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

My dear Evans:

Thank you for your letter enclosing copy of the good letter you have written Don Faris. I am sure that will help him to understand the situation.

There is only one comment I would make, and that is with reference to Faris possibly continuing as member of our Honan Mission on the staff of Cheeloo University. It seems to me that if he does continue as a contribution to the staff from our Board he would have to be one of the three, for we have never committed ourselves to more than three men at Tsinan. If Prof. E. B. Struthers is to remain on the staff, and Prof. J. M. Menzies is to return to the staff, and if we are to be responsible for a successor to Prof. G. M. Ross in the School of Theology, then we are not at all likely to appoint a fourth in the person of Mr. Faris. This is all I need say on this point at present. I just want to make it clear that the probability is that Mr. Faris will be expected to return to North Honan when it becomes possible to resume our work in that field.

If there should be any other proposal whereby someone of our present three men should not return to Cheeloo and Faris were desired, that might become possible. For example, if we are not asked to appoint a successor to Dr. Ross in the Theological School but are asked to appoint Faris instead to the Rural work in which he has made a beginning, I think the Board would agree if the Honan Mission so recommends.

Yours sincerely,

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A. E. Armstrong

P.S. Please pardon my failure to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 16th ult. enclosing cheque for \$50.00 toward the expenses of Rev. D. K. Faris account attending Cheeloo Board meeting.

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Mr. C. L. Brown,
Associated Press,
120 Park Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter enclosing copy of the...
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Jan. 16th (1943)

My dear Dr. Caldwell: You will appraise me as hopeless in the matter of writing! Well, your (or rather Evans — all the same!) telegram did the trick. I think if I had had to write a somewhat lengthy article it would have been done. However, here it is. Improve it anyway you wish to fit your space & suit your purpose. Check on my stating that S.C.U. is the "oldest" Univ. I enclose, for information, Armp's statement (in our 'United Church Observer')

~~the~~ China Colleges

Will look forward to seeing
the booklet.

Sincerely yours,

A. B. Armstrong

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January 18, 1943.

Dr. Oliver J. Caldwell,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Caldwell:

If it is not too late and if you think it worthwhile to do so, will you please insert at the end of the first paragraph of the brief statement on Cheeloo University which I sent you Saturday:

Canada is proud to have granted, ~~through the Government of the Dominion,~~ the charter for the incorporation of Shantung Christian University. It is significant that at the time of the application, the Prime Minister of Canada expressed the opinion that being ^{only} a Dominion Parliament ^{our} did not have authority for granting a charter to any institution outside of this country. It was pointed out that no better beginning could be made than in granting a charter to such a Christian educational enterprise in behalf of a country like China in which more Canadian missionaries are at work than in all other non-Christian lands combined.

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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January 20, 1943

Dr. A. E. Armstrong
The United Church of Canada
299 Queen Street, West
Toronto 2, Canada

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

We were very happy to receive your article, and immediately sent it to the printers. The Charles booklet is now in its last stages of printing, and we expect to receive it within the next few days. I am sorry that it was, therefore, not possible for us to include your additional paragraph which arrived a few hours ago. I hope you will understand this situation.

We will send you copies of the booklet as soon as they are available, and will be happy to provide you with additional copies for your distribution.

Very sincerely yours,

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O. J. Caldwell

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January 27, 1943

Dr. A. E. Armstrong
The United Church of Canada
299 Queen Street West
Toronto 2, Canada

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

No one among the staff of Cheeloo has knowledge of the correspondence which we have exchanged regarding Don Paris. Strangely enough, however, pressure has been exerted from three angles to see that he is sent out to West China to carry on at least Rural Research work with the Cheeloo unit now located at Chengtu. I am all for an adequate rural program at Tainan when and if they return. I am not so sure that I am in agreement with Paris going to Chengtu to establish a separate department aside and apart from the work being done at Nanking, West China and Ginling. My own theory has been to have him work in conjunction with those projects and then he would be in a position to carry on if circumstances worked out and he could go back to Cheeloo University.

This is all by way of comment on your letter of January 15th and I recognize fully that his assignment to China is not a matter of the desires of a group from Cheeloo, although that may be very influential. As I recall it, Paris has had a statement from us voicing something of the foregoing idea.

My secretary calls attention to your letter of December 30th which has not been acknowledged. Therein you raise the question regarding the signatures on the Christmas greetings and I am glad to say that President Tung signed for Cheeloo.

There is a slant to the campaign in Great Britain which is of great interest here. The £25,000 allocated to the Christian Institutions of Higher Learning seemingly was turned over to Dwight Edwards, Chairman of the United China Relief Committee in Chungking for disbursement. He has reported this to the United China Relief and we are asked to credit the Colleges with approximately \$100,000 in our askings for the present year. We are endeavoring to find out through Dr. Fenn what the requirements are for the present year - if this can be ascertained - before we make any definite reply to the inquiries of United China Relief.

Slater's comment on the name of Cheeloo is parallel to that which the general public has here in America. You will recall that a year ago last Fall this matter came up before the Board and it was decided to use Shantung Christian University, which, in reality, is the incorporated name. While I am thoroughly in agreement to nationalized names, yet this particular situation has been more irritating to me than any other in our whole group of Colleges. It requires constant explanation and to no good purpose in the end. Too often Cheelooites have seemed like wishing

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Dr. Armstrong

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January 27, 1943

to flaunt the Chinese cognomen in the face of Occidental friends. I think there is one answer to Slater's comment to the effect that they might adopt a "Shantung Christian University" in their literature such as is done here in our office, as I notice that their publications use the word "Cheeloo." This should be brought up at the next meeting of the Board.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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January 27, 1943

Dr. A. E. Armstrong
The United Church of Canada
299 Queen Street West
Toronto 2, Canada

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

Your letter of January 26th came to hand this morning which deals with the attitude of Dr. Lin regarding the Presidency of Shantung Christian University.

We have taken the position here that not much can be done until the conditions are righted in China. It is a technicality which rises in China and which will have to be adjusted there.

It is our impression that Dr. Kung can do very little with the Minister of Education, Chen Li-fu. They have entirely different ideals and political aspirations and it is quite possible that the present situation is only aggravated by Chen Li-fu's aversion to the United States particularly.

It is quite possible that we will be able to have a meeting of the Shantung Executive Committee during the week of February 14th. However, as far as I can see now this is going to be a very crowded period, but I will check with Dr. Ruland when he returns to his office from Mexico on Monday.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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January 26, 1943.

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

My dear Evans:

We have received the interesting letter from Dr. Fenn to the Board of Governors, dated 6th November, concerning the unfortunate situation in Cheeloo University due to Dr. Liu's obstinate conduct and the qualities and qualifications of Dr. Tang, acting President.

I do not know what is the right procedure in this matter but somehow we will have to get some order introduced into the situation whereby Dr. Tang will be really the acting President with Dr. Liu entirely out of the office. It may be that H.H. Kung can, through the Ministry of Education, effect the desired action.

Are you likely to have a meeting of the Executive of the Cheeloo Board at the time of the various meetings centring around the meeting of the Committee of Reference and Counsel during the week beginning February 14th? By conferring with the F.M.C. secretaries you will know what might be a possible hour when any members of the Cheeloo Executive can meet, even if it is only for informal discussion.

We are certainly indebted to Dr. Fenn for his statement.

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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Dr. Oliver J. Caldwell,
Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Caldwell:

Thanks for the copy of the booklet on Shantung Christian University. We think it very good indeed, and would like to have 100 copies of it.

Dr. Arnup asks me to inquire if you have in stock the West China Union University pamphlet issued in 1942. If so, and if you can spare them, we would like 100 copies.

Our thought is to send the two booklets out to a carefully selected list of people with a covering letter concerning these two institutions in China in which our Church through its North Honan and West China Missions is a partner.

I do not know whether there is a charge but if the booklets are free, will you kindly see that we receive invoices showing that they are complimentary?

Yours sincerely,

A. E. Armstrong

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Mr. C. A. Evans,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

We have a cablegram from our West China Mission which says that for financial reasons they are obliged to ask us not to send back any missionaries at present. Of course the transportation difficulties make it impossible for anyone to go in the immediate future anyway, but even if transportation were available this cablegram blocks our sending any of our missionaries to West China.

As you can understand, the reason is we have so many missionaries in West China and the cost of living so ridiculously high, that in spite of our extra grants they are unable to finance even those who are there now and their Chinese colleagues. So that even though they are hard pressed for staff, they are compelled to advise us to send no missionaries who would normally be returning in the immediate future.

I am raising with you the possibility of the Associated Boards sending Prof. J. M. and Mrs. Menzies (or Prof. Menzies alone) to Chengtu to work in Cheeloo and West China Universities. You know, of course, of Menzies' value to Cheeloo, and I think you also know that last year our West China Mission requested us to send him to Chengtu. It occurred to me that possibly a way to get at least one couple out to West China who would be of real service there would be through the Associated Boards or the Cheeloo or West China Board, or both.

I recognize that there may be nothing in this idea, but I am taking it up with you and will welcome your opinion.

Yours sincerely,

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A. E. Armstrong

we would, of course, continue to pay at furlough salary rate.

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

My dear Mr. Evans:

I am enclosing a letter from Don Faris which please read and return. I think you will be interested in Don's proposition. Whether it is feasible or not, or even desirable, it is at any rate good to have a man of vision who is dreaming and planning how to help China overcome the economic conditions which mean perpetual poverty for so many millions.

I intended to call to see you again but committees kept me busy all the time I was in New York except Thursday forenoon and then I had two or three important calls to make.

I don't want you to burden yourself with it, but I would appreciate your sending me a brief letter stating how you think, based on your experience, we should go about approaching our Canadian Red Cross for a grant to our Colleges (West China Union and Shantung Christian Universities). I know little about the way in which money was secured from U.C.R. for these purposes and probably your experience will be useful in guiding us.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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A. E. Armstrong

March 4, 1943

Dr. A. E. Armstrong
The United Church of Canada
299 Queen Street West
Toronto 2, Canada

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

I have read with great interest the letter which was written by Dr. Paris and return same herewith. We have received similar communications in the answers to which we have tried to conserve the enthusiasm, while at the same time facing realities.

If a program of such sizable portions is possible in Canada, surely the opportunity should not be missed. However, you and Dr. Armp are best able to judge the condition of the church in Canada and what approaches are possible. You would have to think of the organization machinery and personnel available for the practical working of such a program--and are such people available? Here in the United States we are faced with a decreasing number of properly fitted individuals to carry on such work. War work demands are eating into every activity of life. These are questions which are fundamental and which must first be faced.

Secondly, is Don Paris the one to be the central figure in such a program, and are there funds available for his travel and the travel of associates in such a program? Surely some one individual must give every waking moment to such a program and presumably this should be Paris--and is he the man to do it?

We have told Paris that the Agricultural and Rural Program of China has now been centered in Chengtu and his cooperation there would be the best approach to any program for post-war work. This is all conditional upon the United Church of Canada returning him to West China. My own position is that the better integrated the work is at West China the better we will be able to solve the work after peace comes. The Associated Boards is now forming a committee to give study to the post-war program program and the Rural and Agricultural Program of our Colleges will have a prominent part in the considerations of this Committee.

I purposely delayed answering this letter as it seemed as though things were shaping up here so that it would be necessary for me to be in the western part of New York State which would permit a short trip to Toronto. However, this necessity has changed and so, in answer to the last paragraph of this letter, I

Dr. Armstrong

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March 4, 1943

am enclosing copy of an approach made to The Rockefeller Foundation; also a copy of a letter which we have sent to a number of the foundations in the United States which will give you an idea of our method of approach in such instances. The Rockefeller Foundation has requested us to give them even a more complete breakdown of the budgets this year. I am enclosing also a copy of the last letter which covers this point.

You may keep this material if you so desire or return it for our files, which ever seems best to you.

If this does not give the desired information or you have any specific questions, I shall be glad to write you more in detail. Just jot down the specific questions and I will answer them in like manner.

The approaches to the United China Relief have been in such a disjointed manner that they would serve of little purpose--for instance, the original request was for a breakdown of the budgets into projects and the figures we presented were purely fiction. We had to guess at the proportions, although we did not change the totals. (You can well imagine that). Secondly, came a request for revision of budgets, then another request to make reductions in the light of certain percentage of decreases--all of which have very much complicated the problem.

The papers which we have enclosed seem to be more to the point, but still we are open for further inquiries.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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March 4, 1943

Dr. A. E. Armstrong
The United Church of Canada
299 Queen Street West
Toronto 2, Canada

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

I have been exploring ways and means of following through on some of the suggestions as presented in your letter of February 23 relative to Professor Messier, and I have not solved the question as yet. J.M.

I ran up against the age-long policy of giving full use of funds to the field as far as expenditures in China are concerned. We have never taken the initiative in the expenditure of funds and the question arises as to the advisability of doing it now. However, these are days of change, and it is possible that some way will be found to meet the situation. My latest reaction is that it is practically impossible to do anything before the meeting of our Boards in May, and that during the meantime we can explore such channels as seem possible and make reports to the Boards later on. Just at the present time, however, I cannot give any encouragement as the result of recent explorations.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Do you agree with this? Please be frank.

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

My dear Evans:

I did not answer your letter of March 4th which came in on the 5th. This last week I was away at the Delaware Conference.

I am now writing to say that I agree with what you state as your thought in the matter of giving full use of funds to the field so far as expenditures in China are concerned, namely that you explore the matter further in the meantime but leaving until the meeting of the Boards in May the ultimate decision.

I will be writing you again very soon with reference to your other communication of March 4th accompanying letters of Feb. 25rd and March 2nd to the Rockefeller Foundation.

Yours sincerely,

A. E. Armstrong

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April 26, 1943.

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

My dear Evans:

I have your letter with reference to the dinner on May 5th at which the guest speaker will be Dr. Wu I Fang. I would like very much to be there but our Board meeting the next week means that Dr. Arnup and I cannot both be away at the meeting of the Associated Boards. Dr. Arnup will be writing you with reference to his attendance at the dinner.

Presumably you will have much to do with President Wu's speaking engagements while on this continent. You will of course not fail to include Toronto and if possible also Montreal in her itinerary. Our W.M.S. will be especially interested in this matter. I presume, though I have not inquired, that Mrs. Taylor will be at the Associated Boards meeting.

Will you please suggest to Dr. Caldwell that he send to Miss Mabel H. Brown of the Foreign Missions Conference, a copy of "Gasoline and Blood", the article by Professor Roy C. Spooner which he has circulated. It is a good story and Miss Brown may find it useful for her collection of materials for her next issue of CHRISTIAN WORLD FACTS.

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Another matter. You will be electing representatives of Boards to the College Boards at the annual meetings next week. Rev. C.M. Wright, one of the United Church Foreign Mission Board's representatives on Cheeloo Board of Governors, spoke to me about getting someone else who might be more useful to take his place. At that time I told him that we did not have any other Canadian in the vicinity of New York who would do. Now however, it has occurred to me that L.S. Albright might be appointed in Wright's place. Arnup agrees. There may however be some reason against appointing one who is in an official position but I do not know that that is the case. If you approve then, will you consider our nominee to fill Mr. Wright's place, L.S. Albright? If we need a resignation from Mr. Wright it can be readily obtained. If you do not care to write him quoting this letter let me know and I will write him and ask him to send his resignation to you. I have no hesitation in doing this in view of his conversation with me.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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Am sending to Mrs. Carscallen Dr. Corbetts apr. 13th letter & accompanying report on Christian Character, etc.

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May 20, 1943

Dr. A. E. Armstrong
The United Church of Canada
299 Queen Street, West
Toronto 2, Canada

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

I am sorry that I could not answer your letter of May 26th immediately. However, the presence of Dr. Wu, together with hangovers from the annual meetings with a tremendous amount of work to be done, more or less swamped us.

There has been no itinerary made out for Dr. Wu as she will be back in Washington next week and plan the schedule. The whole program of the group from the People's Council is still in the making.

We have sent Miss Mabel Brown a copy of "Gasoline and Blood."

We would much prefer to have you make the approaches regarding the representation of your Board on the Shantung Christian University Board of Governors. I have been very much impressed by Rev. Wright's ability and had hoped that he could find time to work into the limited amount of meetings on which he is appointed. However, I understand the difficulties involved and possibly it is best to make a change. I would also prefer that you write to Mr. Albright, if he is your choice.

Please note I am writing this on the assumption that this is not only just a reference to our annual meetings as my first reaction then was that Dr. Decker would be away from the International Missions Office which would more or less preclude the absence of Mr. Albright as well. If there is no hurry about doing this, I shall be happy to talk with you when you are in New York sometime in the near future.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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May 27, 1943

Dr. A. E. Armstrong
209 Queen Street, West
Toronto 2, Canada

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

The final action taken by the Board of Governors of Shantung Christian University - North American Section was to refer to you, and the Secretary, the date for the Executive Meeting in the Fall.

As it is necessary to communicate with our friends in Great Britain for their cooperation securing premises or the appointment of delegates, action should be taken as early as possible. Your judgment as to the proper time, therefore, would be appreciated. Last year we met on September 30th.

I understand that the Foreign Missions Conference will hold their meetings during the last week of September through the second of October. One Committee on which you are listed meets the 29th and 30th of September. (Is it the C. I. C. F.) The Foreign Missions Conference is reluctant to release any time during that week for outside meetings.

I will await your reaction with interest.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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October 7, 1943

Dr. A. E. Armstrong
The United Church of Canada
299 Queen Street West
Toronto 2, Canada

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

Yes, the Chelsea Ensemble meeting is to be held on October 19th and I have studied the items which will come before the meeting. As a result I am constrained to report that there is nothing unusual which seems in the offing at the present time. However, there is to be a meeting on Greater Unity all day on Monday the 18th, on which Committee both you and Dr. Armp hold membership.

I certainly can sympathize with you in the position of having two people away from the office at the same time. However, you must judge what is best for the entire work involved. Personally, I certainly would like to have you present at the Chelsea Board and the Committee on Greater Unity.

Were it not for the expense involved, I would suggest that you be with us on the 18th and 19th and that Dr. Armp complete the week with us at the Planning Committee. Both of you men are so sympathetic and understanding, and valuable on our committees that it is hard to let either one of you off, and I am afraid you will have to pray together about it or else settle it in a more forcible manner.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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November 24, 1945

Dr. Jesse H. Armp
The United Church of Canada
299 Queen Street, West
Toronto 2, Ontario, Canada

Dear Dr. Armp:

I have just received a cable from William Fenn and Earl Cressy dated Chungking November 22nd containing a sentence to the effect that they deplore the failure of the return of Dr. Mansie as his contribution is greatly needed.

During the past few weeks, I believe, I heard Dr. Armstrong say that Dr. Mansie could make a major contribution to the work if he were back in China, but I have forgotten whether any mention was made regarding his present status or future plans.

I would welcome some statement to cable to Fenn and Cressy in answer to this question.

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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REV. JESSE H. ARNUP, D.D.

May 26, 1943.

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

Dear Mr. Evans:

I have your letter of May 20th expressing your attitude with reference to Mr. Albright and thus answering my inquiry of April 26th.

Mrs Day, Please Note

At the recent annual meeting of our Board we appointed Rev. L.S. Albright to be one of our representatives on the Board of Governors of Shantung Christian University in the place of Rev. C.M. Wright. As you know, Mr. Wright himself expressed to me the opinion that it would be better to have some one serve who would know more about the work and be able to give more attention to it than he is able to do. Personally I am sorry that Mr. Wright felt that way, but it is the experience we had with Dr. A.G. Sinclair before him.

I may see you when I am in New York June 8th and 9th for a meeting on Korea and for a meeting of the Commission on the Mission in the New Age.

Note

I was reappointed to Chefoo Board and also to West China Board

Sincerely yours,

A.E. Armstrong

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The United Church of Canada

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100 Queen St. West
Toronto, Canada

REV. WILLIAM BISHOP, D.D.

101 St. Andrew St.
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Bishop:

I have your letter of May 1st and am glad to hear that

you are still in New York.

At this time we are holding our annual meeting of our Board and

will be glad to hear from you again.

I am sure that you will find our work very interesting.

Very truly yours,

W. A. Lewis

Secretary

Enclosed find a copy of our report for the year 1942.

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Oct. 5, 1945.

CABLE ADDRESSES:
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Dr. C. A. Evans,
Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Evans:

I have it down in my book that Cheeloo Board is to meet October 19th but I have mislaid your letter announcing it. Arnup is to be in New York that week for the Planning Committee for the Associated Boards which is meeting at dinner the evening of the 19th and running through the following two days. As you know he is also a member of the Cheeloo Board. As I understand this is not an ensemble meeting of the British and North American Sections and as Arnup is to be in New York, it would seem inadvisable for me to go too. I am writing, therefore, to ask for your opinion. You will know that we should guard against unnecessary travel and expense and will, I am sure, not tell me to go unless it is in your opinion necessary or justifiable. Not having any idea as to what business will be on the agenda, and assuming that there cannot be much in view of there being nothing we can do about Cheeloo at Tsinan, I am led to suppose that the meeting will be largely routine and not of vital importance.

Please let me have your thought on the matter.

Yours sincerely,

A. E. Armstrong

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REV. JESSE H. ARNUP, D.D.

November 26, 1943.

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

Dear Mr. Evans:-

This acknowledges your note of November 24th re Dr. J.M. Menzies, whose services have been requested by Drs. Fenn and Cressy. If this note of urgency had come to us earlier possibly something might have been done about it. We had an intimation that there would be a place for Dr. Menzies in Cheeloo but that was all. As you know our Mission on the field cabled us not to send back any of the men on furlough. This was due to the absurd costs of maintenance at the present time. Before accepting their recommendation as final we cabled the names of four men, including that of Dr. Menzies, suggesting that we might be able to send back two of them. Their reply was in the negative. Dr. Armstrong went so far as to discuss with the Cheeloo Executive here the possibility of having Dr. Menzies supported by the University but nothing came of it.

After we had carried him for several years he obtained an appointment under Owen Lattimore, Director of the Office of War Information for the Pacific Area and is now serving in that relation with headquarters in San Francisco. It is possible that his release could be secured but I feel that he is committed for a reasonable time at least to the service for which he has been appointed.

With personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Jesse H. Arnup

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*wrote to
Dr. Menzies
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December 23, 1943

Dr. J. H. Armp
215 QUEEN ST. West
Toronto 2, Canada

Dear Dr. Armp:

I am grateful for your recent word regarding Dr. J. H. Menzies and will report on same to our representative in China.

Apparently there is not much that we can do at the present time. I will keep you informed of conditions down here as related to the possibility of our having an Executive Committee meeting, and relative to the people available for such a meeting.

With the Season's Greetings, I am

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Dec. 31, 1943.

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

Dear Dr. Evans:

With reference to your letter of December 20th concerning the contribution in cash and personnel to the colleges in China in which our Board cooperates, I reply for Cheeloo University only. You already have a letter from Arnup with reference to West China Union University, and I leave it to him and you to settle the question under discussion.

Cheeloo University

- (a) Our cash contribution is Can.\$2,000 annually
- (b) Staff members - one only at the present time - Dr.E.B.Struthers in Cheeloo Medical School at Chengtu, temporarily. ?
- (c) We are not making a cash contribution in lieu of personnel
- (d) We have always considered ourselves responsible for three persons on the staff of the University, one in Medicine, one in Arts and Science, and one in Theology. (In recent years we have had an extra man on the staff in Medicine - Dr. William McClure, for some years after his official retirement, and then Dr. R. G. Struthers - though we always considered the extra doctor as outside our guarantee.)

Therefore, if and when Cheeloo, following the war, resumes operations and providing it carries on as in prewar times, we presumably would consider ourselves responsible for the contribution of one man, foreign missionary or Chinese, to each of the three schools.

Arnup has word from West China that they consider the contribution of a foreign missionary to be equivalent to L.C.\$80,000.

I hope this is the information you desire.

With New Year Greetings,

Yours sincerely,

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The National Christian Council of China
10 Dai Chia Hang, Chungking.
Szechwan, China.

April 12, 1944.

Dr. J. W. Decker
International Missionary Council,
156 Fifth Avenue
New York

Dear Dr. Decker,

I have just received a letter from Miss Priest which indicates that she is having to do routine book-keeping for Cheeloo University in addition to all of the heavy responsibility which she is carrying for all of these important institutions. She states that in the present situation in Cheeloo it is impossible to get any good men to come. This leads me to write you drastically with regard to the University situation and ask you to find some way to get action.

Cheeloo is in trouble again, being in process of kicking out another president; I think either the 13th or the 15th in 10 years. There seems to be no unity either among the faculty or the alumni and these elements are strong enough on the Board of Directors to more or less paralyze it so far as taking the drastic action which this situation demands. This state of things which is growing progressively worse in Cheeloo is giving the University a bad reputation and is discrediting Christian education throughout Free China. Still more it is having a very bad effect on the morale of the Campus in Chengtu. We can see no way of handling it without serious danger of upsetting things still more.

One of the fundamental causes is the old Cheeloo spirit of faction and division. This has shown itself disastrously in the split whereby most of the missionaries remain in Tsinan leaving the University greatly weakened. We had hoped that Dr. Lair and Prof. Menzies would come but had been disappointed in this. In the thinking of a number of us Cheeloo has practically eliminated itself from consideration in post-war planning for Christian higher education except for the medical schools. However, it is most urgent that efforts be renewed on an emergency basis to bring at least two of their key faculty men to Chengtu before September. I consider Prof. Menzies the most important. It is essential that something be done to prevent further disintegration in Cheeloo and hold things together. This is necessary for Cheeloo but still more necessary for the safety of the other institutions to which Cheeloo is a menace.

In the University of Nanking which has made the best showing of any of our Christian universities during the war we are beginning to see signs of strain. The missionary faculty is too much depleted. It is most urgent that not only Bates and Thompson come but that one or two other people be found in addition.

I think that all of us are coming to have a deep appreciation of the function of the missionary in times like this. The missionary can serve as a unifying factor, being outside of the various groups which tend to form under conditions like the present.

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Would it be possible to secure the return for one or two years of such persons as Hamilton, formerly at the University of Nanking? Also some person of experience to help on the financial side is most desirable.

I consider that these Christian universities are the key institutions in the Christian Movement. It will be a disaster if they are subordinated to the detailed needs of ordinary routine administration and the needed missionary personnel be held up for one reason or another. I consider it absolutely essential that something drastic be done and hope that you will be able to get action.

Cordially yours,

(signed) E. H. Cressy
Associate General Secretary.

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May 6, 1944.

Mr. Corbett

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

My dear Evans:

I am very sorry indeed that I am missing the fellowship as well as the responsibility and privileges of the meeting of the Associated Boards. Especially am I sorry to be away from the Shantung meeting. However Arnup will be there.

I trust God's blessing will be with you as you face forward to the New Day in China. May you be given Divine Guidance and wisdom in the many problems and concerns that will confront you this coming week.

Yours sincerely,

A. E. Armstrong

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May 18, 1944

Dr. A. E. Armstrong
The United Church of Canada
259 Queen Street, West
Toronto 2, Ontario, Canada

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

I am sharing with you a letter which was sent to Dr. Decker
by Earl Cressy and which Dr. Decker forwarded to me last Thursday. I
have also furnished Dr. Nelson with a copy.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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May 31, 1944

Dr. A. E. Armstrong, Chairman,
Board of Governors,
Shantung Christian University,
239 Queen Street West,
Toronto 2, Ontario, Canada.

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

We have been working on the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the North American Section of Shantung Christian University and hope we shall be able to forward them to you before many days.

In the meantime we need your assistance in fixing a definite date for the assembly meeting in the Fall. The North American Section set as a tentative date Wednesday, October 4, 1944 at Toronto, the definite date to be settled in correspondence with the Chairman. Will you kindly give this matter your attention and let us know which date to use in sending out the formal notices of the assembly meeting?

We intend to make a much more effective appeal to the British Committee to advance their position well in advance and to inform their premises as to the British point of view on some of the issues likely to come up. Mr. Neal Slater has sent me copies of two letters which he has written to them about the Chinese situation, over which he is seriously concerned. I am enclosing copies for your information.

Sincerely yours,

Charles H. Corbett

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REV. A. E. ARMSTRONG, D.D.
REV. JESSE H. ARNUP, D.D.

Dr. Charles H. Corbett,
Associated Boards for
Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK 11, N.Y.

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Dear Dr. Corbett:

I don't think it is necessary, but I make certain by writing you this note in connection with your letter to me of May 31st. I wrote to Evans that the Board Room in this building will be available for the Annual Meeting of the North American Section of Shantung Christian University on October 4th. I mentioned that probably Dr. Arnup and Mrs. Taylor would be here, but that I will be absent in Manitoba, for which I am sorry. Whether this will make any difference in the place where you will hold the meeting, I do not know.

I acknowledge also receipt of copies of Mr. Slater's letters to Mr. Rees and Dr. Fenn. I sincerely hope that the situation in West China will clear itself, with reference especially to the presidency. The letter from Dr. Cressy, of April 12th, to Dr. Decker, is very disturbing.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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July 18, 1944

Dr. A. E. Armstrong
The United Church of Canada
220 Queen Street, West
Toronto 2, Ontario, CANADA

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

We have just received a cable stating that Edgar Tang has accepted an invitation to become the Chinese President with the approval of the Ministry of Education. However, the Governors' approval is requested by cable.

Accordingly, Mr. Ballin is circulating the North American Section by mail today and I have called to Noel Slater asking him to do likewise with the British Section. It does not seem necessary to elaborate upon the situation as Edgar Tang is well known to the entire Board of Governors. I hope you will agree with this method of procedure.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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July 12, 1944

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Dear Sir,
I have just received a cable stating that the Board of
Education in Ontario has decided to proceed with the
proposed changes in the Ministry of Education. However, the
Government's approval is required by cable.

Accordingly, Mr. Ballou is circulating the North American
Section by mail ballot and I have advised Mr. Ballou asking him to do
this with the British Section. It does not seem necessary to elaborate
upon the situation as Mr. Ballou is well known to the entire Board of
Governors. I hope you will agree with this method of procedure.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. WATSON

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July 21, 1944

Dr. A. E. Armstrong
299 Queen Street W.,
Toronto 2B
Canada

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

I am greatly appreciative of your letter enclosing your vote on the Shantung Christian University Presidency, also a copy of the letter from Stanley ^{Yon} Dickson regarding British arrangements for exchange.

The type of arrangement which has been set up was one proposed by Miss Priest and the group at Chengtu during April and which actually went into effect early in May, much to our discomfort and embarrassment.

First of all the American government would not accept drafts or checks on such a basis for fear that they would get into enemy hands. Secondly, the original plan left it open for our Mission Treasurer to compete with another one, and the entire group down here said absolutely 'no' to that. As a matter of fact, Miss Priest did put through a number of checks of considerable size and we are now trying to clear them because some of them found their way through India and are being cleared through banks in India, with credit being established in those banks. There were too many possibilities for trouble, discord, and friction for us to assume responsibility, and unless we could deal through one channel we felt that it would be best to adhere to the old rate. We may have been wrong and may have been too conservative but I do not think so. The rate as you probably know for June for all the trading through our United Clearing Board was 81 and it is said that the market is growing steadily better. I am grateful, however, for your confidence in sharing the letter with me. Incidentally, I owe Dickson an answer to a long letter he has written me.

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Goodbye and God Bless You.

Very sincerely yours,

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July 24, 1944

Dr. A. E. Armstrong
299 Queen Street, West
Toronto 2, Canada.

My dear Dr. Armstrong:

I much appreciate your kind letter of the 21st welcoming me to this work. The cordiality of all who have been connected with the Associated Boards has been a very pleasant feature of my initiation into this work. Slowly I am beginning to feel more at home with some of the many diverse elements which are brought together in this office. So many of my friends have spoken of my China background as being such a valuable preparation for this work. Unfortunately up to the present most of the issues which have arisen are related more to the American than to the Chinese part of the undertaking!

I quite agree as to the great importance for the cause of Christian education in China of the years just ahead. Would that to some of us the spirit of prophecy might be given so that the rest of us could be told what lies ahead and how to prepare for it. I suppose even then the spirit of receptiveness would have to be given in equal measure so that those of us who listen might be convinced that the prophecies were true! We find so often as we get into discussion about things that might well be done that we are hampered, if not completely halted, by our lack of knowledge as to whether the situation will develop one way or another both over there in China and here at this end. It is gratifying to know that there are so many and such wise people scattered so widely over this continent upon whom we can call for help and advice.

You mention Harold Robinson, now connected with Cheeloo at Chungtu. We went to China at the same time, in 1916, and have been intimately associated ever since. He is my senior by several years, having had quite a bit of educational experience before going to China; and we are both Vermonters, but did not become acquainted until we found ourselves as fellow students in the Union Language School at Peiping. Robinson is a man of mature judgment, great patience and stability of character, able to get along with all sorts of people, with a real bent for student work and with very little alloy of any kind in his Christian character. His experience in North China covered both student and evangelistic work at Peking and Tientsin, Shantung, and three years as interim principal of the North China American School at Tientsin.

Dr. A. E. Armstrong

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July 24, 1944

We are preparing the "Impressions of Cheeloo in Chengtu" for circulation among the Board members and some others. In fact we are planning to build up a Cheeloo mailing list somewhat similar to those which this office already has for Yenching, Ginling and Hanking. We would be very glad to receive suggestions from you and names which might be added to such a list.

At the moment there is no one at hand of whom I can inquire as to the present location of Stanton Lautenschlager, and I am not yet familiar enough with the personnel of all of our colleges as to be sure of what I may have heard of him since I reached home. Am I correct in thinking that he is in Canada? And is your panned in reference to him as one who "can return soon and give major portion of his time" to the task of religious work on the Chengtu campuses merely the expression of a hope? Or is it based on something like a definite plan as to Mr. Lautenschlager's future? His previous usefulness along that line would seem to make him almost ideal for such work. Before the Executive Committee meets in the autumn we shall certainly want to know more as to what are his plans.

Very sincerely yours,

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August 2, 1944

Dr. A. E. Armstrong
299 Queen Street, West
Toronto 2, Ontario
Canada.

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

Herewith is a copy of "Impressions of Cheeloo University."

A long conversation which we have just had with Professor George Cressy of Syracuse University just back from most of a year in China, has given us a somewhat less optimistic impression of Cheeloo prospects under President Tang than we had hoped might be the case. We can still hope, however, that he gets a larger degree of loyalty and support from the different factions which have been involved in Cheeloo's stormy past than Professor Cressy seems to feel is likely to be the case.

Thank you for the additional information about Mr. Lautenschlager. Meanwhile we have secured more word as to his present location. My question was carelessly put to you since I know in the back of my head that he is an American Presbyterian appointee. I was intrigued by the possibility that you know of plans on his part for an early return.

I also wrote too hastily regarding the Cheeloo mailing list when I spoke as if one did not exist here. Further inquiry reveals a very extensive one of names this side of the Canadian boundary. We have in our thought that you presumably have the University's Canadian constituency well in mind.

Very sincerely yours,

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REV. JESSE H. ANNUP, D.D.

July **REC'D 7/24**

ANS'D 7/24

Rev. Earle H. Ballou,
Associated Boards for
Christian Colleges,
150 Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK 11, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Ballou:

I have been reading the Minutes of the annual meeting of the Associated Boards, and have come across the item regarding your appointment as Executive Secretary, so I write now to join other Board Secretaries in welcoming you to this important post, and to wish you God's blessing in your work.

The years ahead of us are very important for the cause of Christian education in China. I think the greatest work that the Christian churches of western lands have done for China is to make possible Christian leadership for the nation through the establishing of the Christian Universities which have produced such a large number of members of the Government. Whatever may be done with reference to reducing the number of such institutions and amalgamating them, the contribution the Christian church has been making must continue, and you will have heavy responsibilities in giving direction to it.

May God give you grace and strength and wisdom adequate for the task that lies ahead of you.

Very sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

AEA/PB

P. S. You have probably received a copy of a letter which came to us from H. W. Robinson, acting comptroller of Cheeloo University, Chengtu, under the title "Impressions of Cheeloo in Chengtu". His name is new to me, though he has been in China, he states, for twenty-five years under the American Board. I am sending copies of it to E. B. and R. G. Struthers, G. K. King, and J. M. Menzies.

Re A B 1710 in Minutes of May meeting, I hope that S. Lautenschlager can return soon and give major portion of his time to this important task.
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Rev. Arthur L. Ballou
Associated Boards for
Christianity in Japan
150 Fifth Avenue
New York 1, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Ballou:

I have been reading the minutes of the annual meeting of the Associated Boards and have been most interested in your report on the work of the Board in Japan. I write you to join other members of the Board in wishing you the best of luck in your work.

The general level of our work is very high for the year and your report is a fine example of the high standard of our work. I am sure that your report will be a great help to the Board in its work.

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REV. JESSE H. ARNUP, D.D.

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ANS'D 8/2

Rev. Earle H. Ballou,
Associated Boards of Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.,
U.S.A.

My dear Mr. Ballou:-

Thanks for your good letter of July 24th. I am glad that the search for a man to become Secretary after a long interval without one (though the work has been well cared for by Evans and Corbett) fell on you for this important position.

Thanks for telling me about Harold Robinson. I have also had something about him from Ernest Struthers now on furlough.

You ask about Stanton Lautenschlager. He is a Canadian, but being under the American Presbyterian Board he spends most of his time in the U.S.A. Where he is now I don't know, but the office of the Presbyterian Church across the street from you can no doubt give it to you by telephone. His family are living at 84 Church St., Kitchener, Ont. I don't know what his plans are, but I assume that Dr. Ruland will know. He is surely due to return to China, for he has been on this Continent two or three years now. I hope, therefore, that he can return in the fall and that he will be allowed by his Mission and Board to give most of his time to the work for which he is well fitted, i.e. Evangelism in the Colleges, and thus strengthen the religious life and influence of these institutions.

I note you are preparing "Impressions of Cheeloo in Chengtu". May I have a copy as soon as possible, even if it is only a proof? The reason is that my colleague, Dr. Arnup, has put it up to me to write something for the United Church Observer on the 80th Anniversary of the founding of Cheeloo. It should be done in the early half of August because it should appear in the September 1st issue in order to be out for the bi-ennial meeting of the General Council of our Church which begins September 6th. Thanks.

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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Rev. W. H. Ballou
Associated Board of Christian Colleges in China
180 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.
U.S.A.

My dear Mr. Ballou:

I am glad to hear from you and to hear that you are still in the States. I have also had something about the new book on the subject of the United Church of Canada.

The new book on the subject of the United Church of Canada is a very interesting one and I have also had something about the new book on the subject of the United Church of Canada.

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

My dear Evans:

I cannot be in New York for the Committee on Reference and Counsel and associated meetings the fourth week of this month. I would, however, like to be there for November 10th and 13th in connection with some meetings at Calvary Church House. I am wondering if there is likely to be anything connected with Cheeloo University, or Christian Colleges in China at that time which might justify my going. If you hear of anything sometime in the near future, I will be glad to have a line from you.

I am leaving on September 19th for a three week's absence in Western Canada,

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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September 15, 1944

Mr. C. A. Stone,
Associated Boards for
Christianity in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York 11, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Stone:

I cannot be in New York for the Conference on Fellowship and Cooperation and associated meetings the fourth week of this month. I would, however, like to be there for November 1944 and wish in connection with some meetings at delivery, March House. I am wondering if there is likely to be anything connected with Christian University or Christian Colleges in China at that time when you might be going. If you hear of anything concrete in the near future, I will be glad to have a line from you.

I am leaving on September 16th for a three week's tour in Western Canada.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

W. A. R. Stone

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October 17, 1944

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

My dear Evans:

I have just returned from Western Canada and saw your communications of September 23rd and 28th and October 13th, all dealing with the meeting of Cheeloo Board.

I note that it is called for November 3rd and you have already received word from this office that Dr. Arnup and I expect to be there. I have not enquired about Mrs. Taylor, but you will have direct word from her.

I am sorry that I cannot be present at the meeting of the Finance Committee of Cheeloo on October 25th.

Word has come from Leslie Moss that Warnshuis is going to London and perhaps Geneva. He is leaving shortly. Moss has asked Mission Boards if there is anything Dr. Warnshuis can do for them on behalf of the Boards. I am taking the matter up with our group of Canadian F. M. Secretaries, but it occurs to me that there may be something that Warnshuis can do for Cheeloo and other China College Boards, perhaps meeting with our friends of these Boards in London. Probably you have already taken action in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Armstrong

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September 28, 1944

Dr. A. E. Armstrong
The United Church of Canada
299 Queen Street, West
Toronto 2, Canada

Dear Dr. Armstrongs:

Immediately upon receipt of your letter of September 15th I investigated dates meeting your calendar and what not to ascertain the clearance for November 10 - 13 and have just about a zero.

We have pretty much cleared the situation regarding the Cheelee Board which is to meet on the 3rd and we are counting upon you to be present. One of the major considerations in the postponement of the meeting was a very strong feeling that a whole day should be given to the status of Cheelee University--what withal the presidential situation, the more too enviable record made on the West China campus, lack of adequate representation before our Planning Committee and a number of other things make it imperative that the project be viewed from all angles and, if necessary, definite measures taken to correct some misunderstanding and to make plans for the future.

It is earnestly hoped, therefore, that as many of your colleagues as are on the Board will be present. Both you and Dr. Armp and Mrs. Taylor are on the Board and it is to be sincerely hoped that you all can be present. We will do our best to get Kerr Taylor to come up from Nashville.

With sincere apologies for not writing before, I am

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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November 17, 1944

Dr. A. E. Armstrong
299 Queen Street, West
Toronto 2, Ontario, Canada

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

In looking over again the minutes of the
Cheeloo Board meeting, I notice that one of the first votes
to be taken reads as follows:

"VOTED that the Chairman be instructed to notify the
Board of Directors that the Board of Governors has
confirmed the appointment of Dr. Edgar C. Tang as
President of Shantung Christian University."

There has not yet been time to have the minutes mimeographed
for circulation, but you may want to send this notification
without waiting for them.

The next action taken by the Board was as
follows:

"VOTED that the Board of Governors send a message of
greeting and support to President Edgar C. Tang and
that this message be sent in a cablegram to be followed
by a personal letter to Dr. Tang."

We had occasion to cable Dr. Tang regarding two other matters
and included in the cable such a message of greeting, so that
the cablegram may be considered as attended to, and as a matter
of fact personal greetings have also been conveyed to Dr. Tang
from the office and a cable in the summer confirmed the action
of the Board of Governors in approving his election to the
presidency, so a letter to him from you as Chairman of the Board
should tie everything up tight!

Very sincerely yours,

Earle H. Ballou

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November 25, 1944

BALLOU

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ANS'D 11/30

Mr. Earl H. Ballou,
Associated Boards for
Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK 11, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Ballou :

I have your letter of November 17th in which you mention the vote at the Cheeloo Board meeting that I, as Chairman, inform the Board of Directors of the confirmation of the appointment of Dr. Tang. I will be glad to do this, but will need to know to whom I should address it as under ordinary circumstances one would write to Dr. Tang, but in this case I should send it, I presume, to someone else for the Board of Directors. May I trouble you, therefore, to drop me a line stating to whom I should send it?

I will, of course, be happy to write to President Tang following up your cablegram and letter with my own personal greeting as Chairman of the Board of Governors.

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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November 23, 1944

BALLOU

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Mr. Carl H. Ballo
Associated Board for
Christian Colleges in China
150 Fifth Avenue
New York 11, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Ballo:

I have your letter of November 17th in which you mention the vote of the Board meeting that I, as Chairman, inform the Board of Directors of the confirmation of the appointment of Dr. Lang. I will be glad to do this, but will need to know to whom I should address it as under ordinary circumstances one would write to Dr. Lang, but in this case I should send it, I presume, to someone else on the Board of Directors. May I trouble you, therefore, to drop me a line stating to whom I should send it?

It will, of course, be happy to write to President Lang following up your telegram and letter with my own personal greeting as Chairman of the Board of Overseas Missions.

Sincerely yours,

Walter T. Brown

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Mr. Earl H. Ballou,
Associated Boards for
Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK 11, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Ballou:

Thanks for your letter of the 29th with accompanying note stating that you are not coming to the Foreign Missions Conference. We are sorry not to have the privilege of welcoming you. It will be a larger meeting than anticipated, probably nearer five hundred than four hundred as they expected.

In a couple of weeks or less I will try to send you some names for Cheeloo publicity mailing list. You will understand that I have more on hand now than I can well look after. I recognize the importance of what you are proposing and I am glad that it is planned to keep interested people informed concerning Cheeloo in China.

I am enclosing comments and suggestions from Mr. Gerald Bonwick on Christian Literature Work in Korea, which I wrote you I was asking him to give me.

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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BALLOU

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ANS'D 1/27

Mr. Earle H. Ballou,
Associated Boards for
Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK 11, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Ballou:

I still have on my desk your letter of November 20th with which you enclosed a mimeographed memorandum concerning the proposed conference on Christian Literature to be held next March. The last paragraph of the letter speaks of there probably being "others from Korea who ought to attend the Conference in addition to the people of whom the Planning Committee already knows".

I think I mentioned to you that Mr. Gerald Bonwick (whose comments on the subject are enclosed) would be very useful because he was for so long in charge of the Christian Literature Society of Korea. His salary was paid by the six Missions and his pension is now being paid by the Boards of these six Missions. He and his wife are living in Toronto and I suggest that you confer with others concerning having him attend the Conference. The Presbyterian Board Treasurer pays his pension, each of us making appropriate contributions to it. Perhaps someone in the Board office would have an opinion on the matter of taking Mr. Bonwick to the Conference. His expenses should be born by the six Missions, or, at any rate, by three or four of them since one of them is in Australia. Our Board would contribute its share.

I suppose we will hear later as to appointment of delegates. We have not yet done so. I understand that our W.M.S. has appointed Miss Day, Miss Peters, and Miss McKenzie,

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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November 27, 1944

Dr. A. E. Armstrong
The United Church of Canada
250 Queen St., West
Toronto 2, Canada

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

Among the correspondence set aside for reference to
Dr. Warnshuis is your letter dated October 17th.

Dr. Warnshuis wrote me that he would have the Choisee and
West China situations in mind and do everything possible to get
together with the group in England. I am sure that one of the major
responsibilities which he had in mind was to follow through on these
situations. Mr. Ballou has also written him along similar lines.

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Dr. A. E. Armstrong
The United Church of Canada
299 Queen Street, West
Toronto 2B, Canada

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

The Chairman of the Cheeloo Board is none other than the Honorable H. H. Kung. Why would it not be quite in order for you to write the letter to him and send a copy of it to Dr. Tang at Chengtu? We do not have a complete list of the Board of Managers on the field, and I suppose a letter could be addressed to the "Acting Chairman of the Board of Managers." But certainly the real chairman would be interested in hearing from you in this connection. Probably the best way to address him is in care of Consul-General Tsune-ohi Yu, 1250 Sixth Avenue, New York, N.Y.

With kindest personal regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Earle H. Ballou

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Dr. A. E. ...
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January 27, 1945
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Dr. A. E. Armstrong
299 Queen Street, West
Toronto 2, Ontario, Canada

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

We have of course been greatly disturbed by the developments at Cheeloo. The telegram first announcing trouble arrived on the 18th, only one day before word came from the British Section as follows:

"Assuming you received Cheeloo cable reporting student trouble stop. Have cabled quote Assure Tang full confidence, empower him suspend classes at discretion consulting as many directors in China as possible. Williamson Slater."

On this side of the ocean and the international boundary, we have felt very definitely that there was so little known about all the possible complications of the situation that we could hardly push for an immediate and blanket support of the administration. This feeling was only confirmed by a very illuminating conference with T.H. Sun. We talked with him the morning of the day he began his western trip. He gave your address as one to which information could be forwarded to him, should there be any, and said that he would be calling upon you. I hope that he may have reached Toronto or at least within a few days you may have a chance to talk with him.

On Monday the 22nd a cable came which reads as follows:

"President Tang squeeze Medical Arts and Science striking. Available Board members sufficient for quorum but not called. Cable back to Board for details. Cheeloo student body, L. M. Chang."

This of course only adds to the murkiness, despite the fact that any message of this sort from striking students is liable to a heavy discount. If the College of Medicine has joined in the strike, the situation is much more serious. We had received this message when we talked with Sun, and it figured in our thinking. Dr. Ruland being ill and several members of the Board who might be expected to attend any meeting being unavailable, we made no effort to call a meeting until today. Word was sent immediately to Miss Priest, however, on the receipt of the first cable, to the effect that probably by today we could convene a meeting of the Board.

Meanwhile, after our conference with Mr. Sun, we sent over his name the following message to Dr. King Chu, (who, as you will recall, is a Vice Minister of Education, a former President of Cheeloo and a fellow-member with Sun of our Postwar Planning Commission in China):

"Cheeloo administration and striking students each appeal Board Governors, who ask my advice stop. Would appreciate full information and advice. Cable collect care Associated Boards, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, Sun En-san."

I am just back from the Board meeting. We were fortunate in having ten members present, an excellent turnout and one which gave us a legal quorum. After an hour's discussion, however, the only action we felt it wise to take was to recess until

some day next week when we would reconvene at the call of this office, hopefully after a reply comes to Sun's cable to Chu. We contemplate no further communication with the field until then. We are hesitant to take action identical with that of the British Section in the state of ignorance in which we find ourselves. We have very much in mind the thought that the real power in matters of this kind is in the hands of the Board of Managers on the field, much of it concentrated in the hands of the President himself, and that too rapid action on our part might only complicate the situation. We also have in mind that if the situation is rapidly becoming more critical, Miss Priest is the sort of person who will almost certainly be cabling us again, when no word from us comes after today, when we had intimated a meeting might be held. I am afraid this all sounds even less straightforward than we feel it is. Any further inquiries made by cable to the field seem inevitably to be tinged with a greater lack of full confidence in the administration than attaches itself to silence--so we are remaining silent.

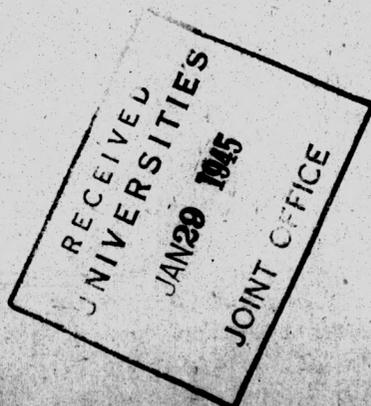
We have also written to Dr. Kung, who we understand is in a hospital somewhere in Maryland, informing him of what had happened up as far as Mr. Sun's cable to Dr. Chu. We may receive comments or suggestions from him which will be of help. We hope that by the middle of next week word may come from Dr. Chu which will be a basis for calling the Board of Governors together again and taking some definitive action. This is where the matter stands today.

Let me take this opportunity of thanking you for the memorandum on literature from Mr. Gerald Bonwick. I have passed this on to Miss Ure. You may have heard that, because of tightened travel restrictions, the proposed conference is indefinitely postponed.

The present moment would not seem to be the most auspicious for pushing Chee-oo publicity! Nevertheless we continue to be interested in an improved and increased mailing list, preparations against a better day.

Very sincerely yours,

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February 3, 1945

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Dr. A. E. Armstrong
299 Queen Street, West
Toronto 2, Ontario, Canada

Dr. Wynn C. Fairfield
14 Beacon Street
Boston 8, Massachusetts

Dear gentlemen:

Let me report on the reconvened meeting of the North American Section yesterday afternoon.

No reply has yet come from Sun Fu-san's cable to Dr. King Chu. We were therefore as much in the dark as we were when we met on January 26. The only addition to our fund of ignorance was contributed by Dr. Hume, who had been at the same table with Dr. C. L. Hsia of the China News Service at a Foreign Policy luncheon last Saturday. Mention was made of trouble on the Chee-lee campus, and Dr. Hsia said that he was much interested as he had been among those approached at one time or another for the presidency. When Dr. Hume told him of the cables received from China and London, Dr. Hsia's immediate response was, "But how can you take any action when you are so completely in the dark as to the details of the situation?" In other words, his position was identical with that of Mr. Sun.

Although we do not have access here to the text of the regulations of the Ministry of Education covering university administration, there was general agreement, especially among those with a China background, that in a situation of this sort authority is pretty well concentrated in the President of the University. In any case, we were unanimous in feeling that a Board of Governors composed of foreigners in a foreign land could not well interfere, blindly, in a matter which involves internal and complicated developments on a Chinese campus. A draft cable was discussed and amended at several points to limit the application of even such a guarded reply, lest our action might prove embarrassing in the future should it be open to broad interpretation, either as to our reluctance to interfere under these circumstances or our power to interfere under very different ones.

The cable as it was sent late yesterday is as follows, and word of what we had done was also cabled to Mr. Slater in London:--

NORTH AMERICAN SECTION DEEPLY CONCERNED BUT AGREED AUTHORITY HANDLE STRIKE SITUATION RESIDES UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION AND BOARD DIRECTORS SUGGEST CONSULTATION WITH MINISTRY OF EDUCATION. Harle Ballou.

We also raised the question as to when the Executive Committee of the

The Choice Board, acting as the University's Postwar Planning Committee, could meet. The hope was expressed that some initial steps could be taken before the meeting of the Associated Boards' Planning Committee's Ad Interim Committee (what a name!) on February 1st. Both of you gentlemen are on the Executive Committee. I know that Dr. Armstrong expects to be here for the CRA meeting on the 22nd, and that Dr. Fairfield is to be here next Wednesday, the 7th. Today is Saturday, and it will not be possible to take up with Dr. Ruland until Monday what chances there are of catching either or both of you within the limit suggested. When we have a proposal you will here from me again.

Very sincerely yours,

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Mr. Earl H. Ballou,
Associated Boards for
Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK 11, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Ballou:

I told you last Friday that I did not think I could reach New York before Tuesday, March 20th. I have looked up time-tables and I find that my best plan will be to leave Quebec City Sunday night, reach Montreal Monday morning, spend the day there and take the night train which reaches New York early Tuesday morning. The day train Monday would not get me there until after eight P. M.

I have asked George King to hold that week free. I was with Ernest Struthers and asked him also to plan to be in New York for part of that week. Their addresses are:

Dr. Ernest B. Struthers,
1422 Massachusetts Ave., N.W.,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Rev. George K. King,
56 St. Mary's Street,
TORONTO 5.

We will look forward to hearing from you as to the day when Cheeloo Board Executive will be called to meet. You may find it difficult to avoid both the India Committee meeting and the Medical Conference called by Cartwright.

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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Dear Sirs:

I am pleased to hear that you are interested in the work of the Board of Overseas Missions. The Board is a department of the United Church of Canada, and its purpose is to support and coordinate the work of our churches in other parts of the world.

The Board is currently seeking funds for the support of our overseas work. We are particularly interested in the work of our churches in the West Indies, the Caribbean, and the South American continent.

If you are interested in making a contribution to our work, please contact the Board at the address given above. We would be pleased to receive your contribution and to keep you advised of our progress.

Very truly yours,
Walter T. Brown, Chairman

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Mr. Earl H. Ballou,
Associated Boards for
Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK 11, N.Y.

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Dear Mr. Ballou:

I enclose a copy of a letter from Rev. John Stewart of the Church of Scotland Mission in Manchuria. This, you will see, was to my colleague Dr. Arnup -- the Moderator of the United Church. It is a reply to Dr. Arnup's letter to Dr. Kydd inviting the Church of Scotland to become a partner in West China Union University.

I am sending it to you because Dr. Arnup and I think that perhaps Dr. Stewart's saying "we shall probably have to join in in helping one of the Christian Colleges in North China" may mean that they would look with favour upon an invitation to become a partner in Cheeloo. You will know what is best to be done about it.

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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THE Windsor

ON DOMINION SQUARE

Montreal, 2, P.Q.

March 3, 1945

Dear Mr. Ballou: I find here that the Montreal Presbytery want me to stay over for Tue., 20th & meet three committees jointly and address Presby in the afternoon. It seems important and I ought, as a matter of duty, comply. But I explained that I had written that I could be in New York that day. Can you arrange for Cheloo Executive Com. to meet on the 21st or 22nd or 23rd? I can be there the morning of 21st.



CABLE ADDRESS "WINDREAL"

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March 7 1945



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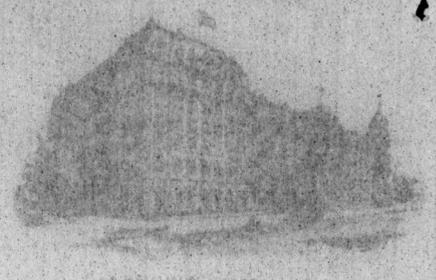
Montreal, 2, P.Q.

Please drop me a note to Toronto as soon as convenient; I'll be home Monday. I should inform the Secretary of Montreal Presbytery. The United Church of Canada is planning a two-years' 'Crusade for Christ and His Kingdom' and the Pres'y here are preparing for it on the 20th. Sorry if this is causing you trouble. Sincerely,

A. B. Armstrong

March 11/45

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March 5, 1945

Dr. A. E. Armstrong
299 Queen Street, West
Toronto 2, Ontario, Canada

Dear Dr. Armstrong:

As you will see by the inclosed notice, we have fixed the Cheelee meeting for the 20th. There seems to be an inevitable conflict somewhere along the line with the India meeting, but the only course seems to be to go ahead and hope that the few people affected may be able to divide their time. I fear you are one of these.

Notices of the Cheelee meeting have gone to George King and Dr. Struthers. It wasn't left altogether clear how travel expenses should be borne when we talked a week ago, but the condition seems to remain that the University has nothing to meet them, so that mission boards will have to be responsible. Struthers will be killing two birds with one stone, as he is wanted for the medical conference also. I hope this particular problem will not interfere with King's attendance.

Very sincerely yours,

Earle H. Ballou

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

My dear Evans:

I see in a letter from Leland Albright that Mr. Ballou's father died. I am very sorry for this sad news. It will explain why I did not get yesterday or today word from him in answer to my letter from Montreal, posted on Saturday, and in which I stated that Montreal Presbytery wanted me to stay over there to address their meeting on Tuesday, the 20th. I suggested to Ballou that he call Cheeloo meeting for Friday, 23rd. I have, however, the call for the meeting on the 20th and therefore I am informing Montreal that I cannot be there for the 20th but will have to be in New York that day. You may therefore count on me arriving from Montreal Tuesday morning, 20th. - noted - S.M.D.

You may also count on George King and Ernest Struthers being there.

Yours sincerely,

A. E. Armstrong.

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BALLOU

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ANS'D *file*

Mr. Earle H. Ballou,
Associated Boards for
Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK 11, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Ballou:

I received your note of March 28th on April 2nd. We have copied the Cheeloo Statement onto airgraph forms and despatched them to Mr. Slater. At the top I mentioned to him that you had requested me to send it by airgraph, since you cannot use that method in the U. S.

We ran off extra copies and by ordinary mail we are sending a copy so as to make doubly sure that he gets it. We did this because one or more of the airgraph pages may be lost. (I should have mentioned that 5 separate airgraph forms were used.)

For your information, in case you may not have seen them, I enclose a copy of the airgraph form and also an airletter form. The postage on the former is 5¢, and on the latter is 10¢. If, at any time, you wish to have any of these to use, let us know. You can always write on them and send them to us to have Canadian stamps put on them and posted.

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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April 6, 1945



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Mr. Edwin B. Bailey,
Associated Board for
Christian Colleges in China,
100 Fifth Avenue,
New York 11, N.Y.

I received your note of March 28th and
am glad to hear that the Chinese Government
is now allowing the return of the
aircraft to the United States and that you
are planning to return to the States.

We are sorry to hear that you
are unable to return to the States
at this time. We are sure that you
will be able to return as soon as
possible.

For your information, in case you
may not have seen them, I enclose a copy
of the aircraft form and the form
which you filled out. The postage on
the latter is 15c. If you wish to
have any of them to use, let us know.
You may always write on them and
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Sincerely yours,

Robert M. Stewart

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299 QUEEN ST. WEST
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April 15, 1944

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REV. A. E. ARMSTRONG, D.D.
REV. JESSE H. ARNUP, D.D.

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Mr. C. A. Evans,
Chantung Christian University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK 11, N.Y.

My dear Evans:

As it is immediately following our Board meeting, and as I have been requested to be at Ottawa for an important meeting on May 9th, and as I cannot imagine that there can be anything vital come before the annual meeting of Cheeloos this time, I am writing you to say that I think I will not attend this year.

Moreover Arnup will be there and he is a member, so that expenses of my going just to attend an afternoon meeting of Shantung Board is hardly justified, especially if I am right in assuming that it will be largely routine and having no vital problems demanding consideration.

You will understand that Arnup and I should not both be away for the most of one week, and it is important that he be there for the other meetings of the Associated Boards.

I hope that you will not think that I am neglecting my duty as Chairman. It will be a simple matter for you to put in someone else who could act as Chairman for that one afternoon.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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The United Church of Canada

Board of Foreign Missions

100 BAY STREET

TORONTO, CANADA

April 18, 1944

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REV. JAMES H. KIRBY, D.D.

Mr. C. A. Evans,
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100 Fifth Avenue,
New York 11, N.Y.

My dear Evans:

As it is immediately following the Board meeting, I have been requested to be in Ottawa for an important meeting and I cannot leave this time. I am writing you to say that I will not attend this year.

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