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West China Union University

January 20, 1927

The Rev. Frank Anderson, M.A., D.D.  
314 Grosvenor St.,  
London, Ont., Can.

My dear Dr. Anderson:

I quote the following from a letter from Mr. Albertson dated November 22nd. You may wish to have this information.

"We have just passed through a very serious crisis in the history of the University. All went nicely during September and registration was one of the best we have had. With October there began a series of nationalist demonstrations. These upset the morale of the student body. Outside influences were brought to bear and the "Disgrace Obliterating Society" composed of some of the leading associations of the city and with the assent of the Assistant Governor made an attempt to break up the University. The situation became anti-foreign, fraught with danger. All servants of the University and in the homes of the foreigners were compelled to go on strike. By October 21st classes were closed as practically all students had left in a panic. For over two weeks everything was at a standstill so far as academic work was concerned. We have lost about a third of our students. Everything is about normal since classes reopened on November 8th.

"We can now look to the future with much more confidence and believe the University has come through with enhanced reputation and more devoted friends. This does not minimize the strength of the forces against us. Our building program was not interrupted. The workmen did not go on strike. It is with the desire to go ahead with the buildings on hand that we are asking to have funds sent to the field. Such funds will be deposited to bear bank interest."

Cordially yours,

*Eric M. North*  
Assistant Treasurer  
West China Union University

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West China Union University

January 27, 1927

Rev. Frank Anderson, M.A., D.D.  
314 Grosvenor St.,  
London, Ont.,  
Canada

My dear Dr. Anderson:

The following are the actions which I promised to bring before you:

Minute on Loss in Exchange in F.F.M.A. Sterling Appropriations

Voted: That the action of the Treasurer in assigning extra current funds received from the Friends Foreign Mission Association toward replacing the loss in exchange on sterling payments by this Society for current budget in past years be approved.

Items Arising out of the Treasurer's Report

It was agreed that the following instructions should be given to the Treasurer in response to his inquiries:

(a) That \$3000. of furlough travel in the budget for 1927 should be carried as an advance payment on account of the budget of 1928 with a view to spreading the peak of furlough travel costs over several years.

(b) That the income of the Maria S. Ackerman Endowment Fund which is due the Board of Foreign Missions for the upkeep of the J.A. Coles Memorial Building is a non-budget item.

(c) That scholarship funds, whether from endowments or from annual contributions, should be credited against the scholarship item in the field budget up to the amount of the item in the field budget and thereafter should be an extra over and above budget.

(d) The income from the J.A. Coles Estate specified in the will of Dr. Coles as for the upkeep and extension of the buildings of the University should be used, first to cover the amount for repairs in the annual budget of the Senate, and the balance remaining each year should be held for specific action of the Governors.

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(e) Undesignated receipt of \$200. from the Minnewaska Church services is to be applied to deficit of 1926 upon which is also to be applied \$474.39 of accumulated scholarship income and \$500. income from the J.A.Coles Estate for repairs, the remaining deficit to continue to appear on the books until it is found whether the financial situation justifies closing it out against the reserve balances of previous years.

(f) That the Treasurer is authorized to arrange with the Bursar for the elimination of the Governors' salary budget by having the refund to the missions for the salaries of the President, Bursar, Educational Secretary and the Superintendent of Construction made on the field and not to the boards in North America so that the budget of the Senate would be revised to include the full estimate for this expense.

In addition to these items arising out of the Treasurer's Report, there were also the following:

1. Resolved that the Treasurer be authorized to take such counsel as he deems necessary concerning the sale of Liberty bonds in the building fund accounts and to sell the same.

2. The Secretary was instructed to express the appreciation of the Governors for the gift of Mrs.C.W.Masland of \$1000. for the establishment of the Charles William Masland Fund for the purchase of books for the Library, and the Treasurer was instructed to establish this as a separate endowment fund upon the books of the University.

3. The Treasurer reported the recommendation of a number of the beneficiaries of the will of the late Dr.J.A.Coles that provision be made for a moderate annuity to two of Dr.Coles's employees of long service, and it was agreed that the Treasurer should be authorized to sign the necessary papers whereby a deduction of about \$80. per annum from the University's annual income from the Estate should be made by the Executor during the life time of these employees of Dr.Coles.

4. The Treasurer reported that the service of Mr.Arthur M.Flade as Assistant Treasurer had been terminated, and Mr.Chas.E.De Vesty was elected Third Assistant Treasurer.

5. The Secretary was requested to express to the Bursar the appreciation of the Executive Committee of the Governors of the hard and extensive work that had been done in preparation of the 84 page report on the budget of accounts of the University for the past thirteen years, and the interest with which the Governors await the reconciliation of these accounts with the books of the Treasurer of the Board of Governors.

For your information, the address of Mrs.Masland referred to in one of the items above, is 1202 Stratford Avenue, Oak Lane, Philadelphia.

I think this covers all the items, and if there are any which I have neglected, please let me know.

I enclose herewith a form of letter for statement to the bank

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concerning Mr. Chas. E. De Vesty. If you will be so kind as to sign and return this to me it will help us to complete this arrangement.

With cordial regards, I am

Faithfully yours,

Assistant Treasurer  
West China Union University

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Jan. 29 1927.

Rev. Eric M. North Ph. D.  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Dr. North,

I have outlined the statement which I was asked to prepare on the matter of Registration of Christian Institutions in China. I imagine that there must be some pronouncement on the subject in the report of that Commission which went to China to study the whole question of Christian Education there two or three years ago; but I cannot lay my hand upon a copy of it. I wonder whether you would be so good as to look it through, and if there is anything which might be useful, send me another copy.

I am counting upon you to be so good as to supply me with a statement for the Minutes on all the points which your report brought before the Executive Committee, so that I may get the action correctly recorded; I refer to the ten or more items on which you wished instruction. When I have this, the minutes can be duplicated.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

Frank Anderson

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HARTFORD  
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Rev. Eric W. North, Ph. D.  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York City.

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your report brought before the Executive Committee, so that I  
may get the same before the Executive Committee. When I have this,  
more items on which you wished instruction. The minutes can be duplicated.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

Eric W. North

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Jan. 29 1927.

Mr. W.O.Gantz, LL.B  
West China Union University  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City

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Dear Mr. Gantz,

I have just received the following from Dr. Arnup:-

" I have made th enquiry requested regarding titles to property in the West China Union University. Dr. J.L.Stewart assures me that when the institution began it was impossible for such an organization to secure titles to property and an agreement was reached that land should be purchased in the name of the then Canadian Methodist Mission. It would appear that all University real estate is still held under that title. Recognition of right to possession is given by covenant to each of the participating organizations for the piece of ground which they occupy, but Dr. Stewart assures me that the original title has not been changed."

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I send this on, as I feel that you are the person whi should know the exact facts of the situation.

With kindest regards,

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

*Frank Anderson*

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Jan. 28 1927

Mr. W.O. Gentry, M.A.  
East China Union University  
180 Fifth Avenue  
New York City

Dear Mr. Gentry,

I have just received the following from Dr. Arnuq:-

"I have made an enquiry regarding titles to property in the East China Union University. Dr. J.L. Stewart assures me that when the institution began it was responsible for such an organization to secure titles to property and an agreement was reached that land should be purchased in the name of the East China Union University. It would appear that all University real estate is still held under that title. Records of title to possession is given by government to each of the participating organizations for the piece of ground which they occupy, but Dr. Stewart assures me that the original title has not been changed."

I read this on, as I feel that you are the person who should know the exact facts of the situation.

With kindest regards,

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

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West China Union University

February 1, 1927

Rev. Frank Anderson, M.A., D.D.  
314 Grosvenor St.,  
London, Ont.,  
Canada.

My dear Dr. Anderson:

I have already written you with reference to the actions of the Executive Committee upon the Treasurer's Report.

In response to your request I have examined the report of the Commission on Christian Education in China and do not find there any systematic statement at all with reference to the matter of registration. This was not a particularly acute issue at the time the Commission went to China and I do not find it indexed, nor do I recollect from reading the report that it dealt with this item.

The only statement that would refer to such a matter indirectly is the statement that the Christian institutions should regard themselves as a part of the Chinese educational system in shaping the curriculum.

I believe that I was asked to give you also a memorandum as to what has been done by some of the other colleges with reference to registration. The situation may properly be summarized in this way:

"Of the colleges which are at present within the sphere of the Nationalist regulations, the present status (January 1927) vis-a-vis these regulations is as follows:

Lingnan University (Canton Christian College) will probably register: it is preparing for a board of managers of whom the majority will be Chinese. The Chairman of the Board of Managers is to be a Chinese who is also to be President of the University in charge in particular of the relations with the Government and with the public, and with the raising of money in China. Two Vice Presidents, one Chinese and one foreign, are to be responsible for the internal administration of the University, the foreign Vice President having particularly to do also with the securing of funds for the support of the foreign staff.

Fukien Christian University has taken no corporate action as yet, but the resignation of the President, a foreigner, is in the

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hands of the Trustees, made with a view to expressing the sympathy of the University with the National aspirations at the present time.

Yale-in-China has had a registered medical school for some time. The College of Arts is now closed and the position with reference to regulations is somewhat uncertain. The foreign President has placed his resignation in the hands of the Trustees some months ago with a view to the selection of a Chinese President.

Of the colleges at present outside the Nationalist sphere of influence and under the regulations of the Ministry of Education in Peking:

University of Nanking is in the process of gradually securing a larger

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Of the colleges at present outside the Nationalist sphere of influence and under the regulations of the Ministry of Education in Peking:

University of Nanking is in the process of gradually securing a larger number of Chinese in the administration of the college and the resignations of the foreign officers of the administration have been put at the disposal of the Board of Managers which, however, as yet has not a majority of Chinese members. The matter of elective courses in religious subjects is being studied very carefully. Chapel attendance is not required but an academic credit is given for attendance.

Shantung Christian University is looking for a Chinese Vice-President. At present the Board of Managers is just half Chinese. Religious services are not required and religious courses are elective.

Yenching (Peking) University is, by vote of the Board of Managers and the Board of Trustees, permitted to register, which, however, has not yet been completed. It has a Chinese Vice President and a majority of Chinese upon the Board of Managers. Attendance at religious exercises is not compulsory and religious courses are elective. This is the only one of the colleges named, with the possible exception of Lingnan, which has definitely voted to proceed with registration. Government conditions have not, however, made registration possible."

Cordially yours,

Assistant Treasurer  
West China Union University

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*Dr. J. M. North*  
*Please examine*  
*& return*

199 Regent Street,  
London, Ont.



March 1 1927.

**TRANSFER**

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Rev. Eric M. North Ph. D.  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Dr. North,

I have at last been able to complete the Draft of the Memorandum on the subject of Registration. Being under the impression that I was asked to send it to Sir Joseph for criticism and suggestions before having it duplicated, I did so; it was returned by his Secretary, with information that he had gone south for two months, and evidently did not want work of this kind sent on to him.

I feel that it ought not to go out without the opportunity of being criticized, as I am far from being satisfied with it. I therefore take the liberty of sending it to you, and hope that you will feel quite free to suggest any alterations, no matter how drastic, which will improve it. I hope that I am not imposing upon you too much, as I know how very busy you must be; but I do not know of any one who understands the problem so well as you do; it would be a great thing too, if perhaps your father could spare a minute to look it through.

*JMN* →

It might be well, for one thing, to give details of the Cantonese conditions, which I have not by me.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

*Frank Anderson*

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193 Regent Street,  
London, Eng.  
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Rev. Eric M. North, Ph. D.  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

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be; but I do not know of any one who understands the problem  
so well as you do; it would be a great thing too, if perhaps your  
remarks could spare a minute to look it through.

It might be well, for one thing, to give details  
of the Chinese conditions, which I have not done.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

*Frank B. Rowland*

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199 Regent Street,  
London, Ont.  
March 3 1927.

Rev. Eric M. North Ph.D  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Dr. North,

In reply to your enquiry regarding the Women's Board,  
and their contributions, I will look into the matter.

If I find it recorded that the pledges were made  
on the three year basis, I think that it would be in order for me  
to write to the representatives of the Women's Boards and ask  
them to take steps to secure the renewal of them. I would  
hardly seem to be necessary to wait till the Executive Meeting  
to do this.

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I have spent \$23 in secretarial expenses in  
duplicating and mailing the Minutes; perhaps when next you are  
writing to me you could enclose a cheque for this amount, if  
quite convenient.

With kind regards,  
Yours very sincerely,

*Franklin D. ...*

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199 Regent Street,

London, Ont.

March 3, 1927.

Rev. Eric M. North, Ph.D.  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

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to write to the representatives of the Woman's Board and ask  
them to take steps to secure the renewal of them. I would  
hardly want to be necessary to wait till the Executive Meeting  
to do this.

I have spent \$25 in secretarial expenses in  
duplicating and mailing the Minutes; perhaps when next you are  
writing to me you could enclose a cheque for this amount, if  
quite convenient.

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With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

*James W. ...*

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199 Regent Street,

London, Ont.

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Rev. Eric. M. North, Ph.D  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Dr. North,

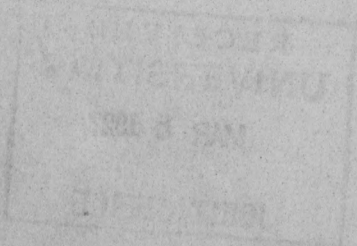
Since writing to you this afternoon I have  
leisure to look up the minutes. You will find the general terms on  
which the Women's Boards were admitted to the University in  
Executive Committee Minute #478. The Exec. Min. #528  
dated May 20 1925 indicates that the Woman's Missionary Society  
of the Methodist Church, Canada, is making a grant of \$2000  
for the Calendar year 1925; the American Baptist Woman's For-  
eign Missionary Society is making a grant of \$1000 a year for  
three years, beginning with the Calendar year 1925; the Woman's  
Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church  
had made a grant of \$1000.

If you think well, I could write to the  
representatives of the Women's Boards, and ask them, if possible,  
to be prepared to let the Executive Committee know at its meeting  
in May, just what the Board of Governors can count on to  
meet the Budget of 1928.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

*Frank Anderson*



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155 Regent Street,  
London, Ont.  
March 3 1927

Rev. Eric M. North, Ph.D.  
180 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Dr. North,

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leisure to look up the minutes. You will find the report on  
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meet the Budget of 1928.

With kind regards,  
Yours very sincerely,

*Franklin D. Young*

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199 Regent Street,  
London , Ont.

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March 14 1927.

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Rev. Eric M. North D.D.  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City

Dear Dr. North,

Many thanks for your letter of the 7th. I will act accordingly in the matter of the contributions from the Women's Boards. I may say that I received a letter this morning from Miss Sinclair, of the M.E. Board, in which she says:-

"In view of the fact that the number of women in the woman's college is very small, the Society at its meeting last May felt that the \$1000 we contribute annually to the University Budget and the almost \$1000 of scholarships we contribute also to the college is a sufficient amount to cover the necessary current work expense for a time. In view also of the fact that the apportionment to the Society of the expense of the macadamized road in the college grounds seemed to us outside the province of our obligations, we did not authorise the treasurer to pay it."

This seems to deal with the matter as far as this Board is concerned.

Many thanks also for your letter of the 11th covering cheque for #23. for Secretarial expenses.

I received also this morning copy of a letter to Sir Joseph F. from Dr. Beech dated Yokohama, Feb. 21st; in it he indicates that he will shortly be in the States. He gives as the address to which we may write c/o Mrs. S. Beatty, 5649 Carlton Way, Hollywood, Calif. I have written to him to ask for his plans, as I think that he may wish to meet the Executive Committee. I shall be grateful if you will be good enough to keep me informed of any news regarding his movements which may reach you.

With kind regards,  
Yours very sincerely,

Frank Anderson

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193 Regent Street,  
London, Ont.  
March 14 1927.

Rev. Eric W. North, D.D.  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City

Dear Dr. North:

Many thanks for your letter of the 7th. I will act accordingly in the matter of the contributions from the Women's Board. I am sorry that I received a letter this morning from Miss Sinclair of the M.E. Board, in which she says:-

"In view of the fact that the number of women in the woman's college is very small, the Society at its meeting last May said that the \$1000 we contribute annually to the University Budget and the same amount of honorariums should be used to cover the work expense for a time. In view also of the fact that the appropriation to the Society of the expenses of the maintained road in the college grounds seemed to us outside the province of our obligations, we did not authorize the treasurer to pay it."

This seems to deal with the matter as far as this Board is concerned.

Many thanks also for your letter of the 11th covering charges for \$23. for secretarial expenses.

I received also this morning copy of a letter from Dr. Beach dated Yokohama, Feb. 21st, in it he indicates that he will shortly be in the States. He gives as the address to which we may write c/o Mrs. S. Beach, 5513 Carlton Way, Hollywood, Calif. I have written to him to ask for his plans, as I think that he may wish to meet the Executive Committee. I shall be grateful if you will do a good enough to keep me informed of any news regarding his movements which may reach you.

Very sincerely,  
Your friend,  
Eric W. North

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**TRANSFER**

West China Union University

May 19, 1927

Dr. Frank Anderson,  
199 Regent Street,  
London, Ont., Can.

My dear Dr. Anderson:

In order to furnish a little more data for your statement of actions in connection with the Treasurer's items, I am noting below the points involved. You will know whether the action is properly stated or not and will have in mind anything which I have omitted.

- (a) A Report of Receipts and Disbursements since Dec. 31st was presented and accepted.
- (b) A summary of financial conditions April 30th was presented and accepted. Note was taken that the net deficit on the current budget for 1926 was \$685.52 and it was agreed that this deficit should be charged against the reserves accumulated up to December 31, 1925.
- (c) The Assistant Treasurer presented a financial forecast of the position of the University for the balance of the current year.
- (d) Report was made of the investment of \$8,000. endowment funds in a guaranteed first mortgage of Jacob Halpern and another.
- (e) Voted that the gifts received be assigned to the purposes indicated in accordance with the statement of receipts and disbursements previously presented.
- (f) Bill of Fred Rowntree & Sons, architects, for services was presented and it was ordered that the item for the Medical Building should be referred to the Board of Foreign Missions of the United Church in Canada for payment, and that the other should be paid from the Governors' treasury.
- (g) Gift of F.C. Atherton and others of \$1800. to be assigned by President Beech was noted with gratification and authority was given for President Beech to make the assignment.
- (h) Attention was called to the existence of \$2874.37 standing as a credit upon the books from Building Fund Investments. After consideration it was agreed that of this amount \$1612.44 should be assigned to the General Land and Buildings fund, and that \$1261.93 should be added to the Robert M. Whiting Memorial Fund.

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The item of the resignation of the Assistant Treasurer you will have in hand and I think you had noted that the election of Mr.B.A.Gar-side as First Assistant Treasurer should carry with it a specification that he is authorized to sign checks in accordance with the regulations of the Governors.

Faithfully yours,

*Eric M. North*

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199 Regent Street,

London Ont.

June 1 1927.

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Rev. Eric M. North Ph. D.  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Dr. North,

at the request of the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors of the West China Union University, I have much pleasure in enclosing to you a copy of the letter which I have sent to the Chairman of the Supervisory Committee of the Central Office of China Union Universities.

May I add my personal wish that every blessing may attend you in the new and important work to which you are being called.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

*Frank Anderson*

Secretary to the Board.

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193 Regent Street

London, Eng.

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New York City

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Yours very sincerely,  
[Signature]

Secretary to the Board.

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London, Ont. Canada.

June 1 1937.

The Chairman of the Supervisory Committee  
of the Central Office of the China Union Universities.  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Sir,

It was with great regret that the Board of  
Governors of the above University received the resignation of  
Dr. Eric North as Assistant Treasurer, owing to his having accep-  
ted an appointment with the American Bible Society.

The Board desires me to express to you the deep  
sense of obligation under which the Supervisory Committee have  
placed them in making it possible for them to have the services  
of Dr. North; his exceptional gifts have been of the utmost  
value to the Board, and his remarkable power of grasping detail  
has immensely facilitated the handling of their financial mat-  
ters. They would ask you to be so good as to inform the Super-  
visory Committee how fully they appreciate the services which  
he has rendered.

With kind regards,

Believe me,

Yours very truly,

(Signed) *Frank Anderson*

Secretary to the Board of Governors.

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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

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100 Regent Street,  
Toronto, Ont., Canada.  
June 1, 1927.

The Director of the University Committee  
of the Federal Office of the China Union University,  
100 Regent Street,  
Toronto, Ont., Canada.

The Board of the University Committee  
of the Federal Office of the China Union University,  
100 Regent Street, Toronto, Ont., Canada,  
has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter  
of the 28th inst. regarding the proposed visit of  
the American Mission to the University of West China.

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The Board of the University Committee  
of the Federal Office of the China Union University,  
100 Regent Street, Toronto, Ont., Canada,  
has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter  
of the 28th inst. regarding the proposed visit of  
the American Mission to the University of West China.

Very truly yours,  
Believe me,  
Yours very truly,

*W. H. ...*

Secretary to the Board of Governors

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July 1, 1927

Dr. Frank Anderson,  
199 Regent Street,  
London, Ont. Can.

My dear Dr. Anderson:

We have received from Mr. Sparling both a typewritten copy of the estimates for West China Union University during 1928, and later a copy of the Senate minutes of April 7, 1927 with these same estimates in printed form. In commenting on these estimates Mr. Sparling makes the following statement which we quote for your information:

"There is one point which I wish to draw your attention and the attention of the whole Board of Governors, to and that is the increased amount needed for Chinese salaries. As our work progresses and as we have the right kind of men prepared we will need to employ more Chinese lecturers. Also, on account of the forced departure of so many of our missionary teachers and their delayed return it is necessary to rely more and more on Chinese assistance in our work and this requires more money for the department of instruction. We hope that the Board will be able to appeal to the Missions for increased support, mainly on the basis of engaging more Chinese teachers. As long as our work could be done by missionaries or was being done by them and the missionaries supplied their salaries we did not need much money for salaries but that day is fast departing. Of course, if the Missions would supply Chinese teachers with their salaries we would still be on safe ground but it does not appear that there will be a disposition on the part of the Missions to do this but will rather look to the University to find their salaries. If they do this we will have to appeal to the Mission through the Board of Governors for the money and this we have done in this list of estimates. The salaries of several teachers are included and probably we will need to engage more next year."

I presume you will soon wish to bring this 1928 budget before the Board of Governors for their approval. If there is further information which this office will be able to supply in regard to this matter please feel free to call on us. Very sincerely yours,

Assistant Treasurer  
West China Union University

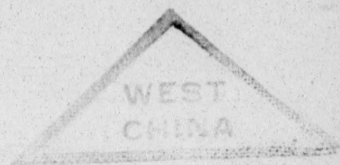
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Rev. Frank Anderson, M.A., D.D.  
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Mr. B.A. Garside,  
China Union Universities,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Mr. Garside,

Sir Joseph has sent me a copy of your letter to him of August 27th. I see clearly now that there has been a misunderstanding, owing to the fact that I did not realise that there were two Committees involved. I have looked over my files carefully, and it is evident that the letter from Dr. North to Dr. Endicott, dated Sept. 29, 1926, to which you refer in your letter to me of July 15th last, never reached me ~~before~~ *at all.* ~~the Board Meeting in New York in September last.~~ On reading your letter carefully, I now see that the Committee referred to is quite different from the Supervisory Committee. Will it meet the case if I put the matter on the Agenda for action at the Board Meeting in Toronto Sept. 28 and 29? That would seem to me to be the right course to pursue.

I shall shortly be preparing the Agenda for the Meetings, and shall be grateful if you will be so good as to send me a note of any special items that you would wish to be included. I take it that you will be present with us, and that you will be able to present on behalf of the Treasurer the Financial Statement. I take it that Mr. Gantz will not be in Toronto; I have his formal resignation of the office of Treasurer, and the appointment of a successor will be one matter of business to be dealt with.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

*Frank Anderson*

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September 19, 1927

Rev. Frank Anderson, M.A., D.D.  
199 Regent Street,  
London, Ont. Can.

My dear Dr. Anderson:

Sorry to have been slow in replying to your letter of September 2nd. I have been delayed because of my inability to sooner state definitely whether I would find it possible to attend the meeting of the Board of Governors in Toronto on September 28,-29.

I am anxious to have the opportunity of meeting the various members of the Board of Governors and have decided to drop things here in New York long enough to go to Toronto for the meeting. I presume that if I arrive in time for the first session of the Board of Governors at 2 P.M. on Wednesday, September 28th, that will be as early as I shall be needed.

It seems to me that the matter of the appointment of West China representatives on the Supervisory Committee of the China Union Universities' Central Office, and a committee for the study of problems involved in cooperative campaign work might well be placed on the agenda for this meeting. I believe, however, that approval of the appointment of these representatives has already been given at previous meetings so it seems that it would only be necessary at this meeting to give formal notice that such appointment has been made.

The only other item for the agenda of which I know is that of the disposition of about \$5000. which has been received during recent months with an indication by the donors that part or all of the amount be placed in some permanent investment. Dr. Beech may have already written to you about this particular item.

Mr. Gantz is on the Pacific Coast at this time and I presume will not be able to assist in the preparation of any financial statement, but I will try to have some statement ready for presentation to the Governors at the coming meeting.

If there are any other matters which I should attend to in preparation of this meeting of the Governors, please call them to my attention.

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Faithfully yours,  
B A GARSIDE

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West China Union University

January 16, 1928

Dr. Frank Anderson,  
199 Regent St.,  
London, Ont., Can.

My dear Dr. Anderson:

I am sending you herewith a copy of a letter just received from the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society. At the time of the receipt of their check for \$1,000.00 covering the appropriation of their Society to West China Union University for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1927, we stated that we understood that the Society was continuing its grant as usual next year. Action #785 of the Board of Governors at its meeting on September 28, 1927 seems to indicate that the Board has reason to expect a continuation during 1928 of all contributions received from the cooperating mission boards during 1927. Miss Burr's letter shows, however, that the continuation of the grant of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society is rather uncertain, so all of us should do whatever we can to insure the continuance of this grant. I am writing to point out the unusual need for continued support of West China at this time. Possibly you will also wish to send some communication from your office or to ask other officers or members of the Board of Governors to write. Should such an item as this be taken up at the next meeting of the Executive Committee or would it be better to handle it in a more informal manner?

Very sincerely yours,

B A GARSIDE

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West China Union University

January 25, 1928

## Memorandum

To Dr. Frank Anderson:

The following is my record of the actions taken by the Governors on the various points raised in the Treasurer's report.

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*L. H. Tibb.*  
*Done*  
VOTED that the balance of \$2,481.79 on hand from the income of the J.A. Coles Estate on December 31, 1927 be used for the completion of the Lamont Memorial Library until other funds are secured for this purpose. *and a case should be sent to Chicago to that effect.*

VOTED that the Campaign deficit of \$9,786.37 standing on the books on December 31, 1927 be charged against Special Reserve Balance of 1925.

VOTED that the firm of Lybrand, Ross Brothers and Montgomery be requested to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Board of Governors of West China Union University for the year ending December 31, 1927.

VOTED that the Executive Committee approves the recommendation that the advance of \$100.00 made on July 2, 1926 for the travel of a Chinese professor be paid from any available miscellaneous gifts applicable to the current budget.

VOTED that to the \$87.50 now carried as a trust fund for a Chinese boy be added from a recent undesignated gift of \$62.80 from W.D. Grosse whatever amount is necessary to purchase an additional \$100. share in the Cities Service Company, this share to be added to the other shares in the Cities Service Company now being held as a scholarship endowment fund; and that the remainder of Mr. W.D. Grosse's undesignated gift be applied to current budget.

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*Done*  
VOTED that the \$750.00 now entered in Special Account for Summer School work be used to meet any deficit that may exist on the field for the expenses of past summer schools, reserving any balance not needed for this purpose to be used for future Summer School work.

VOTED that the special fund for Middle School amounting to \$500. now carried in Special section of the Treasurer's accounts be disbursed to the Field Treasurer to apply on present Middle School deficit.

There was also an informal suggestion that the Committee on Investments consider the question of reinvesting the two railroad securities bearing 4% interest. No formal action was taken so I do not know whether or not you wish to make a note of this in your minutes.

B. A. GARSIDE

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Mr. E.A. Gerstle,  
China Union Universities,  
152 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Mr. Gerstle,

Many thanks for the various documents that you  
so kindly sent me. I shall pursue them the great care.

A letter has just reached me from Mr. Gerstle  
indicating that the minutes of the recent meeting of the  
Board of Governors had not reached him, and that they were  
without information as to just what money was available for  
the maintenance of the University. As you have all the facilities  
for carrying out your work, may I ask you to send a message  
which will give him the needed information. I think that this is  
the proper course to pursue, as they in a difficult position of  
they do not know just what funds they can count upon. Item  
of the Board of Governors shows that they can count upon  
the same amount as last year, viz. \$18,000 for use on the field  
and \$11,000 for the Board of Governors. A total of \$29,000.

As soon as Dr. Feuch sends me the statement of  
what he said at the end of the meeting, I shall be able to  
complete the minutes.

With kindest regards,  
Yours very sincerely,

*John D. Rockefeller*

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June 5, 1928

Dr. Frank Anderson,  
199 Regent Street,  
London, Ont.

My dear Dr. Anderson:

On Tuesday of last week Mr. Basil Robillard, a member of the legal firm representing the Trustees of the Hall Estate, visited our office and asked for certain information in regard to each of the five Universities cooperating.

We were rather reluctant to supply this information for West China without sending you formal notification as Secretary and getting your approval, but since the information had to be produced at the earliest possible moment and was largely of a financial nature anyway, we felt it would be wiser to act at once. I wired Dr. Beech for certain information I did not have available and he at once sent these facts from Ohio so we had them on hand thirty-six hours later. This material was sent Mr. Robillard along with similar reports on our other four Universities, on June 2nd.

I am sending you a copy of the letter we wrote Mr. Robillard, together with copies of all enclosures except document A and document F which are printed pamphlets which I am sure you have already had. Document A is the printed pamphlet containing the Constitution, By-laws of the Board of Governors and the By-laws of the Senate. Document F is the latest edition of the University catalogue.

I trust that you will find all the details of this report are correct and that you will approve this method of handling the matter.

Do you have any available copies of the pamphlet containing the Constitution and By-laws? If so, we would very much appreciate having about half a dozen copies since our office supply is now exhausted.

With best wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

A GARSIDE

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
199 REGENT STREET, LONDON, ONTARIO

Sept. 20 1928.

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Mr. B.A.Garside, M.A.  
China Union University,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Mr. Garside,

I have just received a number of documents from Chengtu; at the end of one of them Dr. Stubbs refers to the fact that the Annual Report of the Senate to the Board of Governors-- a most important document for us have before us at the meeting on Oct. 30th-- is being prepared. However, acting on the hints conveyed in the January Minutes of the Executive Committee that the Annual Meeting of the Board would be deferred till after the arrival of Dr. Beech in China, and the receipt of reports from him, he indicates that there is some likelihood that the report may not be despatched to reach us in time for a meeting as early as Oct. 30th. The Minutes of the July Meeting of the Executive Committee were despatched, Registered, on July 20th.; from these he will learn that the Board will meet earlier, Oct. 30th, and he may rush the report off; his letters were dated August 4th. It occurs to me to ask you whether you would think it worth while to cable to him to the effect that the report should reach us by Oct. 30th; if sent off at once, it might reach us in time. If you think so, would you be so good as to attend to this, as you have the codes etc. at your office. May I leave the matter to your judgment. I trust that I am not giving you too much trouble.

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With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

*Frank Anderson*

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October 6, 1928

Rev. Frank Anderson, D.D.  
199 Regent Street,  
London, Ontario.

My dear Dr. Anderson,

Your letter of October 4th reached us this morning. I have talked over with both Dr. Franklin and Dr. Wallace the question you raise regarding a dinner on the evening of October 30th.

Dr. Franklin approves the general suggestion for a dinner following the more formal meeting of the day, but quite rightly emphasizes the need for carefully planning of the arrangements for such a dinner, including choosing of speakers and selection of guests. He is to be away from New York until the very morning of October 30th, but is asking Dr. Huntington to assist with arrangements for the West China meeting.

Dr. Wallace is keenly interested in the proposal, and feels that the dinner would be eminently worth while. He suggests, however, that we ought if possible to link this dinner up as far as we can with the other discussions now being held regarding the Correlated Program.

You are probably already aware of Dr. Wallace's plan for arranging a meeting in Toronto this month - probably taking the form of a dinner gathering - for a general discussion of the Correlated Program as it affects all our Christian Higher Education in China. I believe October 22nd has been tentatively suggested as a suitable date. It is hoped that practically all Canadian members of our West China Board of Governors could attend such a meeting in Toronto and so get a general acquaintance with the program as a whole. We are also hoping to have a similar gathering here in New York, to which Board members and others interested in all our China colleges would be invited. Such a meeting will, if possible, be held in advance of the West China meeting on October 30th, so that members of our Board of Governors who reside in New York or its vicinity would have an opportunity to acquaint themselves with the program. The date has not yet been definitely set, but probably the latter part of the week beginning October 22nd, or else the 29th or the 31st will be chosen. If the proposal for the West China dinner on the 30th is adopted, we

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should of course see that the larger meeting is not set for the same date. If the general meeting here in New York for the discussion of the Correlated Program is set for the evening of the 29th we would of course be happy to welcome to it any of the Canadian members of the West China Board who are not able to attend the Toronto meeting or who would like to have the benefit of further discussion with a different group. I am not sure that many of you could conveniently get to New York in time for a meeting on Monday evening.

So much for the probable developments before the West China meeting on the 30th. I hope that the earlier discussions will have so prepared all those on the Board of Governors that we can have a very valuable discussion of the place of West China in the program, and can intelligently take whatever action is found to be desirable. It certainly seems to me that at a dinner in the evening we could give more thorough and unhurried discussion to this important subject than would be possible in the regular meetings of the day.

We would be glad to have further suggestions from you as to guests and speakers at the dinner meeting. What are your thoughts as to guests - how many and of what type? Should they be representatives of the cooperating mission boards, should they be friends and supporters of West, China, or should they be educators acquainted with and interested in the whole Correlated Program such as some of the members of our "Committee of Counsel"? As for one or more special speakers, I presume we would think first of all of Dr. Wallace to introduce and guide the discussion? If we could get some well known educator, such as Dr. Monroe, to comment on the Correlated Program from the standpoint of educational effectiveness, would that be worth while? I believe that we would need to guard against giving too large a part of the evening to speech-making, for the essential thing would be study and discussion of the program by the Governors themselves, leading to some definite decisions as to their attitude and plans for the future.

I believe the plan is to finish up the work of the Board in one day, so as to make a session on October 31st unnecessary?

If you will give me your comments on the various points I have raised above, and any other matters that may occur to you, I will be glad to assist in any way I can with arrangements for both the dinner and the regular meetings of the day.

I think I have no very definite suggestions for the agenda. You will expect some sort of a financial report, I believe, and will provide for any discussion of and action on financial matters which may grow out of such a report. Just now I do not know of any very important financial problems which will require specific action.

We look forward to seeing you here on the 30th.

Very sincerely yours,

B A GARSIDE

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Oct. 8 1928.

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

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Dear Mr. Garside,

Many thanks for your prompt and long reply to  
my letter.

The plans which you outline for securing that  
all who are interested shall have full information on the Cor-  
related Programme seem to me somewhat alter the situation.  
Moreover, if an effort is being made to finish the work of the  
Board in one day, I fear that we shall not have time for any-  
thing but the necessary discussions leading to action. At  
the last meeting of the Executive it was decided that the Execu-  
tive Committee should be called for 9 a.m., and the Full Board  
for 11 a.m. I wonder whether it would be a good plan to  
allow about one hour for luncheon, adjourn at 5.30. to meet  
at 6 somewhere for dinner together, thus reserving the evening  
for the introduction of the matter by Dr. Wallace, and discussion  
by the Board. This would enable us to invite any experts, not  
so much for the purpose of making speeches, as to advise and en-  
lighten us on the bearings of the question, and assist us in  
coming to a wise decision.

I had not heard of the projected meeting in Tor-  
onto; but I would make a special effort to be present, if such  
is held. I think that the idea is a very good one, and also  
to have a similar meeting in New York.

As to Financial matters for the Agenda, I am sure  
I can leave it to you to bring before the Board just those mat-  
ters on which they ought to be informed, so that there may be an  
accurate report of the financial condition of the Institution.

The Vice-President's Report came to hand last  
week; this seems to be the equivalent of the Report of the Sen-  
ate. I intend to send out a Precis of it to the Members of  
the Board with the final summons for the meeting. I hope to  
get this out next week; any intimations regarding the dinner  
should, if possible reach me in time to be included.

Your very sincerely,  
Frank Anderson

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October 24, 1928

Dr. Frank Anderson,  
199 Regent Street,  
London, Ont., Can.

My dear Dr. Anderson:

I have somewhat delayed my report to you on arrangements for the dinner following the West China meeting next week in order that I might have an opportunity to talk with Dr. Wallace after his return from Toronto. He came back this morning and informed me that he had an opportunity to talk at least briefly with you about the plans for the West China meeting.

The Baptist Board is very kindly making arrangements to entertain the West China Governors both at luncheon and at dinner. Dr. Huntington, who has charge of these matters, has been planning for a very informal lunch without any special social features or opportunity for transacting business; and a somewhat more elaborate dinner which will have something more of a social atmosphere and will also give opportunity for discussions and the transaction of business. It is proposed that both these meals be held in some of the hotels near the Baptist Board.

One matter which threatens to complicate the plan of discussing any correlated program at the dinner is that Dr. Wallace is also being invited to a dinner conference held by the Yale-in-China Trustees at that same hour. The problems of Yale-in-China in connection with the Correlated Program are more serious than those of almost any other one of our China colleges. Dr. Wallace feels therefore that he should, if at all possible, meet with their Board of Trustees to consider these problems. On the other hand, it is quite essential that we have Dr. Wallace present with the West China group when they are discussing this topic. Dr. Wallace therefore raises the question as to whether it might be possible for the West China group to discuss the Correlated Program sometime during the day so that he could be present for the discussion and still be able to meet with the Yale-in-China group in the evening. If this were done our evening session might be devoted to the discussion of some of the other matters on the agenda, - such, for example, as registration. Of course, we would doubtless like to have Dr. Wallace present for a discussion of the problem of registration also, but this might not be quite so essential as his presence for leading our thought as regards the Correlated Program.

As to inviting any others who might be considered experts in

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dealing with the problems of the Correlated Program, it seemed the feeling of Dr. Wallace, Dr. Huntington and others with whom I have consulted that this would hardly be necessary. I believe that all members of the West China Board will have had an opportunity to hear a general discussion of the whole Correlated Program either at the meeting in Toronto on the 22nd, or the meeting in New York on the evening of the 29th. For that reason they would probably prefer to have simply their own group present in considering the relation of the West China to the united scheme. Of course, the program of West China is affected the least of any of our China colleges by these proposals for greater union in our work, so there ought to be a minimum of difficulty on that account.

I am not sure that you will find it necessary to make any final decision before you come to New York as to the order and time when these different subjects will be taken up. You may wish to prepare an agenda which will indicate pretty definitely what will be considered at each session. If so, I know that everyone will be quite satisfied with whatever decision you may reach. If it would cause no inconvenience to defer final decision on some of these matters until we meet together in New York it would give a somewhat better opportunity to evaluate all the factors which may arise between now and the thirtieth.

Dr. Huntington and I are preparing a financial report for the meeting. I think it will not require a great deal of time or discussion unless the Governors themselves wish to raise questions.

We presume that you will present all necessary correspondence from the field regarding the budget for 1929. Dr. Huntington has prepared a very careful comparison of the budget for 1928 and the proposed budget for 1929, showing where increases and decreases are asked. The one thing in the 1929 budget which puzzles me most is the requested increase of support by the Governors from \$16,000.00 to \$30,800.00. I do not know any way in which the Governors can give more next year than they have this year, but possibly you have some other sources of information which will be brought out at the time of the meeting.

If there is anything further we can do in the preparation for the meeting, please let us know.

Looking forward to seeing you next week, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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December 4th. 1928.

Rev. Frank Anderson, D.D.,  
199 Regent Street,  
London, Ont.

Dear Sir:- Re West China Union University Title  
to Property.

You will recall that by a resolution of the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors of the University held in New York City on October 30th. 1928, I was authorized to continue and complete the investigation into the title of the various properties of the Colleges and the University.

At the time of my letter to you of July 6th., I stated that before any further report could be made it would be necessary to obtain a considerable amount of information in regard to the properties of the Colleges and the University. I would therefore greatly appreciate if at your convenience you would write to the necessary parties and obtain for me the following information:-

1. Whether or not any of the associated missionary societies have in their possession executed copies of the declaration of trust for the University property. If such completed

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copies are in existence the body holding them should forward the copies to yourself to complete the records of the University.

2. As suggested in my former letter I think that an adequate survey of the property of the University and the Colleges should be prepared. This survey should show as far as possible the original boundaries of the deeds from the former Chinese owners to the various societies now holding the same, and also show the present boundaries as agreed upon between the University and the various Colleges and Missionary Societies.

3. It should be brought to the attention of the other Missionary Societies that the property is now held in the name of the Methodist Mission and their view should be asked as to whether they would rather have a declaration of trust signed by the United Church in reference to their property; or in the alternative a deed from the Church to the Society in question. The University itself should also decide as to whether or not they would prefer to hold their property in their own name rather than as at present through the agency of the Trustees, namely, The Methodist Mission.

4. Inquiries should be made at the offices of the various Missionary Societies, both here and in China, in reference to any deeds which they might have in their possession and which were not reported to the Methodist Mission Property Register.

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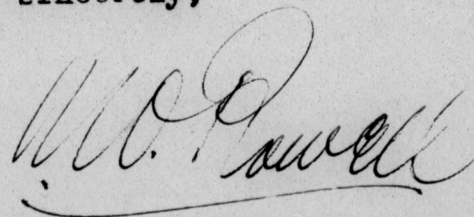
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5. It should be possible for some official of the University on the ground in West China to obtain information in regard to the present practice in vogue in that Province with regard to registry of transfers of land. Chinese regulations governing registration were promulgated on May 21st. 1922 but from the bulletin issued by the Department of External Affairs at Ottawa, we understand that these are not in force in all the provinces of China. I feel sure that if it were suggested to some one at the University he could obtain information regarding just what steps are necessary to make a transfer of realty, which would be recognized as valid according to the Local Chinese Law; and also make sure that all such necessary steps have been taken with regard to the deeds which we have obtained from the native owner.

If there is anything in this on which you might wish any further details, I should be only too pleased to furnish you with them.

Yours very sincerely,

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December 17, 1928

Dr. Frank Anderson,  
199 Regent Street,  
London, Ont., Can.

My dear Dr. Anderson:

The enclosed material from the Hall Estate was sent us along with similar documents for the other Universities in our office.

Since the signatures to be attached are, I understand, those of Sir Joseph as the President of the Board, and yourself as Secretary, I am forwarding the material on to you.

As far as we are able to check up, this distribution is quite in accord with the understanding Dr. Beech received from Mr. Johnson last summer. You remember Dr. Beech stated he understood that \$200,000.00 would be turned over to West China direct and the remaining \$300,000.00 would be deposited with the Harvard-Yenching Institute in trust for West China, subject to no other condition than that West China continue to do satisfactory work in its Department of Chinese.

While the agreed value for the distribution of these securities is only \$196,075.00, I believe that the present market value is approximately \$200,000.00. For example, the value of Aluminum Company Preferred stock on Saturday's exchange was \$106,000.00 instead of par value of \$100,000.00 as given herein.

Since receiving these documents this morning I have talked with Dr. Huntington and with one or two other members of the West China Board. They agree that, although possibly it may be well to have the next meeting of the Executive Committee confirm the action of Sir Joseph and yourself in signing this documents they heartily approve your signing the documents without delaying to receive formal approval from the Committee. If you or Sir Joseph feel that any more formal action should be taken I believe that you will have enough members on the Board present in Canada for such action as you feel necessary.

You will note that the lawyers ask that these documents be executed and returned to them at the earliest possible moment. They state that the account will be submitted to the Surrogate on December 28th and I understand that they wish all documents returned to them well in advance of

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that date. The delay in one set of documents would probably hold up the entire process. It is extremely important to all of our institutions that the distribution be completed on December 28th as is now planned so that we will be able to receive income on the securities as of January 1st. We hope, therefore, that you and Sir Joseph will be able to execute the documents and to forward them to the lawyers in Niagara Falls within the next few days. I am writing the lawyers that you are returning the West China documents to them direct.

With all good wishes for the holiday season, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Dec. 19, 1926.

Dr. Frank Anderson,  
199 Regent Street,  
London, Ontario.

My dear Dr. Anderson,

We enclose herewith the duplicate copies of the formal receipt sent by the lawyers of the Hall Estate. Will you have Sir Joseph sign, and yourself attest and seal, these documents, returning them to this office so we will have them ready to present to the agent of the Estate on December 28th?

For use in case it is required, it might be well for Sir Joseph to sign, and you to attest, before a notary public, a statement to the effect that Dr. Huntington, as Treasurer, and I as Assistant Treasurer, acting together, are authorized to receive these securities on behalf of the University.

Sorry to trouble you with these matters - I fear they may be proving extremely troublesome to you. Yet with half a million dollars as the objective, I'm sure we are all glad to help along. Incidentally word has now come in quite definite form that \$3000000 is being definitely designated for West China in the funds being turned over to the Harvard-Yenching Institute, so West China will actually have the half million it is seeking.

We trust that it will be possible for you to complete the execution of both these documents and also those I sent you two days ago, so that there will be no delay in winding up these matters.

Best wishes for the holiday season.

Very sincerely yours,

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

Dear Mr. Garside,

I received your letter covering the documents relating to the Hall Estate, and at once went to see my solicitor about the execution of the same.

The enclosed copy of a letter which I sent to Sir Joseph, with the documents, will explain itself, and will indicate the action which, on his advice, I felt right to take. You will, no doubt, have observed that the attestation refers specifically to the seal, and would be very hard to sign, if the seal were not affixed.

I now await word from Sir Joseph. I earnestly hope that there will be no undue delay; you can rely in me doing all that I can to expedite matters.

With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

*Frank Anderson*

Secretary.

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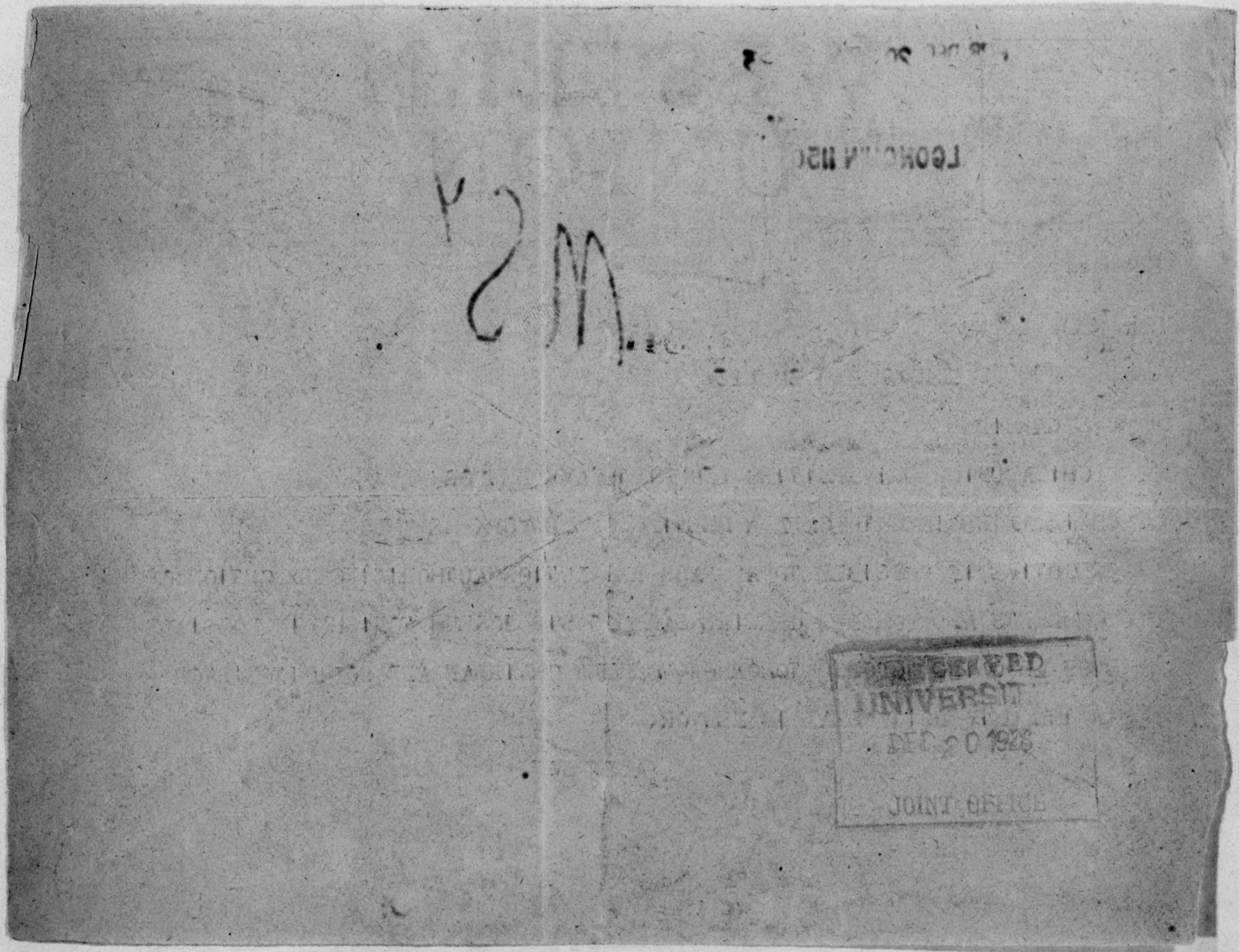
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West China Union University

December 21, 1928

*rec. 1/2/29*

Dr. Frank Anderson,  
199 Regent St.,  
London, Ont., Can.

My dear Dr. Anderson:

We enclose a draft of the minutes of a meeting of the New York members of the Executive Committee which we called hastily yesterday afternoon in response to your wire. Following the meeting I sent Sir Joseph a long night letter and mailed also a special delivery containing a draft of these minutes and commenting on my wire. I hope that both the wire and the letter have reached you and Sir Joseph in Toronto today.

The action of the attorneys of the Hall Estate in using a year more or less preparing for the distribution, and then giving us less than a week to execute the necessary documents seems to be typical of the legal profession. I trust, however, that you and Sir Joseph will find it possible to execute the "Consent" today and to sign also the receipt either today or within the next few days so that the "Consent" can be returned to Niagara Falls in time for the accounting on December 26th and the receipt can be on hand here in New York for the final distribution here in New York on the 28th.

With all good wishes for the holiday season, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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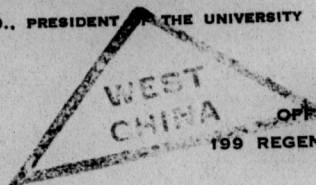
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TRANSFER

Mr. B.A.Garside M/A.  
China Union Universities,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.



Dear Mr. Garside,

I enclose a letter which belongs to you, returned to me by the Toronto lawyers.

They have advised me that it would be well to secure the written endorsement of all the members of the Executive to the action recently taken in the matter of the bequest from the Hall Estate. I have hitherto sent to each of them today copies of the resolutions as forwarded by you from New York, with the request that they will return them duly signed to me as soon as possible. Should a request come to you for the production of such a written endorsement, you will know that it is in process of being secured.

Perhaps you will be so good as to advise me as soon as the whole matter is really completed.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

*Frank Anderson*

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*Oct. 1/4/29*

**TRANSFER**

My dear Mr. Garside:

I have your letter of the <sup>28th</sup> 22nd instant, and am gratified to learn that the transfer of the securities from the Trustees of the Hall Estate was duly made on Saturday, and that they are now with the other securities of the West China Endowment in the American Exchange-Irving Trust Company.

I cannot remember what has passed between us in relation to this Trust. I will therefore tell you of my general understanding in this matter.

I met Mr. Davis and Mr. Johnston as a member of a party who, at the invitation of the American Aluminum Company, visited the works of the Company at Arvida, Quebec, in the Fall of 1926, when about forty men from the United States and Canada spent the greater part of the week together. It was at this time I learned the particulars of the Hall bequest, and the difficulty which the Trustees had in securing authority for the distribution of the Estate in the terms of the Will. Subsequently when Dr. Beech visited the trustees, and interested them in considering West China Union University, there followed a correspondence between Mr. Davis and myself, in which I assured him that the conditions as suggested

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to Dr. Beech would be honorably observed, if the judgment of Mr. Johnston and himself were carried in making West China Union University one of the beneficiaries in the proposed distribution. In substance the conditions were, that if we were included in the list, it would be with the understanding that the income from the Harvard fund should be devoted to what might broadly be termed the study of Chinese Literature, and that the income from the Two hundred thousand dollars which would come directly to the Board should be used for additional service, and not for the purpose of relieving the contributory Missionary Boards from the natural expenditure upon the University which they had created.

Some weeks ago, when Mr. Davis was in Toronto, and was the guest of the Toronto Director of the American Aluminum Company at a luncheon, Mr. Davis indicated to his host that he would like me to sit next him at lunch. He then told me that as a son of a Congregational Minister, brought up in contact with church practice and usage, he desired to feel that the conditions which might be laid down would be observed in letter and spirit by the West China Board, and I said they would. I did not ask him what these conditions were, for two reasons; one, that I was suffering from an attack of laryngitis which deprived me of my voice, and the other that I thought it better that matters of detail should not be discussed between him and me, but rather that the broad character of the Trust as indicated in the conditions, which I presume are common to all who participate in the benefit, should govern our action.

I will appreciate therefore if, while observing the wisdom of "letting sleeping dogs lie", you should secure, before

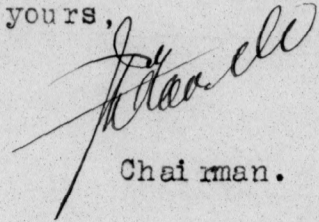
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the meeting of the Executive Committee on the 22nd proximo,  
knowledge of the conditions, if any, which are commonly understood  
to apply to these gifts to the Chinese college bodies in China.

Faithfully yours,

  
Chairman.

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

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