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Mr. B. A. Garside,
Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, U. S. A.

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Dear Mr. Garside:

I am leaving in a few days to attend a meeting of the Committee on Religious Education in Kuling so am taking this opportunity to acknowledge a number of letters that have come from you recently, including the one referring to Dr. Butterfield's recommendations on rural work, which is having the attention of Dean Sie.

I appreciate your writing me about Mr. C. H. Tsui. I have also had a letter from him and am writing him that we have no vacancy for him. We cannot afford to take on extra men at present.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Founders for their cordial invitation to me to spend the coming year in the United States. It is difficult for me to get away at present and our financial condition is such that it would be very difficult to find the funds to cover the cost of such a trip. I hope, however, that some time in the not too distant future it will be possible for me to visit the United States and get in touch with some of the good friends of the University there. I also wish to thank you for your kind letter concerning the action of the Founders in regard to my visit.

Your letter of June 18 covering the minutes of the meeting held last month has just come to hand but I am sorry I have not been able to go over it carefully yet.

Under separate cover we are sending sufficient copies for your files of minutes of the meeting of the Executive-Finance Committee on June 28, of the Building and Property Committee also on June 28, and of the Hospital Committee on June 20 and July 3. These concern chiefly the transfer of the east compound to the Hospital. As the understanding has always been that this property would eventually be made available for hospital use, I do not know whether the transfer should have had the approval of the Founders or not before having been carried so far, but the matter could not be delayed on account of the demolishing of the Peden Home for nurses by the city authorities, so we were forced to act, and I hope the Founders will take this into consideration.

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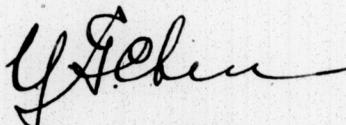
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You will have received an account of commencement through Mr. Wheeler, who has sent out copies of the newspaper in which his account appeared.

I appreciate very much the arrangements you are making for the coming of Miss Arms. There is a great deal she can do here and I am glad she was still available for the position.

With best wishes for a pleasant vacation this summer,
I am,

Sincerely yours,



Y. G. Chen.

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You will have received an account of my announcement through Mr. Wheeler, who has sent out copies of the newspaper in which his account appeared.

I appreciate very much the arrangement you are making for the dormitory of Miss Ames. There is a great deal she can do here and I am glad she was still available for the position. With best wishes for a pleasant vacation this summer,

Sincerely yours,

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July 17, 1955

Dr. Y. G. Chen
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

My dear Dr. Chen:

I acknowledge your letter of May 31st, with which you enclosed a copy of the minutes of the May 15th Directors' Executive-Finance Committee. We will report these minutes to the next meeting of the Nanking Founders, or of the Executive Committee, although I believe there is nothing in these minutes requiring definite action.

Thank you for sending us the copy of the request you sent to Mr. Gunn under date of May 31, 1955, and also for the duplicate copies of the correspondence and request you sent him under date of January 1, 1954. We have again checked through our New York files to see whether the original copies of this material from Nanking ever reached us. We find that neither your letter of January 15, 1954 nor the copies of your correspondence with Mr. Gunn ever reached New York. This material was sent at a time when much of the mail from Nanking was being lost, so apparently it suffered the fate of so many other letters. Fortunately no special harm resulted.

Our office is always glad to have copies of all such material as this, not only for our information in case we are asked to give some endorsement or other assistance in connection with requests but also for our general use as reference material. I am passing along the copies of all your communications to Mr. Gunn to Mr. Sherwood and Mrs. Macmillan who will be glad to have much of the information contained in this material for their use from time to time in connection with our Nanking publicity and promotion.

Very sincerely yours,

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President Y. G. Chen
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

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My dear Dr. Chen:

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter I have just received from Dr. Alexander Paul of the United Christian Missionary Society, discussing the situation confronting his society in dealing with the University's request that the U.C.M.S. make a professor available in place of Mr. Goodsell.

We all recognize the urgency of the need in Nanking for someone to carry on Mr. Goodsell's work. On the other hand we do not wish to ask the U.C.M.S. to be inhumane in their treatment of Mr. and Mrs. Goodsell, nor should we make unreasonable demands for the provision of a man to replace Mr. Goodsell while the society is still compelled to carry a very heavy burden in supporting both Mr. and Mrs. Goodsell in a sanitorium.

I am passing on this letter to Dr. Speer, and will probably lay the matter before the Nanking Executive Committee a little later. We do, however, wish the field to be fully informed of the circumstances and would welcome your comments and recommendations.

Very cordially yours,

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September 16, 1935

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President Y. G. Chen
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

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My dear Dr. Chen:

I have not heretofore replied to your letter of July 11th because I wanted to discuss it with Mr. Sherwood and Mrs. Macmillan who were away on a brief vacation at the time it arrived. While we are all very genuinely disappointed that you have not found it possible to accept the invitation of the Founders to spend the coming year in America we all recognize that this invitation was made at such a late date, and at a time of such severe financial stringency, that it would have been very difficult indeed for you to have made the necessary arrangements to get away this year.

We do, however, wish to urge upon both yourself and also the Board of Founders, that we begin immediately to lay plans for your coming to America next year. For many reasons your presence here next year might prove even more productive than if you could be with us this year. We are making steady progress in perfecting the organization and effectiveness of our Associated Boards promotional work, and we hope that in another twelve months we will be in a position to give you more adequate assistance than we could now. Also, there are many indications that the economic situation here in America is gradually improving, and there are grounds for hope that as soon as we get through with the next presidential election in November, 1936, the country may be in a much more favorable state of mind and purse for promoting the interests of our Christian Colleges in China than it is at this time. And then there is much to be gained from our having a year in which to lay our plans for your coming and to make preparations both here and on the field.

We hope that you will begin giving this proposal very serious study, and that you will send us your frank comments, and suggestions as to the ways in which we might make your year here as profitable as possible. What are the most fundamental and most urgent needs of the University, on which we should put our primary emphasis in our promotional efforts for the next year or two? What special avenues of approach might we make to these problems? How can we best utilize the Chinese constituency and Chinese support of the University to stimulate additional support from western sources?

During the last few weeks I have been going through all of our old Nanking files, particularly to see how far we can condense the great volume of material which we have on hand, and partly for the sake of reviewing the past history of the University. One thing that has impressed me

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very forcibly as I have gone through this old material has been the magnificent contribution made by Dr. Jack Williams and the remarkable way in which he won the friendship and loyal assistance of a very large number of influential men and women throughout America. I have been wondering whether it might not be a very practical undertaking, as well as a labor of love we would all be glad to perform in Dr. Williams' memory if we should undertake to build up during the next couple of years some adequate memorial fund in Dr. Williams' honor. The life of Dr. Williams which has just been completed by Mr. Wheeler might be of great value to us in this connection. While many of the contacts established by Dr. Williams would no longer prove productive, I hope that his work would still give us some very solid foundations on which to build. Perhaps we could choose some date about two years hence which would have a special relationship to Dr. Williams' life and work and which we could set as our goal for completing such a memorial. For instance, we might choose March 24th, 1937, the tenth anniversary of Dr. Williams' death, although possibly this might not be a wise choice for various obvious reasons.

These are merely random suggestions to stimulate our thinking and discussion. Will you give us your frank comments?

In your letter you also call attention to certain property matters which will probably require the attention of our Nanking Founders. We will undoubtedly have a meeting of the Founders later in the autumn, although perhaps it would be wiser for us to have a fairly early meeting of the Executive Committee to deal with these questions together with certain other items which could be cleared at the same time. In any event, you can be quite sure that the Founders will have a sympathetic understanding of the problems you have had to meet in dealing with these property items, and that they recognize the necessity of going ahead at certain points without delaying matters until the Founders can take action.

We hope that you have had a pleasant summer and that the work at the University is this week getting off to an excellent start.

Very cordially yours,

B A GARSIDE

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Dr. B. A. Garside
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

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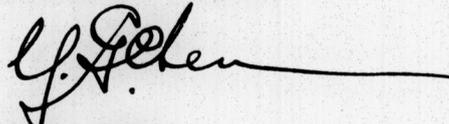
Dear Dr. Garside:

As you know Dr. J. Lossing Buck has been given a leave of absence from the Presbyterian Board in order that he may serve temporarily the United States Department of the Treasury. He left China about November 15, 1934, and we understand the Board discontinued his salary from that date. The exact date may need to be checked with the Presbyterian Board office. The leave was originally for three months, but was later extended more or less indefinitely. Dr. Buck is still spending part of his time for this work and is not receiving salary from the Presbyterian Board at the present time.

I have discussed the matter with Dr. Buck, and we wish to request the Presbyterian Board to remit to the University the equivalent of his salary during this leave of absence. During recent years Dr. Buck has been receiving a single man's salary from the Board, and we would only expect a refund of this amount. In other words, we are not requesting that this be considered a vacancy of Mission representatives on our staff. Dr. Buck expects to return to the usual Board basis within the not too far distant future, but for the present the time he is able to give to the University work is limited, and we wish to be able to secure an assistant to help carry his work.

Will you please take this matter up through the usual channels with the Presbyterian Board, and secure for us the amount that is due on this account?

Sincerely yours,



Y. G. Chen
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NANKING, CHINA

September 16, 1935

Dr. B. A. Garside
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

~~Name~~ (Confidential)

Dear Dr. Garside:

I am writing to request your help in solving a very difficult problem. For nearly a year Dr. Buck has been working for the United States Department of the Treasury, and we feel the whole question of his relationship with the University and the Presbyterian Board should be given careful consideration. Since Dr. and Mrs. Buck have been divorced, we are afraid there may be some misunderstanding. We know it is a very difficult period for Dr. Buck and wish to have the matter handled with sympathy and diplomacy in order to have him continued as one of the representatives of the Board on our staff.

Dr. Buck does not wish to sever his connection with the Presbyterian Board, but he is anxious to fill the position of a specialist and would naturally receive a larger salary for a time than is possible under the Board basis for a single man. Arrangements have been made to carry his salary under the special grant from the Rockefeller Foundation for one year. This grant has not been made officially as yet, but we have received assurance from Mr. Gunn that it will be approved in October. This means that Dr. Buck will be on a special salary for the period of one year, and possibly longer. He has been invited by the National Agricultural Research Bureau to serve as an expert on a part time basis. It has not been finally decided, but the Institution has given consent to the arrangement for a temporary period. This will mean that Dr. Buck will be on a very different basis than any of the other mission representatives on our staff. It creates its own problem, but as far as I know there has been no serious criticism of the arrangement. It is the feeling of most of the faculty and staff that Dr. Buck needs sympathetic support during these months, and they are willing to have this arrangement made to enable him to solve some of his personal difficulties.

On the other hand we must guard against any danger of having misunderstanding with the Presbyterian Board. Dr. Buck has discussed this matter frankly with Dr. Fenn and Mr. Patton in Shanghai. There has been no decision, and we have nothing to say in regard to his relationship with his own Board. We would urge that measures be taken to keep Dr. Buck a regular representative of the Presbyterian Board on the University of Nanking faculty, with the special privilege of leave of absence for a temporary period.

Dr. B. A. Garside

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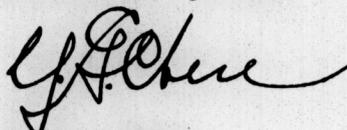
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We would like to request the Presbyterian Board to pay us the amount that they would naturally pay Dr. Buck. This would not interfere in any way with his pension or other allowances but the actual cash salary ought to come to the University during these months. Will you do the best you can to have this whole question taken up in New York and settled as early as possible?

I am writing you in this frank way as I wish you to understand the attitude of the field groups and to keep these points in mind in making your presentation to the Presbyterian Board.

Thank you very much for your assistance with this very difficult problem.

Sincerely yours,



Y. G. Chen
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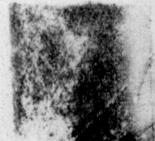
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October 14, 1935

President Y. G. Chen
Miss Elsie M. Priest
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

Dear Friends:

We are sending five copies of the minutes of the last meeting of the Finance Committee of the University of Nanking.

Seldom has a meeting been convened under such trying circumstances. We had been making an endeavor for two weeks to "chisel in" time for a conference, and the time set apart was the only available period which even three of the committee could attend. In the face of that, it was exceedingly depressing to come together without the presence of Mr. Fielder, who had given so much thought, energy and time to the work of the University and has been giving ungrudgingly of himself in an endeavor to become better acquainted with the work of the institution. He was elected chairman of the committee last spring, and had only had opportunity to occupy the chair on one or two occasions. We all feel his loss very greatly.

The Famine Funds investment items call for no particular attention as the actions speak for themselves.

Extension of Mortgage on 40 Lincoln Road, Brooklyn. The same is true of this particular item, Mr. Carter having attended the court meeting which was held the previous day. He gave a very detailed account of the proceedings in court.

Clearance of Overdrafts in Famine Funds. The apparent overdraft in the Famine Funds of 1933-34 was cleared by action FC-799, which releases a corresponding amount for the 1934-35 budget. This, however, has already been adjusted on Miss Priest's books.

Hoover Trust Fund. For your further information we are enclosing a copy of the letter sent us by the George D. Harter Bank, but further than what is included in the minutes, there is not much to report at the present time above and beyond the letter which was sent to the field last week. Of course no drafts should be drawn on the Hoover fund for the time being, it being understood that we will let you know immediately when some adjustment is made and cash is available for the use of the field. One of the suggestions made to the committee was that consideration be given to the curtailment of the budget immediately, with the understanding that during the next year the entire amount of the fund will be exhausted. You will know best what to do, and after a conference with Mr. Bates, it is possible that some further light will be forthcoming.

See "Geo. D. Harter" 9/16/35 (over)

The treasurer's and auditors' reports were studied and recommendations made to have the Board approve same. Same have gone forward to the field.

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Very truly yours,
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THE GEO. D. HARTER BANK
Canton, China

September 26, 1935

University of Nanking
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

Under the terms of the Hoover Trust for the University of Nanking, China, we are directed to disburse to you the sum of \$3,250.00 as of October 1, this year.

In connection with this distribution we face a problem in the solution of which we would appreciate your advice.

Remaining in said account at present are \$2,000 U.S. Treasury 3s '37 and \$10,000 Georgia, Carolina & Northern 6s '34. In order to make said distribution, we will sell the U.S. Treasury bonds, but this will leave a balance still owing on the distribution, for which balance we only have the Georgia, Carolina, and Northern bonds, above mentioned. These latter bonds are in default and have been for some time. At present they have a nominal quotation of about 18, and inasmuch as the market has been extremely thin, I doubt whether we would be able to get that price without considerable delay.

It appears to me that there are possibly three alternatives-- (a) to sell the bond as soon as possible for what we can get for it and thus reduce the deficit in this distribution; (b) distribute only the proceeds of the U.S. Treasury notes and hold the Georgia, Carolina & Northern bonds in our portfolio for further appreciation; and (c) to distribute the Georgia, Carolina and Northern bonds to you as part of this payment at their present market value.

We believe that this bond has a possibility of appreciating and we hesitate to advise to sell it at its present price.

We will appreciate hearing from you at your earliest opportunity as to what you believe should be done in this matter.

Yours very truly,

JOHN E. MILLER

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UNIVERSITY OF NANKING

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

NANKING, CHINA

October 18, 1935

Dr. B. A. Garside
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City



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My dear Dr. Garside:

I was planning to write you more in detail in reference to your two letters of May 20 and May 21, received just before our summer vacation. I delayed answering them promptly partly because some of the information you requested required a little statistical research and a statement of the general tendency of the Christian movement in the schools and could not be answered hurriedly, and partly because our former secretary was planning to leave and there were several things demanding her immediate attention before she left.

However, even at the present time I feel that I cannot adequately answer these questions personally as our Board of Directors is the controlling body of the policies of the University. For this reason it would be fairer if I bring these issues to the Board or at least to the Executive Finance Committee before I venture an opinion. Also since these requests come from the Board of Founders as a Board action, I am the more interested to get the Board of Directors opinion and judgment, especially in view of the fact that the members are in the greater majority church representatives.

I would like to comment briefly on one matter and mention that although the percentage of Christians in our faculty is among the lower percentage group of the Christian colleges and universities, we have taken special care whenever possible to get professed Christians and when they are not available, we always resort to getting our own graduates, either those with training in special courses, or college graduates. We want to be sure that these men are in entire and close sympathy with the spirit of the founding of the school.

The information concerning the situation of registering our land and deeds I have dealt with quite fully in a separate letter.

In regard to the relationship with Ginling College, I note that in your letter of May 21 you infer that you are expecting the field to point a way in which cooperation can be better attained. You are probably aware of our very earnest desire in cooperating with Ginling, but I think the circumstances are such that cooperation is sometimes greatly handicapped. I am inclined to think that the Board of Founders in effecting a separation into two boards instead of one has complicated the situation further, at least on the field. I wish to assure you and

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the Board of Founders that the field has been for the last few years cooperating in every way possible with Ginling, and we are quite ready to do whatever we can to extend further cooperation to our sister institution. However, we feel that we have been giving more of our effort and resources than the results almost warrant. Some of the phases of the cooperation affects our financial resources directly or indirectly, and we have begun to feel that we can no longer afford to carry on where it involves a drain on our finances because our own financial situation is so very serious. We must have help and relief in some way if we are to continue the present arrangement in the exchange of faculty members and students. We would like a little response from our sister institution in this respect, but probably Ginling finds more difficulty in making similar arrangements for cooperation.

I want to acknowledge the correspondence you sent ^{9/16/35} regarding Mr. Goodsell. I, in turn, referred it to Dean Chang of the College of Agriculture and Forestry. We quite appreciate the situation the mission board is facing. Much as we feel the vacancy left by Mr. Goodsell, we realize that under the circumstances there is no possibility of having someone to replace Mr. Goodsell and fill his position. Of course, if, after another year or two, the mission is relieved of the support of Mr. and Mrs. Goodsell, we would appreciate their appointing another man to our staff in the field of Farm Crops, Soils and Fertilizers, or Plant Pathology. We have no Westerner on the staff now in any of these branches.

I wish also to acknowledge your letter of August 20 ¹⁹³⁵ concerning the arrival of Major Howard S. Reed. Thank you for the information which you have sent about him. We shall be looking forward to his visit, and every courtesy shall be extended to him and his wife. I have also informed Dean Chang of his intended visit and survey.

In regard to my trip to America, ^{9/16/35} I appreciate very much the Board of Founders still inviting me to come, and I am very much indebted to them for this kindness. I would consider it a great privilege to meet with you and the Board of Founders, although I am not sure that I would be able to do very much by going there. At the same time there are financial and many other problems here that I do not quite see my way clear to leave the University for that long a period. Of course, we all have the welfare of the University at heart, and are desirous of doing whatever may further its interests. This is a matter for the Board of Directors to decide. Our November meeting of the Board of Directors will be held November 22, and after that session I hope that we can give you a more definite reply.

In regard to a Memorial to Dr. Williams, I assure your that the suggestion that has been made is a very good one. Some years ago, we had some such proposal made, but it was rather

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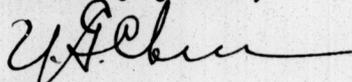
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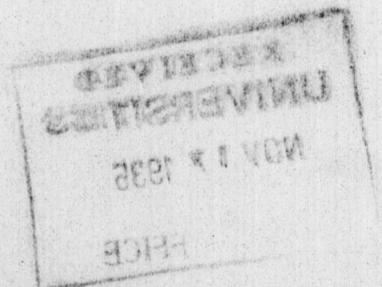
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I do want to take this opportunity of extending my congratulations to you on the honor conferred upon you at the recent Commencement of the College of the Ozarks. This recognition of your services to the institutions of higher learning in China makes us realize anew and with even deeper appreciation our debt of gratitude to you for your effective leadership and untiring labor in our behalf. May the years of service ahead of you be even richer.

Sincerely yours,



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NANKING, CHINA

October 20, 1935

Dr. B. A. Garside
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City



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Dear Dr. Garside:

I am sorry for the delay in writing to you concerning the questions raised in your letter of June 19 in regard to the registration of our deeds with the Government of China. The problems of registration are exceedingly difficult and complicated, but I shall try to give you a clear picture of the situation to present to the members of the Board of Founders. I am sure they will have deep sympathy with our difficulties, and even although they are not familiar with the details I know they will wish to be kept informed of conditions.

Very little of the mission property in the city of Nanking has been officially registered with the Government of China. Until recently this has made no difference, and has been of no importance. The property was recognized as belonging to the various mission boards or mission organizations and there have been no questions raised concerning the ownership. Within the past two years the Government has issued definite orders instructing every owner of land to register his property through the proper government bureaus. They are prepared to take strict measures to enforce the orders, and we wish to act wisely in complying with them to settle the matter satisfactorily once and for all that there may be no future criticism or complications.

A few of the missions who hold large tracts of land in the city have taken steps recently to register their land with the government. In no case has it been accomplished so far. As a matter of information, the American Legation requested that no American organization should proceed to register its land until a further interpretation of the regulations could be received from the Land Bureau. I am enclosing a copy of the letter received from the American Consul. The official letter was sent through the usual channels to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs last April, but as far as we have heard there has been no official reply to date. We are in close touch with other organizations and will try to work in accord with them. I am sure that you may know that the University of Nanking holds a large area of land, both in the city and outside the city wall. Many of the small mission institutions are waiting to see what we do before they try to register with the government. Therefore, we realize how very important it is for us to act slowly but wisely in dealing with this matter.

Our problem is not one of re-registering, but of registering with the Chinese Government. It is not a question of whether we should register with the government, as it is very clear that we must do so. It becomes a question of the method

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of procedure. Under present regulations, official registration will cost us between fifty and sixty thousand dollars for the property we own in the city of Nanking. We are trying to find some way of registering to comply with the regulations of registration, but to avoid this heavy tax. Steps have been taken to register as an institution that is serving the Chinese people, and because of the nature of the work and the purpose for which it was established we are requesting the government to waive the fee and give us a clear title. In this way we shall present to the Bureau a complete map showing all our land, and we shall ask them to recognize it in lieu of individual deeds. The map has been prepared and the preliminary arrangements have been made.

We have approached both the Ministry of Education and our mayors--the mayor who resigned last April and the new mayor now in office. They have a very friendly attitude and have promised to help us because we are a registered school and are cooperating with the government in many ways. Suggestions have been made concerning the way to proceed, and if we find it is impossible to pay for the cost of registration, they feel we may be able to come to some agreement for a settlement. I feel quite certain that it may mean we shall have to give up certain tracts of land to pay for this registration. You may remember we have a number of scattered lots that are not adjacent to our campus and are not very valuable to our work. In some cases, the present value of these scattered lots is considerably greater than when the land was purchased, and if possible we shall attempt to use these lots to help cover the expenses of registration. As yet not final agreement has been reached, but we must come to some decision before many months. It is dangerous to continue to "drift" and may lead to serious complications.

To reply specifically to your questions in your letter of June 19:

1. The name on the deeds. When the University became a union institution in 1910, the property held by the Methodist Mission and the United Christian Missionary Society was turned over to the University. The deeds were held by the two missions and were in their names. About five years ago we had occasion to gather together all deeds for our property and requested these two missions to turn over to us the deeds for the property they released to the union institution in 1910. This was done so today we hold the deeds. There are about twenty individual deeds that are in the names of these two missions. These are included in the photostatic copies which you hold. As a matter of fact these deeds are of no particular value today. We have no great fear about this property as it has been in our hands for so many years and has been enclosed by walls. This is adequate evidence for ownership in China.

Since 1910, large tracts of land have been purchased. In almost every case the name on the deed is "Gin Ling Ta Hsich"

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the official Chinese name of the University of Nanking. There may be a few cases among the two hundred and thirty individual deeds where the name of a person also appears, but for the greater number the name is the University of Nanking.

In this connection, may I clear one minor point you raise in your letter. Ginling College was refused the privilege of having deeds made in the name of the college. There was a deed that had to be made out to clear up a questionable title, and the government refused to recognize Ginling College as a mission institution with power to hold property. They had a number of deeds all made in the name of the college but this did not alter the case. In order to clear the matter as quickly as possible, they asked the Presbyterian Board to allow them to have the deed made in the name of the mission board. Permission was granted and that particular problem was solved. At the same time, the University of Nanking was buying land outside the city wall and having the deeds made as usual in the name of the University of Nanking. There was no question raised. Naturally, we are somewhat larger than Ginling College and hold considerably more property. I feel sure this will be recognized by the government officials. We may have to prove to the land registration authorities that we are virtually a mission board, empowered to hold property in exactly the same way as any other mission board. The difficulty with Ginling College was the failure of the authorities to recognize that they were organized and constituted to hold legal titles.

2. Registration with American Consulate. About one-fourth of our deeds were registered with the American Consulate. As far as that is concerned it is of no great value today, as many of their records were lost in 1927. We have the American Consulate seal on these deeds, but the Chinese Government does not recognize this seal as being of any value.

There are a number of our deeds that have the old Chinese Government seal, but again this is of no particular value in registering the land today. There are a good many deeds that bear no stamp from the government or consulate, but I do not think it makes any particular difference. The new regulations call for an up-to-date type of land registration, and in order to comply we must submit our deeds for stamping unless we can arrive at some basis of compromise as stated above. *

3. Difficulty with registration. The University of Nanking is having no more difficulty over registration than any other mission institution in Nanking. In fact, as I have mentioned before, many of the smaller groups and organizations are waiting for us to take action, and they will follow our lead. Ginling College is definitely waiting for us to make some agreement before they take up the question in any way. I understand the Presbyterian Mission has made some progress with registration, but is now waiting for the reply from the American Embassy.

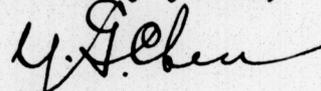
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Under present regulations it is quite definitely stated that if the land is registered under Chinese ownership, all educational institutions will be exempt from taxation, but if in the name of a foreign body--such as a mission board or the Board of Founders of the University of Nanking--the land will be subject to taxation. It is this type of question that is causing much concern. Last spring our Board of Directors raised the question of the advisability of having a legal body created in China, who would represent the Board of Founders of various institutions--particularly the union institutions--to hold all property titles. We requested the Council of Higher Education to report on this question, but I have heard nothing from them as yet.

If we register our land in the name of the Board of Directors, it will save us a good deal of money, but it will mean the ownership of the land will be in China and not in America. This is one of the problems that we must face. Naturally, some of our group feel we shall have to register in the name of the Board in China as we shall never be able to pay the taxes. Also, by registering in the name of the Board of Founders, we shall be prohibited from ever selling any land. We are making inquiries and every effort to register in the name of the Founders, but I would like you to know these problems. We recognize the property belongs to the Board of Founders, and there ought to be some way of making this registration possible without changing the status of ownership.

It seems to me we have two courses of action. We can continue to remain as we are without registration and drift along, hoping no difficult problems will come up, or we can register our property officially with the Chinese Government and secure legal titles. We are convinced that the latter is the only solution. I shall be glad to know your reactions to the problem I have raised concerning the registration in the name of the Board of Directors. I shall keep you informed concerning developments from time to time, and shall welcome any suggestions that you may make on this difficult problem.

Sincerely yours,



Y. G. Chen

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P. S. For your further information, a rough estimate of all the deeds we have is a total of 228 deeds. Of these about 68 are stamped with the consular seal; 75 with the Chinese seal; and 83 with no seal of any sort. In the case of those with the Chinese seal, it would mean re-registration. About 20 of these deeds are under the mission title.

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AMERICAN CONSULAR SERVICE
NANKING, CHINA

*Sent w/ Pres.
Chen's letter
10/10/35*

April 11, 1935

Univeristy of Nanking
Nanking

Sirs:

With reference to the new Land Lease Certificate form which the Municipal Government of Nanking plans to substitute for the deeds of perpetual lease which you now hold when your land is reregistered, the Consulate General referred this form to the American Legation at Peiping and is now in receipt of the Legation's instructions in the matter.

The Legation expresses its concern regarding the form of the new certificate particularly in respect to the provisions as to ownership of property leased in perpetuity, because it would appear from an examination of the certificate that an attempt is being made to force American missions, when they wish to dispose of their property, to sell at the original price paid, or some other arbitrary price, and to forego any unearned increment due to increased value and because it would also appear that idposal would have to be made to and by special consent of the Chinese government.

The Legation states that it is not prepared to acquiesce in any restrictions on American land holding in China under the treaties, whether at the ports open to trade or in the intereior, as there is no provision in the treaties that land for missionary purposes shall be acquird only from the Government, and there is likewise no provision that such land shall be surrendered to the Government when no longer used for missionary purposes. The Legation considers the new certificate in its present form to be decidedly not satisfactory and instructs the Consulate General to inform American land holders accordingly, to advise them against accepting it, and to delay completion of the registration of their titles until the essential points involved have been agreed to and the certificate has been approved by the Department of State.

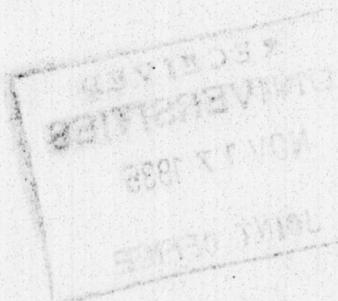
The Consulate General is endeavoring to obtain from the Municipal authorities a satisfactory explanation of the disputable points involved in the new Certificate form and will notify you of developments. It will appreciate receiving information concerning developments in the case which may come to your attention.

Yours truly,

For the Consul in Charge

(Signed) J. C. VINCENT

John Carter Vincent
American Consul



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UNIVERSITY OF NANKING

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

NANKING, CHINA
Nanking

October 24, 1935

*ack 1/2/35*Dr. B. A. Garside
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

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Dear Dr. Garside:

After writing the note concerning registration of land and property of the University, through an oversight one note was left out, and that is that prior to 1927 the anonymous situation of our land and deeds was a source of great concern to Dr. Bowen. At that time steps were taken to clear the land deeds and to have them regularly stamped by the Chinese Government. I recall that Dr. Bowen even appointed one of the teachers to give up all his teaching and devote full time to make this a title clear. Some work, then, had been started. But the 1927 change came suddenly. Subsequently the national Government came into power with a change of policy, and this, together with other considerations, necessitated the dropping of this matter. I must say that this matter of registration was one of the important things that Dr. Bowen made an effort to clear.

In general our problem of registration is not very different from other mission properties in Nanking. We may have more deeds, as far as the actual number is concerned, in our possession. I say "in Nanking" because the local governments in other cities may differ, and the fact that we are located at the site of the government may make a difference in the urgency of this matter of registration. All the private properties have been either registered or re-registered with the exception of mission properties by now.

Sincerely yours,

Y. G. Chen

Y. G. CHEN

N. B. Mr. Wheeler asked me to inform you that 200 copies of the printed letter about the University, dated October first, was sent to your office from Shanghai about two weeks ago. Will you please let us know if they were received?

Received by Mrs Macmillan 11/7/35 - 200.

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UNIVERSITY OF NANKING

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

NANKING, CHINA



October 24, 1935

ack 1/2/35

Dr. B. A. Garside
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City



Dear Dr. Garside:

From letter

According to your letter of August 2 to the Presidents of the Universities and Colleges participating in the Associated Boards, we are glad to know of the definite plans made for the united campaign of the Associated Boards, and that a preferred list of objectives has been prepared.

On the list of promotional objectives of 1935-36, as voted in action E-434 and E-435, we have noted that the University of Nanking has been allotted \$10,000 as an objective, while at the same time, we have noted others given \$20,000 and \$25,000. We can very well appreciate the difficulties under which this list has been prepared, but I think the inequality of this list is quite pronounced. I am afraid the Committee is guided somewhat by the noise each institution is making. However, I realize that I do not know under what conditions the objectives are being prepared. I am sure that it is not based on needs.

In your letter of September 16 reference has been made to the most fundamental and most urgent needs of the University, on which primary emphasis should be put during the next year or two in promotional efforts--with particular reference to my trip to America. The most urgent need at the present time is the administrative expense of the University. Our work has increased a great deal more, prior to 1927, but our administrative budget has not increased in proportion. This fact has greatly handicapped our work. Enclosed you will find a copy of a statement showing the moderate increase necessary to take care of this side of the work. Owing to a decrease of income, we dropped this matter.

I have also noted that Fukien University is having an item for cooperative program of two institutions in that area. We have also made request on that matter. If we are to go much further in the direction of such cooperation with the other institution in this area, it seems that such a fund is necessary. As I have stated in previous letters, under the present arrangement, cooperation has been quite a financial strain directly or indirectly to the University.

Sincerely yours,

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PROPOSAL FOR MODEST EXPANSION IN ADMINISTRATION
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NANKING AS SOON AS FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE

(Presented to the Executive-Finance Committee May 22, 1931)

Summary - details attached:

	Present	Proposed	Additional
1. Office of the President	\$11,868.50	\$18,286.50	\$6,420.00
2. Office of the Treasurer	5,432.00	7,382.00	1,950.00
3. Office of the Registrar	5,216.25	6,316.25	1,100.00
4. Office of the General Superintendent	<u>4,282.50</u>	<u>6,332.50</u>	<u>2,050.00</u>
	\$26,799.25	\$38,319.25	\$11,520.00

(The New York Office and miscellaneous items to remain without change.)

Additional Special Items: (Recurring annually)

- LIBRARY:
Annual grant for books and expenses \$11,000.00
- HOSTEL FOR GUESTS:
Estimate for annual upkeep, entertainment, etc. 2,000.00

Capital Grant: (Non-recurring)

- HOSTEL:
Building, furnishings and endowment to provide for upkeep of property - not including cost for entertainment of guests \$25,000.00

On account of limited funds, the administration of the University of Nanking has been greatly handicapped. This statement is intended to propose moderate expansion which will enable the administration to carry the work more efficiently. (May 1931)

I. OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT:

Salaries:			
President	\$4,200.00		
Assistant to the President	3,000.00*		
Secretarial staff:			
M. H. Purcell (2.10 to 1)	2,016.00		
Hi Tsing-yuen	1,610.00		
Yuen Ching-hsien	1,025.00		
Wang Tung-pei	480.00		
Writers and assistants	<u>600.00</u>	\$12,931.00	
Office expense and supplies		1,000.00	
Cables, telegrams, etc.		500.00	
Printing and publicity:			
Salaries	1,607.50		
Office expense and supplies	250.00		
Travel and printing	<u>2,000.00*</u>	<u>3,857.50</u>	\$16,288.50

II. OFFICE OF THE TREASURER:

Salaries:			
Treasurer (present basis)	1,512.00		
Assistant treasurer	1,462.50		
Secretary	1,200.00*		
Cashier	897.50		
Assistant cashier	410.00		
Assistants	<u>350.00</u>	5,832.00	
Office expense and supplies		600.00	
Auditing expense		450.00	
Printing		<u>500.00</u>	7,382.00

III. OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR:

Salaries:			
Registrar			
Assistant registrars:			
Tsien Tsuen-tien	1,525.00		
Liu Ching-hsi	1,327.50		
Suen Shu-fang	643.75		
Secretary (add)	960.00		
Assistants	<u>300.00</u>	4,766.25	
Office expense and supplies		550.00	
Announcements and publicity		<u>1,000.00</u>	6,316.25

IV. OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT:

(See details following)			<u>6,332.50</u>
			\$38,319.25

IV. OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT:

Salaries:

General superintendent (1/2 only)	\$1,650.00	
Assistant superintendent	1,275.00	
Secretaries (2)	1,462.50	
Assistants	<u>1,195.00</u>	\$5,582.50

Office expense and supplies:

A. General	350.00	
B. Special - meeting guests, etc.	<u>100.00</u>	450.00

Publicity - outside contacts:

A. General	100.00	
B. Property - buildings, land, etc.	100.00	
C. Meetings, etc.	<u>100.00</u>	300.00

Purchasing:

A. Building supplies	1,000.00	
B. Electricity supplies	500.00	
C. Stationery and mimeographing	<u>500.00</u>	2,000.00

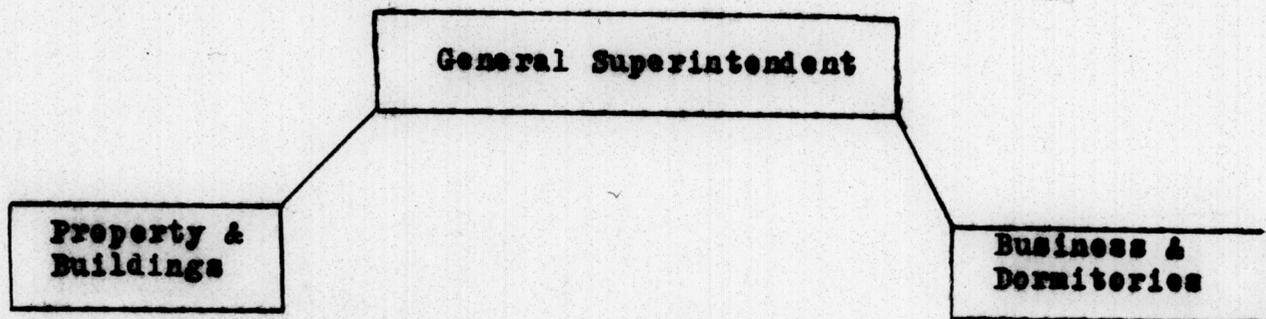
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October 28, 1935

President Y. G. Chen
Miss Elsie M. Priest
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

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My dear Dr. Chen and Miss Priests:

About ten days ago we mailed to Nanking five copies of the Report of the Treasurer of our Nanking Board of Founders for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1935. I should have sent you a covering letter before this, although I believe that the report is detailed enough to require few additional comments or explanations.

Endowment Section. There were no important changes among our general endowment funds during the year although there was a substantial gain in market value. Income increased slightly, but was still quite low. We are hoping that the present year will show even more substantial gains both in market value and in income.

The principal of the Famine Funds was, of course, somewhat reduced during the year, since our expenditures for the Famine Fund program exceed our income on investments. I hope that these reductions in principal are not proceeding at a more rapid rate than the field has counted upon in projecting its Famine Fund program for the next fifteen or twenty years.

Our retirement reserves fund has continued to increase in value, and has yielded a little more than enough income to meet the payments on the pension premiums of the Western members of the University supported staff.

In the current general section our income for 1934-35 showed a decrease from the previous year. We continue to hope that 1934-35 reports the lowest figure to which our income will go, and that this year will show an upturn.

On page six of the report we summarize our surplus and deficits. These will be somewhat reduced by gains on exchange in 1933-34 and 1934-35 and the remainder will have to be carried along in the hope of more prosperous times.

In general, the finances of our Nanking Founders are in a fairly good state of repair, considering the conditions we have confronted

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President Y. C. Chen
Miss Elsie H. Priest

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during recent years. We are anxious, however, to bring about an improvement wherever possible, so that we may gradually increase the amount we are able to supply each year for the work of the University.

Very cordially yours,

B A GARSIDE

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HANGCHOW CHRISTIAN COLLEGE
Zakow, Che-, ----- China

November 5, 1935

President Y. G. Chen
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

Dear President Chen:

In reply to your letter of November 1st, inquiring about the registration of the college land, I take pleasure to inform you that we have just completed the registration of our land. The land was registered in the name of American Presbyterian Mission. At the time of re-registration a charge was made by the Municipal Land Office for a new deed. It was 6% of the appraised land value.

Since the land is registered in the name of the Mission the College is unable to enjoy the special reduced rate for the land tax levied by the Municipality. We have to pay the regular rate of tax. This adds a great deal to our burden every year. But as the Mission is unwilling to register the land in the name of the College, we have simply to pay much more unnecessary tax because of this ruling of the Mission. We do not know whether your University has to face the same difficulty or not. If you can register your land in the name of the University please let us know.

Very sincerely,

/s/ Baen E. Lee
President

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University of Nanking

November 18, 1935

✓ President Y. G. Chen
Miss Elsie M. Priest
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

Dear Friends:

I am writing you enclosing copy of the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting of November 8th.

This meeting was called primarily for the purpose of considering the Hoover Trust Fund.

At the last minute both Dr. Speer and Mr. Carter were unable to attend, Mr. Banton likewise being detained on account of court duty.

You have secured complete details covering this transaction, and it is hardly necessary to go into it still further. As a matter of fact, we have gone about as deep as we can at the present time. By way of inference I have told the Geo. D. Harter Bank how poorly they have managed this as compared with other trust funds which we have on our books. In effect, their reply states that they were horribly crippled by being required to pay out \$6,500 a year, thereby not permitting the establishment of any definite policy of investment; and also that the fund did not equal \$50,000 when it was taken over originally. Further than that, they state that the fund was administered in like manner as trustee funds in other institutions were managed. None of these statements mean much of anything, and are recited merely as a camouflage to cover mistakes. We did not wish to get in any argument with any bank, nor any of the institutions handling funds for our various universities, so we have refrained from making any reply.

We are hoping that some construction^{re} recommendations will be received in Mr. Searle Bates' communication, and have written the bank that nothing is to be done until we receive some reply from the field. Meantime, of course, you are withholding drawing on this account.

Very truly yours,

C. J. Evans

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Nanking

November 25, 1935

President Y. G. Chen
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

My dear Dr. Chen:

Miss Purcell has kindly handed to me a copy of the interesting report you transmitted to the Board of Founders and the Board of Directors under date of August 3rd, covering the work of the University from 1927 to June 30th, 1935. A copy of this report was handed also to Dr. Speer.

I have gone through this report with some care, and have found it extremely valuable and interesting. We are also glad to have this material available for future reference.

Certainly, Nanking is to be congratulated upon the fine progress it has made during the eight years since you became its President. They have been years filled with difficulties and discouragements. Not all of our problems are solved by any means, but under the capable leadership of yourself and your colleagues, and under Divine guidance and blessing, Nanking has not only continued its former service but has widened and deepened the scope of the contributions it is making to the people of China.

Very sincerely yours,

B A GARSIDE

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UNIVERSITY OF NANKING
NANKING, CHINA



December 11, 1935.

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Mr. B. A. Garside,
Associated Boards for China Colleges,
150 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Dear Mr. Garside:

You will find enclosed a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors, held November 22, 1935.

*See
"Director
Minutes"*

There are a number of items that need to be explained, and I shall send you a letter in a few days. Meanwhile, we wished to have the minutes reach you as early as possible.

With Best Wishes for the Holiday Season,

Sincerely yours,

Y. G. Chen

*Miss Armo is having a severe cold and so is not at school - the covering letter has been dictated, but she has not written it. If unable to do so in a day or two, I will do it myself. Meanwhile this is the best we can do to have the minutes in your hands promptly.
E.M. Priest*

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UNIVERSITY OF NANKING
NANKING, CHINA

December 11, 1935

Mr. B. ...
100 Fifth Avenue, New York

Dear Mr. ...

You will find enclosed a copy of the
minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors, held

November 2, 1935.

There are a number of items that need to be considered,
and I shall send you a letter in a few days. Meanwhile,
I have attached to this letter a copy of the minutes of the

meeting of the Board of Directors, held
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

NANKING, CHINA

December 12, 1935

Dr. B. A. Garside
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York



Arch 1/21/36

Dear Dr. Garside:

I am enclosing a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors, held on November 22, and I will send you under separate cover the usual 40 copies. There are a few items that need some explanation.

The matter of my trip to America was discussed both at the Executive-Finance Committee meeting and at the meeting of the Board, and while no definite action was taken at this time, the Board members felt that I should plan to go to the United States not later than the summer of 1936. I am very hesitant to express my own personal opinion in relation to this trip, but will write you further regarding this matter and personal plans.

Memorial Fund for Dr. Williams:

I presented your letter of September 16 to the members of the Board, and found they were very much interested in having a Williams Memorial Fund established. You will find action D-1123 expresses the official approval of the Board for such an undertaking. We have added "in China" as we felt there might be some friends of Dr. Williams in China who would like to contribute to such a fund. Will you please keep me informed of the steps that are taken concerning this fund?

Special Arrangement with Dr. J. Lossing Buck:

It is not necessary for me to go into great detail concerning the arrangement with Dr. Buck as I have already written you quite fully. The matter was presented to the Board and action D-1124 was taken. Since that time we have sent the action officially to the Nanking Presbyterian Station and have asked them to present it through the usual channels to the Presbyterian Board. This will make one change in the proposal, as I wrote you in my letter of September 16, in which we suggested that the Presbyterian Board pay to the University the cash equivalent that would be paid to Dr. Buck. This new action provides that Dr. Buck will receive his regular salary from the Board. We expect that he will return it to the University personally as long as he is receiving a special salary from the United States Treasury Department.

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Finances and Deficit:

Miss Priest has already sent you a letter concerning the financial items in the minutes. You well know we are deeply concerned over the deficit of the University, and we are taking steps to try to reduce it as rapidly as possible. After full discussion, the Board decided to take action D-1131, and we shall appreciate anything that can be done to help us raise funds at this time.

Registration of Land:

I sent you a very full report of problems concerning the registration of the land in my letter of October 18, and I wish to call your attention to action D-1132. This requires a full statement and will be sent separately. I shall not attempt to include this very important report in this letter.

Furlough for Miss Anderson:

We wish to call your attention to action D-1142 recommending that Miss Anderson be given a regular furlough dating from the summer of 1936 to return to the College of Agriculture and Forestry in the same position. Will you please have the Board of Founders take the usual action concerning this furlough? You will note under action D-1141 that Miss Anderson has been requested to postdate her furlough to June 1936. It is due in February.

Proportion of Christians on the Faculty and Staff:

I was very glad to be able to present to the Board of Directors the request from the Board of Founders concerning the proportion of Christians on our faculty and staff. Just before the meeting we made a study of the administrative and College units, but did not include the Middle School or Hospital. We are incorporating in the minutes the statistics showing the number of Christians in the various units. I wish to call to your attention that the statistics that you have been quoting from the China Christian Educational Association give only the figures for the colleges of Arts and Science, and therefore report 62 people out of a total of 176 as being Christian. Our report is an effort to give a more satisfactory picture of the whole situation of the institution. The Board took action D-1151, which expresses the concern that we all feel regarding this important problem. Every effort has been made and will continue to be made to have as many Christians among our Faculty and staff as is possible. While numbers do not always indicate the spirit, I agree with you that it is important for a Christian University to have a large majority of Christians among its staff.

I believe this will cover the items of special interest to the Board of Founders.

With the greetings of the season, I am,
Sincerely yours,

L. J. Chen

Finances and Buildings

Miss Priest has already sent you a letter concerning the financial items in the minutes. You will know we are deeply concerned over the deficit of the University, and we are taking steps to try to reduce it as rapidly as possible. After full discussion, the Board decided to take action D-1151, and we shall appreciate anything that can be done to help us raise funds at this time.

Registration of Land

I sent you a very full report of progress concerning the registration of the land in my letter of October 18, and I wish to call your attention to section D-1152. This requires a full statement and will be sent separately. I shall not attempt to include this very important report in this letter.

Outlook for Miss Anderson

We wish to call your attention to section D-1152 recommending that Miss Anderson be given a regular full-time salary from the summer of 1936 to remain in the College of Agriculture and Forestry in the same position. Will you please have the Board of Trustees take the usual action concerning this proposal? You will note under section D-1151 that Miss Anderson has been requested to postpone her return to June 1936. It is due in February.

Proposition of Christians on the Faculty and Staff

I was very glad to be able to present to the Board of Directors the request from the Board of Trustees concerning the proposition of Christians on the Faculty and Staff. Just before the meeting we made a study of the administrative and College units, but did not include the Middle School or Hospital. We are cooperating in the minutes the statistics showing the number of Christians in the various units. I wish to call to your attention that the statistics that you have been quoting from the Christian Educational Association give only the figures for the colleges of Arts and Science, and therefore report 82 people out of a total of 198 as being Christians. Our report is an effort to give a more satisfactory picture of the whole situation of the institution and from section D-1151, which expresses the feeling regarding this important problem. Every effort will continue to be made to have as many Christians on the Faculty and Staff as is possible. While the statistics indicate the spirit, I agree with you that it is important for Christian University to have a large number of Christians on its staff.

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I believe this will cover the item of special interest to the Board of Trustees.

With the greetings of the season, I am,
Sincerely yours,

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UNIVERSITY OF NANKING

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

NANKING, CHINA

December 12, 1935

Dr. B. A. Garside
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

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Dear Dr. Garside:

In regard to action, D-1124, concerning Dr. Buck's connection with the University, I want to present some information in addition to that which I have written in the accompanying letter.

At first Dr. Buck's connection with the United States Treasury was of very short duration, and his leave of absence was granted and later extended by the Presbyterian Board. Not very long ago Dr. Buck talked over the situation with the China Council in Shanghai and the following actions were taken:

"Loan of Services, Dr. J. L. Buck: It was voted to request the Board to approve the loan of the services of Dr. J. Lossing Buck of Nanking to the University of Nanking until his next furlough in 1941 with the understanding that during this period the work and activities of Dr. Buck will be subject to the jurisdiction of the University and that the Board will be relieved of all financial responsibility."

"Leave of Absence, Dr. J. L. Buck: It was voted to approve an extension of the leave of absence of Dr. J. Lossing Buck of Nanking in connection with the U. S. Treasury Department, to cover the period February 10, 1935 until such time as may be determined by the University of Nanking."

Dr. Patton of the China Council sent me a copy of his letter to the Nanking Presbyterian Station in which he requested a definite recommendation from the Station. As far as the University is concerned, we have a number of specialists on our staff who are on a very different salary basis than the mission staff. We are ready to place Dr. Buck in this group. This is contrary to the general policy of the Presbyterian Board, but we interpreted the action of the China Council to indicate their desire to meet this emergency situation in a favorable way. We were prepared to accept their approval.

Just before our Board meeting, we learned that the China Council action was not likely to be acceptable to members of the Nanking Station. At the suggestion of one of the members, we recommended the action that was passed by the Board of Directors, as follows:

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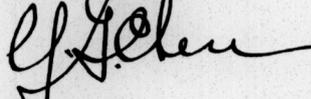
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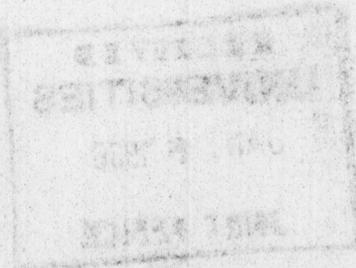
D-1124 VOTED "that the Board of Directors request that Dr. Buck be continued as a regular missionary of the Presbyterian Board allocated to the University and that the Board of Directors enter into agreement with the Presbyterian Mission whereby arrangements be made between the University and the Presbyterian Mission so that Dr. Buck's services may be loaned to the U. S. Treasury Department for one year, with the possibility of renewal for another year."

I have sent this action to the Nanking Presbyterian Station with a request that they will present it with their recommendation to the China Council and Presbyterian Board. It did not seem fair to send you our action without reference to the actions of the China Council. I expect to hear from the Nanking Station before long concerning this whole question.

Sincerely yours,



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I have sent this matter to the National Presbyterian Mission with a request that they will present it with their recommendation to the Joint Council and Presbyterian Board. It did not seem fair to send you our action without reference to the actions of the Joint Council. I expect to hear from the National Mission before long concerning this whole question.

Sincerely yours,



B. A. Gauside

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December 23, 1935

President Y. G. Chen
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

My dear Dr. Chen:

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter
from Miss Mary Felton, together with a copy of
my reply to her. *See "Consideration file"*

This correspondence speaks for itself.
I would be glad to correspond with Miss Felton
further if you see anything in the situation to
justify it.

Very cordially yours,

B A GARSIDE

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OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

Delaware, Ohio

Department of Psychology

December 18, 1935

Mr. B. A. Garside
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Garsides:

Mr. Guy W. Sarvis, head of the sociology department at Ohio Wesleyan, suggested that I write you concerning a job in one of the Chinese colleges. My family is planning to go to China next year and I should like to go with them. My father who is at present teaching sociology at Drew University is considering working at Nanking University. I do not necessarily wish to be at Nanking, although, of course, I should enjoy being near my folks.

Although I would naturally prefer a position which would pay both travel and living expenses, if this is impossible merely maintenance will be satisfactory. I should prefer either teaching or executive work. However, if there are other types of work available I would be glad to accept them, providing of course, that I could do the work required.

My past experience is as follows:

1. A.B. degree at Ohio Wesleyan University (June 1936)

My main fields of study have been in psychology, sociology, zoology, english, philosophy, and history. However I have had a smattering of work in nearly every department.

2. Assistant in the psychology laboratory for three years.

My work here has been to assist and in some sections have complete charge of the two laboratory courses in psychology. This has given me experience in teaching and grading papers.

3. Case work for a few weeks in June 1935 with the Morris County Children's Home.

4. (Summer of 1933) Work in the Normal Child Development Clinic which is connected with Columbia Medical School. This gave me experience in the methods of research as well as in typing and filing.

5. Teacher in the Daily Vacation Bible School, Madison, N.J. - summer 1932.

6. President of my sorority (Phi Mu) 1934-35.

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7. Work with the Y.W.C.A.

Cabinet of the Girl Reserves - 1931-32

Cabinet of the Y.W.C.A. - 1935-36

I have worked with the Y.W. in other years but was not appointed to the cabinet.

8. Membership and offices in a variety of clubs and committees.

9. Senior advisor - fall of 1935.

My job in this capacity was to advise and to some extent discipline the freshmen.

If there is a possibility of a position I would like very much to have an appointment with you during Christmas vacation. My home address is 18 Madison Avenue, Madison, N. J.

Sincerely,

Mary Felton

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