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S. A. Tung & Co.
December 3-1935.

Dear Dr. Stuart:

It was exactly four months ago that you pronounced us man and wife, and as we look back over these four months, both of us agree that the step taken then was the right step forward. For we find this mutual sharing of life so much more enriching and meaningful. We are resolved to make the year ahead of us even more so.

Both of us extend to you our sincere love and best wishes for the holiday season. Though the night may be dark and uncertain at present, we trust that the New Year will bring us dawn, and with it a gleam of hope and inspiration. To us young people living in present day China,



This is certainly the critical period when our Christian ideals will be put to the acid test, and we sincerely hope that we will be able to live through it without shattering any of them.

Once more, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you.

Most cordially,
Chao-fing & Kenneth.

January 3, 1936

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Chen
Yenching University
Peiping, China

My dear Chao-ying and Kenneth:

On my return from a holiday trip with my son and relatives in the south I find your Christmas card and letter together with the excellent photograph. All of these are very much appreciated. I shall keep the wedding photo with special interest.

I am encouraged by your sympathetic understanding of the problems I am facing here. Needless to say, I am greatly concerned over all that has been happening in North China. I feel deeply for the young men and women of the country at such a critical time. I never wanted more to be back at Yenching than when I read the news that has been appearing in the papers during the past weeks. All of this has, of course, added to the already very serious difficulties in raising money in America. I am hoping to start back for China before very long but it is too early yet to decide when this will be.

Meanwhile, with all good wishes to you both, as ever

Affectionately yours,

JLS:MP

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September 8, 1939

Prof. Kenneth Ch'en
University of Hawaii
Honolulu, T. H.

Dear Mr. Ch'en:

At the suggestion of Mr. Richard H. Ritter, we are sending you herewith copies of the latest confidential letters we have received from President Stuart.

Dr. Stuart has requested that we guard these letters very carefully, for if even a single copy should fall into careless or unfriendly hands, it might do serious damage to Yenching University and be very dangerous for Dr. Stuart himself.

We know, however, that you will guard these letters with great care, and we are glad both to send you the enclosed copies, and also to put you on our list to receive future communications from Dr. Stuart.

With all good wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

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Enclosures

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Scholarship - T.Y. Chen

May 31, 1927

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Dr. North:

Mr. T. Y. Chen, scholarship student at Columbia University, came in Saturday morning with the request that someone at the P.U. office write a letter to the Immigration Office at Washington notifying them that the University approves of Mr. Chen remaining an additional year at Columbia in pursuit of scholarship (research work) studies, that is through the school year 1927-28, and that he expects to return to China in the summer of 1928. He has already been on scholarship in the U.S. two years so that this would make a third.

His research work will actually include some assistant teaching but he is afraid this might be regarded as employment and there might be some trouble about it - hence the request for such a letter. Miss Eggleston of Rockefeller Foundation is writing a similar letter because of their interest in Mr. Chen. He has been promised her letter today or tomorrow and would like to have the one from the P.U. within the same time so that he can forward it to Washington.

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C O P Y

YENCHING UNIVERSITY
PEKING, CHINA

March 21, 1928

Mr. T. Y. Ch'en
Zoology Dept.
Columbia University
New York

Correct Address -Livingston Hall
Columbia University

My dear Mr. Ch'en:

Upon the recommendation of Professor C. F. Wu, chairman of the Department of Biology, and upon the vote of the Executive Committee of the faculty, I am writing to invite you to return to Yenching next summer to accept a position as Assistant-professor in the Department of Biology at a salary of Mex.\$200 per month.

Professor Wu tells me that you are expecting to receive a doctorate degree this year from Columbia. We hope that you will be able to successfully complete this period of doctorate study and that you will be able to return to us in the summer prepared for a share in the work here at Yenching.

Inasmuch as President Stuart is in New York, I am sending this letter to him and asking him to transmit it to you with any word which he may wish to add.

On behalf of our Yenching community extending to you a cordial welcome on your return, I am

Very sincerely yours

Howard S. Galt

Co-Acting-president

copy to C.D.

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April 27, 1928

Dear Mr. Chen:

I have your letter and am glad to know that arrangements are progressing satisfactorily.

We shall do our utmost to arrange a suitable house for you on your arrival next summer. I am referring this to Dr. Galt and shall make further inquiry which will be early in June.

I am also taking the responsibility for approving the additional grant on your expenses of \$250. chargeable to the budget of this year and have asked Mr. B. A. Garside, of this office, to pay this to you as you may need it.

I shall hope to see you before I sail on May 12th; in any case, we shall be meeting before long on the Yenching campus.

Very sincerely yours

Mr. T. Y. Chen
Livingston Hall
Columbia University
New York City

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Copy of this letter and letter from
Mr. Chen regarding house at Yenching
mailed to Dr. Galt

Copy of above also given Central office

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Chen Yi-chen

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AIR MAIL

Mr. Carl A. Evans,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York

Dear Mr. Evans,

I believe that both Miss Elsie Priest, and Mr. Hanneke had written you about me long ago. Miss Priest must have already told you about the US\$ 4,000 which I bought from Yenching through Mr. H.W. Robinson, the Acting Controller there. Later, when I left Yenching, both Mr. H.W. Robinson and Mr. Hanneke had written me about the \$197.00 which was donated to Yenching faculty by some Americans.

Perhaps I'd better introduced myself before I go any further. I am a Gailing College graduate and I joined the Yenching Staff in 1943. I was one of the "five victims" as Dr. Mei used to call us.

I was all prepared to come to the States a year ago. But I was delayed and was unable to leave until late in 1944. I left Chungking in November and reached Los Angeles a few days ago.

I had an admission to Smith College, but since I am too late for the spring semester, I am going to Chicago University for a term. I wonder if you can arrange to have the money sent to Chicago, now that I cannot come to New York for three or four months yet. I have brought the letters from Miss Priest, Mr. Robinson and Mr. Hanneke with me. Do you want to see the letters before making remittance? I shall appreciate it very much if you could let me have an answer card.

Dr. Lewis Smyth
5802 Maryland Ave.
Chicago, 37.

Thanking you in advance.

I am, sincerely yours,
Chen Yik-hen

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AIR MAIL

I have not yet received the letter from the University of Chicago which you mentioned in your letter of the 14th. I am sorry that I have not been able to get it yet. I will try to get it as soon as possible. I am sure that it will be of great interest to you. I will let you know as soon as I have it.

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March 20, 1945

Miss Chen Yi-chen
c/o Dr. Lewis Smythe
5802 Maryland Avenue
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Miss Chens

I am in receipt of your letter of March 16th and am glad to note that you have arrived in America and are ready to pursue your work. I am sorry you could not come east but can readily understand the circumstances.

You are asking that the money which was sent to us be paid over to you in Chicago. In the first place government restrictions do not permit us to pay over that amount of money at once to a Chinese individual. Students working in the United States may have \$500.00 per month which is considered ample for living expenses and more too.

It might be possible for us to secure a license from the Treasury Department to make payment but the reason for making such payment must be very clear and valid, and we have had enough of these applications refused to make us realize that it would be better to pay the monthly installments.

One thing must be cleared before any payment is made, however, which is to the effect that Miss Priest wrote us admonishing us to be sure that the money would be paid to the proper person. We were requested to inspect your passport and proper credentials as the original letter which she gave you was lost. You need not send them to us but if you will have Dr. Smythe inspect same and send us a note, it will answer the question perfectly. Miss Priest wrote us that you were very much worried about the loss of the original letter and this precaution is as much for your benefit as for the University's. We will, therefore, await further advise from you before proceeding. We will look forward to seeing you at a later date.

Very sincerely yours,

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AIR MAIL

write to
Mr. Hanske
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Coe/BW

208 International House
1414 E 59th St.
Chicago, 37. Ill.
April 3rd, 1945

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4/12/45
Coe/BW

Mr. Carl A. Evans
Associated Board for Christian Colleges
150 5th Avenue
New York City.

Dear Mr. Evans,

Thank you very much for your letter of March 20, 1945.

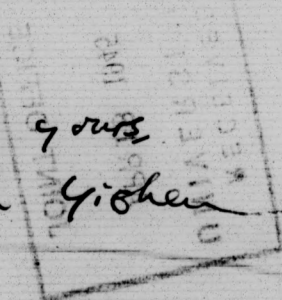
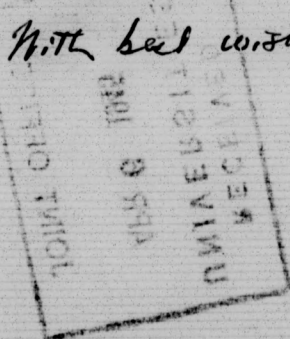
Dr. Smythe had just informed me that he had kindly gone through the papers and had already sent you a letter certifying my identity, etc. The only reason that I wish I could have the money at one time was that it would be much less trouble for you as well as for me. But if it is that government regulation that I cannot have more than \$1500.00 a month from you, I guess I have to be satisfied with the arrangement.

I am enclosing Mr. A. C. Hanske's letter which I had mentioned in my last letter. I don't know what arrangement you could make with that money. But whatever it may be, I wish to state here my sincerest Thanks for all the troubles you have taken over the matter.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Chen Y. Chen



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April 17, 1945

Miss Chen Yi-chen
208 International House
1414 E. 59th Street
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Miss Chen:

I am in receipt of your letter of April 3rd and also the letter which you enclosed from Mr. Albert Hauske. I have also received a letter from Dr. Lewis S. C. Smythe and agreeable thereto we are enclosing check for \$500.00 as the first monthly installment upon the money on credit here for you.

I am proposing that the \$196.67 be paid to you after we have finished paying the total amount of \$4,000.00 which is here on hand.

Check for \$500.00 for the first installment is enclosed herewith.

Very truly yours,

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208 International House
1414 E 59th St.
Chicago 37, Ill.
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Mr. Carl A. Evans,
150 Fifth Avenue
New York

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4/23/45

Dear Mr. Evans:

Receipt is herewith acknowledged of
your letter of April 17, 1945 and the
check of \$500.00 enclosed.

Thanking you for both, I remained,

Truly yours,

Yi-chun Chen

Yi-chun Chen.

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one of the teachers of Chinese Subjects to be
recommended by Yenching University to serve
in the Harvard-Yenching Inst of Chinese Studies
Session 1926-27 (Still with you 12-21-31)

Chen Yuan

now
Director of H-Y
Research Sch. of
Chinese Studies

Associate Professor, Department of History,

Mr. Chen, formerly Vice-Minister of Education, and for
some years ranking as a Professor in the National Univer-
sity of Peking where he frequently lectures, is one of the
best informed scholars in Bibliography and the History of
Religions in China. His original researches on the intro-
duction of Western religions into China during the Middle
Ages and subsequently have attracted much attention
from experts in this field.

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July 4, 1935.

Dr. N. Gist Gee,
The vice President,
Yenching University,
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

Dear Dr. Gee:

It has been sometime that I have not heard from you. I completed my work in this spring and obtained the degree in the past month. Now I am on the way back to China and shall get there about 29th of July. I am sorry that I could not come to New York to visit you and bid farewell to you. However I am writing to express my best thanks for your kind help in the past and I hope that you could continue to give ^{me} your valuable instructions in the future.

In regard to my work on the thesis I have not yet completed the whole group of the aquatic Oligochaeta. Only the species in the family Tubificidae have been thoroughly worked out and further study is needed to the group of Naididae when I get back. The latter group consists of small forms and fresh specimens are necessary for a detailed study. I have also a great deal of work on the terrestrial forms too. Gates recently worked out a large collection of the Chinese earthworms belonging to the Smithsonian Museum. In order to look up some of his types I specially went there in the last week.

I shall return to Nanking as soon as I get back and shall teach in the National Central University there.

With best wishes and good lucks, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

y. Chen

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