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January 10, 1954

Mr. W. R. Wheeler
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

Dear Wheeler:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 25th in which you discuss the suggestion made by Dr. Stuart with reference to the allocation of the income on the Wheeler Chapel Funds to your mother during her lifetime. We have also received a letter from Dr. Stuart making these same recommendations to our Yenching Trustees.

We are having a meeting of our Yenching Finance Committee on Friday, January 12th, and will bring the matter up at that time.

Last week I had the privilege of a telephone conversation with your brother, Mr. R. P. Wheeler. He was in New York on business and had hoped that he could get around to the office but found that his time limitations did not permit his coming over.

I will comment further on the matters discussed in your letter of November 25th after the Finance Committee has taken action.

With all good wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

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

Dear Mr. Garside:

Herewith is a copy of a letter
I have just written to Dr. Speer which is self-
explanatory.

With best wishes from all of
us at Nanking, I am,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "W. Reginald Wheeler".

W. Reginald Wheeler

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UNIVERSITY OF NANKING

NANKING, CHINA

March

Dr. E. A. Gossler,
Department of Zoology,
University of California,
100 Littlewood,
Berkeley, Calif.

I have just received from Dr. Gossler a letter
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(Sent to Mr. M.R. Wheeler)
letter 3/10/34.
March 10, 1934.

Dr. Robert E. Speer,
Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Dr. Speer:

The Council of Higher Education held its meetings in Shanghai on January 19th to 21st. The printed minutes of the meeting have been received. I am writing in regard to some of the actions of the Council and in this letter I will try to give some impressions of its work.

The Council and Mr. Cressy as Secretary render a valuable service in providing a clearing house for information and a means of interchange of experience and of fellowship. Mr. Cressy has been indefatigable in making studies and supplying data for statistics of the various departments of the work of the institutions related to the Council. In his review of the past ten years made at the recent meeting, he pointed out that in this ten-year period, the number of students in the Christian Colleges had doubled and the working budgets had approximately trebled. The figure for the students in the year 1923-24 was 3,064; in 1933-34 the total was 6,125. The earliest available figures for the budgets was for the year 1925-26, the amount being 1,882,000 yuan; for the year 1932-33 the total was 4,231,000 yuan. Mr. Cressy did not indicate what was the percentage of the income of the colleges coming from China and from abroad, but he did point out that there had been a decrease in the number of foreigners in the colleges of Arts and Science. This progress and momentum on the part of the colleges during the past decade is encouraging.

A second point was that of the new policy of some of the colleges in regard to securing funds in China. Lingnan has for some years secured substantial gifts from its alumni, many of whom have taken up work outside of China and have made gifts from their new homes to their Alma Mater. St. John's University has had a drastic cut in its income from America. It has secured about 10,000 yuan annually for the last three years toward its budget and there is a campaign now being projected at the time of Dr. Potts' seventieth birthday for additional funds. Yale-in-China has launched a campaign for 50,000 yuan to finance a professorship in the Science College at Hwa Chung. Yenching University is starting out on a large scale, naming the sum of 1,000,000 yuan as its objective. You doubtless have information on this project. Shanghai University is also planning to launch a campaign. Here in Nanking two campaigns have already been set in motion, one for an alumni center and building for which approximately 20,000 yuan have been received in cash and pledges, another for a gymnasium for the middle school for which 20,000 yuan have already been received in subscriptions and cash. The University plans to start another financial effort on behalf of the budget as soon as

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these other two campaigns are brought to completion. These campaigns may not all be successful but they do indicate a worthy spirit of local self help and effort and deserve to be encouraged.

Action was taken in regard to the program for agriculture in which Nanking and Lingnan are especially involved and I wanted to write you particularly about this action. I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Garside, Mr. Reischer, Dr. Diffendorfer and Mr. Cressy.

Ever since the beginning of the correlated program, the special position of Nanking in regard to agriculture and forestry has been recognized. Nanking was the pioneer in the field and has built up its position of leadership and of service by hard work and energetic effort. Its position has been recognized generally by the phrase "A national center for agriculture and forestry under Christian auspices in China". Nanking has really been the representative of the Christian colleges in this service and more has been accomplished through a concentration of effort, staff and funds in one institution than could have been accomplished if this investment had been diffused. Lingnan and other institutions have also taken up agricultural work and the attempt has been made to correlate their efforts with what has already been accomplished at Nanking. Lingnan has felt that it was not receiving sufficient recognition in the statements outlining the correlated program and at the meeting of the Council last year the representatives came to the meeting desiring more recognition of what Canton had done and planned to do. The question was referred to the Business Committee and action taken recognizing Nanking as a general center for agricultural work in central, north and east China, and Canton as special center for work in south China. No one wants to impede any just recognition of what Canton has done or to block its program of service in the agricultural field in its section of China. On the other hand, it did seem to some of us that this action went beyond the necessities of the situation.

The Associated Boards took action substituting in place of the recommendation of the Council of Higher Education, a statement reaffirming Nanking as a national center for agricultural work and mentioned specifically Lingnan in relation to a regional center for such services. This did not please Lingnan. They decided to withdraw from the Council of Higher Education although still maintaining representatives in the Associated Boards at home. However, Lingnan was represented at the meetings last month by its Dean, Mr. W. T. Chan and Mr. J. M. Henry. Mr. Chan had been elected president of the Council of Higher Education for the next year. This is rather an anomalous situation but China is full of such anomalies and no one seems to object. A Committee of Correlation of the University of which I was secretary, met before the last meeting of the Board of Directors and approved of the action of the Associated Boards on the Correlated Program and particularly with reference to the paragraph on agriculture, with minor differences only in that the Committee pointed out that there was now a College of Science and a College of

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Arts at Nanking and recommending that the total figure for the University be put at 600 instead of held to the literal limits of 400 for the College of Arts and Science and 200 for the College of Agriculture. This matter is one which needs to be adjusted between the three colleges and is not one of great importance.

The report of the Committee made before the Board of Directors and the action of the Associated Boards were approved with these two reservations, first, that referring to the location of the graduate school of theology and, second, with the understanding that the Committee of the University already named would discuss correlation with the Lingnan Committee. I am enclosing a copy of the action of the Board of Directors on the correlated program. A copy of this action was included in the minutes of the meeting of the Board on November 24th.

Dr. Chen appointed two members of our staff to act as a committee to take up disputed points with representatives of Lingnan. The Nanking representatives, Deane Sie and Dr. Buck, were ready to meet representatives of Lingnan but Lingnan has not as yet appointed its committee members.

At a meeting of the Council last month Dr. Chen was a representative of Nanking on the Business Committee. He said that the University did not approve at this time of the Council's action but naturally we preferred not to be drawn into an open discussion of the matter on the floor of the Council as happened last year, and that we would prefer to have the two committees meet and see if they could not reach agreement on wording before the matter was brought up for formal approval. The recommendation of the Business Committee which was reported to the Council merely called for the addition of the statement that Lingnan should be asked to appoint the committee provided for in last year's action. Dr. Chen understood that the major question would not be voted upon pending the meeting of the Committees.

We think that under the circumstances the action taken by the Associated Boards last year should stand.

The last session of the Council of Higher Education was held at Dr. Cressy's home. At that meeting and in that more informal setting the religious problems and ideals of the institutions were discussed. That to me was the best session of the conference. There are a number of earnest Christians on the staffs and in places of administrative responsibility in these colleges and universities and they were united in their desire to maintain and strengthen the Christian character and influence of spirit in these institutions. That seems to be the central issue and problem for these institutions, how to maintain efficient education standards and also to keep the institutions warmly and truly Christian. If they fail in either responsibility they cannot be considered successful in their mission and service.

I think the colleges and universities have been blessed in their work thus far. The Council of Higher Education under the leadership of Mr. Cressy has been of much help in this connection and while recognizing the difficulties of many of the problems which the institutions are facing, I think most of the delegates went away full of encouragement and hope for the future.

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Affectionately yours,
W. Reginald Wheeler

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As to working and recommending that the total figure for the University be put at 600 instead of 400 for the College of Arts and Science and 200 for the College of Agriculture. This matter is one which needs to be adjusted between the three colleges and is not one of great importance.

The report of the Committee made before the Board of Directors and the action of the Associated Boards were approved with these two reservations, first, that referring to the location of the graduate school of theology and, second, with the understanding that the Committee of the University already named would discuss correlation with the Finance Committee. I am enclosing a copy of the action of the Board of Directors on the correlated program. A copy of this action was included in the minutes of the meeting of the Board of November 25th.

Dr. Chen appointed two members of the staff to act as committee to take up disputed points with representatives of Finance. The Working representatives, Dr. Chen and Dr. Chen, were asked to meet representatives of Finance but Finance has not yet indicated its committee members.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors held on March 10, 1934, a representative of Working on the Finance Committee was present. He said that the University did not approve at this time of the Finance Committee's action but actually we preferred not to be drawn into a discussion of the matter on the floor of the Board as happened last year. He said that we would grant to have the two committees meet and discuss the matter in a room arranged on working order. The Finance Committee was approved. The representative of the Finance Committee reported that the Council would be asked to appoint the committee on Finance for the next year. Dr. Chen suggested that the Finance Committee would not be voted upon during the meeting of the Board.

I think that under the circumstances the action taken by the associated boards last year should stand.

The last session of the Council of Higher Education was held at Mr. Greer's home. At that meeting and in that session, the setting for the roll-back problem and ideas of the Finance Committee were discussed. It is to me very interesting to see how the Finance Committee are a number of earnest Christians on the staff and in the administration responsible in their colleges and universities and they were united in their desire to maintain and to expand the Christian character and influence of spirit in these institutions. It seems to be the central issue and problem for these institutions, how to maintain efficient education standards and also to keep the institutions warmly and truly Christian. If they fail in either responsibility they cannot be considered successful in their education and service.

I think the colleges and universities have been blessed through the Council of Higher Education under the leadership of Mr. Greer. There has been a much better connection and correlation of the difficulties of many of the problems which the colleges are facing. I think most of the delegates went away full of encouragement and hope for the future.

Respectfully yours,
W. Reginald Wheeler

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The Correlated Program

(Sent by Mr. W.R.)
Whelan's letter 11/10/34

The Committee on Correlation appointed by the Board of Directors on November 18, 1932, met on November 13, 1933 in Shanghai, and presented the following report for action by the Board:

"The University of Nanking is in general accord with the principles and provisions of the correlated program as they have been stated and approved by the Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China at their annual meeting April 18-19, 1933, and in particular with the specific recommendations in that program pertaining to Nanking as follows:

"Undergraduate work in East China should be correlated in a Council of the East China Christian Colleges and Universities, in two groups, one consisting of the University of Nanking and Ginling College; the other consisting of Hangchow Christian College, St. John's University, the University of Shanghai, and Soochow University.

"There should be a unified program under Christian auspices for education in agriculture for all China, of which the University of Nanking should be the national center. Regional or specialized work, including research and extension such as already begun in Lingnan, East China and other colleges, should be conducted as a part of this unified program.

"There should be thoroughgoing cooperation between Ginling College and the University of Nanking so that advanced courses in each institution will be utilized by the students of both."

The Committee also reported that in order to facilitate such cooperation in classroom work, the daily schedules of the University and Ginling College had been synchronized with ten-minute intervals between periods. The number of University students taking courses at Ginling was fourteen; the number of Ginling students taking work at the University was twenty-one.

In addition, the committee reported that the University was planning to cooperate with the Nanking Theological Seminary through the provision of a one-year course in the College of Agriculture for those who expect to become pastors in rural districts, the Seminary and University providing together a four-year course for such students.

D-847 VOTED that we adopt the report of the Board's Committee on Correlation with reservations as to the place where postgraduate work in theology shall be carried on, and with the understanding that representatives of the University have been appointed to confer with representatives of Lingnan University concerning the action taken by the Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China on April 18-19, 1933, in regard to the agricultural program for China.

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The Correlated Program

The Committee on Correlation appointed by the Board of Directors on November 18, 1932, met on November 15, 1933 in Shanghai, and presented the following report for action by the Board:

The University of Nanking is in general accord with the principles and provisions of the correlated program as they have been stated and approved by the Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China at their annual meeting April 18-19, 1933, and in particular with the specific recommendations in that program pertaining to Nanking as follows:

Undergraduate work in East China should be correlated in a Council of the East China Christian Colleges and Universities, in the groups, one consisting of the University of Nanking and Ginling College, and the other consisting of Hangchow Christian College, N. C. John's University, the University of Shanghai, and Soochow University.

There should be a united program under unified auspices for education in agriculture for all China, of which the University of Nanking should be the national center, regional or specialized work, including research and extension work already in progress, East China and other colleges should be conducted as a part of this united program.

There should be thoroughgoing cooperation between Ginling College and the University of Nanking in the advanced course in education and in the utilization of the facilities of both.

The Committee also reports that the report of the joint commission on cooperation in class room work, laboratory, physical and chemical, and the joint commission on the teaching of English in the period of a one-year course in the College of Education, should be expected to become effective in that district, the Seminary and the provision together with a four-year course for such students.

In addition, the committee reports that the plan for a plan for cooperation in the teaching of the local language should be provided for a one-year course in the College of Education, should be expected to become effective in that district, the Seminary and the provision together with a four-year course for such students.

D-847 VOTED that we adopt the report of the board's Committee on Correlation with reservations as to the place where correlation work in theology shall be carried out, and all other matters relating to representatives of the University of Nanking, and to the committee with representatives of the Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China on April 18-19, 1933, in regard to the correlated program for China.

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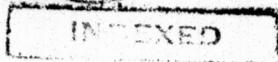
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NANKING, CHINA



March 21, 1934.

Mr. Stephen Tsai, Treasurer,
Yenching University,
Peiping.



Dear Mr. Tsai:

Your letter dated February 28th with the additional copy received last week were held here until I had the opportunity of talking over the question with friends here.

The Wheeler Memorial Chapel Fund is being held for two purposes as I understand the situation; first, to be used ultimately for a chapel or for some other objective at Yenching mutually agreed upon by the donors and the University, and secondly, the income from the Fund is to be transferred into United States gold and to be made available for my Mother during her lifetime.

In your letter you suggest investing the Fund in Chinese Government Tenth Year Six Percent Bonds which would produce about ten percent, or depositing the Fund on fixed deposit for one year in the Chinese South Sea, Yen Yeh, Kincheng and Continental Banks in Peiping, the rate of interest being eight percent.

There are certain factors which I think we ought to keep in mind in making decisions about this Fund. These factors are, of course, familiar to you. They are: the possibility that China is now entering upon a situation similar in many respects to the depression in the Occident; the risk of war north of Peiping by the Japanese and Russians which may involve North China; the possibility that the Chinese Government may devalue its own currency somewhat as the United States has done but in terms of silver instead of gold.

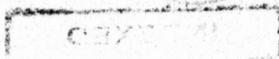
These three factors would influence me to urge the return of these funds to New York "at any time that market conditions may seem to make such a step advisable" as was suggested in the action of the Yenching trustees EC 3269 quoted in your letter.

As I recall, the money came out from New York and was exchanged at a rate of 2.75. If this figure is correct and your records will show whether it is or not, I would be in favor of returning the funds to New York if exchange drops below that figure or even closely approximates it.

In the meantime, I would have to trust your judgment in regard to the strength of the local bank and the wisdom of placing deposits there. I understand the China South Sea Bank is the strongest of the four named. We have heard a report that there is to be a merger of this and other banks in Peiping.

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March 21, 1934



Mr. Stephen Tsiang, Treasurer,
Yenching University,
Beiping.

Dear Mr. Tsiang:

Your letter dated February 28th has been received. I am sorry that the copy received a few days ago was not the original. I am sorry that the copy received a few days ago was not the original.

The matter of the school fund is a very important one. I understand the situation and I am sure that you will be able to handle it in the best possible manner. I am sure that you will be able to handle it in the best possible manner.

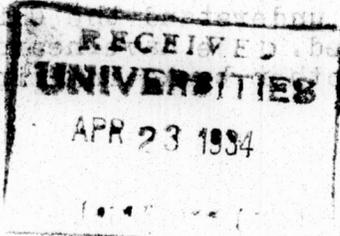
In your letter you suggest that the Chinese Government should contribute to the school fund. I am sure that the Chinese Government will be glad to do so.

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Mr. Tsai

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I am not in favor of investing in the Chinese Government bonds but suggest investing in some Shanghai Municipal securities such as the Municipal Bonds or Debentures or the recently issued Shanghai Power Securities. These produce a lower rate of interest than the Government bonds but I think are safer investments and under certain circumstances would be more liquid.

With best wishes and thanks for your cooperation,

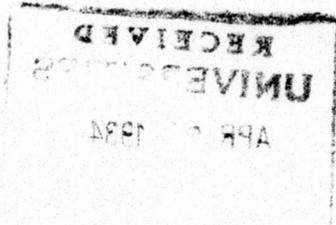
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Sincerely yours,

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Nanking

March 21, 1934.

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

Dear Mr. Garside:

In regard to publicity matters for the University of Nanking with special reference to the united promotional effort now projected by the Associated Boards, I want to report what we are trying to do here and also get your advice on the subject.

We have mailed to you 50 copies of the leaflet which the Hospital has had printed here in connection with its local campaign. This has been worded with the Chinese constituency in mind and is not well adapted for use abroad. Nevertheless, we thought it might fill in and Dr. Daniels wished that it be sent to you. Fifteen copies of the Agriculture and Forestry Notes are sent to you and thirty to Mr. Reisner. We are mailing the copies of the printed letter dated September 15th which are on hand in accordance with the suggestion you made in an earlier letter. The Publicity Committee is working on an illustrated pamphlet which we had hoped to have done before this. Dr. Chen suggests now that we hold the material until after the meeting of the Board of Directors. We are using in this pamphlet some of the cuts which were originally made for the University catalogue. The pamphlet will consist chiefly of illustrations with a small amount of descriptive material. We will try to send this to press as soon as possible after the meeting of the Board of Directors, and will mail a number of copies to you.

The University ought to have a quarterly or occasional bulletin such as Yenching, Canton and Yale-in-China publish. Such publications can be turned out much better in America than in China as most of the printed matter produced here reveals the country of its origin in its appearance. I had hoped that some members of our staff on furlough could help get this bulletin out but this does not seem to be practical and we are trying to work out plans for having the quarterly printed here. I do not see how we can finance it within the limits of the present University budget. The illustrated pamphlet will cost more than we have available in the publicity budget. We are wrestling with these questions to see what can be done. Meanwhile, we would appreciate suggestions and we would like to have copies of publicity material put out by the Associated Boards. Dr. Wu brought back a single pamphlet published by the Associated Boards in their united

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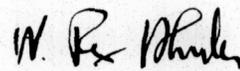
promotional effort and we would like to have additional copies of that pamphlet and any others that are published.

I hope that the movies can be used more widely. I have made an additional reel showing the field work of the College of Agriculture and Forestry and will try to get out a duplicate, if we can finance it, which can be sent to your office.

The administration offices have prepared a five-year report of the University. That report ought to be published but the University has no funds.

The word has just come of the cut made by the Presbyterian Board in the staff quota of the University and in the financial contribution - Et tu, Presbiteriane!

Sincerely yours,



W. Reginald Wheeler

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W. R. WHEELER
NANKING UNIVERSITY
NANKING, CHINA

Sunday, Mar. 25, 34
Ack 5/4/34

Dear Mr. David,

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The annual meeting of the
Directors of the University was held yesterday.
Dr. Chen will write to you on administrative
matters and Miss Priest on financial ones -
I am sending herewith the action of the
Directors with reference to Correlation as I was
Secretary of the Committee -
With best wishes from all of us
at Nanking,

I am

Sincerely yours,

W. Rex Wheeler

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Dear Mr. Boardman

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the proposed purchase of the manuscript of the "History of the University of California" by the University of California Press. I am sorry that I cannot give you a more definite answer at this time, but I am sure that the Board of Regents will be able to give you a satisfactory answer in the near future.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CORRELATION

The Committee on Correlation of the University of Nanking gave consideration to the Correlated Program for Christian Higher Education in China for the period 1933-1938 as revised by the Council of Higher Education on January 19-20, 1934.

The Committee recommends that the Board of Directors take the following action:-

"With reference to the Correlated Program for Christian Higher Education in China for the period 1933-38 as revised by the Council of Higher Education, January 19-20, 1934, the University of Nanking approves of the program with two exceptions. The University desires to point out that there are and have been for some years both a College of Arts and a College of Science instead of a College of Arts and Sciences as indicated in the printed statement of the Council of Higher Education. The University ~~further approves the substitution of~~ the paragraph on agriculture approved by the Associated Boards of Christian Colleges in China which met April 10, 1933, for the paragraph on agriculture, as follows:-

also prefer the word

"There should be a unified program under Christian auspices for education in agriculture for all China, of which the University of Nanking should be the national center. Regional or specialized work, including research and extension such as already begun in Lingnan, East China and other Colleges, should be conducted as a part of this unified program."

Adopted by Board of Directors
March 24, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

The Commission on Higher Education of the United States has given consideration to the proposed program for the period 1945-49 in China for the period 1945-49 as revised by the Council of Higher Education, January 19-20, 1945, the University of Nanking, approved of the program with two exceptions. The University desires to point out that there have been and have been for some years both a College of Arts and Sciences and a College of Science instead of a College of Arts and Sciences as indicated in the printed statement of the Council of Higher Education. The University further approves the elimination of the paragraph on agricultural education approved by the Associated Board of Christian Colleges in China which was April 10, 1945, for the paragraph on agriculture, as follows:

The Committee recommends that the text of the proposed program be revised as follows:

"With reference to the proposed program for Christian Higher Education in China for the period 1945-49 as revised by the Council of Higher Education, January 19-20, 1945, the University of Nanking, approved of the program with two exceptions. The University desires to point out that there have been and have been for some years both a College of Arts and Sciences and a College of Science instead of a College of Arts and Sciences as indicated in the printed statement of the Council of Higher Education. The University further approves the elimination of the paragraph on agricultural education approved by the Associated Board of Christian Colleges in China which was April 10, 1945, for the paragraph on agriculture, as follows:

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April 28, 1934.

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

Dear Mr. Garside:

Herewith are copies of two letters received from the National Government in regard to the appropriation of 300,000 yuan promised originally by the Executive Yuan in November, 1929, for the University. I sent a resume of the previous correspondence to St. Speer and we thought that you would like to keep copies of these letters in the same file.

The 100,000 yuan of Customs bonds have been received by the University. They are worth approximately 65,000 yuan at present.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Handwritten signature: W. Reginald Wheeler

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April 2nd, 1934.

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Referring to your request for an appropriation of 300,000 yuan from the Nationalist Government for the construction of a library for the University, I hereby inform you that the Ministry has deemed it advisable to advance 100,000 yuan of Customs Bonds of the twenty third year of the Republic for said purpose.

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Signed H. H. Kung,
Minister of Finance.

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Signed H. H. Jones,
Minister of Finance.

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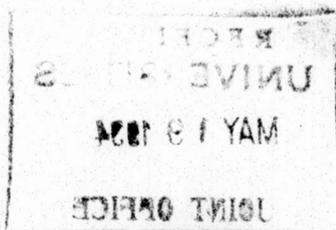
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Cordially yours,

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May 4, 1934

Mr. W. G. Wheeler
University of Nanking
Nanking, China



Dear Wheeler:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letters of March 10th and March 25th. With your letter of March 25th you enclose a copy of the interesting letter you wrote to Dr. Speer on that same date.

At the meeting of our Nanking Founders on April 26th we had received only one tentative copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors', so the Founders did not do more than take up a few items of special interest, leaving other matters in these minutes to be dealt with by the Executive Committee later. The two points in the Correlated Program to which our Nanking Directors called attention were given careful note.

We assume that the reference in the latest revision in the Correlated Program to "A College of Arts and Science" at Nanking rather than to a "College of Arts and a College of Science" is merely a technical inaccuracy that can easily be adjusted. I note that its description of the work of each of the individual Colleges the Correlated Program refers to a "College of Arts and Science" even though most of the institutions have now divided this work into two Colleges in line with the requirements for registration.

The statement in the Correlated Program with reference to agriculture and forestry is a more important matter, though I believe it is one that is primarily a question of fact rather than of fact. The place which Lingnan would occupy in the field of agriculture would be very much the same under either the statement used in the Correlated Program as adopted in Shanghai in 1933 and again in 1934, or the tentative suggestion of a re-wording proposed by the Associated Boards in April 1935. During recent months the Committee appointed by the Associated Boards to review the Correlated Program in the light of recent developments gave a great deal of careful study to this matter, and in the end decided to adopt the statement as approved by the Council of Higher Education last year and again this year. The Associated Boards at its Annual Meeting last week, accepted this recommendation of the Committee on Correlation, and our Nanking Founders saw no reason for raising any objection. As a matter of fact, four of the seven members of the Committee on Correlated Program were members of our Nanking Board. When the matter was discussed at our Nanking meeting on April 26th, Dr. K. L. Butterfield, who was present, expressed his agreement with the form of

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statement used by the Council of Higher Education. We earnestly hope that the Board of Directors and the field authorities at Mankato will find no serious objection to this statement of the program of agriculture, and will cooperate heartily in the plans proposed by the Council of Higher Education for working out a nation wide program of agricultural service.

Very cordially yours,

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May 16, 1934

Mr. W. R. Wheeler
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

Dear Wheeler:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 21st, and also of the printed material which you sent under separate cover.

At the present time all these promotional matters both of the Associated Boards and of the individual colleges are being held somewhat in suspense while we are working out our promotional organization. We had hoped that Dr. E. H. Hume would be able to leave his medical work for a few years to help us out in this field but the call to service in the United Medical office was too strong for him to resist and we are now turning our attention elsewhere. I hope that within a fortnight we will have our organization more clearly defined, and can then write more definitely as to the ways in which our publicity for Nanking can best fit into the general plan. It has been kept clearly in mind at all times that for the present at least practically all of the promotional work of the Associated Boards will have to be carried on to meet the definite needs of the individual institutions, rather than attempting an undifferentiated appeal for "Christian higher education in China."

We are looking forward to seeing Miss Priest within the next few days. One of the matters I hope to discuss at some length with her is this question of how we can best serve Nanking in the field of promotion.

I trust that by the time this reaches Nanking you will be about ready to lay aside your regular duties for some weeks of rest and relaxation.

Very cordially yours,

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June 12, 1934

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Mr. W. R. Wheeler
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

Dear Wheeler:

I hope that we have at last succeeded in clearing up the Wheeler Memorial Chapel accounts on our books. I am enclosing herewith the followings:-

Letter to your brother, Mr. W. P. Wheeler - 6/8/34.
Statement as to the adjustments we are making in the Wheeler Memorial Chapel accounts.
Memorandum of Journal Entries to effect these adjustments.

There is not much I need to add to what I have already written in the above material. As yet we have not heard from Yenching as to the details of the investment, but I trust that the investments they have made are entirely satisfactory to you from the standpoint of security. It is the general opinion of the Yenching Trustees that if exchange gets back to around 2.75 it would be well to bring back to America at least the Laura Spelman Rockefeller fund and also the Wheeler Memorial fund if that is in accordance with your own judgment.

I trust that the arrangement of having you pay interest on your \$5,000 note direct to your mother will prove entirely satisfactory both to you and to her. This seems the simplest way of handling the matter. Since the \$5,000 loaned you was taken out of the \$35,000 received from members of your family for the Wheeler Memorial Chapel fund, you will, of course, have to continue paying this interest until the note is repaid, or your mother will receive just that amount less each year.

You will remember that in my letter of June 28th, 1933 I called attention to the fact that up to June 30th, 1933 the amount of interest charged against your note was \$450. Against this we credited \$134.34 representing your share of the interest returned to the donors of this fund for the year 1932-33. This still leaves US\$315.66 of interest outstanding previous to the date when the Wheeler Memorial fund was set up on July 1st, 1933. This \$315.66 is due to the income on invested building funds account of Yenching University, and since our building funds are now in need of assistance, we hope that in spite of cuts and special claims upon you you will be able to take care of the item during the coming year. We will await word from you on these various points.

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Mr. W. A. Wheeler

June 12, 1964

Miss Priest has been in the office a number of times during the past fortnight. It has been very good to see her. I will be writing you again within a few days with regard to various matters she discussed.

With all good wishes for the summer months, I am

Very cordially yours,

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THE UNIVERSITY OF NANKING

Commencement Exercises Held

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

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WHEELER MEMORIAL CHAPEL ACCOUNT

A. Wheeler Memorial Fund

The Yenching Trustees approved by actions FC-5270 71, 72, and 73, subject to certain adjustments later agreed to by Mr. Barber, Mr. McBrier and Mr. Gamble, the creation of a Wheeler Memorial Trust Fund, made up of funds given by Mrs. Rachel Wheeler, Mr. W. R. Wheeler, and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Farley, toward the proposed Wheeler Memorial Chapel. During the lifetime of Mrs. Wheeler the income of this fund is to be paid over to her. Thereafter the fund is to be used by Yenching University as a memorial in whatever form may be agreed to by the Yenching Trustees in consultation with any of the above-named surviving contributors to this fund.

This fund was set up effective as of July 1, 1933, as follows:-

<u>Funds Received</u>		
April 11, 1921	From Mrs. Rachel Wheeler	\$ 12,500.00
Oct. 2, 1929	From Mrs. Rachel Wheeler	12,500.00
Oct. 23, 1929	From Mr. W. R. Wheeler	5,000.00
Oct. 23, 1929	From Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Farley	<u>5,000.00</u>
		35,000.00
	Plus Accrued Interest	\$ 3,012.88
	Less Payments in process	
	June 30, 1933	<u>806.03</u>
		<u>2,206.86</u>
	Total Set Aside as Wheeler Memorial Fund	\$ 37,206.86

Investment of Fund

Held on Field	(84% of LC\$89,642.49, US\$34,091.03 = LC\$75,298.68 or)	26,636.47
<u>Held in New York</u>		
	Note given on Loan to W. R. Wheeler	\$5000.00
	34 shares of American Power & Light 6% Pfd. Stock	<u>3570.38</u> <u>8,570.39</u>
		\$ 37,206.86

Income to May 31, 1934

Partial Report of Income from Field	85.56
Income on 34 Sh. Am. P. & L. 6% stock @ 1.50	<u>51.00</u>
	\$136.56

The income from Mr. Wheeler's note (\$250 per annum) is to be paid directly to Mrs. Wheeler beginning July 1, 1933.

B. Laura Spelman Rockefeller Fund

In the actions cited in the previous section the Yenching Trustees provided that the fund received from the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial, to match the first gift from Mrs. Rachel Wheeler, continue to be held as at present, and that all interest accruing on this fund be added to the principal.

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Source of Fund. The principal of this fund is \$6,250.00 contributed by the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial on May 7, 1931. To June 30, 1933 the interest added to this fund amounted to \$573.88, bringing its total at that date to \$6,823.88. (Apparently the interest received since July 1, 1932 on the portion of the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial Fund held in China still to be added to the principal).

Investment of Fund. This fund was invested on July 1, 1933 as follows:-

Held in Field 16% of LC\$89,642.48, US\$34,091.03 = LC\$14,342.80 or		\$ 5,454.56
Held in New York		
12 Shares American Power & Light 85 Stock, at cost price	\$ 1,231.80	
Cash awaiting investment	<u>137.52</u>	<u>1,369.32</u>
		\$ 6,823.88

Income. All income on the above investments since July 1, 1933 is to be added to this principal, together with any income accrued on the field previous to July 1, 1933 not already added.

C. Expenditures on Plans for Chapel

Some years ago the field expended the sum of US\$844.08 for preliminary architectural surveys and plans for the proposed Wheeler Memorial Chapel. This cost has been met from accrued interest on the funds described in A and B above. This amount of \$844.08 has been deducted from the interest figures reported above.

Both the disbursement and the receipt of this \$844.08 are still carried on our Yenching accounts under the title "Wheeler Memorial Chapel."

MEMORANDUM RE JOURNAL ENTRIES
TRUSTEES OF YENCHING UNIVERSITY
WHEELER MEMORIAL CHAPEL ACCOUNTS

In accordance with the reorganization of the Wheeler Memorial Chapel Fund as described in the attached statement, the following changes should be made on our books:-

1. The present Wheeler Memorial Chapel accounts should be divided into three parts:-

12 and 112(q) Wheeler Memorial Fund
26(t) and 126(t) Chapel
26(t2) and 126(t2) Laura Spelman Rockefeller Fund

2. The following journal entries should be made to clear our accounts to May 31, 1935

a. Wheeler Memorial Fund:-

Debit 126(t) Wheeler Memorial	\$ 23,952.22	
Debit 126(t1) Wheeler Memorial-Y.W.C.)	13,234.64	
Credit 112(q) Wheeler Memorial Fund		37,206.86
Credit 26(t) Wheeler Memorial Chapel		28,636.47
Credit 28(c) Bills Receivable		5,000.00
Credit 25 Building Funds Investments		3,570.39
Debit 12(q) Wheeler Memorial Fund	37,206.86	

The above entries are to set up in the endowment section the "Wheeler Memorial Fund" Accounts.

Debit 31 Managers Current Expense		
1933-34 (LC\$256.56)	85.56	
Debit 126(t1) Wheeler Memorial -Y.W.C.	51.00	
Credit 172.7 Income, Wheeler Memorial Fund		136.56
Credit 39 Current General Cash		85.56
Credit 29 Plant Cash		51.00
Debit 79 Special Cash	136.56	

Transfer of US\$85.56 in accordance with Miss Cookingham's letter #C34-3-28-34. The above entries set up an account in the current special section for handling the income received on the Wheeler Memorial Fund.

b. Laura Spelman Rockefeller Fund:-

Debit 126(t1) Wheeler Memorial-Y.W.C.	\$ 6,841.98	
Credit 126(t2) Laura Spelman Rockefeller Fund		6,841.98
Credit 26(t) Wheeler Memorial		5,454.56
Debit 26(t2) Laura Spelman Rocke. Fund	5,454.56	

The above entries are to set apart within the Plant Section the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial Fund, and to show the portion of this fund now transferred to the field for investment. It should be noted that the balance of this fund is still held by the

Trustees as follows:-

In account 25, Building Funds Investments	
12 Shares American Power & Light 6% Stock	1,251.60
In account 29, Cash Awaiting Investment	<u>157.52</u>
	2,369.32

Debit 26(t2) Laura Spelman Rockefeller Fund	16.50
Credit 126(t2) Laura Spelman " "	16.50

To record the addition of U.S.\$16.50, (LC\$50.93) reported by Miss Cockingham's letter #C34-3-28-34 as received in interest on the field and re-deposited to the credit of this account.

c. Income on Building Funds Investments.

Credit 121(f) Income Invested General Building Fund	73.52
Debit 126(t1) Wheeler Memorial Y.W.C.	73.52

Transfer to Building Funds Investments the US\$73.52 income received during 1933-34 on the 48 shares of American Power & Light 6% preferred stock held in the Building Funds Investments account.



University of Nanking

June 20, 1934

Mr. W. Reginald Wheeler
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

My dear Mr. Wheeler:

I am acknowledging your letter of April 26th addressed to Mr. Garside, who is now attending meetings of two of our Boards in England.

Miss Priest reported at the meeting of the Executive Committee regarding the payment of the first 100,000 yuan on the 300,000 appropriation toward the library. This is indeed encouraging and it is hoped that the near future will see additional payments which will permit work being started on the building.

We understand that these are in government securities, which, of course, would enter into the consideration before any move could be made toward starting the erection.

Very cordially yours,

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Assistant Treasurer

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June 21, 1934

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W. P. Mills
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Mr. B. A. Garside,
150-5th Avenue,
New York City.

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Sincerely yours,

W. Reginald Wheeler

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July 7 - An S O S letter has just come from Miss Priest asking for a write-up and for pictures describing Mr. Riggs' work. I have been photographing him furiously in all sorts of postures and have had one of the Nanking photographers do the same, and Miss Anderson and I will get out a statement that will go to you next week.

I have been trying to get movies of Mr. Riggs and his work, but we have never seemed to be able to synchronize our movements successfully.

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B. A. Garside,
July 7, 1934.

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Mr. John Young left last week via Europe, taking with him about four hundred feet of original 16 mm. film which I asked him to deliver to you in New York. This reel contains pictures of the work of the College of Agriculture and Forestry with its various departments; also Commencement at the University, 1933, when Wang Ching-wei came and spoke, and the 1933 Commencement at Ginling; also some Ginling student pictures, volley ball, and so forth. Mr. Young will reach New York early in September.

Dr. Lewis Smythe left about two weeks ago. He took with him about one hundred feet of original film and titles of the wool weaving project in which both he and Mr. Riggs have been especially interested. I told him to get into touch with you about these films after he has reached the United States.

You can do as you think best with these additional movies. I have kept duplicates here. I have built up a three reel picture now of the University. We took pictures of the 1934 Commencements of the University and of Ginling, but the films have not been processed as yet. Chiang Kai-shek came to Ginling Baccalaureate and made a good speech stating his faith in Christ and his belief in the need for Christian service in China today. I am working on a printed report-letter for the University and will quote from the statements of the General. I could not get movies of him, but we will send a still picture. I will also send some additional photographs of the University.

The police have caught and jailed a ricksha coolie who had certain of Miss Hsu's possessions in his hut. Apparently he killed Miss Hsu partly out of revenge for a previous slight and partly with robbery as the motive.

We were sorry to hear that one of our students, a senior next year, Miss Yui Teh-hwei, was killed by the bomb explosion on the first through train from Peiping to Mukden. Miss Yui was a Christian and a good student. Her brother, who was at Tsing Hua University, was also killed. My own family are taking that train today from Tientsin to Peitaiho. The situation in the North is quite unsettled, but no major developments are expected in the near future.

W. R. W.

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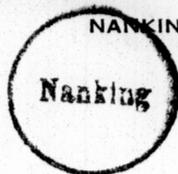
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University of Nanking

August 9, 1934

Mr. W. Reginald Wheeler
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

Dear Wheeler,

Let me acknowledge receipt of the letters you wrote Mr. Evans and me on July 5th. The clipping from the North China Daily News gives a very interesting description of the commencement exercises. We have also received the Senior Class Books and have read the English table of contents and admired the pictures, though as yet we have not tackled the Chinese letter press.

Miss Anderson has also acknowledged Miss Priest's request for material with reference to the work of Mr. and Mrs. Riggs. As yet the material you are sending has not arrived, but no doubt it will be in the next China mail.

I have already acknowledged the receipt of the film which Dr. Lewis Smythe brought with him. We will also be glad to get the additional 400 feet which Mr. Young is bringing. I certainly hope that during the coming year we can begin to develop publicity work here in the States for the University of Nanking along lines which will be increasingly productive as the years go on.

With all good wishes, I am,

Very cordially yours,

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University of Nanking

August 21, 1934

Mr. W. R. Wheeler
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

My dear Mr. Wheeler:

Letter has not come to file.

Your letter of July 15th, enclosing news items from the University, came to hand with Mrs. Slocum's letter. We have also received a letter from Dr. Wu, together with some photographs. The questions raised in your letter are being referred to Mr. Garbide, who is on a short vacation now, but he requested all material of this kind to be forwarded to him.

So far our summer has been exceedingly agreeable. One very hot spell in the latter part of June nearly floored us; but we emerged after two weeks of it, and since then have had no complaint to make. Our complaints were filed with the weather bureau last winter when they handed us the worst *seen* in this locality for a long period.

Very cordially yours,

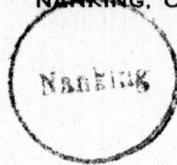
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UNIVERSITY OF NANKING

NANKING, CHINA



September 7, 1934.

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Mr. B. A. Garside,
Associated Boards,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

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Dear Mr. Garside:

Your letter dated June 12th with accompanying copies of the correspondence referring to the Wheeler Memorial Chapel Accounts was received at Nanking on our return here on September first. I assume that you are sending copies of this statement to my brother, N. P. Wheeler, at Endeavor, Pennsylvania, who is the legal representative of the family in this and in other business matters.

We had the pleasure of visiting Yenching on our way back from Peitaiho and were much impressed by the fine plant and lovely campus of the University. As you know, I was associated with Dr. Luce from 1919 to 1921 in the early campaign and promotion of the University. I remember when Dr. Luce drew up the bird's eye and general layout of the buildings. At that time we had no money and no site and I remarked what a venture of faith such a drawing represented. That drawing and that early dream have come true and it was a joy and an inspiration to see the physical incarnation of those early hopes and plans.

I think the setting up of the Chapel Funds as indicated in your letter is alright. In view of Mother's need of income, the question has been raised if the University might be willing to pay her on the basis of an annuity rate of income rather than merely transferring the income from the securities purchased with the fund. This question may come up later, but in the meantime I think the family would prefer to allow the matter to stand and the account to remain as you have set it up on the books of the University.

The only real threat that I can see on the horizon to the future service and life of Yenching is that of a possible Japanese movement into Hopei and northern China. Such a movement was being seriously discussed and almost assumed by a number of individuals with whom I talked but only the future can decide this issue. I was opposed to investing the Chapel funds in the Peiping Bank for this reason but it seems to me that the purchase of the Shanghai Power and Light debentures are as safe and marketable an investment as can be made out here and we can wait and see what is going to happen. If exchange goes below 2.70 it is my understanding that the fund will be transferred to New York.

I also received your letter of August 3rd on my return to Nanking. We are looking forward to hearing from you when you have

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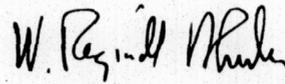
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an opportunity to write in regard to the questions raised in my earlier letters concerning the promotional action of the Associated Boards and particularly Nanking's share and duty in this activity. I am asking Miss Priest to check up our mailing list with you and to find out how this fits in with your mailing list for the Associated Boards.

I am just finishing a letter which we expect to send to our constituency reporting on the chief developments of the past year at the University.

With best wishes from all of us at Nanking, I am,

Sincerely yours,



W. Reginald Wheeler

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NANKING COMMENCEMENTS

North China Daily News June 22, 1933

University of Nanking and Ginling College Report Successful Years

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Nanking, June 20.

Commencement was held yesterday and to-day at the University of Nanking and at Ginling College. Mr. Wang Ching-wei, President of the Executive Yuan of the National Government, gave the chief address yesterday at the University of Nanking commencement exercises.

Mr. Wang told of his own experiences when a student and of the changes which had taken place in education in China during the past 25 years and of the responsibilities that rested upon the students of to-day. An address was also given by Dr. Wang Shieh-chih, Minister of Education. Mr. Peng Hsioh-pei, Head of the Administrative Department of the Executive Yuan, also was present. Degrees were conferred by President Chen Yu-gwan on 22 graduates of the College of Arts, 11 of the College of Science, and 42 of the College of Agriculture and Forestry. Diplomas were awarded to four students who had completed the pre-medical course, one student who had specialised in Chinese, 19 graduates of the Rural Leaders' Training School, 31 graduates of the Senior Middle

School and 52 graduates of the Junior Middle School.

The baccalaureate address at the University was given on Sunday, June 18, by Dr. Chen Chi-pao, formerly Dean of the College of Education at Central University and now in the Ministry of Education. An enthusiastic alumni dinner was held last night, June 19 at the Central Hotel in Nanking, which was attended by over 200 alumni of the University. Reports were given at the dinner concerning the plan of the alumni to raise a fund of Mex \$65,000 for an alumni building. Motion pictures of Nanking and of the University taken by Professor W. R. Wheeler were shown at the dinner.

Commencement day was celebrated at Ginling College for Women to-day, June 20. The commencement speaker was the Minister of Education, Dr. Wang Shieh-chih. There were 36 graduates of the College, the largest number in its history. The requests already received for their services from schools, Y.W.C.A.s and from hospitals for social service workers are more than double the number of the graduating class. The Baccalaureate address was given on Sunday, June 18, by Dr. C. S. Miao, General Secretary of the China Christian Educational Association.

Dr. Y. F. Wu, President of the College, has received a cabled invitation to attend the International Congress of Women to be held in Chicago the week beginning July 16 in connection with the World's Fair. She will speak at the Congress representing the women of China. Dr. Wu will also be one of the three women delegates from China to attend the Conference of the Institute of Pacific Relations to be held at Banff, Canada, August 14 to 28. One of the other two women delegates from China, Dr. Djang Siao-mei, vice-President of the Research Department of the Bank of China in Shanghai, is also a graduate of Ginling College.

Big Gifts Received

The past year, as indicated in the reports of Presidents Chen and Wu, has been an unusually successful one, both for the University of Nanking and for Ginling College. The College of Agriculture and Forestry of the University of Nanking has received special recognition and has developed its services in several fields. The balance of G. \$600,000 of the China Famine Fund is now being administered by the College. A gift of Mex \$63,000 has been received from the Shanghai Commercial and Savings Bank for the services of two foreign experts in marketing and co-operatives and for scholarships in co-operatives. A gift of Mex. \$20,000 has been received from General Chiang Kai-shek with special reference to the programme of the College for crop improvement in the north. The College is now co-operating in agricultural work with the Mass Education Movement centre at Tingshien, Chihli. Dr. T. H. Shen, Head of the Department of argonomy, was appointed by the National Government as a delegate to the Fifty Pacific Science Congress which was held at Victoria and Vancouver, Canada, June 1 to 14. A co-operative arrangement made with the Nanking Theological Seminary will provide for a rural church major course beginning in the autumn of 1933, combining theological and rural training. The first two years of basic theological work will be done at the Seminary and the third year at the University of Nanking Rural Leaders' Training School.

At Ginling College the first large gift made to the College by Chinese donors has been received. This gift came from the three daughters of Madame Soong, Madame Sun Yat-sen, Madame Kung Hsiang-hsi, and Madame Chang Kai-shek. The gift is a memorial to Madame Soong; it is to be used for the erection of a new dormitory for the practice school of the College. Two other buildings at the College, the gift of friends in the United States, are nearing completion and will be ready for occupancy next autumn. They are the new library, and a building containing an assembly hall, or chapel, and rooms for instruction and practice in music. When the construction of these buildings is finished, the whole academic group, as planned fifteen years ago before the College was moved to its present site, will be completed.

UNIVERSITY OF NANKING
NANKING, CHINA

September 27, 1933.

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

Dear Mr. Evans:

Enclosed is a printed letter dated
September 15th, called "A Christian University at the
Capital of China" in which I have tried to describe
some of the interesting developments of the past year
in the life of the city and the University of Nanking.

Enclosed also is a clipping from the
North China Daily News published in Shanghai which
gives an account of the commencement exercises last
June at the University of Nanking and Ginling College.

The University has opened with a fine
body of students and the prospects are favorable for
a year of peace and progress.

Sincerely yours,

W. Reginald Wheeler

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LETTERS FROM CHINA

Nanking, China,
October first, 1934.

TO THE AMERICAN FRIENDS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NANKING:

A year ago—on September 15, 1933—I wrote to you and attempted to describe the city of Nanking—the capital of China—and the Christian University here.

In this letter I will try to outline briefly some of the developments of chief interest in the life of the University during the past year. The list of subjects might be extended to considerable length. I will select three.

Calvin Coolidge once remarked that an item of chief importance to any American President is how to secure the money with which to maintain the government. The same question confronts every college president. The question has been accentuated during the present depression. The Christian colleges in China depend in part upon funds from America for their current budgets; all of them face ever increasing opportunities that call for ever expanding incomes. The curtailing of their income from abroad has subjected them all to financial uncertainties and strain. A compensating aspect of this situation is that the universities have been compelled to seek a greater measure of support in China. The future of these institutions depends upon their becoming increasingly indigenously financial support as well as in service and staff, and it is from that standpoint that we have been made happy by the gifts received by the University of Nanking during the past year in China.

The Farmers' Bank of Four Provinces (Hupeh, Honan, Kiangsi and Anhwei) has approved an appropriation of \$100,000 (yuan) for an economic survey by the College of Agriculture and Forestry of these provinces with special reference to marketing, the present methods of financing the farmers, the landlord tenant relationships, and the classification of land according to productivity. The Farmers' Bank was organized by General Chiang Kai-shek for the purpose of assisting the farmers financially through co-operatives and in other ways. The survey is to cover a two year period and payments will be made quarterly. The National Government has made an appropriation of \$100,000 (yuan) in government bonds toward the total of \$300,000 yuan it had promised several years ago for a library and its equipment and upkeep at the University. The National Economic Council—a committee of the government with special responsibility for economic planning and development,—has paid \$10,000 yuan for the training of a special nine-month class of fifty students in the cotton industry. The Shensi Provincial Government has paid \$5,000 yuan, part of a three-year grant of \$15,000 yuan, for the training of a special class of 30 students from that province; the China Foundation has appropriated \$15,000 yuan for research in plant disease control and in crop improve-



ment. The National Government, on the recommendation of the Ministry of Industries, has authorized a grant-in-aid of \$30,000 to the University for the Colleges of Arts and Science.

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The first five appropriations are for capital improvement and special courses; the last, both for equipment and special courses and for the current budget. The University reported a deficit of \$16,000 yuan for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1934, in a budget of approximately \$900,000 yuan. The University has managed its finances with great economy and care and in spite of the strain of the present situation—a strain that nearly every institution of higher learning in the world is feeling in these difficult times,—an encouraging factor is the receiving of cash and pledges of \$260,000 (yuan)—more than a quarter of a million dollars (Chinese)—in China during the past year, and these gifts and pledges bring encouragement to the administration of the University and are a visible index of the progress being made in securing indigenous support.

In the second place, under the leadership of President Chen and Deans Liu, Wei, Chang and Sie, there have been accomplishments in the work of the University during the past year that, we believe, justify increased trust and support. The Department of Agricultural Economics of the College of Agriculture and Forestry, under the direction of Dr. J. L. Buck, has for three years been engaged in a land utilization and population survey and study which is the first of its kind on a nation-wide scale in China. The survey has extended into twenty-one provinces; data have been collected from 19,000 farms and 52,000 farm families. The last regional investigator has returned safely and the data are being tabulated with the expectation that the complete report will be available within a year. A preliminary report has been published by the Milbank Memorial Fund. The Department plans to publish a report which will be of general interest; a volume showing the results of the study in maps; and a third volume giving all the data for each locality studied.

Dr. A. B. Lewis and L. L. Chang have published a pamphlet on "Silver and the Chinese Price Level" which has attracted wide attention. Three members of the University faculty, Dr. Buck, Dr. Lewis and Mr. Chang are members of the Silver Committee of the Ministry of Industries.

The College of Science has made educational contributions of value in Nanking and in the Province of Kiangsu, in a program of visual education—through the use of motion pictures—and in science instruction and standardization of science text-books in the middle schools. The loan to the college by Mr. Julean Arnold, the American Commercial Attaché, of his valuable supply of 35 mm. films has been of much service in the carrying out of the first of these programs.

There has been a distinct improvement in the standard of English instruction in the College of Arts under the direction of Dr. W. P. Fenn, Head of the Department of Foreign Languages. The University Debating Team, coached by Dr. Fenn, Dr. Edwin Marx, Dean Wei, and Dr. Ma, won the championship in the East China Intercollegiate English Debate. This victory followed close upon the winning of the East China Oratorical team Championship in Chinese, and the winning of the volleyball championship in the city of Nanking, and the students staged a triple celebration of these victories.

In the third place, there has been progress in the religious life of the University. In accordance with the government regulations, all chapel services and classroom religious instruction is on a voluntary and elective basis. But there is no restriction upon individual personal work and religious instruction not on a compulsory basis. There has been a subsidence of the anti-Christian attitude of previous years, but there is much still to be done and won and the battle is not an easy one, either for Christian students or faculty. Those

who choose the Christian way of life have engaged in a real conflict "and there are many adversaries." Of three students, one of a number of such groups who had planned to be baptized, only one student had sufficient courage to appear at the church on the appointed day. Here is a student who had decided to become a Christian and be baptized. He is one of the best students in one of my classes and comes from a family of wealth and influence. None of his family are Christians; his father learns of his contemplated step and the boy is compelled to drop out of this Christian University and go to a government institution. Here is another student, with a shining face, to whom I am instinctively drawn. After class he comes to me and says: "I want to be a Christian. How do you be a Christian?" The boy has had a difficult path since that decision but he has stood firm and has been baptized into the new faith. Such experiences make the work among the students of the University worth while and are both a challenge and a reward.

In the faculty there has been real religious activity as well, though we still have far to go. I have been a member of an informal group that has met every two weeks throughout the year and has gained insight and strength from this fellowship. During the year two "retreats" have been held; one met in a picturesque Buddhist temple in the lovely "Spirit Valley" near the newly constructed Revolutionists Memorial, the "Arlington of China." Seventy of the faculty, Chinese and foreigners, faculty members and their wives, met in the temple where we were served a vegetable meal by the Buddhist priests and engaged in discussion, singing hymns and in prayer. During the singing of one of the hymns an old Buddhist monk made his way to the altar in front of an image of the Buddha and placed a single stick of burning incense there as if afraid this new religion might displace the worship of one who had lived and taught centuries before Christ. As the stick of incense with its curling, fragrant smoke, burned low and went out, and the Christian hymns rose in singing chorus, it seemed a portent of the coming of the day when the Light of Asia would be in truth the One who is the Light of the World.

The baccalaureate services at the University and at Ginling College always have a special place in the religious life of the institutions. At the University, the former chancellor of Yenching University, Wei Lei-chwen, made the baccalaureate address. He was a Han-lin scholar of the old school and yet a leader of the new education and a man of visible sincerity and grace. He gave a ringing and unequivocal message as to the need of the youth of China being loyal to the truth, even though that loyalty might lead them, as it did Jesus, to the Cross. At the Ginling Baccalaureate service, General and Madame Chiang Kai-shek were present. They had a personal interest in the College as a niece of theirs, a daughter of Dr. H. H. Kung, Minister of Finance, was a student in the College, and Madame Chiang, and her two sisters, Mrs. Kung and Mrs. T. V. Soong, had given the funds for a building at the College.

In a letter which General and Madame Chiang — the outstanding leaders in China to-day—gave last year to Bishop Logan H. Roots, their trusted friend, before he sailed for America, they had written of the need of more missionaries from America; "trained to advance a program of rural reconstruction, education, methods of cooperative effort, with the humility to learn from the Chinese their own needs, but above all requirements, filled with the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ and the zeal of his service."

They had affirmed their belief that "Christianity can give to China what Communism never can—a sense of the Divine purpose of a loving heavenly Father—in our lives"—and they had asked "for the help of the Christians in America, that we may not fail Him in His purpose for China."

Now General Chiang was speaking to students in China and in a clear, direct and soldierly speech, he gave his testimony as to the value of religion and as to the need of allegiance to and dependence upon Christ. A most striking sentence was: "If you do not have Christ, you have no one upon whom you can lean" (Roh shi muh iu Ye Se, muh iu i k'ao dih"). His address in part was:

"Knowledge is usually divided into two categories, the metaphysical and the non-metaphysical. Now that you have finished College you have mastered the non-metaphysical branches and you should continue the pursuit of the metaphysical, particularly religion. Why do we come into the world? This higher metaphysical knowledge concerns itself with religion and things spiritual and answers these questions. We are made and sent into the world with some responsibility for bettering the world; we come with purpose; we are to make the world better than it was. A man who is without religion, who does not place the emphasis on this higher knowledge, is like a man on a boat in the wideness of an ocean without a compass. A life without religion is aimless. One without religious ideas can never understand what life really means, and will drift purposelessly without achieving much. Religion will enable one to struggle with a definite purpose toward a final goal.

"In the old teachings of Chinese philosophy, spiritual life is emphasized as well as the intellectual. Now that some of you are finishing your college careers you are reaching certain intellectual standards, but there is still to be considered this more serious problem of your spiritual life. Now that you are graduating I should like to ask you if you know what Christianity is—what does it stand for? Christianity is a religion with a definite goal and a lofty purpose. Jesus Christ, the Founder, was revolutionary in his conception of living and society. He set an example of what life ought to be. In His day the Jews were under the oppression of the Romans. It was Jesus' purpose to liberate people and ultimately to build a world brotherhood. Christ came to save the people of all the world. As we know, the Three Principles of Dr. Sun Yat-sen are evolved from the philosophy of Jesus Christ. Both were firm believers in world brotherhood. With His aim before Him, Christ was willing to sacrifice. He was willing to sacrifice even unto death for the people. It is this spirit which causes men to adore and worship Him. With all your scientific training you are going out to serve, but remember you cannot render any real contribution to society or humanity unless you serve in the spirit of Christianity—the spirit of sacrifice. This graduating class is going out into the world for which it has a responsibility. Will the intellect alone serve to better our country, environment and the world? No, the intellect is not enough. It must be assisted by religion, by the spirit of Christ. If you do not have Christ you have no one upon whom you can lean. As graduates of a Christian institution, it behooves you to strive to grasp the essentials of Christianity, for your own benefit as well as for that of others who do not have the chance to come into contact with institutions of a similar nature. This is a period when our country is going through difficult times, and with the Christian spirit of service you can make your contribution to her in the revival of the nation."

This is the spirit we are trying to inculcate and strengthen in the students at the University and at Ginling, and to that end we need your continued interest, faith, gifts and prayers.

Sincerely yours,

W. Reginald Wheeler

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NANKING, CHINA



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

Dear Mr. Garside:

Herewith is a copy of a letter dated October 9th which I have written to Leighton Stuart in regard to the Wheeler Chapel Funds. I am sending a copy of the letter also to my brother and brother-in-law.

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We mailed you a number of copies of a printed letter about the University dated October first. I am asking Miss Priest to check up our mailing list at your office. We are putting our list into alphabetical order and will send you a copy. I am sure there must be inaccuracies and duplications in our present list, and we would appreciate help in straightening it out. I am asking Miss Priest to go ahead with this job.

Our deficit is apparently worse than indicated in the printed letter sent to you but I had to make my figures agree with those reported to the University of the State of New York by the treasurer's office here.

With best wishes from all of us at Nanking, I am,

Sincerely yours,

W. Reginald Wheeler

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P. S. In addition to the cash that the University holds to the credit of the Wheeler Chapel Fund, you hold a note of mine for \$5,000 with interest at six percent, for this same fund. In the present state of our finances I am sorry to say I cannot pay this note or the interest. If our business affairs are straightened out I hope to pay this, but I do not think it can be counted now in the assets for the chapel.

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Sent w/ *Mr. Wheeler*
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Dr. J. Leighton Stuart, President,
Yenching University, Peiping.

Dear Leighton:

When I saw you in Shanghai last week I told you I had received a cable on September 22nd telling of the death of my Mother, Mrs. N. P. Wheeler, at her home in Endeavor, Pennsylvania.

The question of the use of the funds now being held by the University and designated as "The Wheeler Memorial Chapel Funds" will come before the University and its trustees and our family. There is the sum of approximately 90,000 yuan to the credit of this fund here in China, chiefly invested in Shanghai Power and Light debentures, paying five and a half percent, and approximately \$5,000 gold in New York invested in securities there.

You are familiar with the conditions under which the original gift was made toward this fund and the agreement whereby the University was to pay the income from the fund or from the portion given by our family, excluding the Rockefeller supplement, to my Mother during her lifetime, the principal to be used after her death as might be agreed by the University and the original donors. The original designation of the fund was for a chapel and it has been my hope and expectation that the fund would be used for such a building. The University has several rooms in classroom and administration buildings which are now being used for chapel but there is no building set aside and specially designated and dedicated to distinctive religious use.

You pointed out a site above the lake when we visited Yenching this fall where you hoped to place a chapel. That would be a beautiful location and one conducive to the spirit of worship and prayer.

We had agreed that it would probably be well to build a smaller chapel than had originally been planned, one that would seat four to five hundred people. I believe there is a real need for such a building at Yenching and I know what a contribution the Twinem Memorial Chapel, recently constructed on our own campus, has made to the religious life and spirit of the University. Yenching can doubtless get along for some time yet without a separate chapel building using its present rooms in the other buildings as it is now doing, but we would prefer to see the funds which have been given used for a building distinctively separate from secular activity, and dedicated to religious use alone. I believe that the other members of the family share in this feeling and desire. The latter portion of this fund was given, as you know, when the gift meant real sacrifice. I know that the other members of the family wish to fulfill the original pledge for a chapel building

Dr. Stuart

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and will not raise questions in regard to the honorable meeting of that obligation. On the other hand, if the funds are to be transferred to some other use or some other apparent need of the University, I believe the other members of the family will raise the question of the University's returning the gift in view of the critical needs of the Wheeler Estate.

Exchange has come back to approximately the same figures as obtained when the money was transferred from New York to Peiping so that the funds could be transferred to New York without appreciable loss.

Both the University of Nanking and Ginling College have recently completed chapel buildings and I should think it would not be difficult to secure estimates as to the probable cost of a chapel to seat four or five hundred, and a decision could then be reached as to whether or not the present funds now available would be sufficient or if it would be necessary to defer building and build up the fund through the income of the securities in which the funds have been invested.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Garside and to my brother, N. P. Wheeler at Endeavor, Pennsylvania, and to my brother-in-law, Allan Farley, 251 Culver Road, Rochester, New York.

It was fine to see you in Shanghai. I think that you are doing a very brave and valuable piece of work in promoting the campaign for Yenching here in China, and are serving the whole cause of Christian education through this pioneer effort.

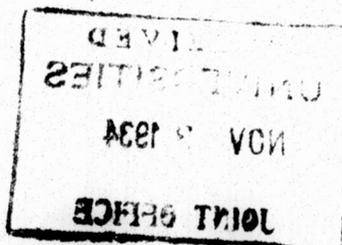
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Affectionately yours,

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cc-Garside
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I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Garaiside and to my brother, N. L. Wheeler at Hadeson, Pennsylvania, and to my brother-in-law, Allen Parley, 251 Calver Road, Lancaster, New York.

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With best wishes, I am,

Affectionately yours,

Reginald Wheeler

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October 25, 1934

Mr. W. Reginald Wheeler
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

My dear Mr. Wheeler:

I was very much pleased to receive your letter of August 28th. I must ask pardon for not replying sooner. I have been away on a trip and the days have been deluged with meetings and activities and my correspondence got a little behind.

I am very glad indeed you were able to visit Yenching. I should be pleased to have a more extended expression of your opinion regarding the work that is being accomplished there. I am very interested to know if you made inquiry regarding the ^{religious} activities in, by and for the student body, and if you have any information to give on this point I will be pleased to hear from you.

I will agree with you that there is a real need for a building dedicated solely to religious purposes and activities. You express the hope that the chapel can be built, and we also are looking forward to the consummation of that desire of yourself and your family.

Since the date of your letter we have received news that your mother has passed away. We have expressed our sympathy to the family, and now that your dear mother is here no longer to need the income from the fund, the question is raised as to whether now is the time to go ahead with the use of the amount set aside for this purpose.

There have been many questions raised in reference to this fund which are hard for the Finance Committee and for the Board of Trustees to solve. As I understand it, there was a hope on the part of your family that the sum already donated would be increased by additional gifts to make available a larger sum of money than that now held for the purpose designated. I understand that financial conditions have prevented the additional gifts and, as we understand it here, there is no probability of there being any further gifts available in the near future. You raise the question of the building being erected and I gather from your letter that you would like to see it erected soon. We share with you this hope. The question we would raise is, do you desire that plans be made to be made to erect a building, utilizing the funds that we have in hand and erect as commodious a building as the sum available will permit?

Another problem that has concerned us is the question of our loan to you from these funds. The fact is that the Finance Committee perhaps went

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beyond their powers in making this loan but you have been so closely associated with us for such a long time, and your family have been so generous in your gifts that we felt obligated to meet your request, although perhaps it was not strictly "according to Hoyle".

We have been particularly embarrassed by the fact that interest payments have not been made on this obligation with the regularity which we expected, nor have we received any communication from you in answer to our letters regarding same. We certainly have tried to manifest a generous and Christian spirit in the matter and it has been pretty hard to know just what to do in face of the legal responsibilities and involvements.

I wish you would kindly clean up all the back interest due either the University or your mother's estate and clarify the situation by explaining just how we are to handle this matter of your note.

I assume that Mr. Garside has given you full details regarding payments to your family for your mother's account; and I ask your personal cooperation in helping us to solve the problem. Please write me your ideas with regard to the building of the chapel without further delay.

Sincerely yours,

RMG:BA

cc: Mr. Garside

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copy given Mr. Garrison
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RECEIVED ATTENTION
OCT 25 1934
Nanching University

The President's House

Aug 28. 34

My dear Mr. McBrien:

On my way back from
Peking, I came to Yenching with
my family and we have all been
enjoying our stay in the streets' beautiful
home and the beauties of the
lovely campus and artistically-conceived
buildings of Yenching - The building
that is a memorial to your own
parents is such a fine addition
to the plant here - and you must

take great pride and joy in it.

The University seems to be making steady progress in spite of the difficult financial times - and a visit here makes its friends all the more enthusiastic in its support - I think there is a real need for a building dedicated solely to religious purposes and activity and I am hoping the Chapel can be built after the necessity of using income from its capital fund for my mother is removed - Certainly no funds could be invested in a Charter college in New York better advantage than here -

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is also doing very interesting and useful
work.

With kindest regards,

I am

Sincerely yours,

W. Reginald Shuck



October 30, 1954

Mr. W. E. Wheeler
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

My dear Mr. Wheeler:

At a recent meeting of the Finance Committee of Yenching University a resolution of sympathy was voted, extending to the Wheeler family very sincere sympathy in the passing on of Mrs. Rachael Wheeler.

I have written to Mr. E. P. Wheeler along these lines, and at the same time wrote him separately as per the copy enclosed. This will give you an idea of the situation to date, the only question remaining to be settled being that of income from the date of the last payment from the field up to the time of your mother's demise. As we are not sure of the exact date when interest would cease, you will note that we have asked Mr. Wheeler to notify us for the purpose of instructing the field to bring the remittance up to date.

I have seen the letter you wrote to Mr. McBrier from Yenching University, and most sincerely share with you in the hope that the building of the type you indicate should be erected. Of course there are many complications which will have to be cleared up before that is done, none of which would seem to be insurmountable. As you have been on the grounds and know conditions better than any one else, you can best judge as to the probability of solving these problems. I sincerely trust that the adjustment we have made on the accounts will prove entirely satisfactory to you as we believe the Trustees have been exceedingly generous in the treatment of the situation.

With kindest personal regards to you, I remain,

Very cordially yours,

CAE:RC

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THE PRESIDENT'S HOUSE

Nanking

Yenching University
August 28, 1934

RECEIVED ATTENTION
OCT 25 1934
E. M. McBrier

My dear Mr. McBrier:

On my way back from Peitaiho, I came to Yenching with my family and we have all been enjoying our stay in Dr. Stuart's beautiful home and the beauties of the lovely campus and artistically-conceived buildings of Yenching. The building that is a memorial to your own parents is such a fine addition to the plant here, and you must take great pride and joy in it.

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We are returning to Nanking about Sept. 1 - where the University there is also doing very interesting and useful work.

With kindest regards,

I am,

Sincerely yours,

(s) W. Reginald Wheeler

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Copy to Mr. Garside.

Nanking

October 25, 1934

Mr. W. Reginald Wheeler
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

My dear Mr. Wheeler:

I was very much pleased to receive your letter of August 28th. I must ask pardon for not replying sooner. I have been away on a trip and the days have been deluged with meetings and activities and my correspondence got a little behind.

I am very glad indeed you were able to visit Yenching. I should be pleased to have a more extended expression of your opinion regarding the work that is being accomplished there. I am very interested to know if you made inquiry regarding the ^{religious} activities in, by and for the student body, and if you have any information to give on this point I will be pleased to hear from you.

I will agree with you that there is a real need for a building dedicated solely to religious purposes and activities. You express the hope that the chapel can be built, and we also are looking forward to the consummation of that desire of yourself and your family.

Since the date of your letter we have received news that your mother has passed away. We have expressed our sympathy to the family, and now that your dear mother is here no longer to need the income from the fund, the question is raised as to whether now is the time to go ahead with the use of the amount set aside for this purpose.

There have been many questions raised in reference to this fund which are hard for the Finance Committee and for the Board of Trustees to solve. As I understand it, there was a hope on the part of your family that the sum already donated would be increased by additional gifts to make available a larger sum of money than that now held for the purpose designated. I understand that financial conditions have prevented the additional gifts and, as we understand it here, there is no probability of there being any further gifts available in the near future. You raise the question of the building being erected and I gather from your letter that you would like to see it erected soon. We share with you this hope. The question we would raise is, do you desire that plans be made to be made to erect a building, utilizing the funds that we have in hand and erect as commodious a building as the sum available will permit?

Another problem that has concerned us is the question of our loan to you from these funds. The fact is that the Finance Committee perhaps went

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beyond their powers in making this loan but you have been so closely associated with us for such a long time, and your family have been so generous in your gifts that we felt obligated to meet your request, although perhaps it was not strictly "according to Hoyle".

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Sincerely yours,

EMMcB.A

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UNIVERSITY OF NANKING
NANKING, CHINA

Quoted by B.A. 11/23



November 1, 1934.

Mr. B. A. Garside,
University of Nanking,
150 Fifth Avenue, N.Y.C.

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Dear Mr. Garside:

This is just a note to tell you that Dr. Buck has received an appointment from the United States Department of the Treasury to go to Washington to confer on the silver problem with representatives of the Department, and plans to sail about the middle of November. He has been given three months leave of absence by the University and by the Presbyterian Station here. The Government will pay his expenses during his leave.

Dr. Buck will have a little over a month in America if the present plans are carried out. His address will be, care of the Department of the Treasury, Washington, D. C. He will communicate with you if he has time to do anything for the University while he is in America.

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Sincerely yours,

W. Reginald Wheeler

W. Reginald Wheeler

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Nanking

November 9, 1934

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received 10/14/35

Mr. W. Reginald Wheeler
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

My dear Mr. Wheeler:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 11th and also of the printed letter concerning the University which you sent under date of October 1st. You indicate that you mailed us a number of copies of the printed letter, but thus far only one has arrived.

I will pass on to our Yenching Trustees the copy of your letter to Dr. Stuart with regard to going forward with the Wheeler Chapel. I am sure that they would be happy to see this building project undertaken if the funds in hand are sufficient to see it through. As yet, we have not had time to receive any word from Dr. Stuart, or the other members of your family.

We can sympathize with the situation in which you find yourself with regard to your note for \$5,000, as a result of the w k depression. We hope that the New Deal will eventually begin to pay dividends, and that the lumber business will come back with a rush. Meantime, if you could find some way in which to clear off the small balance of interest due from several years ago, that would do much to help us get the situation in satisfactory shape for the time being. As I wrote you on June 12th, the interest due the Yenching Trustees is \$450 covering the period from the date your note was given to June 30th, 1933. From June 30th, 1933 until the date of your mother's death the interest on this note is due to her rather than to the Yenching Trustees.

With best regards, I am

Very cordially yours,

BAG:MP

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Nanking

November 21, 1934

Mr. W. Reginald Wheeler
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

I am replying to your letter of September 7th addressed to Mr. Garside, who is in the Middle West doing promotional work.

It is very interesting to receive your reaction regarding the growth at Yenching which, as you say, has been most remarkable, as well effective.

Your mother's death of course has changed the entire picture, and the annuity question is now entirely eliminated. Late correspondence with the estate indicates that payment up to and including September 18th will close transactions regarding the payment of income.

We note what you say regarding the investment of the funds, and in all probability the Shanghai Power & Light Debentures do represent a reasonable amount of security. Debentures on the whole, however, are not a particularly attractive investment unless the company is operating with a proportionately large cash balance. Utilities in America are being hard hit. The recent agitation against the American Telephone & Telegraph Company knocked their common stock off from five to six points in one day, and pushed their debentures down. We are investigating, in a minor degree, the foreign situation, as West China likewise has some funds on the field to invest, and while conditions undoubtedly are different in China than in America, yet the fundamentals of investment are relatively the same the world over.

The Promotional Team is working through the Middle West, and report fairly good audiences, it being clearly understood that this is preliminary work and that if we can secure traveling expenses, we will be doing well. We have a large list of names given us by the China Famine Relief, and we are working on them at the present time in a mailing program and some results are coming from that. What the net will be is another thing.

Meanwhile I am trying to carry on here in the office with only occasional sight of Garside and other members of the team. Carlton M. Sherwood came with us as an executive director of promotional work. You probably will recall him as being head over heels in Y.P.S.C.E. work

Very cordially yours,

CAE.A

Associate Treasurer.

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UNIVERSITY OF NANKING

NANKING, CHINA

November 24, 1934.

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

Dear Mr. Garside:

The Executive-Finance Committee of the Board of Directors of the University met on the twenty second and the Board met yesterday, the 23rd. The official minutes and covering letter will be sent to you from President Chen's office. This is just a note to accompany the enclosed report of the meeting which I am sending out to the local papers.

The meeting was a very happy one and everyone seemed full of interest and enthusiasm. Mr. Sie and Mrs. Slocum did very good jobs as Acting and Assistant Acting Treasurers respectively.

The University is facing some real financial problems but I will not try to comment upon them in this letter.

We are much interested in the copy of "The China Colleges", Vol. 1, No. 2 which has just arrived. We would appreciate your sending a dozen copies of this publication so that they can be distributed to members of the staff here.

Will you kindly share this letter with Miss Priest or others interested in the University? I assume that you can use some of the material in the enclosed press release for the Associated Boards publication.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

W. Reginald Wheeler

W. Reginald Wheeler

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TO: [Faint recipient name]

M. J. [Faint name]
University of Nanking
100 [Faint address]
Nanking, China

Dear [Faint name]:

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W. Reginald Wheeler

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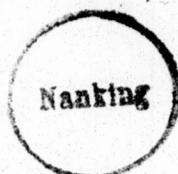
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NANKING, CHINA



November 27, 1934.

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Mr. C. A. Evans,
University of Nanking,
150 Fifth Avenue, N.Y.C.

Dear Mr. Evans:

Thank you for your kind letter of October 30th with its expression of sympathy extended from the Financial Committee of Yenching University with reference to my Mother. I appreciate very much this remembrance. Will you kindly express this appreciation to the Committee when next it meets? Mother died September 18th. I received the cable when I was in Shanghai attending the meetings of the China Council. She had lived a beautiful life, full of loving service, and carried with her throughout her whole life the spirit and atmosphere of the world to which she has gone.

I was very happy to receive a copy of a letter from Dr. Stuart to Mr. Garside reporting that definite plans were being made for the erection of the Wheeler Chapel, and that it could be built within the available funds, that is, approximately 90,000 yuan in Peiping and \$5,000 U. S. currency in New York.

The chapel was the first building pledged for the University. The erection of the chapel has been delayed through many vicissitudes and difficulties and I am very happy that at last its erection seems possible in the near future. The only question I have in mind is the large one of the effect of a possible Japanese invasion of North China and its effect upon educational institutions in that region. I think we shall have to take our chances on this, however, and hope the building can go forward as planned.

Sincerely yours,

W. Reginald Wheeler

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Nanking

December 1, 1934

Mr. Rex Wheeler
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

My dear Mr. Wheeler:

Thank you for your letter of November first, notifying us that Dr. Buck is to be in the United States for a few weeks. We are very much surprised at this and trust that we will be able to see Dr. Buck while he is here in America.

There is nothing new to report on our work here in America. The team is still working on promotion. Today they are in Milwaukee, and go from there to Des Moines, Iowa. We expect to have a two weeks' campaign around New York, and later on meetings in Rochester, Syracuse and Boston.

Very cordially yours,

CAE:BC

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Copy in 150 T. H. A. v.

December 13, 1934.

Mr. Kenneth J. Yearns,
Vice Consul,
American Consulate,
Nanking.

Dear Mr. Yearns:

Your letter dated December 6, 1934, in regard to the methods of payment by the National Government of its promise of 300,000 yuan to the University, and in regard to the plans of the University for the use of payments received from the National Government, has been received. I have talked with President Chen and will try to answer your questions in this letter.

Perhaps I ought to make clear the position of the University in regard to the gift from the Government. In your letter of December sixth, you referred to the "\$300,000 gift because of the destruction of University property in 1927". It is the position of the University, as approved by its Board of Directors, that payments which are now being received from the Government are not to be considered in the light of indemnities or reparations resulting from the 1927 Incident. The University through the Board of Directors, deliberately waived claim to such indemnities. Subsequent to the announcement that the University would make no formal claim for payment, the Chinese Government, through Dr. C. T. Wang, who was then Foreign Minister, made the promise of the gift of 300,000 yuan, which in November, 1929, was approved by the Executive Yuan. At the meeting of the University Board of Directors, November 23, 1934, according to the minutes of that meeting, "Dr. C. T. Wang stated that the Government approved the spirit of forgiveness shown by the University in not making a claim for the losses sustained during the troubles of 1927, and wished to express its appreciation in a tangible form."

The promise of the Government to make an appropriation of 300,000 yuan had been recognized by various officials since that time as indicated in the memorandum which I gave to Mr. Peck following our conference of October 19, 1933.

The first payment of its promise that was made by the Government was in April and was in Government bonds with a face value of 100,000 yuan. These bonds were issued in 1932; they pay six percent and are due in 1948. The market price is approximately sixty five.

The second payment was made about a month ago, and was in bonds based on the salt revenues. These are twenty

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Mr. Yearns

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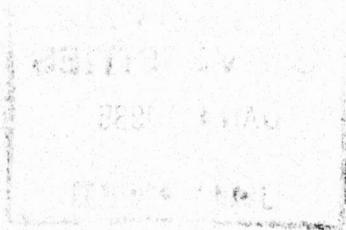
year bonds, issued in 1918; they pay interest at the rate of six percent, are due in 1938, and are quoted at approximately fifty seven.

The cash value, accordingly, of the payments by the Government thus far is approximately 122,000 yuan. Dr. Chen spoke of the difference between the cash value and the face value of the bonds when he last saw Dr. Kung, and Dr. Kung said he hoped to make the last payment to the University in cash and would try to make it in December. Assuming that a payment of 100,000 yuan will be made in cash, the total cash value of payments from the Government will be approximately 222,000 yuan. The Executive Yuan formally approved in 1929 of a payment of 300,000 yuan. There was no payment of interest or principal between November, 1929 when the Executive Yuan action was taken and April, 1934. On the other hand the interest on the Government bonds is being paid regularly and the expectation is that they will be paid in full when they mature.

The University has not decided definitely the time of beginning the construction of the library. This decision will be deferred until after the next payment is received. The question of whether to sell the bonds or to attempt to finance the building, using these bonds as security, with one of the banks, is also not yet determined.

Sincerely yours,

W. Reginald Wheeler



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December 14, 1934.

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Mr. E. M. McBrier,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York.

Dear Mr. McBrier:

Your letter of October 25th has been received, and I will try to answer your questions in regard to the Wheeler Chapel at Yen-ching.

I was happy to receive a letter recently, a copy of which has doubtless already reached you, saying that they expected to build the chapel at Yen-ching without further delay, and that it could be built within the available funds, that is, \$90,000.00 (yuan) in China, and U.S. \$5,000.00 in New York. This was the first building to be pledged for the Yen-ching plant, and I am glad that at last there is the probability that it will be erected on the beautiful campus of the University. I hope the building will be used only for religious purposes and activities, as we are doing here at the University of Nanking with the Twinem Memorial Chapel, though of course we would trust the Yen-ching administration to do what is right in this connection.

I turned over my business affairs in America to my brother, N. P. Wheeler, at Endeavor, Penna., and gave to him a memorandum concerning my pledge and note, and asked him to look after the interest payments. If this has not been done, it has been because it was not financially possible for him to meet these payments. There are many tales of financial woe which are being told as a result of the depression, and I do not want to add to them, but perhaps I ought to make the situation more clear. My father's estate consisted chiefly of timber properties, only two of which were being operated. Neither of these operations have paid dividends during the past three or four years, although the operations in the east includes the finest stand of timber left in Pennsylvania and that in the west belongs to the largest redwood company in California. The failure of a cousin of ours, which necessitated covering some of his paper at our eastern bank to keep them from failure, necessitated drawing upon the liquid assets of the estate, and pretty well cleaned us out of cash and guaranteed bonds. The final blow came last year as a result of the big Tillamook fire in Oregon, of which perhaps you read in the papers (an article in the Readers' Digest described the fire, entitled "The Tillamook Inferno.") We had sold a tract of timber which was located in the Tillamook region. The sale price was approximately \$2,500,000.00. There was a bond issue on the tract of timber amounting roughly to \$950,000.00. The purchasers of the timber assumed the payment of interest on these bonds, and the bonds themselves, and paid us partly in cash and guaranteed bonds, but chiefly in second mortgage bonds, which were put upon the property. Trying to meet the shock of our cousin's failure consumed most of the cash and all of the guaranteed bonds, but we did hold the second mortgage bonds, amounting roughly to \$1,600,000.00. The purchaser of the timber tract did not assume the guarantee of the bonds, which individual members of our family in the first instance

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had assumed; the Tillamook fire burned up most of the timber in this tract and wiped out our equity, but we are still responsible for the ^{guarantee on the} first bond issue, and have had to put up a large share of our other holdings as assets to head off action which would tie us up completely. As a result, any income from our timber properties must go toward clearing off these bonds. The bonds were bought on the strength of our guarantee, and of course we owe an obligation to those who purchased them. The net result of this whole situation is that my own income consists only of my missionary salary, and I judge that my brother has not been able to dig up any funds to cover the interest, even though it is a comparatively small sum, on my note of \$5,000.00, which Yen-ching holds. If I could sell the timber stock which the Yen-ching founders hold as security for the note, I would do so, but there is absolutely no market for it, although back of it there lie the assets of the timber companies holding over ten billion feet of redwood, and although my father originally put over a million dollars into that property.

I think this is enough of financial tribulations, although the tale could be extended. I am glad that the Yen-ching administration can go ahead with the building of the chapel within the present resources, and if our own finances ever come back, I will be glad to add the amount of the note to the maintenance fund for the chapel.

Perhaps some compensation might be derived by the Yen-ching trustees from the fact that the original payment for the chapel made by my mother of \$12,500.00 U.S. in 1923 was held by Yen-ching for ten years, with the additional U.S. \$6,250.00 earned by the gift, from the Rockefeller Fund, and the Founders have had the use of this money for these ten years, the income being used for current needs of the University and not being credited to the chapel fund.

In regard to the religious life at Yen-ching, Mr. Plumer Mills, of the Nanking Station, is just completing a survey of religious conditions in the Christian colleges in China, during the course of which he visited Yen-ching. The report is to be completed next month and I will be glad to see that copies are sent to you. The study has been made under the auspices of China Christian Educational Association, of which the Council of Higher Education meets next month.

With best wishes from all of Nanking, I am

Sincerely yours,

W. Byrd White

WRW.M

UNIVERSITY OF NANKING
NANKING, CHINA



Sent w/ Miss
Arden's letter
9/19/35

December 18, 1934.

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

Dear Mr. Garside:

Your letter dated November ninth came last week. Word has doubtless already gone to you from Yenching, concerning the decision to build the Wheeler Chapel; that they have funds sufficient for its construction, using the 90,000 yuan in China and the \$5,000 gold in New York. I am very glad that the building can be erected within the appropriations now available.

I wish I could clear off my note of U. S. G\$5,000 and its interest but this will have to wait until the New Deal produces more than it is doing just at present for the lumber business. I have written to Mr. McBrier in some detail in regard to this subject, and have asked him to share my letter with you. *Mr. Evans*

Miss Priest writes that it has been decided not to print any pamphlet for the University. We have some extra copies of the last printed letter and I am sending under separate cover about a hundred copies that perhaps can be used as propaganda.

With best Christmas wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

W. Reginald Wheeler

W. Reginald Wheeler

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Nanking

December 24, 1954

Mr. W. Reginald Wheeler
University of Nanking
Nanking, China

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

Your good letter of November 27th just came to hand, and I am making a note to have same presented at the next meeting of the Finance Committee.

A communication has been received from Dr. Stuart regarding the possibility of erecting a chapel with funds now available, and he has asked some rather pertinent questions as to the attitude of the Board of Trustees. The most important question was that regarding the transfer of funds held on our books here in America to China. This, of course, you will realize is not feasible as to sell securities at present market levels would be ruinous. Your note is also involved in the amount that is held here. We have written Dr. Stuart covering these points, at the same time indicating that the Trustees would undoubtedly be very glad to cooperate in every way for forwarding this project.

It is almost unbelievable to even think that we are approaching the possibility of having a building erected with these funds, and when that is accomplished we will say a miracle was wrought.

With all good wishes to you, I remain,

Very cordially yours,

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