: Dr. Price

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September 11, 1944

Dr. Edgar Tang  
Cheeloo University  
Chengtu, CHINA

Dear Dr. Tang:

This will be a very brief acknowledgment of your letter of July 13th which came through very promptly and was received on August 15th. Both your letter and the Minutes were immediately stenciled and sent out to the Board. It is, therefore, a bit early for me to make any comments other than such personal remarks which may be passed on from an administrative capacity.

Personally, I am grateful for your stepping into a position which, while difficult, is decidedly challenging and I shall do everything in my power to help you. The questions which you have raised in your letter will be taken up very shortly as the Annual Meeting of the Board is held early in October. Immediately thereafter you should be receiving some reply.

Most sincerely yours,

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C. A. EVANS

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*ack to Miss Fenn 3/1/43*

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

7th October, 1944

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:  
CHEELOO

Cheeloo Board of Governors  
c/o Mr. Carl A. Evens  
150, Fifth Avenue,  
New York

Cheeloo Board of Governors  
c/o Mr. Noel Slater,  
2, Eaton Gate,  
London, S.W.2

Dear Mr. Evens

I am taking the opportunity of sending this letter by the hand of Dr. W. P. Fenn who is leaving us shortly.

First of all let me thank you most sincerely for the cable sent in the name of both the American and British Sections of the Board of Governors and for your kind letter of congratulation and good wishes which you wrote to me personally on July 24th. I certainly hope that I may be able to carry out the best traditions of Cheeloo University now that I have been formally appointed to the Presidency.

May I express on behalf of the internal governing body of this institution, the University Council, the members of which are also signing this letter, our strong conviction that Cheeloo has a still greater contribution to make to Christian education in China in the post-war period than she has had in the past. We ~~are~~ are united in our loyalty to the purpose for which this university was founded, and in spite of all the difficulties and failures of the past, our determination is to work for the type of education in which Christian character and high scholarship shall be emphasized.

At the moment we are working under almost insuperable difficulties, concerned with lack of Mission personnel and the ever-present financial problem. In spite of this we are determined to overcome these obstacles and with your cooperation and support to rebuild and develop this institution which this year celebrates eighty years of history, filled with great names and with no mean achievements in the evolution of Christian education in China.

Yours sincerely,

*Edgar C. Fung, President*

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*Mr. Han Hua-Lin, Gen. Prof. and Dean of Women*  
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*K. Chang - Prof & Head of Dept. of Biology, Chairman of Pre-medical Division & Prof. of Parasitology*  
*W. Ho-jing, Dean of Students & Religious Director, Peking Univ., Dean, Science College & Prof. of Chemistry*  
*Prof. Wang Ching-chang - Prof. & Head of the Dept. of Geology & Geo.*  
*Dr. James L. M. Yen, Prof. and Head of Department in Anatomy and Director of General Affairs*

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CHEELOO UNIVERSITY  
CHENGTOU, CHINA

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS  
CHEELOO

7th October, 1944

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Cheelo Board of Governors  
c/o Mr. Noel Slater,  
2, Eaton Gate,  
London, S.W.3

Cheelo Board of Governors  
c/o Mr. Carl A. Evans  
150, Fifth Avenue,  
New York

Dear Mr. Evans

I am taking the opportunity of sending this letter by the hand of Dr. W. P. Fern who is leaving us shortly.

First of all let me thank you most sincerely for the cable sent in the name of both the American and British Sections of the Board of Governors and for your kind letter of congratulation and good wishes which you wrote to me personally on July 24th. I certainly hope that I may be able to carry out the best traditions of Cheelo University now that I have been formally appointed to the Presidency.

May I express on behalf of the internal governing body of this institution, the University Council, the members of which are also signing this letter, our strong conviction that Cheelo has a still greater contribution to make to Christian education in China in the post-war period than she has had in the past. We xxxxxxxxxx are united in our loyalty to the purpose for which this university was founded, and in spite of all the difficulties and failures of the past, our determination is to work for the type of education in which Christian character and high scholarship shall be emphasized.

At the moment we are working under almost insuperable difficulties, concerned with lack of Mission personnel and the ever-present financial problem. In spite of this we are determined to overcome these obstacles and with your cooperation and support to rebuild and develop this institution which this year celebrates eighty years of history, filled with great news and with no mean achievements in the evolution of Christian education in China.

Yours sincerely,

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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Mr. C. A. Evans,  
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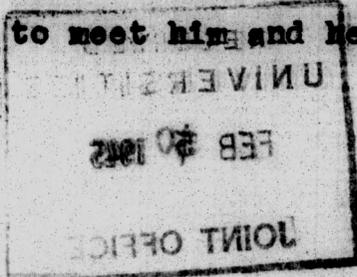
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Yours sincerely,

*Edgar C. Tang*



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8th October, 1944

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

4th November, 1944

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:  
CHEELOO

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

Dear Mr. Evans,

Y.Y.LIU I duly received your letter regarding Dr. Y.Y. Liu and have consulted both with Dr. Hou Pao-chang (now Dean of Medicine) and with Dr. Liu himself.

It appears that it is very difficult for funds for Dr. Liu's ~~xx~~ travel to be raised in the States; it is also quite impossible for us here to make any subsidy for this purpose. Fortunately Dr. Liu has now found a friend here in China who is willing to help him with the expenses of his travel to the States.

The only thing now remaining to be done is to have an up-to-date certification that there is a position open to Dr. Liu in a certain definite institution. Will you see that a cable is sent to us immediately to this effect? It would be well not to word it in such a way as to emphasize the fact that Y.Y. LIU IS A DOCTOR, for the Chinese government is still chary of sending doctors abroad during the war, but of course he is going in his capacity as a teacher in the University rather than as a doctor. We have of course the earlier authorisations which you sent for this purpose but the government will demand a more up-to-date guarantee that he has a job waiting for him in a certain institution.

Christmas gifts

I would like to suggest to you the possibility of securing from friends in the States who are interested in members of our staff here special Christmas gifts. As you know, many if not most of the teachers in our colleges now are spending much of their time in private practice or outside jobs in order to add to their incomes. There are a few of our loyal staff members who instead of doing this are working to the utmost of their powers and spending all their time for their own university. It is impossible for us to give them any additional financial recompense for this devotion, but no trouble could be caused if Christmas gifts were made by name to certain individuals by certain friends in the States. I would suggest Dr. Hou Pao-chang who is working almost day and night as Dean of Medicine and Head of the Pathology Dept. He has seven children to provide for and educate; Mrs. Yui, the Dean of Women (L.L.H. Yui), who has worked long for the women students and is now in very poor health and needing a long rest; Dr. Yeh Lu-ting, who has added the duties of Director of General Affairs to his teaching in the Anatomy Department; Mr. K.K. Hsiao, our Religious Director, who has spent freely of his time and money to help develop the religious

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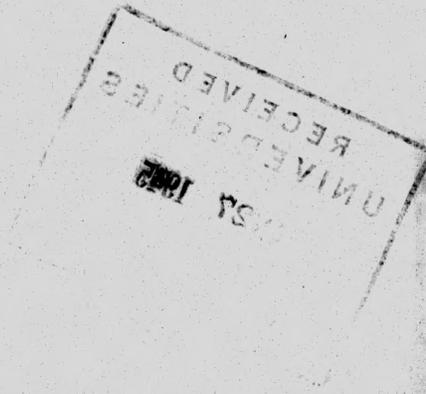
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Yours sincerely,

*Cheng C. Tang*

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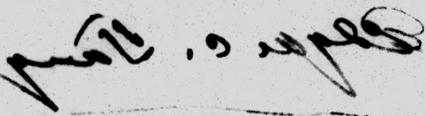
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(Excerpts from a letter of Dr. Edgar C. Tang, dated November 4th, 1944)

Cheeleo University  
Chengtu, China

Mr. C. A. Evans  
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150 Fifth Avenue  
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Edgar Tang

Chengtu (China)

Ensemble meeting Board Governors extends greetings pledges support as you assume presidency stop Presbyterian Board awaits your cabled action highly qualified ophthalmologist Hester Hayne if her services wanted will expedite travel stop eagerly awaiting revised memorandum Cheelee future.

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Cheeloo Woman's Committee  
150 Fifth Avenue  
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President Edgar C. Tang  
Cheeloo University  
Chengtou, Szechwan, China

Dear Dr. Tang:

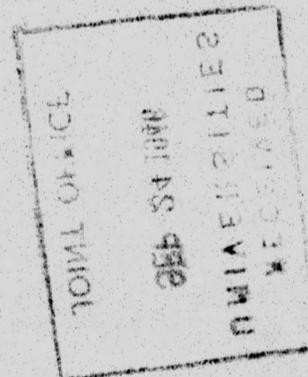
At a meeting of the Cheeloo Woman's Committee it was unanimously voted to express to you our great satisfaction that you have accepted the position as President of the University and to offer to you our best wishes and heartiest cooperation in the task that lies ahead of you. We have the utmost confidence that Cheeloo, under your guidance, will go forward to even greater accomplishments than in the past, and to this end we pledge you our cordial support.

In the past we have found it a great help in our work as a Woman's Committee to have the opinion of the President's Advisory Committee for Women Students with regard to the problems that the President, Mrs. Yui and the members of the women's group on the field are facing. We hope that this Committee is still functioning in Chengtu and that you will bring to us any of the questions about which the Committee feels we could be of assistance.

When the President's Committee for Women Students meets, we would be very happy to have the minutes of the meetings, so that we can keep continuously in touch with your major interests. We also need these minutes for the sake of completeness of our office records in New York.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Eric M. North  
Chairman, Cheeloo Woman's Committee



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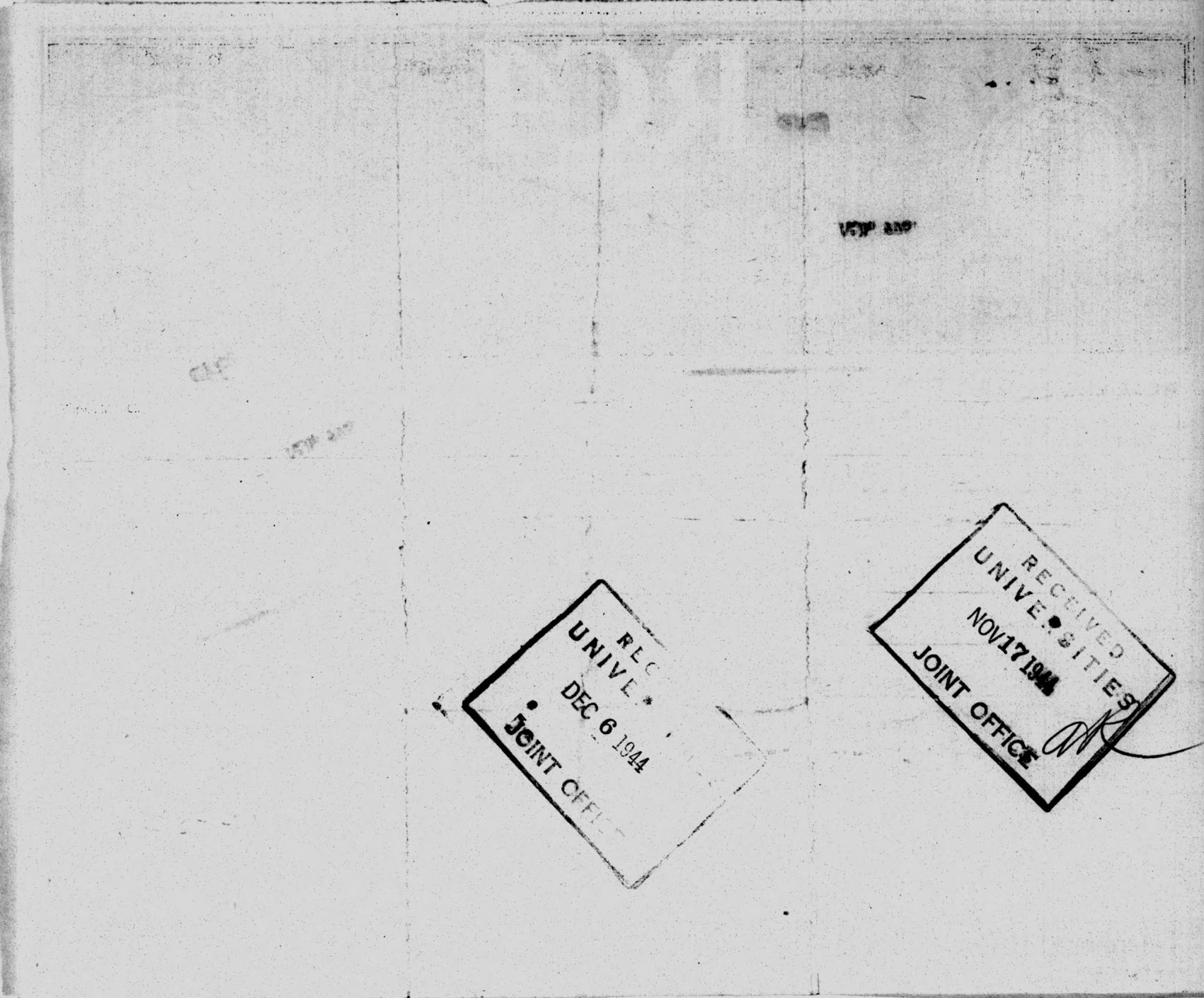
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December 5, 1944

President Edgar Tang  
Cheeloo University  
Chengtou, Szechwan, China

Re: Dr. Hester Hayne; Dr. Alma Cooke;  
Expected report on future of Cheeloo;  
Proposal from American Mission to Lepers.

Dear Dr. Tang:

Thank you very much for replying so promptly by cable to our cabled inquiry of November 9th. I hope you had both my letter of September 7 and access to the information sent to Dr. William Fenn by the Presbyterian office regarding Dr. Hester Hayne. Dr. Hayne was at the meeting of the Cheeloo Board held on November 3rd as a guest and made a favorable impression upon all present. We are sure that the Presbyterians will find a useful place in China for her even though it did not seem wise for Cheeloo to extend an invitation to her. We respect your judgment and the careful weighing of possibilities which must have entered into the decision.

I understand from Dr. Fairfield of the American Board that correspondence has already been begun with Dr. Alma Cooke relative to her return to China for the work referred to in your cable. As you probably know, Dr. Cooke has been anxious to get back to China for some time and only a combination of obstacles has kept her here. She will be a most useful addition to your staff and we hope nothing prevents her getting away before the winter is over. You doubtless have heard from many sources how unusually difficult it has been recently to secure travel permits and passports for civilians going to China. Dr. Cooke's long experience of service in that country and her status as a physician will all be in her favor as the negotiations proceed.

My cable also referred to the memorandum on the future of Cheeloo University, to which you referred in the earlier document which came last spring. That was so good and of such interest to the members of the Planning Committee that our appetite has been whetted for the more detailed study you were expecting to make. The situation is still fluid so far as any definite decisions or recommendations by our Planning Committee are concerned and we hope we will have before long such added insights and wisdom as we expect your memorandum to contain.

We regret very much that there have been unusual delays in getting out the minutes of both the Planning Committee and the Cheeloo Board meeting. Copies should have been on the way to you long before this, but unfortunately they are not yet ready to be mailed.

We get occasional glimpses of Cheeloo faculty members here, Dr. Struthers, Dr. Lair, Dr. Morgan and Dr. Annie Scott. These friends were all present at the meeting of the Board and were helpful in the discussion. There soon will be on the way to you a proposal made to that meeting from the American Mission to Lepers to enlarge considerably the medical service in connection with that disease at the university medical school and hospital when you get back to Tsinan.

With kindest regards and the hope that academic work is proceeding with as little distraction as possible by either military or political developments, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

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3rd January, 1945

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

Mr. Noel B. Slater  
Christian Universities Office  
55 New Bond Street  
London, W. 1, England

Dear Mr. Evans and Mr. Slater:

In October I sent you a letter by the hand of Dr. Fenn, and I imagine he will have posted this from India as he himself did not go further than that on his way to U. S. A.

My purpose in writing today is to give you a brief account of our 80th anniversary celebrations and to enclose the report of the Dean of Women for the last academic year. Copies of this have already been sent to Mrs. Mills and to Dr. A. V. Scott and to Miss Bowser. I am hoping soon to get the materials collected for a report of the university as a whole.

80th Anniversary. Our plan is to have an anniversary year. This we inaugurated by two days of special celebrations on December 27th and 28th. These were holidays for Cheeloo University staff and students. We began with a meeting to which all our own people and special guests from other universities and the city were invited and there were a number of speeches by representatives of different groups. Governor Chang Chun gave an excellent short speech in which he said that Cheeloo was characterised by Sincerity, Thrift, Stability and Solidity, four elements very necessary for any institution to succeed in these days.

During this memorial year we plan four things:-

- First: To publish a Memorial Volume composed of articles written by staff members, which shall have real academic value;
- Secondly: To have an exhibition of Oracle Bones or their rubbings. Cheeloo has altogether more than fifty thousand of these, the largest single collection in China. Mr. Hu Fu-lin has already published seven volumes of his study on oracle bones;
- Thirdly: As this is also the fifteenth anniversary of the chairmanship of Dr. H. H. Kung of the Board of Directors we are proceeding with the plan to raise subscriptions to found a "Chair" in his name;
- Fourthly: An 80th Anniversary Memorial Fund. Our students have already started to raise funds among their friends, and I plan to go to Chungking at the end of this month with the same object. The interest on the funds raised by the students will be used for student activities during the war, after the war the capital will be used for some permanent feature in the University. Other funds raised by the University for this object will be used for reconstruction after the war. We hope friends in the States and Great Britain will make some preparation along these lines.

On Dec. 26th, 1945 we hope to have a closing ceremony when we shall present the results of the campaign. During this year we shall take the opportunity to urge students to do their best both in studies and behavior. We believe that a good academic record and good character will be the most successful form of celebration.

Student Volunteers. Altogether 183 of our 400 students have put their names down for one or other category in the recent great movement for a hundred thousand young people to do war-service. Of these 41 have already gone to India to join the Expeditionary Forces, 17 medical graduates, 6 pharmacy graduates, and 3 Arts graduates have gone to Chungking to do war service. The rest are awaiting instructions from the government: the men will be leaving this month for camp, and the women, if the govern-

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3rd January, 1945

Mr. C. A. Evans  
Mr. Noel B. Slater

ment decides to use them, will go to camp for training next month. In addition two of our students joined a group recruited by the C. N. A. C. for training in India as co-pilots. We shall probably find when the spring term begins that our numbers are not more than about 250 or less.

End of term. The autumn session will end on Jan. 29th and there will be several weeks vacation as the spring term does not begin until Feb. 17th. The volunteer movement, the regular Christmas and New Year Holidays, and our special celebration have made the latter part of this term rather broken, but the students will now be settling down to serious preparation for end of term examinations, and as most classes have now fewer numbers it should be possible to do good work with the students who remain.

We have just received another accession to our foreign staff as Professor March, who has worked for many years in Hangchow, has just reached Chengtu and is going to help us in our Biology work. We have also had a letter from England stating that Dr. Crawford, who has been assigned to help in our Pathology Department, was leaving at the end of November. We hope that she may be able to arrive here in time for the spring term's work. Dr. Hou wrote to Mr. Slater with regard to Dr. Crawford's work.

With every good wish and rather belated greetings for the New Year

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) Edgar C. Tang

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CHEELOO UNIVERSITY

Report of the Dean of Women for the year ending June 30, 1944

I. Student Body:

The 156 women students in Cheeloo University during the year under review were divided among the departments as follows:

Chinese department	10		
History & Sociology	16		
Pol. Science & Economics	40		
Physics	2	Totals: Arts	66
Chemistry	8	Science	39
Biology	10	Medicine	<u>51</u> 156
Pharmacy	19		
Medicine	51		

Of these only 132 could be accommodated in the women's dormitory, so that 24 women students were living outside, thus constituting a serious problem in administration and discipline, not to speak of the loss to the students themselves in being separated from the corporate life and extra curricular activities of their fellow-students.

Of the women students 58 were professing Christians.

At the end of June 26 women graduated, 16 from the Arts College, 5 from the Science College and 5 from the College of Medicine. Of the Arts graduates 8 are now teaching in high schools, two are working in the Y. W. C. A., two are in Banks and one in the Finance Bureau, while two are engaged in Child Welfare work, one in Yenching University and one in Kunming. Of the Science graduates two are working in the laboratory of the Central University Hospital in this city, one is in a factory and two are teaching Science in high schools. All the medical graduates are working in Szechuan province, one in our own university hospital, one in the Central University Hospital, one in rural public health work and two in private hospitals.

II. Health Problems:

Since many friends in the west have sent funds to help students suffering from Tuberculosis and for student aid in other ways it is necessary to say something to explain why we have had to appeal for such funds.

The cost of living has increased so rapidly and persistently for the past few years that each student has had to pay a board fee increasing as follows:

Autumn	1942	\$	800
Spring	1943		1,000
Autumn	1943		2,000
Spring	1944		3,500

Some help was given by the Welfare Department of the Ministry of Education. Previously this applied to all schools but now it is given to students of Medicine and Science only and only to 70% of these in private schools. The amount thus cared for is also only about 70% of the board. This has worked particularly hard for Cheeloo as a refugee institution with a large percentage of its students coming from occupied areas, so that they were unable to receive any funds at all from their families and friends. It was therefore necessary to help all such students with 50% of their food fees and other students with the whole amount. Actually the Welfare Committee managed to provide \$30,000 during the year to help the twenty-six girls who were without resources. This food fee includes besides the actual cost of food, the wages of the cooks and helpers

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and the cost of fuel. It is therefore difficult to obtain a sufficient and balanced diet in spite of the high fee, though the kitchen committee is given careful advice about purchasing. The regular allowance of meat is 5 lbs. a day for 150 people. Sometimes by very careful management the Committee can save enough to buy a little extra meat two or three times during the month.

The money collected by Dr. Morgan was originally intended to supplement this meagre diet, but it was found that spread over the whole number of women students nothing really effective was accomplished and it was impossible to distinguish between those who could themselves afford to buy extra food and those who could not. It was therefore decided to limit this fund to certain groups of students, adding to it the sums contributed by friends in the States through Dr. A. V. Scott. The total amount was placed under the control of a Committee for Student Welfare, of which the Dean of Women is the Chairman, and the money has been used as follows:

a. Care of T. B. students. Five of these recovered their health during the year and are now doing full work but three are still in hospital and needing much financial help. One is a sixth year medical student from a good Christian home in Shantung, another is in second year medicine, and the third is a first year biology student who has been suffering from T. B. for three years. These all come from occupied areas and can receive no financial aid from their homes. Each of them has cost us \$10,000 a month, though they are also receiving help from other student relief funds.

b. Care of undernourished students. Such students must first have a fluoroscopic examination by Dr. T. C. Greene and then present a signed recommendation from a doctor with an order for special diet. By this use of some of this money in preventive work we hope to avoid cases of T. B. in the future.

### III. Extra-curricular activities:

a. Departmental Clubs. Each department has its own club, supervised by one of the professors. They have regular meetings when problems are discussed, but most of their activities are social, particularly at the beginning and end of the school year when faculty and students are welcomed or farewelled, which occasions are usually celebrated by the playing of modern drama or Chinese opera.

b. Social service activities. Every girl in the dormitory takes her turn at least once or twice during the term in teaching a class composed of the dormitory servants. Beginning at 7 p.m. the dining-room becomes a school-room, part of it is used for the students own home study, but in one corner is the servants' class. Altogether there are nine servants - three cooks, six other men, and a woman who has a year-old baby. The woman has not succeeded in learning a great deal of reading, writing, or arithmetic, but the men have made quite a lot of progress since they have been with us. One of the younger ones can now read simple books and the newspaper and is now starting to learn English! Books and pencils are provided by the Self-government Society.

Six girls also take part in helping with the teaching in the Nantai Primary School in singing, Chinese literature and other subjects. This is the seventh year that our women students have helped with this school.

Sick visiting has been another activity. Those who have been engaged in this have visited five of our own students, four of them girls in a hospital near the West Gate, about four miles away, and one fourth-year medical student - a man - who has been in hospital for three years. This visiting is done on Sundays as a rule, mostly by Christian students who take fruit, cakes and other gifts, especially at Christmas and other festivals, both to these special students and to other sick folk. They tell stories, read the Bible and sing hymns and these visits are greatly welcomed both by our own students and those of other universities.

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c. Choral Society. There are 57 members altogether of whom 26 are girls. For several years it was directed by Dr. H. C. Meng, who is now doing post-graduate work in the United States. The Choral Society has quite a reputation in and around Chengtu. They have raised quite a large amount of money for their less fortunate fellow-students, and during the year handed over \$70,000 to the Student Welfare Committee as the proceeds of concerts etc. given by the Choral Society.

On July 4th, with the approval of the President, the Dean of Women took a group of 26 girls and 6 men students to one of the air-fields to entertain the officers and men at this particular base. Their entertainment, which included popular American songs, was greatly appreciated by the men of the A. A. F. and the students themselves had a very enjoyable day.

#### IV. Athletics:

Physical education is taught by Miss O. W. Huang, who is a graduate of Central University. Basket-ball is the favorite ball game among the girls. They have played in more than half-a-dozen inter-college meets, medical school against Arts and Science, or Science against Arts etc. Most of the good players among the girls are from Bridgman Academy in Peiping.

All except those with a doctor's certificate of exemption take part in some games or sports. Baseball is another favorite and volley ball is also popular. The chief difficulty is that we have no playground for the girls, so that they must always go to the men's playground for their practice, which is sometimes very inconvenient.

During the spring term at the inter-universities Athletic Meet in the Public Park our Cheeloo girls formed a "cheer group" to cheer not only for Cheeloo but for the good players in other Universities. Their enthusiasm was much appreciated, as well as their splendid organization.

#### V. Dormitory Administration and Problems:

Due to the high cost of labor it has been impossible to do very much toward improving the dormitory buildings. The previous summer a day's wage for a laborer (carpenter or mason) was '80, but this summer it was \$250. Most materials also had gone up five or six times in cost. Only essential repairs were therefore done, such as white-washing the bedrooms, dining-hall and bath-rooms, and repairing the wooden beds, many of which are falling to pieces. We also had a small room by the gate, previously used as a store for the students' food, changed into a guest-room for the girls. Originally the guest-room was inside our small compound, which had serious disadvantages. That room is now a reading-room for our own students and the Dean's kitchen has been turned into a store.

The total cost of these things was very high, but there are many other repairs and improvements which ought to be made if we only had the funds available, earmarked for that purpose. As it is the actual money spent has simply been drawn from the University pool, as it has been found impossible under present circumstances either to make a budget or to have the books kept with separate accounts.

The running of the dormitory is done through the Students Self-government Society with its sub-committees and the Kitchen Committee and its sub-committees. Both these organizations have their own officers and hold regular meetings once a month, at which the Dean of Women is present as supervisor. They give excellent opportunities for training the students and giving them useful experience in self-government and dormitory affairs, and in directing and helping new students. The Kitchen Committee, with advice from the Dean, does the planning of the meals, making daily menus for a balanced diet, distribution of daily supplies, and payment of wages to the cooks and kitchen helpers.

One very serious problem is the lack of fluid capital for the laying in of stocks of supplies when the market is favorable. The following table of the costs of staple articles, showing the difference between the prices in the summer and after the autumn term began, will emphasize the necessity for such a fund:

Commodity	Cost in July	Cost in Sept.-Nov.
Coal 2 tons	\$70,000	\$140,000
Kindling 50 bundles	4,800	9,500
Oil 800 cattles (used for cooking & lighting)	72,000	106,000
Flour 1 bag (44 lbs.)	1,800	2,450
Rice (spec. gov. price for one term)	200,000	400,000

The total cost of running the dormitory for one term, including the food except the daily vegetables, was \$490,800.

#### VI. Women Staff:

Besides the Dean of Women the Chinese women on the staff during the past year have been as follows:

Dr. Lin Lien-oh'ing spends most of her time in the hospital in the city, only coming out occasionally to the University hospital on the campus. She lives in the city with her mother and other members of the family.

Dr. Luan Ju-lien works in the new university hospital on the campus and lives in the hospital.

Both of these doctors are always ready to give advice regarding health problems among the women students.

Mrs. Tang, the wife of the President, is carrying a full teaching load in the English Department. She lives with her family south of the campus.

Miss Shih Yun-shen also taught full-time in the English Department during the greater part of the year under review.

Miss C. Y. Wei, an assistant in the Chinese department, and Miss C. W. Huang the physical education teacher, both live in the dormitory sharing a room but having no dormitory responsibilities.

Of Western women on the staff only Miss Hickson was here during the whole of the year: Miss Ann Deens was head of the English Department until she left suddenly to return to England at the end of 1943.

#### VII. Religious Activities:

Student Christian Fellowship. The Fellowship holds a regular meeting once a week. A number of the girls are members, one of them was vice-chairman of the Fellowship, but only about a dozen of the girls attend the meeting.

Church Attendance. On Sundays about twenty or thirty girls attend one or other of the church services on the campus, while ten or more go to their own churches in the city. The individuals vary from week to week and probably there are not more than a dozen girls who attend church regularly every Sunday.

(signed) L. H. Liu Yui  
Dean of Women

ASSOCIATED CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITIES IN WEST CHINA  
Chengtu Szechwan

5th January 1945

Mr. Earle H. Ballou  
Associated Boards for China Colleges  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York City 11, N.Y., U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Ballou:

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May we take this opportunity to express our deep appreciation of all the help that Dr. Fenn has given to us as a group and as individual institutions? Since the appointment of Dr. Fenn as the field representative of the Associated Boards, we have depended upon him to present to your office much of the material that formerly went directly from our several institutions. It has been very helpful to have Dr. Fenn serving in this capacity, and we find we miss having him to continue the work of coordination of the Christian Colleges on this campus.

As you know, Dr. Fenn left Chengtu early in October, expecting to return to the United States for a brief visit. Later his plans were altered and he has accepted an invitation for special service connected with the army. Although there has been some expectation that he would return to Chengtu and give part of his time to the continuation of his work as field representative of the Associated Boards, no direct word has come from him and we are beginning to question if this plan will be feasible.

Is it possible for you to appoint someone to act as the field representative of the Associated Boards during the time that Dr. Fenn is obliged to be absent from the work? We feel there is some urgency to have the position filled at an early date - plans should be under way for the spring conference especially with Mr. Cressy on short furlough in India, for coordination of the present budgets, and many other tasks that are common to all the institutions and which can be done more effectively as a whole than for each institution separately. We would prefer having Dr. Fenn return to Chengtu to continue the work he has done so ably during the past few years, but if his present affiliations make it impossible for him to spend much time here, we would appreciate having some person appointed who would have the authority to proceed with plans for the interests of the entire group of Christian Colleges in China. If possible, will you let us know your decision by cable?

Sincerely yours,

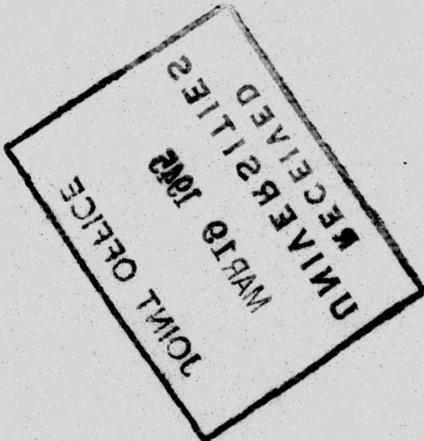
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ASSOCIATED CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITIES IN WEST CHINA  
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5th January 1945

Mr. Barle H. Ballou  
Associated Boards for China Colleges  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York City 11, N.Y., U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Ballou:

Your letter of November 13 has just arrived. We appreciate these monthly letters which you and Mr. Corbett have been sending to us. They help us to keep in touch with the Associated Boards.

May we take this opportunity to express our deep appreciation of all the help that Dr. Tenn has given to us as a group and as individual institutions? Since the appointment of Dr. Tenn as the field representative of the Associated Boards, we have benefited from his presence in your office much of the material that formerly went directly from our several institutions. It has been very helpful to have Dr. Tenn serving in this capacity, and we find we miss having him to continue the work of coordination of the Christian Colleges on this continent.

As you know, Dr. Tenn left America early in October, expecting to return to the United States for a brief visit. Later his plans were altered and he has accepted an invitation to assist in the service of the Associated Boards. Although there has been some expectation that he would return to Chengtu and give part of his time to the coordination of his work as field representative of the Associated Boards, no direct word has come from him and we are beginning to question if this will be possible.

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Sincerely yours,

Wang C. Teng, Chinese University

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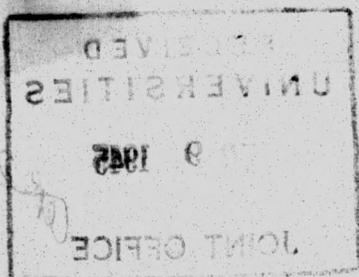
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ASSOCIATED CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITIES IN WEST CHINA  
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Mr. Ballou

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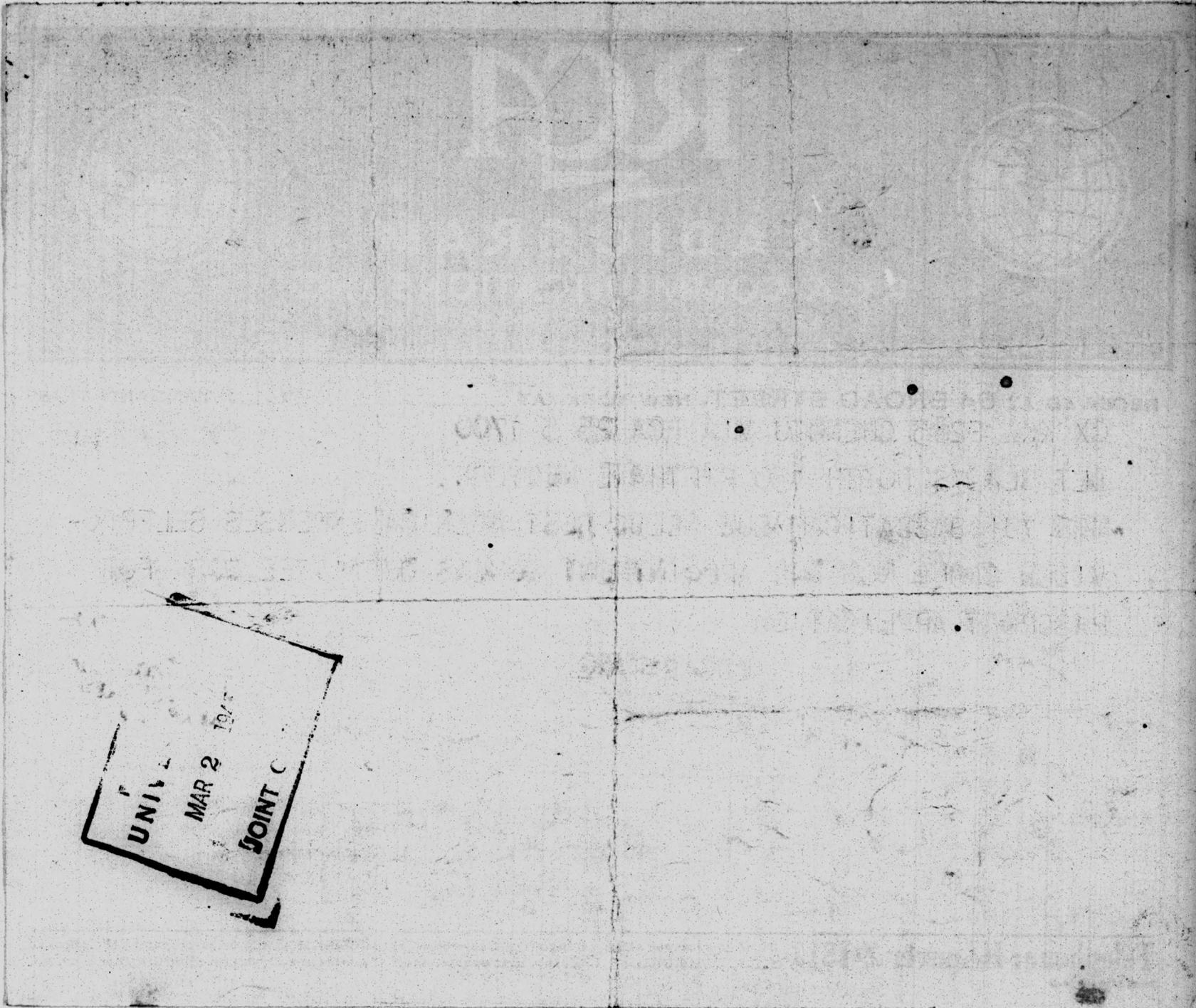
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January 8, 1945

Dr. Edgar Tang  
Shantung Christian University  
Chengtou, Szechwan, CHINA

Re: Ching P'eng-shih etc.

Dear Dr. Tang:

I am grateful for your letter of March 30th delivered through Mr. Ching P'eng-shih. This came to hand at a very late date as it was held after Mr. Ching arrived in New York. I have not had the opportunity of talking with him and I understand he is promoting a Chinese-American Christian Association for better understanding between the two countries.

The things which you wrote particularly about in your letter have been given consideration by the Ensemble Meeting of the Council Board and the Associated Boards should be addressing itself to the problem of staff very shortly. The matter of getting people to China at the present time is the main consideration and we are reluctant to press for volunteers for China when it is practically impossible to get them through. Everything possible at this end is being done to help get reinforcements to China and you may depend upon our interest and diligence to get them through as soon as possible.

The extra copy of your report to the Planning Committee came to hand although the second copy was received by Dr. Van Dusen some time ago.

With sincerest best wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Dr. Edgar Tang  
Shantung Christian University  
Chengtzu, Szechwan, CHINA

Re: Harvard-Yenching Institute

Dear Dr. Tang:

This will acknowledge the extra copy of the Report to the Harvard-Yenching Institute.

I have heard of no adverse reports from the Trustees upon this year's summary of the year's work and certainly it would have been brought to my attention had such been the case. Presumably Dr. Elisseff has not written to you as he usually sends us a copy of his field correspondence.

I will keep you informed of any new developments along this line.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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January 20, 1945

Dr. Edgar Tang  
Miss Elsie M. Priest  
Shantung Christian University  
Chengtou, Szechwan, CHINA

Re: Minutes of Annual Meeting of  
Shantung Christian University  
November 3, 1944

Dear Friends:

Mr. Ballou, no doubt, will be writing a covering letter on the minutes of the Annual Meeting of Shantung Christian University held on November 3rd. However, I am writing on the financial items as considered at that meeting.

Treasurer's Report. This was sent to you under date of December 11th and I trust you have received same. As the report is rather complete there seemed to be no necessity for further comment.

Budget for 1944-45. The figures covered under action "BG-315" are as near as possible to the estimates which can be made at the present time. It would seem advisable for the field to figure on a total of not more than \$25,000.00 as the adjustments from the Associated Boards are still to be made.

Field Budget - 1944-45. Action "BG-316" has been out dated by subsequent allocations made by United China Relief. You on the field know better of what is happening there than do we.

Report of the Auditors, June 30, 1944. The Annual Report of the Auditors is not sent to the field as it is too bulky for limited postal facilities at the present time.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT OF OCTOBER 25th. As these minutes were presented to the Annual Meeting no further comment need be made.

With every good wish to you both, I am

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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January 25, 1945

Dr. Edgar Tang  
Shantung Christian University  
Chengtu, Szechwan, CHINA

Re: Various Items as per Sub-heads

Dear Dr. Tang:

In the midst of uncertainties regarding Cheelee University I am taking occasion to answer a letter which was dated November 4th from you.

Y. Y. Liu. Just recently cables have been exchanged between Dr. Liljestrand which seem to have cleared up this situation. As our office did not know anything about it until after the cables had gone, it would seem that we are now free from any other responsibility. We will, of course, give Dr. Liu every attention when he arrives in the United States.

Christmas Gifts. I discussed this matter with other staff members and I do not know whether Mr. Ballou has written you on the subject or not.

We probably have overlooked giving you complete details as to how we are operating in America at the present time, especially as related to United China Relief. There are two phases of our approach to the public or to our friends for assistance during these war days:

First. Through definite appeals for the on-going work of the Colleges as related to budgets which have been strained through the exigencies of war.

Secondly. Through United China Relief to which figures must be submitted to substantiate claims for relief and all such funds must be sent to the field through United China Relief.

You will thus see that we are not permitted to solicit relief funds for individuals as much as we would like to do it. In one way or another through hearsay we are familiar with all of the people you mention and thoroughly agree with you regarding the need. You can readily understand, however, that were we to inaugurate such a procedure for outstanding people in Cheelee University that similar requests with even greater emphasis would be presented by other institutions and the whole process of solicitation would be broken down. Further, it invariably follows that where such a solicitation is made from an individual of means here in America that due allowance is taken by that individual from other gifts for the general cause which is being made. Thus, in a broad sense we would be defeating our purpose and making our appeals to the American public most intolerable. I trust you will understand this picture as it is fundamental in our process of raising funds.

We are grateful indeed for your warm expressions of greetings for the Christmas season. I trust that our cablegram was received, which also included greetings from America.

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Dr. Tang

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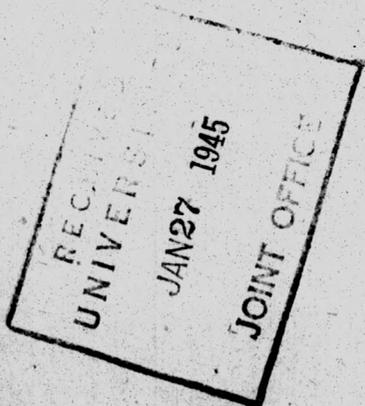
We have been distressed beyond measure over the recent cablegrams from China regarding the situation at Cheelee. Decisions will have been made before this letter reaches you, which I trust will be all for the best. We have been working with zeal and earnestness here in America to keep the Colleges alive during these war days. Naturally we have anticipated that no less eagerness or devotion would be given to the conduct of the Colleges in China. Confidentially and personally my sole interest in this work is the maintenance of Christian education in China. Otherwise, the Chinese should be able to maintain their own institutions. If the leadership is not to be predominately Christian there is no reason for their maintenance. I am confident that this is likewise your own feeling and thus I sympathize with you in the difficulties which you encounter.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Two copies (1 airmail, 1 regular mail) sent  
to Miss Elsie Priest together with  
minutes of the special meeting of the Board  
considering the strike situation.

February 9, 1945

Dr. Edgar Tang, President  
Cheeloo University  
Chengtu, Szechwan, China

Commenting upon minutes (inclosed) of  
(1) Annual meeting, Bd. of Governors;  
(2) Special meeting of Bd. re strike situation.  
Also (3) query re nursing education.

Dear Dr. Tang:

Herewith are copies of the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors held in November and of the special meeting held in January to consider what action we could take in connection with the recent strike there on the campus. In deference to the censorship regulation which forbids the direct quotation of cables, we are perforce sending you mutilated copies of the special meeting, since cables figure prominently in the minutes and were the only data we had to go on in our discussion. To refer to this second meeting first, we are very sorry indeed that we were not able to come to your support more promptly and more vigorously than we did. It was agreed by all those who were able to attend the meeting--and the attendance was unusually good for a special meeting called at such short notice--that we must move with great care lest a group of foreigners acting far removed from the seat of the trouble interfere in a matter of the internal control of a Chinese university in a way which would prove eventually more troublesome than helpful. In this position we were supported by such Chinese as we were able to consult. The minutes do not mention the fact that we reported the situation at once to Dr. Kung, who unfortunately just at that time was undergoing observation or treatment in a hospital in the State of Maryland. Perhaps if he had been available for personal consultation he might have given us some useful advice, especially as to the limits of our authority as a Board of Governors. We are inclined to take heart in the fact that no further cables have been received, and hope that this means that the crisis has been passed successfully and the University is functioning normally. We shall await with the keenest interest more detailed reports, which undoubtedly are now on the way.

Turning now to the minutes of the Annual Meeting, I trust you will find them sufficiently detailed so that extensive comment on my part will not be missed. There seems little which I might say which would not be mere repetition of the minutes. We are setting up a meeting of the Cheeloo Executive Committee within the next two or three weeks, depending upon the time available on the part of some of the members of the Committee. A strong presentation has recently come to us regarding the grade of nursing school which should be conducted in connection with the College of Medicine. This is one of the items which this committee will consider as it meets to carry out the purpose of Vote BG-311. I fear there is not likely to be very favorable reaction to Votes BG-318 and 319. Mission boards are likely to want clearer information regarding the extent of postwar obligation in connection with institutions where they are already partners before they venture to assume further obligations of a similar nature, and mission boards without university connections will feel the same about the restoration of their normal programs in those territories now occupied by the Japanese. I would admit, for instance, without any hesitation that the American Board and the Kunglihui is heavily indebted to the College of Medicine and should assume some share in its support, but I am not too optimistic that the American Board will dare to assume such a share until the extent of rehabilitation for work of long standing is better defined.

We are still awaiting eagerly whatever additional suggestions you may have to make for our Planning Committee. The next plenary meeting of the Committee will be in April. We do hope that the pressure of all the expected and unexpected work which has come to you has not made it impossible for you to prepare the paper to which you referred a year or so ago when your earlier and very helpful document was sent to us. Because of space

I shall close abruptly--with sincere good wishes,  
Via air mail; c.c. by regular mail. Inclosures. EHB:mas.

Earle H. Ballou

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Cheeloo University  
Chengtu

12th March, 1945

Mr. Carl A. Evans  
Associated Boards  
150, Fifth Ave.  
New York City

Mr. Noel B. Slater  
China Colleges  
55, New Bond St.,  
London

Dear Mr. Evans and Mr. Slater,

On Saturday I sent the following cable: DLT CARL EVANS 150 FIFTH AVE NEW YORK CHEELOO STRIKE NEGOTIATED TANG GOING STATES POSTWAR PLANNING DEANS COMPTROLLER ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE BOARD SEEKING PRESIDENTS SUCCESSOR MARCH COMPTROLLER RELAY LONDON.

The copy of the minutes of the Board of Directors which I enclose will explain this cable and I will now add a few notes regarding the whole situation which may help you to understand the very complicated problem with which the Board was faced. Probably no one is fully satisfied with the actions taken, and we are not at all sure that we are out of the wood yet, but at least we are now registering students for the spring term, a little more than two weeks later than the other institutions.

On March 9th we had a tea for presidents and officers, three from each institution represented on the campus, together with the Standing Committee of the Cheeloo Board of Directors. Dr. Tseo Ping-yi of the Union Theological Seminary (who is Mr. T.H. Sun's alternate representing the Church of Christ in China on the Cheeloo Board), who is chairman of the Standing Committee and Mr. Wu Keh-ming, acting chairman of the Board during the meetings, reported on the situation and the present arrangements with reference to their effect on the students of our own and other institutions. All wished us well and some congratulated us on the return to order.

We have been much worried over the complexity of the whole problem. We all felt that there were unseen forces operating which were deliberately creating disturbance as their chief objective for purposes of their own.

The obvious trouble was a list of some thirteen charges against President Tang, some of them very petty. The first and most serious was that he was taking some of the rice issued to students, teachers and employees for his personal gain. The Government issues a limited quantity of rice per head to government and some private institutions at a low price, fixed by the Government. Detailed application forms have to be presented by any institution desiring this rice and inspectors are sent to investigate the bona fides of all applications. When approved, the institution sends to the rice distribution centre and purchases the stipulated amounts. Realising that this was open to charges of misuse, Cheeloo has been particularly careful to cross-check all rice so handled. I was appointed by the Board to audit these accounts and found everything in good order. This was again done by a representative of the Ministry of Education sent from Chungking. The students, however, refused to take our word for this and insisted there had been mismanagement.

Another charge was that the President had been arbitrary and harsh in disciplining the students. They claimed he hired students to spy on their schoolmates and report to him, that he was a tool of the Kuo Min Tang and sent here by the Government to keep up with all that was going on on the campus. As the propaganda increased in bitterness, students who had tried to remain neutral joined the strikers and people in the city reading the daily papers felt that some of these things might be true even if they were not really so.

Another factor was ill-feeling among certain members of the faculty because associates of earlier years had not had their contracts renewed at the beginning of the present school year. I understand there had been a good deal of scandal in the administration under the former president, and Dr. Tang had been invited to come in and clear up, both finances and personnel. He brought in some very fine men, scholars and Christians. The others seem to have encouraged the students to create disturbances so that the president would have to resign.

A third factor is determination on the part of a clique in the alumni, to get their revenge on the University for discharging one of their number for gross mishandling of the University responsibility and finances. He had sued the institution and lost his case. This happened before the present administration.

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Besides the factors just enumerated, local and national politics have been involved. A number of indications point in these directions but we have no conclusive evidence.

As the complexity of the problem grew more evident, the Standing Committee of the Board of Directors and the other members available here felt a full meeting of the Board was imperative. Communication with Chungking is difficult; letters had not been delivered, and telegrams were delayed. Finally we succeeded in putting through a telephone call. The Chinese New Year intervened and buses were not available. When the three Chungking representatives and Mrs. Price arrived we spent over a week in all-day sessions.

On two alternative propositions the Board split almost equally. We asked the opinion of two representatives of the Ministry of Education who had been sent here to counsel us, as well as that of the Governor, who has been a staunch friend of the University. Both advocated the more conciliatory procedure vis-a-vis the students and anti-groups. With this position of the official authorities we felt it definitely unwise to stand foursquare as Westerners are prone to do, even though in this case the division was not entirely western versus Chinese on the Board.

Dr. Tseo Ping-yi had taken very little part in the discussions at the beginning but later came out strongly for the parental attitude toward immature children in a home. We must lay aside all sense of offended dignity, of retributive penalties, or legal procedure. We must consider only the real interests of the offending students and think only how we could deal constructively, remedially with them. Professional educators felt this was undermining discipline and the insurrection would be likely to spread to other universities. Control of students would be impossible under these circumstances. However he pressed his point and offered to be the mediator and speak directly to the leaders. The internal administrators were to remain in the background while he and the other members of the Standing Committee tried to put the Institution back on the track again. He had a meeting with the teaching faculty as well as with the students, presenting his point of view.

On Friday and Saturday the students were paying fees and on Monday and Tuesday this week are registering for classes. Regular work is to begin on Wednesday. This is chiefly as regards the Arts and Science schools: the medical students who took little active part (as a body) in the strike went to work when the other universities began, and the one or two exams which were missed owing to strike action have already been completed.

As shown in the minutes, the Board accepted President Tang's resignation as from August 1st and gave him leave of absence until the end of July, asking him to go to America to represent Cheeloo in post-war planning conferences. Here, pending the finding of his successor, the administrative committee appointed by the Board is carrying responsibility. I was asked to be Comptroller and Dr. Tang gave me his official seals, and I am Chairman of the administrative committee. The four men are fine-spirited Christians and very strong personalities (one somewhat superannuated). I am hoping a new president will be found soon and relieve me of this responsibility; for which my chief qualification seems to be that I know nothing of Cheeloo's problems and traditions and can face the present with a more or less open mind. President Tang is now in Chungking making arrangements for his trip abroad.

We hope that things can go on peacefully till the end of the term, and will keep you informed of the progress of events.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

A. W. March,  
Comptroller & Chairman of Admin. Com.

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To } (1) Edgar C. Tang  
(2) Yi-fang Wu  
(3) E.W. Chang  
(4) Lincoln D. Wang  
(5) Y.P. Mei - March 14, 1945

To the Presidents of  
The Associated Christian Universities in West China  
Chengtu, Szechwan, China

Dear friends:

*identical letter*  
I am writing you jointly since the matter I wish to speak about particularly concerns you all.

We were not surprised to receive your letter of January 5, which expressed anxiety at the continued absence from Chengtu of Dr. Penn. When your letter reached us on February 9, we were ourselves beginning to wonder what had become of him, although we knew by a letter written from India that he was being seriously delayed in carrying out his plans. In the accompanying minutes of the joint meeting of the Executive and Finance Committees held on February 21st you will notice that early attention was given to your letter at that meeting. It so happened that, just before the Committees met, word had come from Mrs. Penn supporting our understanding that her husband would be back in China before long, so that it seemed unwise to take any definite action until the situation was a little clearer. Fortunately, for us as well as for you, word has now reached us that he has been back in Chengtu and, while we have no assurance that he is still there, we are hoping that the expected arrangement is now in operation whereby perhaps as much as the average of a week a month can be given to his work as Field Representative of the Associated Boards. We are looking forward eagerly to reports which should come from him now before long.

There would seem to be little <sup>in them</sup> [else] in the minutes of these two meetings which calls for special comment. They were held partly because there had not been an opportunity to take certain more or less routine actions regarding budgets earlier in the year. We do not need to tell you that financial matters have been unusually difficult to discuss with real intelligence because of the confused situation caused by the many agencies through which our funds have to pass and the changing rates of exchange and rising costs on the field. In relation to EF-1756, we are asking our constituency to make sure that another \$54,000 is contributed before the end of the academic year. In the light of as late and as reliable information as we can obtain this would seem to guarantee closing the books without a deficit. The sum is not an extraordinarily large one and we believe it will suffice unless developments take place less favorable than any we now anticipate. The statement we are circulating among our friends had to be, and has been, approved by United China Relief as one which does not contravene the agreement we have with them and the National War Fund, to which I think I have made reference in other letters.

We are about to go into a series of conferences dealing with several aspects of postwar planning. These are preparatory to the meeting of the Planning Committee in mid-April, when we hope to arrive at a number of important decisions to be presented to the Annual Meeting which is scheduled for May 7 and 8. There will be more to report about these matters a little later. With cordial greetings to each of you and the assurance that you are continually on our minds and in our prayers, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

Earle H. Ballou

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Cheeloo University  
Office of the Dean  
Chengtou, Szechuan

March 14, 1941

My dear Mrs. Mace and Mrs. Leonard:

I wonder if you still remember me, Ging San, who had spent three lovely months with you in Jamestown, ten years ago? Although I haven't written you but I have often talked about you and your lovely children, to my husband and to my own children. I have two girls and one boy. I wonder how big are your family now.

I still have your family picture of Tommy when he was just one year old. Too bad I do not have any kodak pictures of Jackie and Mary Jane.

My husband is now Dean of the Faculty of Cheeloo University, a refugee missionary University, moved from Shantung, since the war, to Chengtu, borrowing a part of the buildings and equipments of the West China Union University.

Our students are almost all from the war areas, mostly from Shantung and the north and many of them have been cut from their family support. Since the rapid rising of the price of food (18 times more than before the war and 3 times than last year), the students do not have enough nourishments. The rapid increase in the death and sickness of the students is surprising. A seventh year medical girl student died just one month before her graduation and a third year arts student died one month ago. There are many others who are ill with T. B. According to the doctors, a student should have at least two ounces of meat per day but each student paid about fifty dollars per month for food and still do not have any meat, not even enough vegetables oil. The government is now subsidizing a little. Our foreign colleagues are also doing their best to help, but they are too few in number and hence very limited in effort. As for us Chinese faculty, we have quite a hard time ourselves.

My husband and I are trying to raise a fund with which we can give the 350 students a meal with meat at least once a month and to set a regular special table every day for those students with tendencies of T.B. and other sickness. To do this, it will cost about twenty (\$20.00) dollars U. S. Currency every

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month. I am writing to ask your help. Will you be kind enough to help me raising five or ten dollars per month? I am asking the students to collect Chinese stamps and other war souvenirs to be sent to you, as an expression of our appreciation. I am enclosing ten stamps. I hope they will interest you and your friends. If there is anything else which interest you and which can easily be mailed in envelopes or small packages, I shall be only too glad to send them over.

We are witnessing a world of troubles unprecedented in history. It seems that America is the only God chosen place where everybody turns for help. It is only with the conviction that, "it is more blessed to give than to receive", that I venture to make to you this request and I hope you will not blame me for asking too much.

When you write me, please mail your letter, by air mail from Hong Kong to Chengtu, because ordinary mail will take from two to six months from Hongkong to Chengtu while air mail takes only three days. Please make your check payable to Mrs. Edgar C. Tang.

With our best wishes to you and your good mother.

Affectionately,

(signed) Ging San

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MRS ARTHUR N. HOLCOMBE  
20 BERKELEY STREET  
CAMBRIDGE , MASSACHUSETTS

June 5, 1941

Mrs. Harry Price  
Speakers Bureau  
United China Relief  
1790 Broadway  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Price:

Mrs. John Exter, Sec. of the Boston Branch of Medical Aid to China suggested that I write you about Mrs. Edgar Tang of Cheeloo University, Chengtu, China.

First let me explain that I am on the Executive Board of the Boston Branch of Medical Aid to China. I am the wife of Prof. Arthur N. Holcombe of Harvard and both Mr. Holcombe and I are on the United China Relief Committee in Boston and are deeply interested in China and have given a good deal of time to Chinese Relief. If you wish further references ask Dr. Hu Shih who always stays with us when he comes to Boston. I recently received a letter from Mrs. Edgar Tang from Chengtu. Her husband is dean of Cheeloo University and she has taught English for nearly ten years since her return to China. First in National Central University in Nanking, then in Chungking, and now for two years in Chengtu. She is a graduate of Smith College and was married in our home here in Cambridge about ten years ago. She has three children and finds living there under constant bombing almost unbearable and is most anxious to come to America bringing the three children. She is one of the most attractive and able Chinese girls I ever met, either here or in China. Speaks English perfectly having been ~~in~~ brought up in Shanghai. She is the daughter of Pou Sou Chu a wealthy Yale graduate.

I imagine from her letter she can pay her expenses to America, but must have some occupation here as exchange is so unfavourable and they have lost everything as has her family.

I say honestly I have never heard her make a speech, but as a teacher of English in the Chinese Universities she must be able to, and what a story she could tell! She was in a Shanghai hospital having her third baby when the Japanese came to Shanghai nearly four years ago. They were then living in Nanking where she returned and was finally driven from there to Kuleeng, then again was forced to flee to Chungking again losing what they had accumulated. Then again they fled to Chengtu.

It seems to me that there is need of speakers in this relief work and I wondered if you would be interested in giving Mrs. Tang a chance? If you need to find out about her work at Smith, ask for Gin San Chu, her maiden name. Edgar Tang her husband is a brilliant young man who got his Degree PH. D. in government here at Harvard.

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Hoping you might have some kind of work you could offer Mrs. Tang - translating or anything she said she would do if she could only get away - and who can blame her for wanting to?

Please excuse such a long letter but I felt I must explain. my request for I am so anxious to help her.

She was in our home a great deal when she was in the United States five years and always makes a most favourable impression.

Hoping you can help her in some way, I am,

Most sincerely yours,

(Sgd) Carolyn C. Holcombe

(Mrs. Arthur N. Holcombe)

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(Sgt) Carolyn C. Holcombe  
 (Mrs. William H. Holcombe)

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Do you have any suggestions?

June 6, 1941

Mrs. Arthur N. Holcombe  
20 Berkeley Street  
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mrs. Holcombe:

Thank you very much for your letter of June 5th. You needn't have bothered with the long introduction of yourself for I have, for many years, been familiar with the fact that the Holcombes were devoted friends of China.

I do not, at the moment, have any specific suggestions to make with regard to Mrs. Edgar Tang, but I am sincerely interested in her problem and I am sending a copy of your letter to Mrs. Grover Clark of the Chinese Industrial Cooperatives at 8 West 40th Street and to Mr. B. A. Carside, the Executive Director of this campaign. I shall also take home a copy to Mr. Price who has considerable contact with the Chinese Embassy in Washington.

Unfortunately I cannot do anything about bringing Mrs. Tang over as a speaker for the campaign since I am concluding my official connection with the campaign toward the end of this month. Mr. Price's duties in Washington will take the family down there to live. The work of the Speakers Bureau will be carried on by Miss Marian Caldwell.

I shall also send a copy of your letter to Dr. Phillip Price, 625 Wyandover Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, my brother-in-law, who was on the Medical faculty of Ohio University for many years.

Sincerely

Mrs. Harry B. Price  
Speakers Bureau

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*Handwritten notes:*  
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Mrs. Harry D. Price  
Speakers Bureau

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June 13, 1941

Mrs. Arthur N. Holcombe  
20 Berkeley Street  
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mrs. Holcombe:

Mrs. Harry B. Price has passed along to me your letter of June 5th and the reply she sent you on June 6th, both discussing the question of whether some plan might be worked out whereby Mrs. Edgar Tang of Chee-lee University could be brought to America with her three children.

I know that all of us are keenly desirous of giving Mrs. Tang any assistance we can. But whether it will be possible to find any work for her here which would help to provide support for her and her children is obviously quite a problem. Here in United China Relief we could not at the present time make any commitments with regard to engagement of personnel for next year, because we are operating as a temporary organization for a very limited period. While there is a possibility that the term of our operations may be extended, at best such extension would be for ~~the~~ short a period to justify our assuming responsibility for anyone coming from China and desirous of staying in America for a rather indefinite period.

Possibly you have already been in touch with the office of the Associated Boards of Christian Colleges in China, which will of course have a very active interest in Mrs. Tang as the wife of a Dean in one of the Christian Colleges. I am, however, sending along a copy of this correspondence to Mr. G. A. Evans, for any suggestions he may be able to send you.

Very sincerely yours,

B.A. Carside  
Executive Director.

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June 13, 1941

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20 Berkeley Street  
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mrs. Holcombe:

Mrs. Harry A. Price has passed along to me your letter of June 5th and the reply she sent you on June 8th, both discussing the question of whether some plan might be worked out whereby Mrs. Wang of Chiao Tung University could be brought to America with her three children.

I know that all of us are keenly desirous of giving Mrs. Wang any assistance we can. But whether it will be possible to find any work for her here which would help to provide support for her and her children is obviously quite a problem. Here in United States Relief we could not at the present time make any commitments with regard to engagement of personnel for next year, because we are operating as a temporary organization for a very limited period. While there is a possibility that the term of our operations may be extended, at best such extension would be for a short period to justify our assuming responsibility for anyone coming from China and desirous of staying in America for a rather indefinite period.

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E. A. Garfield  
Executive Director

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