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January 12, 1928.

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✓ Mr. Edwin Marx, Secretary,
United Christian Mission Society,
Shanghai.

Dear Mr. Marx;

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Confirming our conversation of this morning, I wish to state briefly the understanding of the University of Nanking in connection with Miss Lillie F. Abbott.

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If we can give you any further information, please feel free to call on us.

Cordially yours,

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Treasurer.

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San Francisco.

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Edwin Marx

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University of Nanking

February 21, 1928

Dr. Alexander Paul,
United Christian Missionary Society,
425 De Baliviere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Dr. Paul:

I find we have had no reply to my letter of December 3, 1927 addressed to you or to my letters of November 21st and November 22, 1927 addressed to Dr. Corey. Since I understand that Dr. Corey is still in the Orient and may not be back in his office for some little time to come, I am writing to ask your good offices in bringing before your society some of the important questions raised in my letters of November 21st and November 22nd.

Our letter of November 21st quoted the action of the Committee on Emergency Fund in requesting the assistance from the various boards cooperating in the University. As you know, the financial situation in Nanking has been made very precarious because of the events of the last year and it is quite important that we make some special efforts to aid the University through this crisis. Several of the other boards have assisted us by securing substantial contributions from their membership. The United Christian Missionary Society last year did the University a splendid service through sending out a large number of our appeals for us. If you could do still more for us at this time by making a small number of special appeals we would be very grateful.

My letter of November 22nd raised the question of providing a cash equivalent in place of the vacancies on the University quota. I hope this question will be settled for next year by the return of our foreign staff, but for the present year the University is placed in the extremely difficult position of having to secure special Chinese teachers to carry on the work of the absent members of the foreign staff without having adequate funds in hand to pay salaries for these additional workers.

We would appreciate whatever assistance you can give us in these matters.

Very sincerely yours,

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University of Nanking

February 25, 1928

Dr. Alexander Paul,
United Christian Missionary Society,
425 De Baliviere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Dr. Paul:

We attach hereto copy of an important action (D-34) taken by the Board of Directors of the University of Nanking on November 29, 1927, in regard to the return of the foreign staff. It is unfortunate that the official information regarding this action has been considerably delayed. It arrived in our office only a few days ago.

In regard to the return of the personnel of the various boards, President Y.G. Chen recommended quotas for each of the cooperating boards and these recommendations were formally approved by the Executive-Finance Committee of the Board of Directors on January 16, 1928. The recommendations for the United Christian Missionary Society are as follows:

<u>Former quota</u>	<u>Quota recommended</u>
M. S. Bates	M. S. Bates
G. W. Sarvis	New man
C. H. Hamilton	C. H. Hamilton
B. Holroyd	New man
G. E. Ritchey	G.E. Ritchey or new man
R. A. Slater, M.D.	R. A. Slater, M.D.

President Chen goes on to say that the University is extremely anxious that all members of the boards' quotas be on the campus by the end of summer. In connection with this schedule it was voted:

"That the personnel schedule recommended by President Chen be approved and that Doctor Chen take up by correspondence with Mr. Garside of the New York Office and directly with the individuals concerned the return of the men by the respective Mission Boards, and that in case of vacancies where no substitute appointment had been suggested, it was recommended that new teachers be secured, either in (a) modern languages - French and German, (b) advanced English, (c) economics, or (d) sociology, preference being given in the order named."

The question of the return to Nanking of the foreign personnel has already been too long delayed and we hope that we may now settle these matters

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quite promptly. I am not certain whether you are directly responsible for bringing this matter to the attention of the United Christian Missionary Society, but I am sure that you will be kind enough to either bring the matter to the Society yourself or to pass this correspondence on to whoever should receive it.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary
University of Nanking

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St. Louis, Missouri

March 8, 1928

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

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My dear Mr. Garside:

Your good letter of February 28th enclosing a statement from Mr. Leslie B. Moss regarding the \$100,000 which was given to the University of Nanking, and Peking University is here. You ask us to consider the proposition made by Mr. Moss and to report to you. We here to not quite understand what his back of this proposition. We are wondering why your committee should propose that the extra year be given to these universities in order that the original purpose of the Famine Relief Fund could be kept in tact. If there is any reason for your committee taking this action, we would naturally want to stand with you, but we do not quite know why the question is being raised and we will appreciate it if you will give us a line of explanation.

Thanking you, I am

Sincerely yours,

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

My dear Mr. Garside:

Your good letter of February 25th came while I was out of town, and I am sorry for the delay. We are reporting to our executive committee which meets on Tuesday next the request from your committee that we have our full quota of teachers for the University of Nanking in China in good time to begin the fall term. We are taking the matter up with our representatives of the faculty but have not much hope that any of them outside of Prof. Bates who is in Nanking and Dr. Slater who is in Manila will return. We shall get in touch with you just as soon as we can clear with these good people.

Referring to your letter of February 21st in which you call to our attention the fact that you have received no reply to your letter of December 3rd in which you point out the necessity of our taking our quota of extra financial responsibility in order to help the University of Nanking to tide over its present crisis, we are expecting Dr. S. J. Corey about the end of April and immediately on his return this whole matter shall be taken up and we shall be writing you our decision. We want to do our part and I feel quite sure that we shall do so, but we cannot act in a case like this until we have a full membership of our foreign department on hand to go into the question.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Alexander Paul

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University of Nanking

March 13, 1928

Dr. Alexander Paul,
United Christian Missionary Society
425 De Baliviere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Dr. Paul:

We thank you for your two letters of March 8th dealing with various Nanking matters.

We note your explanation of the action being taken by your Society on the request from the University of Nanking for the return of your quota of teachers to China in time to begin the fall term. We recognize the difficulties which stand in the way of the return of many of the foreign personnel at this time but sincerely hope that the largest possible number may be in Nanking again next September. They are needed and desired there more than they have been for many years and it would be a real misfortune to the whole work if a large number are unable to seize the opportunity presented to them.

We quite appreciate the desire of your Society to await the return of Dr. Corey before taking up the financial questions raised in my letter of December 3rd and subsequent communications. It is a matter which should not be acted on hastily and we quite agree that a decision should be left until after Dr. Corey's return.

The situation regarding the hundred thousand dollar famine fund held in trust for the University of Nanking and Peking University is briefly this:-

On March 31, 1923 this fund was set up with the understanding that the income would be divided between Nanking and Peking for a period of five years, but that during this time the principal would be available for use at any time by the Committee of Reference and Counsel on certification by that Committee that the amount or any portion of it was needed for organizing a new appeal for famine relief in China. The agreement further provided that on March 31, 1928 the fund, or any portion of it not used by the Committee of Reference and Counsel as above indicated, would be permanently included in the considerably larger amount set aside for famine prevention through agricultural education in Nanking and Peking. We are within a few weeks of the close of the five year period. The famine conditions in certain parts of China, particularly Shantung, Honan and Hunan, have brought up the question of whether a new appeal for famine relief should be launched

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here in America. There is a wide divergence of opinion in the matter, some feeling that political and military disturbances in China make it impossible to conduct a successful appeal in America or to administer relief in China if funds are secured. Others take the attitude that funds can be secured and administered if proper methods are adopted. The Committee of Reference and Counsel has discussed for several months the question of whether they should undertake a new appeal at this time. Because the question has been such a difficult one they have felt that it might be impossible to settle it satisfactorily before March 31st, and have therefore suggested that all parties entering into the original agreement five years ago should petition for an extension of this agreement to cover the present emergency. That is the basis of Mr. Mess's letter of February 25th, a copy of which was sent to you. Since that letter was written, however, the Committee of Reference and Counsel has about decided to exercise its clear right of petitioning the Trust Company holding this hundred thousand dollars to set it aside immediately for a new famine appeal. The Committee can take that action without the necessity of the approval by either of the Universities, but it feels that, as a matter of courtesy, it would like to have the two institutions express themselves on the matter.

That, in brief, is the present situation. On March 21st the Trustees of the University of Nanking will have a special meeting to discuss the question more in detail.

Very sincerely yours,

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March 29, 1928.

Dr. Alexander Paul,
United Christian Missionary Society,
425 DeBaliviere Avenue,
St. Louis, Missouri.

My dear Dr. Paul:

It appears that we have not yet received advice from your Society of the re-election of Mr. R. A. Doan, whose term expired in 1927, as a representative of your Society upon the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking. As I believe you know, the terms of the Trustees of the University of Nanking are for three years, so that Mr. Doan should be elected to succeed himself, or his successor should be elected, in the Class of 1930.

I trust that your Society may find it possible to act upon this technical point at an early date, as I should very much like to have our records up to date before the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking which is due in the next few weeks.

Cordially yours,

Secretary.

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April 2, 1928

Dr. Alexander Paul,
United Christian Missionary Society,
425 De Baliviere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Dr. Paul:

May we ask you to take whatever steps are necessary to bring to the attention of your Society the action taken by the special committee of the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking on March 28, 1928 as follows:

"VOTED that it is the earnest hope of the Committee that during the next year all the cooperating Boards will maintain their quotas in the University of Nanking on the basis which has been accepted for several years, namely: Methodist Board, Presbyterian Board North, and United Christian Missionary Society each to provide five in general University and one in Hospital; Baptist Board to provide two in School of Agriculture and Forestry; Presbyterian Board South to provide one in Hospital; and that if any vacancies in these quotas should occur during the next year, cash equivalents of \$1,300.00 will be paid in lieu of each such vacancy."

We have already sent you a copy of these minutes but are sending this more formal request to insure that this important matter is brought to the attention of the Boards at the earliest possible date.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

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3855 Northampton Road,
Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

April 2nd, 1928.

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Dear Mr. Paul,

Your letter of March 28th has been received. ^{Indeed} letters are most unsatisfactory, as yours certainly indicates that the Board of Trustees have been under the wrong impression as to my desire to return to the University of Nanking. What has evidently transpired is exactly what I tried to avoid. I am not seeking to return to my former office in Nanking. When I wrote to Dr. Stuart about a possible position with Yenching University, he replied that the University of Nanking people in New York still wanted me to consider the possibility of a connection with them. Prior to that time I had no thought of returning to Nanking; considered that chapter entirely closed, and knew that our friend Miss Priest (a very close personal friend of Mrs. Owen) was taking care of the work very satisfactorily. Mr. Garside followed up Dr. Stuart's letter, expressing practically the same thought as that contained in Dr. Stuart's letter.

Because of our close relationship in the work for so many years, I thought it only fair that Dr. Bowen be informed of what was going on, and I sent copies of my correspondence to him. He immediately replied along the same lines; that if we were considering returning to mission work, especially somewhere in China, why not Nanking again where our former experience and associations would count for so much? He sent me a second letter the next day outlining a plan which he thought would work out to advantage since Ginling College was without a financial officer and needed help - that Miss Priest and I together might undertake the treasurership of Ginling and the University. He wanted Mr. Garside to cable to China immediately, if agreeable to me, and suggested tentative plans that we sail with Mrs. Bowen and him in August. After considering the matter very carefully, and concluding that perhaps there was still a contribution we could make to the work in Nanking along the lines suggested - if we put aside personal considerations for a while - I wrote to Mr. Garside stating that he might cable to China if he would be careful how he stated the proposition, as we did not want Miss Priest to be embarrassed in anyway. I suggested that possibly he could word the cable something like this "If Owen available, under Board support, would the field care to have the Owens return etc. etc." or something to that effect. I wanted the request for my return to come from the field, and certainly did not want to interfere in any way with Miss Priest's present appointment as Treasurer. We felt that stating it that way, it would bring a reply from China that would indicate their real desire in the matter.

I want to state, Mr. Paul, that we have decided we want to engage in altruistic work again, and with this decision in mind we commenced to follow up leads that were presenting themselves. The idea of returning to Nanking was suggested to us, and with personal correspondence that comes to us from individuals in China, we are absolutely up in the air as to just what to do, even if the ~~request~~ came that our return was desired. A personal letter from Miss Priest received during the interchange of correspondence with the New York Office made us feel that perhaps after all we were doing right in offering our services again. Subsequent letters from Mothers in Shanghai, however, make us question very much the wisdom

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of our return, subjecting the family to separation for an indefinite period. A recent letter from Mr. Reisner would indicate a different view, deploring the fact that no one but Dr. Bowen and Mrs. Bowen were returning this autumn, and that the Chinese colleagues were feeling keenly the seeming let down in the interest of the foreigners, the real evidence of which was in their non-return to the work. The varied opinions, and the actual conditions, are all very confusing, when one is willing to put self, and family comforts in the background and consider the best good of the work. I shall be glad to get word from China, as what they have to say will help us in our decision.

I am not willing to return under the University supported staff. There are a number of reasons which I could explain to you personally, why I feel that I should be under a Mission Board, if we returned, either U. C. M. S. or the Presbyterian Board, as those are the two churches which Mrs. Owen and I are particularly interested in.

I am extremely sorry that you, and perhaps other members of the Board of Trustees, received the impression that while I resigned last year and Miss Priest has been appointed in my place, I've changed my mind and want the position back again - at least that's what I gather from your letter. Certainly such is not the case. But when the suggestion came that I could still serve the University, I felt in view of my experience there, and my association with the Chinese workers, I ought to hold myself in readiness to go back if they needed and wanted me.

Upon receiving and reading your letter, my first inclination was to drop the whole affair, and go ahead with some other applications that are pending. Maybe I've read your letter incorrectly. It was in the nature of a surprise in view of what preceded, and yet it is just the kind of misunderstanding I feared might take place, and tried so hard to avoid.

Sincerely yours,

(L. J. Owen)

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425 DE BALIVIERE AVE.

April 4, 1928

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

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My dear Mr. Garside:

There are one or two questions I wish to raise with you regarding the return of missionaries to the University of Nanking. Yours of the 2nd just this moment to hand and we shall keep before us the decision of the Board of Trustees that in case our full quota is not met, we will pay \$1300 Gold until such time as we have a complete staff.

I am wondering what has been done since I was in New York relative to the return of missionary members of the staff. You will remember I spoke to you of two men with whom we are in touch, both of whom will get their doctor's degrees from the University of Chicago. I find that both these men have specialized more or less in the same subjects, sociology. One of them has taken a good deal of his work in the department of missions in the University of Chicago. The other man has taken all his work in the academic department of the university and should be very well prepared indeed to teach sociology. Would it be possible for one of these men to take the position of teacher of advanced English? This is listed in your letter of February 25th as one of the needs. We would like if possible to get this man to the university as he is a thorough missionary in every respect and is married to the daughter of our Mr. Frank Garrett who as you know has spent about thirty years in China. I will appreciate your writing me at your earliest as to whether or not it would be advisable to approach this man on this matter. Naturally he is very anxious to know, as he must be making arrangements for next school year in case he does not go to China.

We have another man who spent a term in China in school work who came home several years ago and who is getting his doctor's degree in chemistry in the University of Cincinnati. He is splendidly prepared, a good linguist and we are wondering whether or not there will be any possibility of an appointment for him in his line in the University of Nanking. He is very anxious to get back to China as a member of the staff of the university.

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I have not yet heard from Mr. Ritchey although I wrote to him the second time soon after returning from New York. As soon as I hear from him, I shall communicate with you.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Alexander Paul

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I have not yet heard from Mr. Whitney although I wrote to him the second time soon after returning from New York. As soon as I hear from him, I shall communicate with you.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Alfred Russel Wallace

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April 13, 1928

Dr. Alexander Paul,
425 De Baliviere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Dr. Paul:

Some days ago we received from Mr. L. J. Owen a copy of a letter he wrote you on April 2nd. Mr. Owen seems to be very much disturbed lest you might have misunderstood the position he has taken on the proposal that he might return to Nanking to assist either in the financial work of the University of Nanking or Ginling College.

I cannot emphasize too strongly that Mr. Owen's attitude in this whole matter has been extremely fine. While he is once more feeling the call to service in China, no suggestion ever came from him that he might return to Nanking because he has felt that the way of his return there is definitely closed. The first we knew of his desire to get back to the field came through a suggestion that he might go to Peking University as their Treasurer, directly under University support. As soon as I discovered that he was thinking of the possibility of returning to China I wrote out to Dr. Bowen to find out whether, in his opinion, there might be any opening in Nanking which would make it desirable for Mr. Owen to return there. Dr. Bowen was evidently very much pleased to learn of Mr. Owen's possible return to Nanking and suggested that there might be some combination of the financial work of Ginling College and the University of Nanking which would demand the full time service both of Miss Priest and Mr. Owen. I know that Dr. Bowen is greatly pleased with the work that Miss Priest is doing as Treasurer and is anxious that she continue to fill this position permanently. It was merely his thought that there is enough work between the two institutions to keep both Miss Priest and Mr. Owen busy. Because of his warm personal regard for both of them and the splendid Christian spirit they have shown he would like very much to see both of them in Nanking.

After our University of Nanking meeting it seemed to me pretty obvious that there is no probability of Mr. Owen getting back to Nanking at this time. I see quite clearly how your Board would feel reluctant to assume his support when probably he would be spending all or a major portion of his time serving Ginling College in which your Board does not have any formal share. I am inclined to feel, therefore, that the incident is practically closed, but I do want you to be entirely convinced that Mr. Owen has shown a splendid spirit all the way through and that if any blunders have been made they are largely the fault either of Dr. Bowen or myself.

Very cordially yours,

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April 13, 1928

Dr. Alexander Paul
United Christian Missionary Society
425 DeBaliviere Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Dr. Paul:

The last four days have been filled with meetings from morning until night so I have delayed a little in replying to your letter of April 4th.

Two days ago Dr. and Mrs. Frank Garrett were in the office and I had the opportunity of talking over with them the question of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Smythe's appointment to the staff of the University of Nanking. Their description of Mr. and Mrs. Smythe made me feel quite sure that they would be very much welcomed in Nanking and would be able to make an invaluable contribution to the work of that institution. It seems that Mr. Smythe might do good work there either in Sociology or in Advanced English. Determination of which position he would occupy there would depend somewhat on the wishes of the field and also a further examination of his qualifications.

It seems to me that the course to follow in the case of Mr. and Mrs. Smythe is as follows:- as soon as your board expresses its willingness to appoint Mr. and Mrs. Smythe to the University or Nanking staff, please write me as complete information as you can in regard to them and I will at once call together the Candidate Committee of the Board of Trustees. As soon as they act I will hurry off letters to President Chen telling him of Mr. and Mrs. Smythe, and their qualifications, and asking him to at once cable us if the University desires their appointment. If your board is now ready to give your tentative approval of their appointment we ought to be able to act promptly here and to communicate with the field at once so that we could report a final decision to you and to Mr. and Mrs. Smythe in about six weeks. That, I understand, will be long enough to satisfy them.

You mention also another man who might be available for the work of Nanking and who has also specialized in the work of Sociology. We would be glad to have you take preliminary action in his case at the same time as that of Mr. and Mrs. Smythe. The our Candidate Committee would consider both of them at the same time and would, if it were voted desirable, send information regarding both people to Nanking and ask President Chen to advise us by cable whether both men were wanted and for what departments.

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Dr. Alex. Paul

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We are very much interested in your third candidate, whose preparation has been in the field of Chemistry. There has been no special appeal from Nanking for a new instructor in Chemistry but since Dr. E. V. Jones, who was formerly in this department, will be kept in America for one year at least because of the health of Mrs. Jones, it may be that the field would welcome the appointment of a chemist this year. If you wish to send along further information in regard to this man also, we would act on his case at the same time as the other two.

We are genuinely grateful to you for the warm interest you have taken in the questions affecting the personnel at Nanking. I would be very happy to see these three recruits go out to the field under your board for I think it would mean a real strengthening of the institution both in its educational program and in its spiritual influence.

Very cordially yours,

Assistant Secretary,
University of Nanking.

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6547 Woodlawn Avenue
Chicago, Illinois
April 14, 1928

*up letter to Mr. Paul
4/12/28*

Mr. Alexander Paul
United Christian Missionary Society
425 DeBaliviere Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri

TRANSFER

My dear Mr. Paul:

In line with my letter of March 10th I am writing to report to you my final decision concerning our return to China. As you know the question has been much in my thoughts during the whole of this past year and has been considered by me from every side. More recently I have had the opportunity to consult with Mr. Ma Wen-hwan who has been Registrar of the University of Nanking during the last year and who arrived in Chicago from China a little over two weeks ago. I have also had opportunity to discuss some matters further with yourself.

The decision, arrived at slowly and with reluctance because of the severance of deep and significant ties involved, is that we shall not return to China. It would be tedious to recount the full course of the deliberations leading to this decision, but I may mention the chief considerations that have finally made our continuance in America seem the wisest course.

Responsibility for our four children and their education has weighed heavily. The former school and home conditions for foreign children in Nanking have completely broken down while the time and character of their restoration had become exceedingly uncertain. Under the circumstances it becomes a sharp question whether it is right for us to take little children of impressionable age back into the abnormal conditions of China's present state. Such action would seem to be justified only if one were convinced of some task of very high value to be fulfilled. But from many sources I have learned that the chances of doing anything at the present time are unusually curtailed, both because of the general unsettlement militarily and because the status of the foreigner in China has not yet been redefined.

A second reflection has been that having now spent thirteen years in China it is possible that I may be able to make a better contribution to the spiritual understanding between East and West on this side of the Pacific than in China at her present stage.

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The last consideration has been that I am now of an age when it is still possible to readapt myself to conditions here in America. After another period of years in China this would not be the case. In view of the very great uncertainty of being able to accomplish a consecutive and thorough piece of work in China in the years immediately ahead this last fact points unmistakably to the present as the appropriate time for me to make the decision to remain in America.

It is not without deep regret that Mrs. Hamilton and myself withdraw from the personal associations with our friends and colleagues in China. We appreciate more than we can say the many letters of friendly regard which we have received together with their expressed welcome for our return in case we should find return possible. We believe, however, that these very friends sufficiently understand the circumstances and problems before us to appreciate the reason and the fact of our withdrawal and to accept it as an outcome not wholly unexpected.

I may add that in bringing to a close this period of our lives it is with no sense of disillusionment with regard to the vast importance of the promotion of Christian religious relations between the Occident and the Orient. We shall always look back upon our experience in China as time well spent in the cause of world fraternity. We could wish that we had had greater capacity to accomplish more than we did. But we realize that great causes have a way of reaching far beyond the individuals who participate in them. Therefore though we behold ourselves and others pass from the scene in this particular enterprise we believe that Christian men and women of China and America, through whatever changes of administrative structure and intellectual formulation the troubled years ahead may bring, will increasingly find ways of acting together in the name of Christ for a humaner, more fraternal world. And where we can, though now on this side of the Pacific, have still some share in cooperating toward that great end we shall esteem it a privilege so to do.

With cordial personal regards, I remain,

Yours very sincerely,

CLARENCE H. HAMILTON

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Yours very sincerely,

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425 DE BALIVIERE AVE.

April 18, 1928

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

TRANSFER

My dear Mr. Garside:

Yours of the 13th to hand. I also had a letter from Mr. Owen in which he was worried lest you good people in New York misunderstood his attitude in his desire to return to Nanking. I answered him at once assuring him that as far as I knew there was no misunderstanding but pointed out to him that owing to his desire to return to China as a representative of one of the boards, I felt it would not be possible for our society to send him to China. You understand the circumstances of course. I knew that Mr. Owen was very well liked indeed both by the Chinese and the foreign community in Nanking; that he did a very fine piece of work in his position as treasurer and made a real contribution to the life of the community through his musical talents, and personally I would like very much indeed to see him in China. At the same time, there is another side to the question. I cannot but feel that positions such as Mr. Owen filled will all be taken over by the Chinese themselves in the next few years. This would work to the disadvantage of Mr. Owen and his family should he return to that work. It would be a good deal harder for him to get located after another term in China than it is now and I think were I in Mr. Owen's place, much as I might feel the pull of China and the work, I would consider very carefully before returning. I want you to know that we have nothing but the most kindly feeling for Mr. Owen and the highest respect for the fine service he rendered in China.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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

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TRANSFER

My dear Mr. Garside:

I was interested in reading your letter of the 13th in which you speak of our Dr. and Mrs. Frank Garrett having called at your office. Mr. Garrett wrote me to that effect and told me a little of his discussion with you. You ask for information regarding Mr. Garrett's son-in-law, Mr. Smythe, and also the other man to whom I referred, Mr. Schafer. As I am to be in Chicago within the next few days and shall be seeing these good people, I shall wait until then before answering your letter asking for the information about these friends.

We are still in a quandary about the return of missionaries to China. Our communications from our secretary in Shanghai are very well guarded. They reiterate the request for some missionaries but always with the proviso that conditions in China will quiet down to such a degree that it may be possible for the missionaries to go to their stations. They have only asked for four or five to be returned this fall.

I shall be sending on a copy of Dr. C. H. Hamilton's letter of resignation. We have just received it and it has not been considered by our executive committee but will be in due course. You, I feel sure, will want this definite information to present to your committee and to forward to China. I am sending the copy of the whole letter because I think Dr. Hamilton makes such a fine analysis of the situation and his sympathies are so well expressed that it will be good for our Chinese friends to see how men like Dr. Hamilton are having to face their own futures. I have not yet received definite word from Mr. Ritchey, but as soon as I do so, I shall also forward it on.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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Alexander Paul

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St. Louis, Missouri
 April 28, 1928

W. W. LARSON, Secretary
 100 N. W. 10th St., Miami, Fla.

TRANSFER

Mr. B. A. ...
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 New York City

I am pleased to hear from you and to learn that you are still active in the work of the Lord. I hope you are enjoying good health and that your work is prospering. I am sure that your efforts are being blessed by the Lord.

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April 27, 1928

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*see also
letter of 4/27/28*

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

TRANSFER

My dear Mr. Garside:

I have just returned from Chicago where I had a conference with Mr. and Mrs. Schafer, also with Mr. Smythe. I am writing today regarding Mr. Schafer and shall write later about Mr. Smythe. I am enclosing a letter we received from Mr. Schafer which will give you an idea of the work he has done and the experience and teaching he has had. Both Mr. and Mrs. Schafer are exception people in many respects. They are both highly trained. Mrs. Schafer graduated from Cotner College, took two years in the College of Missions, then graduated from Boston University. These people are quite anxious to go to the University of Nanking and would like to have definite word as soon as possible. They are not contemplating going to China until August 1929. He will not get his doctor's degree until March of next year and it would be too late for them to go until the following fall.

Will you please take the steps necessary in presenting Mr. Schaefer's name to your candidate committee and will you ask the board in China to cable their answer. When Mr. Schafer knows whether he will receive his appointment or not, it will make a little difference in the future courses he will take at the university. I hope he will be acceptable as he is one of the strongest men we have. We have cleared with him regarding health and recommendations and everything is favorable. Dean Shailer Mathews recommends him very highly.

Trusting that you are well, with kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Alexander Paul

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Mr. H. A. ...
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University of Nanking

TRANSFER

May 2, 1928

Dr. C. M. Yocum,
United Christian Missionary Society,
425 De Baliviere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Dr. Yocum:

We have just received from Miss Priest a statement of the exchange adjustment account between the University of Nanking and the United Christian Missionary Society from July 1, 1924 to June 30, 1927. You will note that, according to Miss Priest's figures, there was due the University on June 30, 1927 the sum of Mex.\$445.98. On January 28, 1928 you sent us a check for \$336.62 which at the then current rate, .45475, amounts to Mex.\$80.53, thus clearing the loss in exchange on the 1926/27 appropriation and reducing the amount due the University to Mex.\$365.45.

It appears from Miss Priest's statement that the question of a guaranteed two to one rate of exchange does not enter in since she takes as her basis the Mex. amounts which the U.C.M.S. has from year to year undertaken to provide for the work of the University. As far as I have determined the loss in exchange of Mex.\$375.70 for the year 1924/25 is accounted for on the assumption that the payments made by your Board in gold throughout that year, although probably computed to yield a total of Mex.\$10,600.00 at the rates of exchange prevailing in St. Louis at the day your drafts were drawn, yielded less than the amount expected by the time the money was received in Nanking. During the year 1925/26 the trend in exchange was in the other direction and your payments slightly exceeded the Mex.\$8,000.00 your Society undertook to pay.

If you find this statement to be in order and in agreement with your records, we would be glad to receive the balance of Mex.\$365.45 at your convenience.

Very sincerely yours,

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Enc.

CC: Miss Priest

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UNIVERSITY OF NANKING
OFFICE OF THE TREASURER
NANKING, CHINA

*with letter
Emb. Mex
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EXCHANGE ADJUSTMENT STATEMENT: - U. S. M. S.

Appropriation for year July 1924-June 1925		8,000 00	
In lieu of vacancy in Board quota		<u>2,600 00</u>	10,600 00
Received;			
Quarterly payment	G\$ 1,414 36	M\$2,480 21	
"	339 62	655 81	
"	1,000 00	1,871 00	
"	1,472 34	2,835 11	
"	1,069 60	1,948 81	
"	347 62	<u>633 36</u>	<u>10,224 30</u>

Due the University on basis of 2 for 1 exch....Mex \$375 70

Appropriation for year July 1925-June 1926			8,000 00
Received;			
Quarterly payment	1,118 00	1,991 16	
"	1,149 00	2,086 58	
"	1,076 20	2,001 73	
"	1,016 20	<u>1,930 78</u>	<u>8,010 35</u>

CREDIT if the basis of 2 for 1 is used.....Mex\$ 10 25

Appropriation for year July 1926-June 1927			8,000 00
Received;			
Quarterly payment	1,025 60	1,998 49	
"	908 00	1,943 12	
"	888 20	1,976 24	
"	906 20	<u>2,001 62</u>	<u>7,919 47</u>

Due the University on basis of 2 for 1 exch.... Mex \$80 53

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SUMMARY

1924-1925 ap ro priation	M\$375 70
1926-1927 "	80 53
Due on exchange.....	<u>M \$ 456 23</u>

Or if basis of 2 for 1 is interpreted to mean exactly 8,000 00
Less credit on 1925-1926 10 25

Due the University to date of M \$ 445 98
July 1, 1927

Note; if the United Christian Missionary Society claims they are to pay a yearly appropriation of Mexican \$8,000 00 instead of ~~old~~ \$ 4,000 00, the above amount is due us on their account. Inasmuch as they make their calculations on the rate of exchange in St. Louis at the time they remit to you, and we may not receive this word for nearly two months there is ample opportunity for variations. Both Dr. Corey and Mr. Paul understand the problem.

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EXCHANGE ADJUSTMENT STATEMENT: - U. G. M. E.

Appropriation for year July 1924-June 1925	8,000 00	
In lieu of vacancy in Board profits	2,800 00	
Received;		10,800 00
Quarterly payment	1,414 35	
"	338 83	
"	1,000 00	
"	1,478 34	
"	1,088 80	
"	347 83	
	838 38	10,834 30

Due the University on basis of 2 for 1 exchange... Mex \$375 70

Appropriation for year July 1925-June 1926	8,000 00	
Received;		
Quarterly payment	1,118 00	
"	1,148 00	
"	1,078 30	
"	1,018 80	
	1,930 78	8,040 58

CREDIT in the basis of 2 for 1 is made... Mex \$10 25

Appropriation for year July 1926-June 1927	8,000 00	
Received;		
Quarterly payment	1,083 80	
"	908 00	
"	888 30	
"	808 30	
	3,688 40	7,819 73

Due the University on basis of 2 for 1 exchange... Mex \$80 50

Appropriation for year July 1927-June 1928	8,000 00	
Received;		
Quarterly payment	1,458 35	
"	1,942 18	
"	1,278 34	
"	808 30	
	5,487 17	7,819 73

Summary
1924-1925 on rotation
1926-1927
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to mean exact 2,000 00
Less credit on 1927-1928
10 25
Due the University to date of July 1, 1927
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University of Nanking

May 16, 1928

Mr. Alexander Paul,
425 De Baliviere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Mr. Paul:

We have received from Nanking a cablegram which says:

"SEND SMYTH"

This is in response to information we cabled the field last week to the effect that Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Smythe were being considered for appointment to the University under the United Christian Missionary Society, that Mr. Smythe was completing work for his doctorate this year, was qualified for work in sociology and would be ready to sail to the field this summer. Our cable added that we were sending complete information by letter. Evidently the University is willing to approve Mr. Smythe's appointment on the basis of the information they already have without delaying some weeks longer for the arrival of the letters we mailed them.

I have shown to all members of the Candidate Committee of the Board of Trustees who are now in this city copies of the information you sent regarding Mr. and Mrs. Smythe and Mr. and Mrs. Schafer. All who saw this information were cordial in their endorsement of the appointment of all these young people, subject of course to final approval by the field. You can count on the Candidate Committee giving its formal approval to the proposed appointment of Mr. and Mrs. Smythe just as soon as we are able to get a meeting or a majority vote. As far as the University and the Board of Trustees are concerned the way is therefore open for the appointment of Mr. and Mrs. Smythe at the pleasure of your Board. We very much rejoice to know that these two highly desirable recruits will probably soon be going to the field to take up work which some of the older missionaries have had to lay down.

As soon as we hear from the field in regard to Mr. and Mrs. Schafer we will write you again.

Very cordially yours,

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CABLE ADDRESS "GO"

St. Louis, Missouri

May 25th, 1928.

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TRANSFER

Mr. B. A. Garside,
China Union Universities,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Garside:

We were glad to get your good letter of the 16th inst. telling us of the cable you received from the University of Nanking saying -

"SEND SMYTHE".

I immediately wrote to Mr. Smythe informing him of this, in fact, I sent him a copy of your letter so he would know in full what you said.

I hope when the people in Nanking receive your letter giving the full information about Mr. Smythe's preparation that they will still feel he is competent for the position, although we here do not think he has had as thorough preparation as has had Mr. Schafer, whose name we also placed before you.

I am taking the privilege of enclosing, in confidence, a copy of a letter I have just received from Mr. Schafer. You will see he has been anxious to get into the department of sociology, and Dr. C. H. Hamilton (late of the University of Nanking) and others with whom I have talked who know Mr. Schafer, feel that he is a very competent man, especially for the department of sociology in a University like Nanking.

If the accepting of Mr. Smythe by the University means that Mr. Schafer will not be needed we will be glad to know this at the earliest possible moment. Mr. Schafer, as you know, will be completing his work for his Doctor's Degree next March and naturally wants to plan for his future. We happen to know that one or two colleges have been making overtures to him but we are anxious to conserve him for China if at all possible. We know you will keep us informed from time to time with regard to not only the status of these men but of the needs of others.

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At the present we are at a loss to know just what man will be needed for the various departments in the University. I think you know I am responsible for this department in our own Board and it is no easy matter to pick up men who will fit into the proposition in the University. I am still meeting with conflicting opinions expressed by people of experience who know the situation in China. I might say the majority of those with whom I have come in touch, based on confidential information from China, feel that we should move very slowly in the matter of sending men to the University. I also have received like word from China.

We must, however, know fairly well ahead the men who shall be needed if we are to have our quota in the University.

Trusting that things are going well with you and yours, I am

Sincerely yours
Alexander Paul

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University of Nanking

June 9, 1928

Dr. Alexander Paul,
425 De Baliviere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

TRANSFER

My dear Dr. Paul:

We have your letter of May 25th commenting on Nanking's cable regarding Mr. and Mrs. Smythe and discussing the comparative qualifications of Mr. Smythe and Mr. Schafer for work in the Department of Sociology at Nanking.

This letter gives us a somewhat different view of the situation than we have had before. From your earlier correspondence I had concluded that, since Mr. and Mrs. Smythe are ready to go out this year and Mr. and Mrs. Schafer cannot sail until the summer of 1929, it would be wise to push forward some understanding regarding Mr. Smythe more rapidly than would be necessary in the case of Mr. Schafer. Now it appears that we should probably have made it clear to the field that the two men should be considered at the same time and that a decision should be reached as to which of the two should be selected in work in the Department of Sociology and what position, if any, might be occupied by the other.

We are handicapped by lack of information from the field as to just what foreign workers they may need next year or the following year. The only official pronouncement we have is a letter from Dr. Chen which I showed you listing needs (a) in modern languages, (b) advanced English, (c) economics, (d) sociology. Certainly the failure of so many of the former members of the foreign staff to return will leave a number of other vacancies, but the field has not yet informed us just which of these vacancies it desires filled with new appointees.

By this time the University of Nanking should have the full papers on Mr. and Mrs. Smythe and Mr. and Mrs. Schafer. I hope that we may soon be having the cable I requested when I sent these papers. If you think it wise I would be glad to send a cable to Nanking raising the question of whether Mr. Schafer might not be appointed for work in sociology, and Mr. Smythe appointed for some other type of work for which he is qualified. The cablegram of May 16 did not indicate the department to which Mr. Smythe would be assigned, but since our cable mentioned his qualifications for sociology, I assumed that they had that department in mind.

We are deeply grateful to you for the time and thought you have put into the work of getting these new recruits for the University of Nanking staff. I am certainly most anxious to see both Mr. Smythe and Mr. Schafer sent to

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Wanking and hope that arrangements will be made satisfactory to both of them.

We are at this time writing to Dr. Chen asking him for a fuller statement as to vacancies on the Nanking staff which they would like to see filled by Western appointees of the various cooperating Boards. As soon as we hear from him we will pass this information on to you.

Very sincerely yours,

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425 DE BALIVIERE AVE.

St. Louis, Missouri
June 18-1928.

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

TRANSFER

Dear Mr. Garside:

Several letters have come from you since I have had a chance to write. I am acknowledging yours of the 9th and 13th inst.

received

We shall wait to hear from you regarding Mr. Schafer, whose name we have presented as one of our men for the University of Nanking. Mr. Smythe is to meet with our Executive Committee next month for final appointment. There will be no question about his going, but we always have our men meet our Executive Committee to receive the official appointment.

You raise the question regarding Miss Marion R. Comstock of Detroit. We have not been in touch with Miss Comstock so have no claim upon her. Indeed, I do not know the woman. I do not find her name in our files so it will be perfectly all right for you to make any agreement with her you deem best.

By the way, if there are any other positions like the one you mention in your letter, I wish you would let me know as I am in touch with one or two very fine well trained women who would like to go to China, or any other mission field in such a capacity as that for which you are considering Miss Comstock.

Your letter of May 21st., in which you enclosed the fine statement from E. S. Cressy has not been acknowledged. Our department has considered Mr. Cressy's letter and we will be glad to keep in touch with the various steps which are being taken regarding the higher education in China.

Regarding our obligations to the University of Nanking, owing to the fact that we have not had our own representatives on the faculty, Mr. C. M. Yocum is writing you and enclosing a check, therefore, I need not mention this further as his letter will be explanatory.

Miss Lane, we will hold up our work till not checked away AP-VR.

With kind personal regards, I am
Sincerely yours

Alexander Paul

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United Christian Missionary Society

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 DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
 110 N. W. 10th Street
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 Seattle, Wash.

THE BIBLE SOCIETY
 CARE ADDRESS: 100

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St. Louis, Missouri
 June 18-1928

Mr. E. A. Grady,
 University of Hawaii,
 150 Fifth Avenue,
 New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Grady:

Several letters have come from you since I have had a chance to write. I am acknowledging yours of the 6th and 15th inst.

We shall wait to hear from you regarding Mr. Grady whose name we have presented as one of our men to the University of Hawaii. Mr. Grady is to meet with our Executive Committee next month for final appointment. There will be no question about his going. We always have had men from the University of Hawaii in the office of the Society.

You raised the question regarding the name of Grady of Detroit. We have not been in touch with him for some time and do not claim upon him. Indeed, I do not know the man. I do not find his name in our files and it will be perfectly all right for you to make any agreement with him if you desire.

By the way, if there are any other positions like the one you mention in your letter, I wish you would let me know as I am in touch with one or two very fine well trained women who would like to go to China, or any other mission field in such a capacity as that which you are considering in Detroit.

Your letter of May 21st, in which you enclosed the fine statement from E. S. Grady had not been acknowledged. Our department has considered Mr. Grady's letter and we will be glad to keep in touch with the various steps which are being taken regarding the high education in China.

Regarding our obligations to the University of Hawaii, we want to be clear that we have not and our own representatives on the part of the University are writing you and enclosing a check. I need not mention this further as the letter will be clear.

With kind personal regards, I am
 Sincerely yours,

Wm. W. Burnham

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Dr. Alexander Paul,
United Christian Missionary Society,
425 DeBalliere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Dr. Paul:

We are attaching hereto a summary of anticipated receipts for the University of Nanking as shown in the Board of Directors' budget.

You will note that the following amounts are shown as expected from the United Christian Missionary Society:

	<u>Max.</u>	<u>Gold</u>
Cash grant	8,000.00	4,000.00
<u>Personnel</u>		
M.S. Bates	Mex. \$3,300.	G\$1,650.
Ben Holroyd or sub.	2,600.	1,300.
G.W. Sarvis "	2,600.	1,300.
C.H. Hamilton "	4,000.	2,000.
G.E. Ritchey "	<u>3,600.</u>	<u>1,800.</u>
	<u>16,100.00</u>	<u>8,050.00</u>
	24,100.00	12,050.00

The Nanking Board of Trustees, at its meeting on June 26th, must take action on this budget for the new fiscal year. We would therefore appreciate having you advise us on receipt of this letter whether these estimates agree with your Society's appropriations actual and anticipated. If any differences exist please call them to our attention.

Very sincerely yours,

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UNIVERSITY OF MANKATO

BUDGET, 1933-34

RECEIPTS

A. To be provided by the Board of Founder

I. General Sources

a. Permanent Funds

1. Hall Estate \$50,000. Fund

2. N.E. Board 100,000. "

3. Other General Funds

Swasey \$40,750.00 Fund

U.C.M.S. 10,000.00 Paid

U.C.M.S. 20,000.00 Pledged

General 1,000.16

\$61,750.16

	Max. Dollars	
	Budget	Assured
1. Hall Estate	5,000.00	5,000.00
2. N.E. Board	10,000.00	10,000.00

9,000.00 9,000.00

b. China Famine Fund Committee

84,236.00 84,236.00

c. D.H. Day gift for Treasurer's Salary

1,100.00 1,100.00 (†)

d. Mission Boards Cash Grants

1. Baptist Board Agri. & For. 3,000.00

2. Methodist Board 3,000.00

3. Presbyterian Board 3,000.00

4 U. C. M. S. 3,000.00

25,000.00

e. Mission Boards, Personnel

1. Baptist Board

C.S. Gibbs or substitute 2,700.00
Second man (Middleton or cash)

2. Methodist Board

A. J. Bowen 3,400.00
W.F. Russell or substitute 3,000.00
J.T. Illick " " 3,400.00
A.H. Steward " " 3,400.00
E.V. Jones " " 3,000.00

16,800.00

3. Presbyterian Board

J.L. Bask 3,000.00
J.H. Reiser 4,000.00
J.M. Speers or substitute 4,000.00
J.C. Thomson 4,000.00
Harry Clemens or substitute 3,400.00

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4. U. C. M. S.

M.S. Bates 3,300.00

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		<u>Max. Dollars</u>	
		<u>Budget</u>	<u>Assured</u>
	Forwarded		
<u>4. U.C.M.S. (cont.)</u>	"		173,556.00
Ben Helroyd or substitute	3,500.00		
G.W. Sarvis "	2,600.00		
C.H. Hamilton "	2,600.00		
G.E. Ritchey "	4,000.00		
	<u>3,600.00</u>		<u>16,100.00</u>
Total through Board of Trustees			189,456.00
<u>B. To be provided through Board of Directors</u>			
<u>1. Tuition Fees</u>			
College of Arts & Science	29,555.00		
" " Agriculture & Forestry	9,542.00		
Sub-Freshmen	22,339.00		
Middle School	<u>28,594.00</u>		89,929.00
<u>2. Fees for Student Activities</u>			14,800.00
<u>3. Agriculture, Forestry and Famine Prevention</u>			
Agriculture Experiment Station	40,641.00		
Famine Funds for Agri. & Forestry	5,000.00		
Famine Prevention work	<u>6,750.00</u>		52,391.00
<u>4. Income from Chinese Sources</u>			
Alumni Fund interest	1,300.00		
Guaranteed income from Chinese sources	<u>5,700.00</u>		7,000.00
<u>5. Miscellaneous Items</u>			
Income from Staff Rents	3,200.00		
Special items of Middle School income	6,600.00		
Middle School share in administrative	<u>1,000.00</u>		<u>10,800.00</u>
Total through Board of Directors			174,920.00
Total from all sources			<u><u>364,376.00</u></u>

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Peking University
University of Nanking ✓

June 23, 1928

Dr. Alexander Paul,
425 De Baliviere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Dr. Paul:

We thank you for your two letters of June 18th.

We are glad to hear that plans for Mr. Smythe are going forward happily and trust there will be no obstacle to his going out this fall.

We note your report in regard to Miss Marion R. Comstock. All of her papers thus far have been quite satisfactory so she will probably be appointed for the secretarial vacancy at Yenching. However, we will certainly be glad to get in touch with your office the moment any other vacancy of this type appears. Usually when we get a call for some such position as this we write around to all of our cooperating Boards asking whether they know of anyone who might be available and qualified for such a position. In this particular instance we received a number of suggestions of promising candidates by making a few inquiries around New York so did not go further, though there is still a possibility that Miss Comstock may not be appointed, and in that case I would at once write you asking for information about the young women to whom you refer.

It is welcome news that Mr. Yoham is writing us, enclosing a check covering vacancies in your quota on the Nanking staff. Nanking is having an unusually hard struggle getting past the close of the fiscal year just now, and we are straining every resource to avoid having to negotiate loans at the bank. If Mr. Yoham's check reaches us within the next day or two I think it will succeed in tiding us over a very critical time.

We note that you are returning 500 Nanking envelopes which you have on hand. I suspect that these have remained from the supply we sent you last summer when you so kindly mailed out a large number of the special Nanking emergency appeals for us.

Very sincerely yours,

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CABLE ADDRESS "GO"

St. Louis, Missouri

June 25, 1928.

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DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

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

Dear Mr. Garside:

I am in receipt of your letter of June 22nd concerning the budget for the University of Nanking for the year 1928-29. I have today sent you a night letter as follows:

"OUR CASH GRANT BUDGET FOUR THOUSAND GOLD STOP ALSO PROVIDE TWO MENAND THIRTEEN HUNDRED GOLD EACH FOR THREE SUBSTITUTES".

In explanation let me say that we have Mr. Bates now on the faculty under our support and are sending out thos fall, Mr. L. G. Smythe, who is securing his Ph. D. at the University of Chicago, then we will provide the amount for the three other substitutes. Our understanding is that the flat amount for the substitutes, where we have no one on the faculty, is \$1300.00 gold each per year.

We are also sending you a check for our payment on the 1927-28 budget for the substitutes necessary. This we are explaining in another letter.

Hoping this will be satisfactory and trusting that your budget plans will come out well, I am

Sincerely yours

SJC-VR.

Stephen J. Corey

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 LILLIAN TAYLOR, CLERK
 BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

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June 22, 1928

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 MISS LILLIAN TAYLOR, CLERK
 MISS LILLIAN TAYLOR, CLERK

ALL THE BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Mr. A. A. ...
 University of ...
 120 Fifth Avenue
 New York City, N.Y.

Dear Mr. ...

I am in receipt of your letter of June 20
 concerning the ...

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Sincerely yours

Stephen A. Cobb

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June 28, 1928

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Dr. S. J. Corey,
425 De Baliviere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Dr. Corey:

We are very grateful to you for your letter of June 25th and for your thoughtfulness in sending your night letter of that date. We were very glad to have this information regarding the support contemplated by the U.C.M.S. during the fiscal year 1928-29 available for the meeting of our Nanking Trustees on the afternoon of June 26th. Also we are even more grateful to the United Christian Missionary Society for the splendid way in which it is meeting the situation and helping the work of Nanking through a very critical stage. Your cash grant of \$4,000.00 and your provision of two men and \$1,500.00 each for three substitutes quite meets the request of the Board of Directors.

Within a few days we will be sending you the minutes of the Nanking meeting so you will see just how the University is coming out and its present problems and difficulties.

We note you are also sending another letter with a check in payment for your share of substitutes necessary to keep the work going ahead during 1927-28. Thus far this letter and check have not arrived, but we are hoping that they will be in hand not later than tomorrow morning. We must close out our Nanking books for the fiscal year before the end of this week and it will be absolutely necessary for us to have more funds in hand before this can be accomplished.

Thanking you for the warm interest and cordial support which you and the other Secretaries of the United Christian Missionary Society have been giving to the work at Nanking this year, I am

Very cordially yours,

Secretary

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University of Nanking

June 29, 1928

Dr. Stephen J. Corey,
425 de Baliviere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

TRANSFER

My dear Dr. Corey:

We have just received the following cable from Nanking:

"OWING TO UNAVOIDABLE DELAY BOWEN, EDWIN MARX IS WILLING TO RETURN ENGLISH TEACHER FOR NEXT YEAR PROVIDING UNITED CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY WILL SEND A SUBSTITUTE TAKE OVER HIS WORK. CANNOT TOO STRONGLY URGE ON YOU THE NECESSITY OF MAKING SOME DEFINITE ARRANGEMENTS UNITED CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY."

For the last couple of months we have been fearing that Dr. Bowen's health would prevent his return to China before the end of 1928. However, I have, within the last few days, received a letter from him which gives some hope that he may be able to go back to China in August as first planned.

There will be an extremely urgent need for English teachers at Nanking next year regardless of whether or not Dr. Bowen returns promptly. Dr. Bowen has written me on this subject several times during the last few months and has asked that we do everything possible to get the cooperating Boards to supply qualified teachers of English. If he is able to go out this need will be only partially met for at least two vacancies in this department will still remain. If, therefore, it would be possible for your Society to shift Mr. Marx to work at Nanking in place of one of the vacancies you will have on the quota next year, it would be a most welcome and valuable step so far as the University is concerned.

I am sending Dr. Bowen a copy of this letter and will suggest that he also write you.

Very sincerely yours,

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CC: Mr. Bowen

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University of Nanking

June 30, 1928.

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Mr. C. M. Yocum,
United Christian Missionary Society,
425 DeBaliviere Avenue,
St. Louis, Mo.

TRANSFER

My dear Mr. Yocum:

I am attaching a confirmation copy of the telegram we sent you yesterday. Since it may have impressed you as being rather abrupt, explanations are probably in order:-

Last week Dr. Alexander Paul mentioned that you were sending us a check to cover financial vacancies on the U.C.M.S. quota at Nanking this year. A letter from Dr. Corey several days ago repeated the same information. Our Nanking finances have been extremely prevarious during the last few weeks, and we have been facing the problem of whether we would have to make a loan at the bank to carry the University over the critical period of closing our books at the end of the fiscal year, which closes today. We have been hoping, however, that your check would arrive in time to tide us over, and have from day to day been putting off the negotiation of the loan in this hope. As yet we have not received any word from you, so we are still in a state of uncertainty. I hope, however, that we will have some word by Monday, and in the meantime we will keep our books open.

Very cordially yours,

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CABLE ADDRESS "GO"

St. Louis, Missouri

July 2nd, 1928.

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425 DE BALIVIERE AVE.

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

TRANSFER

Dear Mr. Garside:

I am now answering your letter of June 28th with regard to Nanking University. I am glad our grant for the coming year meets your needs for the University, that is, a cash grant of \$4,000.00 gold, a provision for two men and \$1,300.00 gold for three substitutes.

I am very sorry to disappoint you in connection with payment on Nanking University salary account out of our budget for 1927-28, which year closed last Saturday. We had thought we would be able to send you a check for an amount of balance. However, when we figured out the extra expense we had been to in connection with our men on the faculty who had returned home, and faced a serious overdraft in our budget, we were unable to make remittance. We have necessarily had to care for a number of our men while they were getting settled in their work and have had emergency expenses in connection with the University and the situation in China which were difficult to meet. I am very sorry we were unable to send the check we had partially promised on account of these problems.

I received your telegram but was unable to answer before you closed your books because we were working until late last Saturday on our own accounts and tried to balance our own budget for the year. As it is we have an overdraft coming over into the new year of about \$9,000.00 which is causing us serious anxiety. I am very glad we were able to get into our new budget the full amount for Nanking and I trust we are now thru the period during which there has been so many uncertainties and that we will be perfectly clear for the future. I know your Committee has had many anxieties to.

Sincerely yours

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Stephen J. Corey

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ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
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STEWART S. COOPER, CHIEF
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WILLIAM E. FAY, ASSISTANT CHIEF

St. Louis, Missouri

July 2nd, 1928

THE SECRETARY AND
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NEW YORK UNIVERSITY
100 EAST 67TH STREET
NEW YORK 21, N. Y.

Mr. E. A. Gerstle
150 East 67th Street
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Gerstle:

I am sorry to hear that your letter of June 23rd with
reference to the University's financial position for the
coming year has not been received. I am glad that you
are making a provision for the year and

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Stewart S. Cooper

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425 DE BALIVIERE AVE.

July 5, 1928.

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

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Dear Mr. Garside:-

Your letters of June 20, 23 and 29 are before me for acknowledgment.

We were pleased to see that the University of Nanking was to be returned to the Mission Boards, and we hope it will be possible for you to have the staff on hand by the time mentioned in the cable.

We are glad to hear that Miss Comstock will be going to Pekin as Secretary. We hope you will find her to be satisfactory in every way, and that she will like the work and be a permanent fixture.

With reference to the cable from Nanking, asking that Mr. Marx be allowed to teach English in the University of Nanking for one year: We have given this question very serious consideration, and I am sorry to have to say that we feel it will be utterly impossible to release Mr. Marx from his work as Secretary of the Mission for even one year. We feel that in this transition stage of our work in China, it is imperative for Mr. Marx to be on the job, and it would be fatal to make any change at this time.

Dr. C. H. Plopper will be reaching China about September first. He is our representative on the Seminary staff. It may be that should the Seminary not open, Mr. Plopper could help out in the University. This, of course, you would have to take up with our China Mission, as we do not make those decisions here.

I received a letter from Dr. Bowen a couple of days ago, and he is a little more hopeful about getting back to China sooner than he had thought when he wrote a month ago. I am hoping he will not return too soon, as he should be physically fit before going back to Nanking.

Trusting that you are well, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Alexander Paul

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University of Nanking

July 11, 1928.

Dr. Alexander Paul,
United Christian Missionary Society,
425 DeBaliviere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

TRANSFER

My dear Dr. Paul:

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 5th.

I am afraid my earlier letters gave rather too definite a statement regarding Miss Comstock's appointment as secretary to Dr. Galt, because at the last moment the Committee on Instruction voted in favor of another of the candidates for this position, a Miss Ruth Alexander, who is here in New York and is very well known to a number of the members of the Committee. I think Miss Alexander is an unusually well qualified young woman, and am happy we have been able to secure her, but regret that Miss Comstock will be disappointed.

We are sorry that it will be impossible for the United Christian Missionary Society to agree to the University of Nanking's request for Mr. Marx's services this year. We quite appreciate, however, the position of your Board in this matter. I am passing on to Dr. Bowen and to President Chen your explanation in regard to Mr. Marx and also your suggestion as to the possibility of Dr. C.H. Flepper being available for this work.

We have received from Mr. M.S. Bates of the Nanking staff, two letters dated June 4 and June 6 respectively. They deal largely with the question of the appointment of Mr. and Mrs. Smythe and Mr. and Mrs. Schaeffer. You will be glad to note that the University is anxious to get both Mr. Smythe and Mr. Schaeffer if they find it is possible to fit them into the needs of the work as described by Mr. Bates. May we ask you to take up these matters with Mr. Smythe and Mr. Schaeffer, and to let us know what decision you reach. These letters, together with the action already taken by the Committee on Instruction, clear up all the details of the University formally inviting both these men to join the staff. It is now up to your society and Mr. Smythe and Mr. Schaeffer to decide whether they are to accept these invitations. I sincerely hope that both of them will go to the University, Mr. Smythe this summer, and Mr. Schaeffer next year. I feel that there are few places in China, or for that matter anywhere on the mission field, where they could devote their lives to more worthwhile Christian service.

Very sincerely yours,

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St. Louis, Missouri

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Oct 7 1928

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

TRANSFER

My dear Mr. Garside:

I am writing you in connection with our part of the Nanking University budget and supplementary to my letter of July 2nd in answer to yours of June 22nd, setting forth the needs of the University. *nd in full*

In my telegram and letter of June 25th I stated that our payment to the University would be \$4,000G, \$1300G each for three substitutes and the salaries of Mr. Bates and Mr. Smythe. I want to be sure that you understand my statement with regard to the basis of payment. My letter and telegram were based on the list you made in your letter of June 22nd where you listed \$4,000G as the equivalent of \$8000 Mex. etc. To make my statement clear I would say that in our payments we will reduce the gold to mex. on the two to one basis as you did in your letter. In other words, our plan is to send \$8000 Mex. for the current expense of the University and \$2600 Mex. each for the three substitutes in the University.

I trust this makes the arrangement clear.

Sincerely yours

Stephen J. Corey

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St. Louis, Missouri

July 11, 1928

Miss M. A. ...
 220 Fifth Avenue
 New York City, N. Y.

I am glad to hear that you are interested in the work of the Society. The United Christian Missionary Society is a non-sectarian organization that is interested in the evangelization of the world. We are particularly interested in the work of the Holy Spirit and the growth of the Church. We are also interested in the work of the laity and the development of Christian education. We are glad to hear that you are interested in these things and we hope that you will be able to do some good work for the Kingdom of God.

Yours faithfully

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University of Nanking

July 13, 1928.

Dr. Stephen J. Corey,
United Christian Missionary Society,
425 De Baliviere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

TRANSFER

My dear Dr. Corey:

We thank you for your letter of July 2nd in which you explain the situation in your society regarding the University of Nanking salary account for 1927/28, and also restate what the United Christian Missionary Society will be able to contribute to the University during the fiscal year 1928/29.

We are very grateful indeed for your personal interest and for the generous support of the United Christian Missionary Society in making provision for the University of Nanking during the fiscal year 1928/29. I certainly hope that this new year will see Nanking finding its way out of some of the serious financial difficulties that have beset it since the tragedy of March 24, 1927.

You have probably noticed in the minutes of the Nanking Board of Trustees of June 26th, a copy of which was mailed you some days ago, the following comment and action:

"ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL SITUATION

The Assistant Treasurer presented a summary of the situation in the Nanking accounts as on June 26, 1928 (see appended Document C) and also an itemized list of the receipts on the Emergency Fund Campaign, with the denominational affiliations of the donors, so far as known. The remaining deficit on the emergency account was noted. The Secretary reported that Dr. Howard had expressed the hope that on July 2, 1928, the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society would take action making available \$5,000. as its share on the Emergency Account Deficit. After consideration, it was

T-363 VOTED to reaffirm action GEF-334 of November 17, 1927 which reads as follows: "that the Board of Foreign Missions

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of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the United Christian Missionary Society each be asked to assume responsibility for \$7,000.00 of the present emergency deficit and that the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society be similarly requested to assume responsibility for \$3,000 and that Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S. \$1,000."

Since this meeting the Baptist Board has sent us their check for \$3,000., thus covering their share of the emergency deficit. The contributions coming in from Presbyterian sources have exceeded the \$7,000. for which they assumed responsibility. The Methodist Board has not as yet been able to provide a very large share of its \$7,000. either from individual contributions or Board grants.

We are not able to estimate accurately how much money has come in from United Christian Missionary Society sources for the Nanking deficit. Last year your Board very generously sent out our Nanking emergency appeal to a large list of your people. I know that a large proportion of the smaller gifts received in response to this appeal, together with some of the larger gifts, came from your people, yet it was impossible for us, in many cases, to trace the denominational affiliation of contributors, particularly those sending in checks for small amounts. I am therefore attaching a list of the donors to the University of Nanking emergency funds for the year 1927/28, and would appreciate it if you would have someone in your Board go through this list of donors and indicate which should have their gifts credited to the United Christian Missionary Society. By totaling these gifts, we will be able to ascertain how much of the \$7,000. of the emergency deficit, which the Trustees have asked the United Christian Missionary Society to assume, has already been provided. It is apparent from our list that the full amount of this \$7,000. has not yet been secured from United Christian Missionary Society sources. We would greatly appreciate having you bring to the attention of your Board the action of the Nanking Trustees I have just quoted, and ask them to consider the possibility of providing from some source the balance necessary to bring the amount up to \$7,000. We quite appreciate that this is a most unfavorable time to make special appeals of any sort, either to individuals or to cooperating Boards. You will recognize, however, from the financial statements appended to our June 26th minutes of the meeting of the Nanking Trustees, that the University is still in a very precarious financial situation as a result of the emergency conditions of the last eighteen months, and must secure the support necessary to clear off the present emergency deficit if we are to go forward with the work at Nanking.

Very sincerely yours,

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rec 7/28

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

Dear Mr. Garside:

I am acknowledging yours of the 11th inst., in a hasty manner this morning as I am leaving the office to be gone for some little time.

I want to thank you for sending us the copies of the letters written by Mr. Bates on behalf of Dr. Chen. I have sent them on to Mr. Shafer and Mr. Smythe and I know they will appreciate the suggestions which have been offered by Mr. Bates regarding the studies they will be expected to teach next year in the University.

I feel rather confident that Mr. Shafer will be glad to go to the University after receiving his doctorate next Spring. In the meantime we shall keep in close touch with them and shall hope to be able to have some more missionary members for the staff of the University next year.

Thanks for letting me know about the status of Miss Comstock.

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I had a letter from Miss Ann F. Reid saying they were badly in need of a secretary for Ginling College. If you think Miss Comstock would meet the requirements you might speak to Miss Reid about her.

Trusting everything is going well with you and yours, I am

Sincerely yours

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W. W. BURMAN, Assistant Treasurer

Mr. S. A. Gessie
University of Kentucky
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Gessie:

I am sorry to hear that you are unable to attend the meeting in a party manner. I am sure that you will be able to attend in the future.

I want to thank you for the copy of the report which you have sent me. I have read it and I know that you will be able to do a great deal of good work in the future.

I feel that it is very important that you should be able to go to the University after receiving the doctorate next year. In the meantime you should have close touch with them and again hope to be able to have some more meetings for the work of the University next year.

Yours for letting us know about the status of Miss Gessie.

I had a letter from Miss Gessie saying they were badly in need of a secretary for the office. I think Miss Gessie would be a good person to speak to Miss Gessie about this.

Trusting everything is going well with you.

Sincerely yours,

W. W. Burman

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University of Nanking

July 27, 1928

Dr. Alexander Paul,
United Christian Missionary Society,
425 De Baliviere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Dr. Paul:

You are doubtless already familiar with the fact that the University of Nanking Hospital is now being returned by the governmental authorities who have been carrying it on for the last fifteen months and is shortly to be reopened again by the University. The field authorities have been writing and cabling us, urging us to do everything possible to see that an adequate medical and nursing staff is available by September 1st to take over the Hospital work.

The three medical men first proposed by the field were Dr. Daniels of the Presbyterian Board, Dr. Trimmer of the Methodist Board and Dr. Peterson who was formerly supported by the Hospital direct. Dr. Peterson has now been appointed to West China Union University and so is not available for the work at Nanking. Dr. Daniels will almost certainly be kept in America for another year because of ill health in his family. Therefore, at least one, and possibly two, other medical workers must be secured if an adequate staff is to be available at Nanking when the Hospital reopens on September 1st.

Dr. Bowen at once suggested the possibility that Dr. Slater might be available for this work and suggested that a cable this proposal to Nanking. I sent such a cable two weeks ago but as yet no reply has reached us. In the meantime, however, letters have arrived from President Chen in which he definitely authorizes us to seek other medical men than the three named in the cable if any of these are not available. It may be that President Chen has not replied to our cable more promptly because he feels that the authorization contained in his letters is sufficient.

I feel, therefore, that we are representing the unanimous desire of the University authorities at China and here in America in requesting that the U.C.M.S. arrange for the return of Dr. Slater to the work at Nanking this fall if that be at all possible. It has been repeatedly pointed out that since the Chinese authorities are now returning the Hospital to the University it would be a serious tragedy if the University found itself unable to take advantage of the opportunity offered. To close up the Hospital again or to keep it going on an inefficient basis would seriously injure the standing of not only this piece of work but many other phases of our missionary enterprise.

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We would appreciate it therefore if you would let us know the possibility of Dr. Slater's return to Nanking this fall. If our office. If our office can do anything to strengthen your presentation of this appeal to your Board please let me know.

Very sincerely yours,

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CC. Dr. Bowen

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St. Louis, Missouri
August 2nd, 1928.

TRANSFER

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

Dear Brother Garside :

I am acknowledging your letter to Alexander Paul of July 27th concerning conditions at the University Hospital in Nanking. I have read your letter with deep interest.

We expect that Dr. Slater will be back in China soon. He is now helping in the Philippine Islands and it would be difficult for him to leave there before late fall, because of an emergency there. Our secretary, Mr. Edwin Marx, of Shanghai is in constant touch with Dr. Slater and we have been leaving matters largely with our China mission and Dr. Slater himself. It will not be difficult for Dr. Slater to go as he is in the Philippines waiting for such an emergency as has arisen. It will only be a question of time when he can leave the Philippines for China.

I am so glad to learn that the hospital has been turned back by the Government.

With deep appreciation for your letter, I am

Sincerely yours

Stephen J. Corey

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CABLE ADDRESS: "U.C.H.S."

St. Louis, Missouri
 August 2nd, 1937

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 C. W. PROBERT, TREASURER

Dr. E. S. Corbridge
 University of Michigan
 120 Fifth Avenue
 New York City, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Corbridge:

I am so glad to receive your letter of July 28th concerning conditions at the University of Michigan. I have read your letter with deep interest and in reply I have told you that we will do our best to help you in any way we can.

We expect that Dr. Bicker will be back in Michigan soon. He is now helping in the Philippines and it is difficult for him to leave there before he has had an emergency there. Our secretary, Miss Gibson, is in constant touch with Dr. Bicker and we have been leaving matters largely with our China secretary, Miss Taylor. It will not be difficult for Dr. Bicker to get himself in the Philippines waiting for you in case of an emergency. It will only be a question of time when we can see the Philippines for you.

I am so glad to learn that the hospital was turned back by the Government.

With our best wishes for your success,
 Sincerely,
 C. M. Young



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TRANSFER

Mr. B. A. Garside,
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Brother Garside:

On July 13th you wrote me with regard to the contributions from our people to the University of Nanking deficit and sent me a list to check over so that we might determine what contributions were from the Disciples.

We have gone over this carefully and the tabulation seems to show that our people have contributed \$2161.00. I have put a mark opposite each name which we find on our own gift list and have made the total at the end. I am returning this list.

I heartily wish there was some way to pay the balance asked of us on this deficit. We are facing a very serious situation financially and it seems utterly impossible for us to do anything extra just now. I am sorry our individual contributions did not come higher but you know how difficult it is to get gifts by special appeal thru the mails. We will keep this matter in mind and do our level best but I cannot promise you anything in the immediate future, anxious as we are to do our share.

Sincerely yours

Stephen J. Corey

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Mr. Louis B. ...

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 New York City

Dear Brother ...

I have been over the ...
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University of Nanking

August 3, 1928.

Mr. C. W. Flopper,
United Christian Missionary Society,
425 De Baliviere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

TRANSFER

My dear Mr. Flopper,

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter of July 31st with its enclosed check for \$308.26, which you state is for "covering the regular appropriation for Nanking University".

We assume that this is an initial payment on your cash appropriation in lieu of the three vacancies at present existing in the U.C.M.S. quota on the University of Nanking staff. The amount of \$308.26, we find, equals M\$553. at the rate of exchange quoted in your other letter of this same date. Since, according to Dr. S. J. Corey's letter of July 11, 1928, your Board is undertaking to provide for three vacancies at M\$2,600. each, your total obligation would amount to M\$7,800. for the entire year, or M\$650. per month. We assume therefore that this remittance of \$308.26 covers this appropriation for the first month of the current fiscal year, that is, July 1st to July 31st, 1928.

Very sincerely yours,

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University of Nanking

August 7, 1928

Dr. S. J. Corey,
United Christian Missionary Society,
425 De Baliviere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Dr. Corey:

We acknowledge with gratitude the receipt of your two letters of August 2, 1928.

We very much appreciate the care with which your Society has checked through the list of contributions to the Emergency Fund of the University of Nanking. We are noting on our records the fact that the contributions coming from your people total \$2,161.00.

We are grateful to you for the statement that you will keep the matter of this Nanking emergency deficit in mind with the hope that sooner or later financial conditions will so improve that the United Christian Missionary Society may be able to assist us still further. At the present time this Nanking emergency deficit amounts to \$10,517.91. Since both the Presbyterian and the Baptist Boards have paid their full quota of emergency expense, we can only look to the Disciples, the Methodists and non-mission board sources for the remainder.

We are very happy to have your statement that Dr. Slater will soon be returning to China and should therefore be available for the work in the Nanking hospital this fall. Letters which have just come from the field indicate that the University was expecting to receive the hospital back about July 15th. They were planning to have one or more Chinese doctors in charge until the first of September, but by the time the autumn begins it will be very necessary that at least three Western men be present. I am sending a copy of your letter to Dr. Bowen and also to Dr. Chen.

Very sincerely yours,

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TRANSFER

University of Nanking

August 21, 1928

Dr. S. J. Corey,
426 De Baliviere Ave.,
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Dr. Corey:

I am attaching hereto a copy of Miss Priest's letter of July 24th in which she brings up to date her account with the United Christian Missionary Society for loss in exchange.

I also attach copies of a letter I wrote Dr. Yocum on May 2, together with the enclosure attached to that letter.

You will note that, according to Miss Priest's records, the loss on exchange on remittances from the United Christian Missionary Society to June 30, 1927 amounts to Mex. \$374.74 and that the loss on exchange for the fiscal year closing June 30, 1928 amounts to Mex. \$318.82, making a total of \$Mex. \$691.56 due from the United Christian Missionary Society at the present time. The details are set forth in the attached enclosures.

You will note that this loss in exchange is computed on the basis accepted by the United Christian Missionary Society of appropriating to the work at Nanking Mex. \$8,000.00 per year. It is obviously due to the fact that the actual proceeds derived from the sale of drafts and checks by the Field Treasurer during the last four years has netted somewhat less than was estimated by your Accounting Department in St. Louis when remittances were made. I believe your Society has consistently used the current daily rate of exchange in St. Louis when remittances were sent to our New York office, and the field has, of course, had to base its records on the amounts actually received when these gold remittances were converted into Mexican.

I sincerely hope that after examining these accounts the United Christian Missionary Society will find it possible to meet this deficit outstanding on Miss Priest's records.

I am very anxious that we find some method of handling the remittances which will avoid the repetition of such difficulties in the future. Obviously, as long as remittances are sent to us in gold and are transmitted by our office to the field in the form of gold drafts or checks, the Mexican amount actually received by Miss Priest will always vary somewhat from the figure set forth in the budget. Possibly it may some years exceed the estimated amount, but from the experience of the last four years, it appears that it is more likely to fall somewhat short. Whatever the total

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happens to be there will be a considerable amount of accounting and correspondence in trying to adjust the variation.

I should like to suggest for your consideration, therefore, that, as long as the U.C.M.S. wishes to base its appropriation to the University on a Mexican figure, these remittances be made in the form of Mexican drafts, purchased either in St.Louis or here in New York. If it would be convenient for you to do so the simplest way to handle these remittances would be for your Treasurer's office to purchase in St.Louis Mexican drafts on some banking institution in Shanghai, made payable to the University of Nanking. These drafts could be forwarded to our office here in New York with a notation for our records of the gold cost of the draft, and we could then forward them on to Miss Priest in Nanking. In this way she would receive the exact Mexican amount of your appropriation and both your office and ours would have an immediate and exact record of the equivalent cost in gold.

If, for any reason, it is inconvenient or uneconomical for you to secure Mexican drafts there in St.Louis our New York office could, immediately upon the receipt of your remittances from St.Louis, purchase here in New York Mexican drafts for the amounts which your checks are designed to cover, and would then forward these drafts to Miss Priest. If our New York office does the purchasing of the draft there will probably be a variation of a few dollars during the year, due to the daily fluctuation in rates of exchange, but this variation should be quite small and could, if satisfactory to you, be adjusted between our two offices at the end of each fiscal year.

We know that you are keenly interested in seeing these remittances get to Nanking in the way that will be simplest and most useful to them, and also in the way that will cause the least amount of detail and adjustment in our offices in St.Louis and New York.

We would be glad to have your comments on these suggestions.

Very cordially yours,

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CC: Miss Priest

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CABLE ADDRESS "GO"

Sept. 8, 1928

Write Mr. Corey



TRANSFER

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

Dear Mr. Garside:

I have your letter of August 16 with regard to the proposed Research Project on Land Utilization in connection with the University of Nanking.

As one of the Executive Committee, I am heartily in accord with this project and I am sending my vote for the same.

I am also signing the statement with regard to the degrees for the graduates. This is certainly an encouraging list.

Sincerely yours,

Stephen J. Corey

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Dr. S. J. Corey,
United Christian Missionary Society,
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Indianapolis, Ind.

TRANSFER

My dear Dr. Corey:

You are already quite familiar with the action taken by the Trustees of the University of Nanking in regard to the proposals for the coordination of Christian higher education in China. In order, however, to bring this matter formally before the United Christian Missionary Society we quote below the action of the Nanking Trustees taken on November 14th. We request that you take whatever steps you feel will bring this program before your Society in the way that will cause it to receive the most thoughtful and sympathetic attention.

"T-377 VOTED that the Board of Trustees records its hearty approval of the general policy of the coordination of Christian higher education in China; that it refer the correlated program to the Mission Boards cooperating in the University for their information and their recommendations; that it request the Board of Directors of the University to make recommendations as to the place of the University of Nanking in the correlated program."

You have already received copies of the illustrated booklet printed by the Committee for Christian Colleges in China and also the pamphlet giving the details of the Correlated Program as prepared by the Council of Higher Education in Shanghai last July. If you need any additional copies of either or both of these booklets for distribution among members of the United Christian Missionary Society preparatory to their discussion of this matter, our office will be glad to supply you. We have a rather large supply of the illustrated booklet and a much smaller quantity of the Correlated Program.

As you know, Dr. Wallace will be in America during the month of January. If it is convenient for the United Christian Missionary Society to discuss the Program while he is here I know he will be happy to meet with you.

Very sincerely yours,

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