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347 MADISON AVENUE, NEW YORK

October 19, 1926.

Dear Dr. Yard:

Dr. Mott saw your letter and the pamphlet: "SCIENCE IN SZECHewan" just before he started for Pittsburgh, Detroit and Chicago, and asked me to tell you how grateful he was for your thought in sending him this pamphlet. He was greatly pleased with it.

With best wishes for all your work,

Very sincerely yours,

B. R. Barber

Dr. James M. Yard,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

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Dec. 22, 1926.

Dr. John R. Mott,
25 Madison Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Mott:-

You have known about the work of West China Union University for many years; and though you have not seen the University itself, I think you are familiar enough with the high class work it is doing as indicated in the Science Pamphlet which I sent you last Summer, to be able to endorse it. You know the strategy of the location, situated as it is at the capital of China's greatest Province and at the gateway to Thibet and Central Asia.

I shall be very grateful if you will write me a brief statement endorsing the University, which I may use in speaking to men of large means.

With kindest regards and best wishes of the Season to yourself and Mrs. Mott,

Ever Sincerely yours,

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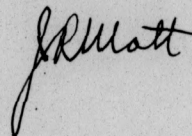
December 28, 1926.

Dear Dr. Yard:

I am gratified to learn of the forward-looking and comprehensive plans for maintaining and strengthening the service and influence of the West China Union University. I have observed at long range with keenest interest and responsiveness the development of this institution. First and last, I have known somewhat intimately a majority of its leaders. I have great confidence in the governing principles of the institution and in the character and ability of those who have applied them with such creative and gratifying results. There are few universities in the oriental world which are so strategically located with reference to training the leadership of such a vast number of people.

Wishing you and those associated with you Godspeed and the largest measure of success in your unselfish, constructive plans,

Very cordially yours,



Dr. James M. Yard,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

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55 Ketchum Place, Buffalo, N.Y.
Oct. 3, 1926.

Dear Jim; (Yard)

It was a real pleasure to hear from you again. I have not been able to keep up with my reading as I expect to do from now on and so had not read Paul Hutchinson's article or editorial which I shall try to read tonight before going to bed. These weeks have been very busy ones for me but the worst is over now and I shall soon be able to control my time in a way I have not been able to do in years.

Naturally I am much pleased to know about the conference and shall hope to get in some time there although at present it is very uncertain how much. Possibly I can put in considerable time but I would not now venture to promise any definite amount. I shall be glad to have any copies of a program which may be prepared.

You ask for names of any who might make contributions of value. A letter just in from Rudd expresses his keen interest in international situations and I imagine he is still, like myself, interested in certain forms of missionary work. In my answer I mentioned this conference and suggested that he see you in any case when in New York during the latter part of this week to get any suggestions possible from you as to his possible plans.

A letter has just come from the Rev. H.K. Robinson of Watertown, Conn. asking how the the Neumann Fund is being used. I am sorry that I can not tell for I judge that it is now included with the appropriations of the Board to the Chengtu conference or rather mission. Since you are there in connection with the Board and since you probably know the financial situation as it concerns the University more intimately than I do, I shall refer him to you, especially as I assume that you know him.

All that you wrote about your family was most interesting to us. We are happy to know that Elizabeth likes Swarthmore so well and that Priscilla is going to be able to capitalize her experience in France to such excellent advantage. Wallace Lodge has fine qualities and we are glad that you folks are enjoying them. Commuting on the subway, as I had to do for Columbia got wearisome for me as I had to study both coming and going but you are fixed differently and I trust will get all the fun possible out of your life on the hill.

We are very happily located. We have a single family residence close to the school. The faculty is made up of delightful people and the students are very responsive to my work. The boys are both happy in their school work and Louisa has much enjoyed her contacts. Her mother is with us now and that will help make life easier for Louisa and that she will gradually get into better physical condition.

Our united best to all of you.

George. (Neumann)

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55 Ketchum Place, Buffalo, N.Y.
April 7, 1927.

Dear Jim: (Yard)

I am anxious to get into touch with Ray Larkin at the earliest possible moment. Some months ago he wrote to me asking that I be on the look out for him for a position teaching economics. I heard of a position which may open up and if so I think he could land it all right. You know that Dr. Burgstahler, pastor of Fly-mouth Church and whom you met when here, is going to Cornell College as president. In talking with me a few nights ago he mentioned that the man they had in economics was looking for another place. Louisa at once thought of Ray and we told him that we would get into touch with Ray. Can you tell us where to find him? Because of the need of haste, can you drop him a line yourself telling him about the above opportunity and suggesting that if he is interested, it would be well to write to Dr. H.J. Burgstahler, 443 Porter Ave., Buffalo, N.Y., without delay and say he is the man to whom we referred.

The folks have written me about your visit to New Britain and their own very keen regret that they could not have you stop with them. They also mentioned with appreciation, the very kind things you said about me. Nothing like having a loyal friend and such you have always been, making me your debtor for all times.

Everything going well here. Louisa is some what better but she still has a long way to go. The rest of us are well and working hard. We shall be happy to have a letter from you when you can write and better still, let us have a chance to see your smiling face. Our very best to you and to Mabelle and the charming quartette of young ladies.

As always,

George (Neumann)

April 14, 1927

Dr. George B. Neumann
55 Ketchum Place
Buffalo, New York

Dear George:

I am very greatly honored by the arrival of the new book this morning. Please accept my hearty thanks. I have pasted your card with much joy in the front of your book. I wish the blushing author had written right on the first page of the book itself.

I have not yet had time to more than scan through a few pages but I have seen enough to know that I shall get much inspiration and instruction from it. I will criticise its weak points later!

I hope you have noted that Millard is to write an article for the New York World every Monday morning. You will want to see that. May I also urge you to read the editorials in the New York World which to my mind are the best being printed in this country on National affairs.

I hope you know that quite a few influentials signed that criticism of the U.C.C. I think that entire group may as well settle down permanently in the good old U.S.A. Their services will not be needed by the new China. They have definitely shut the door behind them.

With best regards to the family,

Yours as ever,

James M. Yard

55 Ketchum Place, Buffalo, N.Y.,
April 15, 1927.

Dear Jim: (Yard)

Thanks for your letter of the 9th. I have sent one copy of a letter to Larkin to England and sending one to you.

We read what you said about giving up your present job. You have our sincere good wishes as you start out hunting for a new one which will suit you. It is no easy matter as I know from experience. We thought of you some time ago in regard to the position here at Plymouth Church, about to be made vacant by Dr. Burgstahler going to Cornell College as president. I believe the position pays \$5000 and I suppose there is the house in addition. But the church is dominantly conservative and Dr. B. has had to be careful not to cause offense or alienate his congregation. I feel that he is rather decidedly conservative himself but whether he is or not, he is forced to be if he is to continue to hold those who are. Another factor is that the region around here is rapidly becoming Italian and it seems probable that this church in another generation will be one largely for them or else not be used as a church. It is for these reasons that we have not mentioned you to the committee for I know that I would chafe horribly in such harness and I assume that you would. But if you care to have us do so, it will be a very real pleasure to put in your name with strong statements as to your ability and enthusiasm and many other things. Just wire us - "put in name" and we will do it promptly.

I congratulate you on getting good returns for your lectures on China. I have spoken frequently on it but have been paid only once. However, I am happy in my job and with my extension classes am getting a reasonable income so will not kick but rather hope that you can get as good and satisfying a position as we have here. I shall consider it a real privilege to be of any help possible.

Please drop me a card telling me where to address, Reg Morse.
Thanks.

Love to all from all.

George (Neumann)

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