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Peiping (Peking) China

December 1st, 1930.

Dr. David P. Barrows,  
President Board of Trustees,  
California College in China,  
Berkeley, Calif., U. S. A.

Dear Dr. Barrows:

Sharing with Dr. Wing Mah of the University of California the honor of being the first visiting professor from California institutions to California College in China under the new foundation, I am sending to you as President of the Board of Trustees of this institution an informal report, which I trust will not be unwelcomed by you, concerning the plant and work here.

I have been greatly surprised in brief at the smartness and completeness of the campus equipment here. It is such as would be prized by any American institution, and much exceeds the anticipations I had before arriving. The campus lies about two miles from the railroad station, in the northeast section of the Manchu city. Entering the compound, which covers over four (4) acres, one is greeted by an attractive building of white cement and gray brick, graced with a series of half-columns and a large cement promenade. This building houses the college, and comprises, in addition to a large number of lecture and private conference rooms, an attractive auditorium seating four hundred on the main floor and about one hundred in the balcony, faculty rooms, the President's offices and library quarters. The library is very good indeed, the best working library on things Chinese in the Orient, from the standpoint of the foreign student, being quite rich in English, French and German works. It has in addition, of course, but of value only to Chinese and to sinologists, a representative collection of native works. There is also in its stacks a good collection of art prints and reproductions. The total size of the library is 25,000 volumes, to which generous additions are being made continually.

Two large buildings, similar in general construction to the administration building, comprise the hostels, each with its own parlors and dining room. The two are connected by a third building, one story high, now housing the kitchen. This building has been so planned as to provide the foundation for a third hostel whenever this may be needed. The four buildings together form a quadrangle which is attractively parked with lawn, shrubs and flowers. In fact, the campus throughout is well groomed, through provision of an endowment for that purpose given by two former women students of the college in honor of their deceased brother. Remaining space has been utilized for three large faculty houses (one occupied at

present by Mr. L. C. Goodrich of the department of Chinese, Columbia University), servants quarters, engine house, four tennis courts, two volley ball courts and one hand ball court. The sewage plant, heating plant, water pumping system, kitchen and other facilities are up to date.

The student body, numbering 140, comprises all of the various interests-commercial, military, missionary, travelling student, educational, diplomatic, etc., the missionary group predominating. With several exceptions they are of graduate age and responsibility.

At the present time the college program comprises essentially the study of the Chinese language, utilizing an original and efficient system of pedagogy. Required and suggested reading lists are available on Chinese history and culture. A generous number of special lectures and short lecture courses are provided. They cover history, travel, fine art, literature and drama, philosophy, native life, and similar subjects relating to things Chinese. At the present time weekly lectures on geography are being given by Father Rauth of the Catholic University of China. I am shortly to begin a series of lectures on Chinese philosophy. Two theatrical performances have been enjoyed recently, one a Chinese shadow play, the other a Pekinese puppet show, both of interest concerning native drama, stage traditions and costumes.

The college is strategically located for students of sinology. Peking, rich in historic and cultural landmarks, offers endless opportunity in all lines of exploration for the wide awake student. It contains the National Library, the Imperial City (housing the Imperial Museums with the best of the art treasures to be found in China), and is the home of Chinese drama. An added feature is the proximity of Peking Union Medical College Auditorium (about one mile distant) which attracts many of the important research workers, travellers and lecturers in the field of sinology. That the P U M C hospital is accessible is also not of negligible value, since foreigners in China are exposed and more or less susceptible to the many virulent native diseases.

Our stay in Peking has been very pleasant, and such is to be recommended heartily to any faculty man who in the future will have the opportunity of spending a year here as the guest of the college. The President has done everything to make the year enjoyable as well as fruitful for us. He has made contacts of various kinds for me, has most generously offered me full use of all of the equipment of the college, private tutors, stenographer, library assistance, and has provided me with a private office.

I may say, in passing, that I have come to have great respect and admiration for President Pettus. His genius is well displayed in the splendid college plant here, and in the way in which it has been planned and the available resources used to best advantage. That he is appreciated here is attested by the quality of the personnel of the board of directors who serve the institution.

Dr. David P. Barrows,

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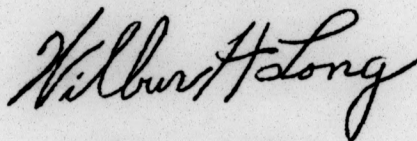
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Dr. Pettus, to my mind, embodies profound business sense, dynamic imagination, scholarship, a love of things Chinese, and at the same time a profound humanity and high mindedness.

I can say without hesitation that California College in China is both from the standpoint of location and equipment the logical institution for the undertaking of the type of work which its President has in mind. It is the natural center for foreign students desiring knowledge of things oriental.

I trust that this summarizes satisfactorily those matters which may be of interest to you here. It is a great pleasure to represent in an unofficial way the colleges of California this year. I trust that the relations of California educational institutions with California College in China, so felicitously begun, will enlarge with the future.

Very truly yours,



Wilbur H. Long.

Seeley G. Mudd, visiting professor,

California College in China.

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# CALIFORNIA COLLEGE IN CHINA

D. WILLARD LYON, *Professor of Philosophy*  
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January 8, 1931.

President Walter F. Dexter,  
Whittier College,  
Whittier, California.

Dear President Dexter:

The enclosed copy of an interesting letter from Professor Wilbur H. Long, of the University of Southern California, offers a favorable opportunity for me to bring to your attention the fact that the Seeley G. Mudd Fellowship, which made possible Professor Long's visit to China, will become vacant on his return during the coming summer. It is not too early to secure nominations for the next incumbent.

The Seeley G. Mudd Fellowship will be available for the academic year of 1931-1932 for assignment to some Professor in one of the institutions in Southern California cooperating with California College in China. The appointee should be desirous of increasing his understanding of Chinese culture and the problems of present-day China and be eager to promote goodwill between Americans and Chinese. He should also be willing to spend the major part of the academic year in China, teaching, lecturing and studying, along lines to be mutually agreed upon in consultation with our President, Dr. William B. Pettus. The Fellowship provides the sum of \$2500 towards the necessary expenses involved. As this amount is manifestly insufficient to cover the total expense, it is expected that the institution from which the appointee may go will continue to support him, at least in part.

No limitation is indicated as to the field of interest of the appointee; it may be that of philosophy, history, political science, economics, or general social problems.

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of California College in China Foundation will be held early in March, at which time nominations for the Seeley G. Mudd Fellowship will be considered. It is desirable, therefore, that nominations with supporting data be in hand well before that date.

If in considering the matter of a possible nominee from Whittier College you think it would be of help to have a conversation with me, I shall be glad to call upon you at a time and place to be arranged between us.

Yours very sincerely,

*D. Willard Lyon*

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Calvary Presbyterian Church  
Cleveland.

Higley, ~~A~~. P

Cleveland, Ohio.  
February 15, 1923.

Rev. A. P. Higley, D. D.,  
Calvary Presbyterian Church,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Higley:-

The visit of representatives of Peking University to Cleveland has again directed attention to the strategic opportunity, as well as the immense responsibility which the University faces.

A number of your people have heard Professor Hung and the universal opinion seems to be that he is a man of rare qualities, and if such leaders as he can be trained for the new China, the church in America will have made a great contribution not only to China's Evangelism, but also to world welfare. We rejoice in the fact that such men are being raised up and that a considerable group of them are now in Peking University, and it is being recognized throughout China as the coming great Christian center that may, and ought to dominate the life of that nation.

We are hoping that the ambition of the co-operating mission boards, (Presbyterian, Methodist Episcopal and Congregational), may be realized and the University enabled to get away from its present miserable quarters and occupy enough new buildings to begin work there in the fall of 1924. As we have said to you, the most crying need is the problem of residences for the faculty and twenty-seven more must be provided before the enlarged work can be undertaken.

We must of course leave the matter entirely in such hands as yours as we move on to present it to other groups. The Methodist Episcopal officials of this city will ask their churches to put \$15,000 into the Bishop Bashford Memorial and the Congregational Union met Thursday and agreed to undertake one of the residences for the faculty.

As discussed with you and Dr. McGaffin and interested laymen about the city, we feel that the Presbyterian churches of Cleveland can do no more strategic thing just now than to put \$15,000 into two of these residences. We believe sufficient dormitories and recitation halls will be secured and we must emphasize the need of residences that will not only accommodate the teachers and their families, but will be such centers of influence upon the student life as only truly Christian homes can be.

We greatly appreciate your own genuine interest in this matter and trust that you will present it to your church Session and that it can have their hearty endorsement and that then you and Dr. McGaffin will bring it before Presbytery and get such action as may be necessary. All students of missions have recognized the burden of responsibility that rests upon Peking University just at this time and we believe that the Presbyterians of Cleveland want to share it and this seems like the opportunity.

With sincere regards and many thanks for your cooperation,

Very sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary.

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