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156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.
December 1, 1922.

Rev. David S. Kennedy, D.D.,
Editor "Presbyterian",
Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Kennedy:-

I read an article in the "Presbyterian" of November 9th in regard to the Women's Union Christian Colleges about which I am venturing to write to you. You know, I am sure, that I am exceedingly conservative and long above everything to have an educated Christian womanhood raised up in the Orient. As I have studied the situation and talked it over apparently the only way for this to be accomplished is for the evangelical denominations to unite in a few colleges of high grade scholastically or the young women will not attend, and still more important they must be openly and constructively Christian. I visited four of these colleges when I was in the Orient last summer but as it was vacation time I did not attend any classes but I was impressed with the desire of those whom I met to have their students become Christians. I was told of the value of the visit of some length that Dr. Hotchkiss of England paid to Ginling College and of the service at Easter when one of the girls who had delayed making her open confession in order to try to win her family was baptized with her mother present.

These colleges are the outgrowth of our own Christian schools and are a part of our denominational responsibility, to my mind one of the gravest that we ~~know~~ have. It seems to me cowardly to shirk this responsibility and I believe it to be our duty to nurture the right type of college. You probably know that each college is under the control on the field of a Board made up of people chosen by the cooperating Missions and that their actions are subject to the approval of similar Boards in this country appointed by the Mission Boards. The action of these Boards must in turn be approved by the Mission Boards and their actions by their proper ecclesiastical authorities. I am on the committee of one of these colleges and am sure that the representatives of the other denominations are strictly evangelical. More than once we have refused to appoint a young woman who was admirably qualified in every way except in her religious attitude. I do not believe in union per se, nor do I refuse to go into union enterprises just because they are called by that name, but I am trying to do what is best for the spread of the gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ through the world.

The present campaign is to secure the necessary buildings and equipment for the seven union colleges that were actually in existence at the time it began and that is the reason that Korea is not included. When I was there in September last our Mission had just voted that the time is ripe for a woman's college and they were studying the question as to whether we should have a union college that includes only the various branches of the Presbyterians Church or whether it should include all denominations at work in Korea. Until a recommendation comes from the Mission of course the Board will do nothing. You say that this campaign "is under the influence of a fund that may be

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not altogether evangelical." Of course you allude to the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial Fund and I am glad to be able to tell you that the money from that fund is an outright gift with no conditions whatever attached. It was secured by Mrs. Henry W. Peabody who is devoting herself to presneting the cause of the colleges and who is a most earnest Christian herself. I have received a telegram from her in which she alludes to your article and says,—"I have no interest in college except as very conservative in Christian teaching."

I agree with you that the educational situation both at home and abroad is one of the gravest and most difficult that we must meet, but it seems to me like abandoning the field to the enemy if we Christians do not get together to guard it and to give the young women of the Orient what they so desperately need.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) Margaret E. Hodge.

President, The Woman's Boards of
Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian
Church in the U.S.A.

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September 24, 1925.

Rev. David S. Kennedy, D.D.,
Editor, "The Presbyterian",
Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Doctor Kennedy,

After reading in "The Presbyterian" of August 23 on page 16, what is written under the title, "A Voice from China", I am impelled to write to you under the conviction that you and the readers of "The Presbyterian" would rejoice in cheering news of the advance of the cause of Christ when that news is true, as well as in sad news reporting the defeat of the cause of Christ, particularly when the sad news is condemnation without foundation in fact.

Among a large number of missionary acquaintances and colleagues, I do not find anyone who knows Mr. B. S. Ding. This is not significant, save of the probability that Mr. Ding does not know many of the missionaries whom he groups together and condemns wholesale. I doubt whether his acquaintance among Chinese is wider, although he assumes to represent all.

The Christian Standard's condemnation of the responsible elected leaders of the Christian Church is well-known to the brotherhood of that Church. Its wholesale condemnation, however, of the responsible appointed missionary leaders and administrators of all the churches will be a surprise even to the membership of the Christian Church long made familiar with its diatribes against their own Church leaders.

To those who know the facts these two quotations are their own sufficient answers.

There are, however, many among the readers of "The Presbyterian" who are deeply interested in the work of the missionaries of our Church, who are not in a position to know the facts and who may be deeply disturbed by these statements, and who may further conclude if there is no protest the reason must be that those who know cannot fully answer. Not only is there no foundation of facts for these indiscriminate condemnations but the real facts are of such an entirely different character that they would not only not be discouraging to those who have a real interest in the fulfilment of the Master's last command, but are full of the greatest encouragement and assurance.

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You may recall my own efforts in America in 1908-09, enlisting the interest of Presbyterians in contributing their quota toward the plan of the University of Nanking, - a union of three denominations which was then being proposed. I make this personal reference simply to indicate that I have been in close touch with the enterprise from the time that missionaries in Nanking of the different denominations began to plan for its organization and development. The University of Nanking was consummated in January, 1910, as a union institution.

The purpose and motives that dominated the group of missionaries who were at that time planning for the union were, first, that they might train more effectively leaders for the evangelistic, educational and medical work being carried on by the Missions and give a thorough scientific training under Christian auspices to the youth of China, who would seek such training in a Christian institution.

The second motive was that in union they could come nearer to fulfilling the spirit and word of the Master as expressed in the seventeenth chapter of John, - "That they all may be one that the world may believe". There was a clear realization that in union there would be added strength in support, in staff, in equipment and in spirit for the work. This strength can be measured outwardly by the number of students and teachers who are in the University and the influence that the University has exerted in China.

Deeper and more significant, however, to the men who were planning the work was the faith that through union they could attain more closely and fully to the mind and spirit of our Lord and Master, as expressed in His prayer the night before the crucifixion. As we look back over the development of the work we thank God with deeper assurance and confidence for the way He has led us.

The University of Nanking has in union and cooperation at this time five different denominations, - the Methodists, North, Disciples or Christian Church and the Presbyterians, North, who were the original parties in the development of the Union; also the Northern Baptist Mission and Church who joined later through the Medical School, and are now participating in the Missionary Training School and the College of Agriculture and Forestry; and the Southern Presbyterian Church and Mission who continue their cooperation in the University Hospital and in the Union Theological Seminary at Nanking.

In 1910 when the three Schools - the Methodists, Presbyterians and Christian - were combined we had an enrollment of 33 students in College and in round numbers, 400 in the preparatory departments. Now the enrollment of the University in the Colleges is over 430, and in the preparatory and other courses is over 700. The enrollment in all departments of Chinese students for last year would be over 1100, not including the enrollment of the Missionary Training School which included 150 young missionaries.

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The University now grants the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science conjointly with the Board of Regents at Albany, and has been authorized to grant the degrees of Master of Arts and Master of Science. Last Fall the University could admit into the Colleges less than one out of three of the students who had taken the preliminary courses and had applied for entrance.

The success of the union in its appeal to the best Chinese is demonstrated beyond question. Its success in its appeal to the missionary body is demonstrated by the fact that from all over China they are sending their students for training and are appealing to the University for Christian teachers for their Schools.

The deeper question, however, which may concern the more earnest readers of "The Presbyterian" who by their faith and prayer are supporting this enterprise, as well as the responsible leaders of the institution, is whether the University is succeeding in presenting Christ to the students and winning young men to faith and loyalty to Him and His supreme claims.

The students of our Middle and Preparatory Schools are drawn more largely from the vicinity of Nanking; consequently a large proportion enter as Christians, having been influenced by the Christian work of the churches and their homes. The students entering the Colleges of Arts and Science, and Agriculture and Forestry, however, are drawn from every province of China and from Korea and the Straits Settlement where there were no Christian Preparatory Schools to fit them for entrance, so that 75% come from other than Mission Schools, from Government and other independent Schools where they have had no formal teaching of Christianity. In order to enable these students to have early in their course the most thorough teaching of the Bible, the University provided in the first year of College five periods a week of fifty minutes each day for Bible study. The students study the text, prepare outlines of the books. The first term was given to the study of the Old Testament, the second term to the life of Christ and the Gospels, and the third term to the Acts and Epistles and the early Church.

With the change of the curriculum providing for two semesters instead of three terms, the plan was modified and the work was distributed through the first two years of College, having three full periods a week in the first and second years of the regular daily work. In addition all students have one hour on Sunday morning of special required Bible study. After four years of study, the Bible classes were optional with the seniors but they elected to continue the study. I know of no School of our Church or of any of the Christian churches in the United States that is giving anything like the amount of

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time and attention to thorough study of the Bible that is being given by the University of Nanking. All students, whether in preparatory or College, are required to attend Chapel each morning and regular services on Sunday.

Such requirements may indicate the purpose and desire of the faculty but would not indicate adequately the response of the students. I am enclosing herewith a report of the results of evangelistic work among the students in the Spring term of 1923 in the Colleges and Middle School. This is one of the regular reports of the work. To summarize, in these special meetings 22 students in the Colleges of Agriculture and Forestry, and Arts and Science, made decisions to become Christians and in the preparatory school 34 more, making 56 in all. In addition there were 26 who decided to become Christians through faculty interviews, and who have been united with the Church; besides 12 others at meetings not included in the special meetings, - a total of 38 decisions of College men and 37 of Middle School men. The total making decisions during the year was 173, out of a total student body of 1100. It would be exceedingly difficult for anyone in America not familiar with the currents of thought in China to realize in any degree what it means for young men from the influential families of China to face the opposition of the great family solidarity in China and become identified with the Christian Church.

The students enter the Colleges, as indicated above, 79% from Government Schools where they have learned little of Christianity and 80% of all the students entering are non-Christians, nevertheless through the influence of the Bible teaching, the services, and above all, the prayer and personal work of the faculty and students by the last two years of College from 60 to 70% of the men are avowed Christians. The missionaries of the churches engaged in the work of the University of Nanking have gone there in obedience to the last command of Christ and they aim to carry on their work in a spirit inspired by the new commandment which the Master gave, "That ye love one another as I have loved you", and the spirit that has prompted union efforts is the spirit of the Master's great vicarious prayer, "That they all may be one that the world may believe that Thou hast sent me". Can any good come out of union? Come and see. Know the truth and the truth will make you free from fears bred of false reports.

Sincerely yours,

JEW:LB
Encl.

Vice-President.

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November 27, 1923.

Rev. David S. Kennedy, D.D.,
Editor, "The Presbyterian",
Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Kennedy,

You will recall my visit with you in your office some time back when we talked over the work in China and a letter which I had sent to you, aiming to give on the basis of the facts a more encouraging view of the work of the University of Nanking. You assured me at that time that you would publish the letter. I sincerely hope that you will be able to do so, for I apprehend there may be some whose faith and confidence have been disturbed by irresponsible reports without basis in fact, who should have these facts and the encouragement that the truth will give them. You can in this way greatly aid the Master's work in Nanking.

Very sincerely yours,

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Nov. 28, 1923.

Rev. J.E. Williams; D.D.
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Williams:-

We still have your letter which you sent to us. Since you were here, we have received information from a Methodist paper in China which very distinctly gives the impression that Nanking Theological Seminary, which was once Presbyterian and thoroughly conservative, is now a Union institution and is virtually under the direction or control of the Modernists. We cannot therefore proceed with the letter until this cloud is removed.

Very sincerely yours,

W. Kennedy

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December 1, 1923.

Rev. David S. Kennedy, D.D.,
Editor, "The Presbyterian",
Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Kennedy,

In order that the publication of my letter may not be longer delayed by any shadow that may be cast by the cloud of the Nanking Theological Seminary, I am replying at once to your letter of the 28th.

In the statements made in "The Presbyterian", issue of August 23, no reference was made to Nanking Theological Seminary and the erroneous charges were directed only against the University of Nanking, so my letter makes no reference to Nanking Theological Seminary. Furthermore, in our conversation you will recall that no reference was made by you or me in any way to Nanking Theological Seminary, and this was quite natural since Nanking Theological Seminary was wholly irrelevant to the matter in hand.

Since Nanking Theological Seminary is also in Nanking City, you may have assumed that it is a Department of the University, and if so, whatever may involve the Seminary would also involve the University. The facts, however, are that the Nanking Theological Seminary is an entirely independent institution with its own constitution and Board of Managers, elected directly by the cooperative missions. It has been a union of the Presbyterian, Missions, North and South, Methodist Missions, North and South, and the Disciples Mission, since 1911. The Board of Managers, elected by the Missions, have full control of the institution, reporting to the Missions which appoint them. These facts should answer completely any difficulty you may have felt about the Nanking Theological Seminary and the University of Nanking, so I hope you will publish the letter I wrote you without further delay. A statement of the truth certainly cannot harm the cause of our Master, while uncorrected statements that are false can only do harm.

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Counting upon your cooperation to make the

Very sincerely yours,

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While the University of Nanking is not responsible for the Nanking Theological Seminary, I cannot refrain from expressing my surprise that any one should charge the teachers there with any lack of complete and entire devotion to the work of our Lord and Master.

It may be of interest to you to know that of the nine missionary professors in the Theological Seminary, five are members of the Southern Presbyterian Church and the President, Dr. Rowe, who is a member of the Methodist Church, spent his furlough year in study at Princeton Theological Seminary. The representative of the Southern Methodist Church is an alumnus of Princeton Theological Seminary. No one has raised any question that I have heard of the orthodoxy of ~~Mr. Stanley Smith~~, the representative of the Northern Presbyterian Church, or the other representative of the Northern Methodist Church, who is always known as very conservative. Should the other Missions than the Presbyterian complain of lack of representation, there would be good and ample ground for question, but there certainly could be no ground for complaint on the part of Presbyterians.

I have just been rereading the second chapter of Philipians. As Paul speaks to the individual so he might speak to us as different church members in the body of Christ's whole Church, - "Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others" and "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus". We certainly cannot come into union enterprise with any spirit of the commercial exploiter who wants only to advance his own denomination. We should aim to "bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ".

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J.E.W.

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December 22, 1923.

Rev. David S. Kennedy, D.D.,
Editor, "The Presbyterian",
Market Street,
Philadelphia.

Dear Doctor Kennedy,

I should have written you earlier to express my appreciation of your publishing in full my letter and statement in regard to the University; and also my appreciation of your kindly references to me in relation to the work. I should appreciate very much having a dozen copies of that issue, if I might.

I have before me a copy of a picture postal of Kuling which Dr. Walter Lowrie sent me for a Christmas card on the Christmas before we left China, in which he wrote out in full that wonderful passage from Isaiah:

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder (including Nanking University) and His name shall be called WONDERFUL, COUNSELLOR, THE MIGHTY GOD, THE EVERLASTING FATHER, THE PRINCE OF PEACE. Of the increase of His government and peace no end." Isa. 9:6-7

Neh.:8:10
Psalms 150:1-6
John 15:9,11
Acts 8:8,39
Rev.: 5:9-13

Kuling, December 22, 1921.

J.W.L.

I want to pass this prayer of Dr. Lowrie's for us on to you. I also enclose a Christmas card from Mrs. Williams and myself, and hope the Christmas season may

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2 - Rev. David S. Kennedy, D.D.

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bring to you and yours a sense of the wonderful joy and hope and power that is ours in Christ Jesus, and the sure promise of peace and good will among all men through Him.

Very sincerely yours,

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February 26, 1924

Rev. David S. Kennedy, D.D.,
Editor, "The Presbyterian",
Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Kennedy,

I should appreciate very much having ten copies of "The Presbyterian" of date, December 13, 1923, which contained the original reference, my letter and your editorial comment. I should be pleased to remit for these copies.

Very sincerely yours,

JEW:LB

J. E. Williams

We regret exceedingly that the issue of Dec. 13 is exhausted. There was such a demand for this issue we sold out in a short time. Yours truly
The Presbyterian

Mr & Mrs Odgen King

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Nanking

August 6, 1934

Mr. and Mrs. Ogden King
130 Hackberry Street
Modesto, California

My dear Mr. and Mrs. King:

We have just received from President Y. G. Chen, of the University of Nanking, a cablegram authorizing us to extend to you on behalf of the University of Nanking, an invitation to join the staff of the institution for a period of approximately two years, beginning at the opening of the academic year in September, 1934, and ending June 30, 1936. The cablegram states that the position would be a full time one, but does not specify the department in which you would serve. I presume that you have been in touch with President Chen, and that therefore the invitation will not come as a surprise to you. We are authorized to offer you the regular salary and allowance of members of the University staff.

I enclose herewith a schedule of salaries and allowances. Your appointment would be under the class of "local appointees," since the initiative is being taken by the field and there has not been time for our Board of Founders to meet and take formal action. On arrival in China papers with regard to you would be collected by President Chen, and submitted to the Board of Founders for their ratification.

Your salary would be on the basis of U.S. \$1800 per year, as specified under section 3. This salary would begin on the day of your sailing from the United States. I do not know whether you have children, but if so, their allowance would be paid as indicated under section 4. On a brief two year appointment of this kind I presume that no outfit allowance would be granted, though since no mention of this was made in the cablegram from China you may wish to verify this in consultation with President Chen after you reach the field.

Suitable residential accommodations will be provided for you in Nanking in general accordance with section 6.

Medical provisions, and dental and oculist fees will be taken care of as provided under sections 7 and 8.

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The provisions under 9 and 10 with reference to language study and furlough do not apply to the two year appointments, though I am sure that the field would be glad to make any adjustments possible if you wish to make at least a beginning in the study of the Chinese language.

As to travel expenses, the University will assume the cost of your travel to Nanking, using special class accommodations on whatever steamer is most convenient for you. I presume that the University also intends to provide your return travel at the termination of your period of service, though this is not set forth definitely in the cablegram.

Since the work of the autumn semester begins the first week in September, it is desirable that you arrange for your sailing as promptly as possible.

President Chen's cablegram authorizes us to extend this invitation to you, so if you are agreeable to acceptance on the terms set forth above, please telegraph us collect to that effect, and begin immediately your preparations for sailing. Application should be made at once for your passport, since ten days to two weeks may be required to secure these documents. (Possibly this time can be shortened by the use of air mail - you can get advice on this point at the passport office to which you apply.) Steamer reservations should also be made at once, since the boats are quite crowded at this season of the year. If you desire us to do so, our New York Office would be glad to secure reservations for you if you will indicate in your telegram the approximate date you will be able to leave, and the port from which you wish to sail. Immediately upon receiving your acceptance of this invitation, we will send you by air mail a remittance sufficient to cover your travel expenses to Nanking.

There is, however, one point which should be cleared up before any move is made toward setting out for China - both of you should have a thorough health examination to guard against the possibility of some unsuspected physical weakness. Experience has shown that even for a period as short as two years it is necessary that all appointees be in the best of physical condition. We enclose herewith medical information blanks for your use. Will you take these to whatever competent physician may be most convenient for you, fill out the first two pages yourselves in advance of your examination. If after giving you the examination your physician recommends that you are satisfactory physically, we will accept his judgment, and hereby authorize you to proceed with your sailing arrangements. We request, however, that you mail the blanks back to us for our examination and reference here. Please pay the examiner's fee and charge the amount as one of the items of your outgoing expenses.

I am tonight wiring you a night letter, giving you the general information in regard to this invitation, and informing you that this present letter follows.

With the sincere hope that it will be possible for you to accept this invitation for service at the University of Nanking, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

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131 McHenry Avenue
Modesto, California

August 9, 1934

Mr. B. A. Garside
University of Nanking
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Garside:

This is to confirm my telegram to you of August 8 accepting the offer to join the University of Nanking staff. Your assumption that I have previously been communicating with the University of Nanking in regard to work there is correct. I believe the plan is for me to work in the Agriculture Economics Department.

My wife and I were given a physical examination yesterday by a well known local physican. The first health reports are being returned herewith. We also took the first inoculation for typhoid fever yesterday and were also vaccinated for small pox.

I will be in San Francisco tomorrow to make final arrangements for passports and boat reservations. I think we will plan to sail from San Francisco but will write to you again in a few days after we have made final plans.

We are very glad to have this opportunity to work for two years or more at the University of Nanking.

Sincerely yours,

Ogden King
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Nanking

August 13, 1934

Mr. and Mrs. Ogden King
131 McHenry Avenue
Modesto, Calif

My dear Mr. and Mrs. King:

Let me acknowledge receipt of Mr. King's letter of August 9th, with which he encloses copies of your health report. We are delighted that you have been able to accept the invitation extended by the University, that your health reports are so satisfactory, and that you are going forward with arrangements for an early departure.

I presume you will wish us to advance your travel expenses, but since you state that you will be writing again within a few days after your plans are in more definite shape, we will await this further word in the expectation that it will give us more definite information as to just how you wish this advance handled.

Since for the present your appointment is being made on the initiative of the field, rather than by our Nanking Board of Founders, we will not trouble you to fill out the usual papers needed by our candidate committee in studying the qualification of new appointees. We would be grateful however if you would send us, in as much detail as your time will permit, general statements as to your training, experience, and the basis of your interest in this work in China. A little later on your appointment will come before the candidate committee of our Board of Founders for confirmation, and it will save time and trouble if you begin the assembling of this information now. In addition to a statement of professional qualifications, our Founders are also interested in the personality, character, and religious convictions of their appointees, so we would be grateful if you would send us information along these lines, including frank statements as to your religious experience and convictions. Will you also enclose photographs so that we may that aid to becoming better acquainted with you? Since I note that Mr. King was born in Clarksville, Arkansas, I am sure that I can vouch for him already, since my Mother was born near Clarksville some seventy-three years ago, and as a youngster I heard much of the beauty of the scenery along the Arkansas River between the Ozark and Clarksville.

In the hope that all of your plans for departure will go forward smoothly, I am

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Very cordially yours,

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131 McHenry Ave.
Modesto, California

August 14, 1934

Mr. B. A. Garside
University of Nanking
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City, New York

Dear Mr. Garside:

Upon inquiry in San Francisco, I found that most passenger ships are booked rather heavy at this season and very few vacancies exist. We have finally been granted reservation, however, to sail from San Francisco to Honolulu on Saturday, August 25 on the S. S. Lurline operated by the Matson line. We have a reservation on the Empress of Japan from Honolulu to Shanghai which is scheduled to arrive in Shanghai September 11.

To the present date I have not received papers which I have been told will be necessary for me to have in order to secure the expected reduction on transportation costs.

Sincerely yours,

Ogden King
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August 17, 1934

(by air mail)

Mr. Ogden King
181 McHenry Avenue
Modesto, California

My dear Mr. King:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 14th.

I am glad that you have been able to arrange sailing accommodations that will get you to Shanghai by September 11th. Since the work of the University begins early in September, I know that everyone will welcome your arrival as soon as possible after the opening date.

You inquire as to papers which would enable you to secure a reduction in your transportation costs. The only reduction given on steamship tickets is a discount of 10% for missionaries traveling first class. I understand that you and Mrs. King are planning to travel special class, so I believe you will not be able to get any discount. I am however enclosing herewith a certification that you are regular missionaries of the University of Nanking staff, and as such are entitled to all travel discounts regularly allowed to missionary personnel. If this will assist you in getting any reductions in expense anywhere along the line, we will be very much pleased.

I assume that you will not need western clergy certificates for your railway travel before going aboard ship, since these certificates cost \$2.00 each, and that is probably more than you would save in railway fares. Also it would be extremely difficult to obtain these certificates in time for your use.

You have not made any reference to the amount of travel expenses you will require for your journey to Nanking. But inasmuch as these funds must be sent forward promptly if you are to receive them in time for concluding your arrangements, I am enclosing herewith a check to your order in the amount of \$600. Since the special class fare from San Francisco to Shanghai is a little less than \$200, I trust that the balance of a little over \$400 each for Mrs. King and yourself will be more than adequate for the additional expenses of your journey. The regular travel regulations are set forth on pages 3 and 4 of our Nanking salary schedule, a copy of which has already been sent you. Will you please keep careful record of your necessary expenditures en route, including the items for passport and for medical ex-

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amination, and upon your arrival in Hanking render an accounting to Mrs. B. A. Slocum the acting field treasurer, within a necessary adjustment of unused balances or over expenditures.

We trust that all of your arrangements for departure will go forward smoothly and that you will have a very pleasant journey to China and a highly satisfactory period of service there. I am sorry that we have had to make all these arrangements in such haste, and that there has not been more time for exchange of correspondence.

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Very cordially yours,

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*copy to
Mrs. Slocum*

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Nanking

675 Vincent Avenue
Berkeley, California
August 17, 1934

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Mr. B. A. Garside
University of Nanking
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Garside:

Until we sail on August 25 our mail and telegraph address is as shown above.

At a late date we found that special class accommodations on the Lurline from San Francisco to Honolulu were not available. We were able, however, to secure minimum rate first class accommodations on the Lurline and special class accommodations for the rest of our trip on the Empress of Japan. Our fare, San Francisco to Shanghai, will be \$250.00 each plus a \$5.00 tax and minus any available discount. This fare is \$35.00 more than special class accommodation would have been for the trip. (\$35.00 each.)

No special class rooms were left on the Dollar Liner sailing August 24 and their next two ships would not arrive in Shanghai until September 25. As it is we will arrive September 11.

We hope these arrangements will be satisfactory.

Yours very truly,

Ogden King.
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To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that Mr. and Mrs. Ogden King are regular members of the staff of the University of Nanking, a missionary institution founded and chiefly supported by the following organizations:-

American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions
Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal
Church

Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church
in the U.S.A.

United Christian Missionary Society

Mr. and Mrs. King are entitled to receive reductions in fare usually accorded to missionary personnel.

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Very truly yours,

Secretary

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675 Vincente Avenue
Berkeley, California
August 22, 1934

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Mr. B. A. Garside
University of Nanking
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Garside:

I hereby acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 13 and another letter of August 17 containing a \$600.00 check.

Our sailing date of August 25 is rapidly drawing near and we find ourselves in a great rush to make final arrangements.

In regard to our training and experience in the field of educational work we trust it will be sufficient at present to present a very short summary and prepare a more detailed statement at a later date when more time is available.

I am a graduate of Texas Technological College in the College of Agriculture, have a masters degree at the University of California, have completed one and a half years of graduate work on a doctors degree at Cornell. I did college teaching at Washington State College for one semester and have worked in the field of Agricultural research and extension and land utilization for three to four years in Connecticut, New York, Washington, and California.

My wife is a graduate of the University of California and did one year of post graduate work there. She taught in a California high school for three and one-half years and attended the Helen Wakenan Secretarial School for five months during which time she completed the secretarial course.

I am enclosing our passport photo for addition to your files.

Very truly yours
Ogden King
Ogden King

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EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, entered into, by and between the UNIVERSITY OF NANKING AND OGDEN AND HELEN KING (here in after referred to as Mr. and Mrs. King) this thirteenth day of October, 1934, WITNESSETH:

That the UNIVERSITY OF NANKING hereby agrees to and does employ Mr. and Mrs. King for the positions of "Chiao Sheo" (this Chinese term, in common use, includes the titles of Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor) and Secretary, respectively, in the Department of Agricultural Economics, for a term of approximately two years from date of sailing - August 25, 1934 to July 31, 1936. This is construed to include at least one month of vacation in the summer of 1935, work at the University to be completed by June 30, 1936, and the balance of the time to be allowed for vacation and travel to Ithaca, New York.

On the following schedule of salary and allowances:

1. Salary at the rate of U.S.\$150 per month for the period of this contract.
2. Travel expenses (1) from Modesto, California, to Nanking (first class to Honolulu and tourist from there to Shanghai); (2) from Nanking to Ithaca, New York, at the completion of term of service, by the most direct and economical route.
3. Unfurnished residential quarters in Nanking.
4. Medical attention for sickness without charge up to a total of Yuan 200 for both Mr. and Mrs. King in any one contract year. This includes prescribed medicines; hospital expenses, except for a fixed charge of Yuan 2.00 per day; and one-half dental and oculist bills if incurred with prior consent.

THE UNIVERSITY, upon due notice in writing, may terminate this contract at any time upon payment of a sum equal to three months' salary from the date of said termination and full travel expenses to Ithaca, New York, by the most direct route.

Mr. and Mrs. King hereby accept the said employment and the foregoing terms and conditions and agree that, if for any reason they resign the positions before the expiration of one-half the term of this contract, they will reimburse the UNIVERSITY for such proportion of the outgoing expenses as the time of actual service bears to one-half the full term of service as set forth and that, in case they resign at any time before the completion of the contract, no payment shall be made by the UNIVERSITY for travel expenses to the United States, except in case of serious illness of one of them.

It is further agreed that Mr. and Mrs. King will give their whole time and attention to the work for which they are hereby employed and that they will not engage in any outside occupation or activity for profit, except as may be agreed upon in conference with the President of the UNIVERSITY OF NANKING.

This AGREEMENT may be renewed if signed by the parties hereto ninety(90) days prior to its expiration.

WITNESSETH the hands and seals of the parties this thirteenth day of October, 1934.

WITNESSES

Arthur P. Bloom

John Lansing Bush

H. Brian Low

UNIVERSITY OF NANKING

Y. G. Chen
Y. G. Chen, President

Ogden King
Ogden King

Helen King
Helen King

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NANKING, CHINA

CABLE ADDRESS: "UNIVERSITY"

Nanking

November 26, 1935

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Mr. John H. Reisner
Room 1201
156 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Reisner:

Referred to Evans

I am aware of the fact that the Mission Foundation in New York makes purchases of various items for their representatives in the field. My enquiry may fall in a peculiar class of its own; nevertheless, I would like to know if automobiles can be purchased by or through the Foundation with discounts of any kind. When I return to the States after the summer of 1936, I expect to arrive in New York and at that time will be interested in the purchase of a sedan car in the low price field. Any information you can give me along this line will be greatly appreciated.

attended by HRL

Will you please send me a catalog and announcements of the Seventh Annual Cornell School for Missionaries to be held in 1936?

Very truly yours,

O. King

Ogden King
College of Agriculture
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

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Associated Board for Chinese Colleges
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Dear Sir:

Before leaving the University of Nanking on July 2nd, I asked the Treasurer Miss Priest to request you to obtain two clergy certificates for Eastern railways and send to me in Canada. Recently I have changed my reservations for Atlantic passage to the "Columbus" landing in N.Y. September 20. If you have already obtained the clergy certificates, please hold them for me at your office in N.Y. If you have already forwarded them to me in Canada will you please request that they be returned to N.Y.

I will call at your office while in N.Y. From there I will travel by train to Ithaca, N.Y.

Very truly yours

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Mr & Mrs T. S.
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38 Claremont Avenue
New York City
March 27, 1929

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A cable has just come announcing the death of Dean T.S.Kuo, after a very brief illness. No other details are known. To those of you who would like to write to Mrs.Kuo, I would suggest that your letter addressed to Mrs.Kuo be enclosed in a second envelope addressed to Miss Elsie M.Priest, University of Nanking, Nanking, China. This will the better insure safe and prompt delivery.

Dean Kuo had won for himself a premier place among agricultural teachers and leaders of China, not only because of his very great ability, but quite as much because of his unquestioned integrity of character. He has been in the University since September, 1925. To his courageous leadership and loyalty and ability must be attributed, in very large measure, the successful way the University came through the uncertain days after March 24, 1927. In his death the University has lost a wise and experienced administrator and leader and teacher, and many of us have lost a true friend.

Sincerely,

John E. Reischer

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May 9, 1929

Mrs. T. S. Kuo
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

My dear Mrs. Kuo:

The Board of Founders of the University of Nanking has instructed me to convey to you the following memorial minute passed at the semi-annual meeting of the Nanking Board of Founders on April 22, 1929.

"The Board of Founders has learned with deep regret of the death on March 23rd, 1929, after a short illness, of Dean T. S. Kuo of the College of Agriculture and Forestry. When Dean Kuo joined the College of Agriculture and Forestry in September, 1925, he had already attained a preeminent place among the agriculturists of China having been active in both government institutions and private organizations interested in the promotion of agriculture and Rural Life in China. His practical experience, high ability, personal qualities and wide contacts added greatly to the prestige and success of the College of Agriculture and Forestry and have been an important factor in making this department of the University one of the most effective and best known in China. His services to the University as a whole, after the tragic experiences of March 24, 1927 were of the greatest importance and of the highest order. During this period he served, as Chairman of the University Administrative Committee to which position he was elected by his colleagues with the hearty approval of the Board of Directors. No period in the history of the University has been fraught with such difficult experiences or perplexing administrative problems; and the successful outcome was due in large measure to his wise leadership and to his personal qualities of courage and loyalty.

Of his public services, two have been especially notable; the first in connection with the organization and promotion of the Science Society of China, of which he was a charter member and with which he has always been very closely associated in various important capacities; and the second, in connection with the promotion of rural credit facilities for the farmers of China, in which he has played a leading part.

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"Dean Kuo was in the prime of life and his death is not only an irreparable loss to his family and to the University, but to the whole Chinese nation, especially in the field of agriculture and rural life in which he was preeminent and in which he was nationally known and recognized.

The Board of Founders extends its deepest sympathy to Mrs. Kuo and her eight children in their bereavement and loss."

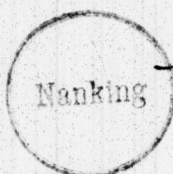
I wish to assure you that all of the western friends of the University of Nanking have been profoundly grieved over the news of the death of Dean Kuo, and join in deepest sympathy to you and your family in this time of your great bereavement.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

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Nanking

Sept. 11th 1929.

Mrs. J. S. Huo

Mr. B. A. Gaude,
Board of Trustees of the
University of Nanking
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City, N.Y.
U. S. A.

TRANSMITTED

My dear Mr. Gaude:-

I beg to acknowledge with profound gratitude the letter dated May 9, 1929 of the Board of Founders of the University of Nanking. The sudden passing away of my late husband Mr. J. S. Huo has caused the deepest sorrow not only of his family but of all his friends in China and abroad. It also engages the sympathy of all those who are interested in the development of Chinese agriculture and education. It is therefore significant that a letter of condolence has come to my hand from the high authority of that institution with which Mr. Huo was connected.

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The sudden attack of illness was largely due to Mr. Pao's mental strain of overwork. But it was also his hard working that enabled him to have rendered so much service to the educational field and social welfare of China. It is my hope that the valuable work he had been doing will not only be well continued but also enlarged and brightened. The best way to commemorate him is to fulfill his wish and to accomplish his unfinished work.

Fourteen years ago Mr. Pao was a pioneer of Jiangsu Educational Forestry, the income of which in the future will be one of the sources of Jiangsu Educational funds. The forestry covers about one hundred and fifty thousand mow extending over three cities, Nanking, Ningpo and Chuyoung. The Jiangsu Provincial Government has allotted two-half mow of land in the Educational Forestry, Hot Spring Town, Nanking as his burial ground. In memory of him the Central

University of Nanking and other societies have established a rural elementary school named after him. These are but a few of the homages that the public has paid to Mr. Luo.

Once more I, myself and my children wish to express to you our deepest thanks and high appreciation.

Very sincerely yours,
Margaret A. Luo, Mrs.
(Mrs. J. D. Luo)