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February 1, 1934

Mr Arthur V. Davis,  
Aluminum Co. of America,  
230 Park Ave.,  
New York City.

Dear Mr Davis:-

When Dr Stuart, President of Yenching University, was here last spring he suggested that you might be interested in hearing more about the science work at Yenching and that it would be well for me to communicate with you so that a convenient <sup>time</sup> might be arranged when I could come and discuss this subject with you.

I have been away a great deal since that time but am back in New York now for a short stay before starting out on another trip and am writing to ask if you would have time to see me for a short time? If you will kindly fix the time and place it will give me much pleasure to call and bring you such information as I may have.

Looking forward with much pleasure to knowing you personally, and to discussing Yenching with you, I am

Very sincerely,

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March 12, 1936

Arthur W. Davis, Esq.  
Alumina Company of America  
230 Park Avenue  
New York City

Dear Mr. Davis:

The Promotional Committee by direction of the Board of Trustees is actively pushing the emergency campaign to stabilize our Yenching finances until the time when the greater needs of the University can be adequately provided. We have made real progress as the attached report will show. Much remains to be done. Your sustained cooperation makes triumphant our hopes that our objectives will be fully realized.

As a member of the Yenching Board, you will, I am sure, be interested in this report. I shall appreciate any counsel you may be pleased to offer.

Very sincerely yours,

Chairman, Promotional Committee

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March 26, 1933

Mr. Arthur V. Davis  
Aluminum Company of America  
230 Park Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Davis:

As a new member on the Board of Trustees of Yenching University, with your permission we should like to use your picture with a short biographical sketch in the next issue of the "Yenching News" which goes to our regular mailing list within the next few days.

The sketch in "Who's Who" could easily form the basis of the article for our publication, but you would doubtless wish to amplify this a bit.

We trust this request may have your approval and that we may be favored with one of your photographs and at least a suggestion of some material which in your judgment would suit our purpose.

Yours very sincerely,

George C. Aydelott

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# Aluminum Company of America

*Gulf Building.*

*Pittsburgh, Pa.*

April 1, 1936.

Mr. George C. Aydelott,  
Yenching University,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, N. Y.

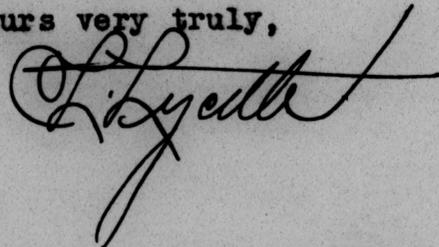
Dear Sir:

Your letter of March 26th to Mr. Arthur V. Davis has been forwarded to me from our New York City office and in accordance with your request I am forwarding under separate cover photograph of Mr. Davis.

It is our idea that the biographical sketch in "Who's Who in America" will be a satisfactory basis for the sketch to be printed in the "Yenching News" without any amplification.

We trust that the photograph will arrive in time for your next issue.

Yours very truly,



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April 7, 1956

Mr. Arthur V. Davis  
c/o Aluminum Company of America  
Gulf Building  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Davis:

As a result of a conference, I am writing to ask you to preside at a luncheon to be given at the Mayfair House, Park Avenue and 88th Street, New York City, on Thursday, April 28, at which time the Trustees of Yenching University will have Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer as the guest of honor. She was in the office yesterday to arrange for paying her recent pledge of \$75,000 and she gave her consent to the luncheon as proposed.

This will be the regular annual meeting of the Board and furnishes a fine opportunity to do honor to the one whose financial support has meant so much to the University in recent months. Only the members of the Board will be present.

Dr. and Mrs. William J. Thompson who recently gave \$25,000 to the School of Christian Religion in Yenching, have an apartment at the Mayfair and are arranging for the Board to meet there, adjourning at 12 o'clock and going to the dining room where a special luncheon will have been prepared. Dr. John Finley of the New York Times, will give the only speech on this occasion.

We shall appreciate your acceptance of this arrangement if you can possibly do so.

Yours very truly,

George C. Aydelott

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Pittsburgh, Pa.

April 8, 1936.

ARTHUR V. DAVIS  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Mr. George C. Aydelott,  
Yenching University,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Aydelott:

I am in receipt of yours of April 7th in which you were good enough to ask me to preside at a luncheon to be given at the Mayflower House, New York City on Thursday, April 23rd. I will be very glad to do this and will appreciate the opportunity of meeting the Trustees again.

With kind regards, I remain

Yours very truly,

Arthur V. Davis

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June 20, 1936

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Mr. Arthur M. Davis  
230 Park Avenue  
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Davis:

It was a great joy to find you back at your desk again and to see you looking so well after your recent illness.

Since talking with you we have had a letter from Dr. Stuart which is quite reassuring and I think you will be interested in the following quotation: "I am happy to assure you that despite the uncertainties of the political situation, internal conditions within the institution have never been more full of promise than at present."

As I indicated in our recent conversation I think it would be very desirable for you and Mr. Karl Bickel to get acquainted. He was formerly president of the United Press and is now identified with the Scripps-Howard Syndicate in your building. What would you think of luncheon together some day very soon - say you and Mr. Bickel together with Dr. Thompson and perhaps myself or some representative of the Board? We could come right to your building if you wished, so that it would not consume unnecessary time. This, however, is only a suggestion. Perhaps the most direct way would be for you to telephone Mr. Bickel and work out your own plans to get acquainted.

Your generous offer to see Mrs. Mellon was greatly appreciated and I know the results will be gratifying.

Mr. McBrier, our Treasurer, has left the city for a few days and has asked me to exert every effort to raise the \$10,000 which we need to meet current obligations by July 1st. I know you have it in mind to participate, either by cash or a commitment and I wish to assure you that anything you can do in this respect will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

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George C. Aydelott

October 10, 1936

Dear Mr. Davis,

The Yenching Trustees sincerely hope that you will act as Toastmaster at a dinner they are planning to hold within a few weeks.

The affair will be primarily a testimonial dinner in honor of Dr. Henry W. Luce, Vice President Emeritus of Yenching University. As you know, Dr. Luce has given nearly half a century to educational work in China. Perhaps no man has had a larger share in building up the physical plant, endowment, and current support of the University. He has just returned from a year spent in the orient.

It is planned to have about fifty persons at the dinner - the Yenching trustees and women's committee, their wives and husbands, and some of the friends who have been the most substantial contributors to the upbuilding and support of the University. The place will probably be the Waldorf or the Commodore. Most or all of the cost will be borne personally by a few members of the Board. Dates being considered are October 27, 28, 29, and 30, though it may be held a little later.

Dr. Edward H. Hume, who has known Yenching and Dr. Luce long and intimately, has consented to speak on the growth and present position of Yenching, and Dr. Luce's share in this development. While Dr. Luce is not being told of the testimonial nature of the dinner, he is being asked to attend and to be ready to speak briefly. Messages of felicitation are being secured from China and from friends in America. The general program suggested is that Mr. Barber, as President of the Board, present you as Toastmaster, and that you preside from that point on, calling on Dr. Hume and later on Dr. Luce.

We all feel that it will be particularly appropriate that you preside on this occasion. For at least fifteen years you have watched the growth of Yenching somewhat more objectively than have the other trustees. Through you and Mr. Johnson Yenching has received its largest benefaction. I believe that Dr. Luce was the first representative of Yenching to approach you and Mr. Johnson as the trustees of Dr. Hall's estate, and that it was he who took the initiative in the negotiations which eventuated so happily for the University. For these and other reasons it would be peculiarly gratifying to Dr. Luce and to us all to have you preside at this function in his honor.

I will welcome an opportunity to discuss these matters further at your convenience. We should of course move forward promptly.

Mr. Arthur V. Davis,  
230 Park Avenue,  
New York, N. Y.

Sincerely yours,

October 21, 1936

Mr. Arthur V. Davis  
230 Park Avenue  
New York City

Dear Mr. Davis:

Herewith is one of the invitations we are sending in connection with our Yenching dinner on Tuesday.

I attach hereto a brief biographical note concerning Dr. Hume and Dr. Luce which may be helpful to you in introducing them. Of course, both these men are so well known to the group who will be present that any biographical sketch is hardly necessary.

The Committee in charge of planning the dinner suggested the following general outline of the program, subject to any changes you would like to make:-

- (1) Mr. Barber, as President of the Board, will preside at the beginning of the dinner and will, at the proper time, present you as the toastmaster.
- (2) We hope that before you introduce Dr. Hume you will take occasion to speak at least briefly about the work of the Trustees of Yenching University, under whose auspices the dinner is being held. I suppose that at this time no reference would be made to the testimonial nature of the dinner, as that will come out in Dr. Hume's address.
- (3) You will then introduce Dr. Hume whose address will be the principal speech of the evening. His talk will not only trace the development and present position of Yenching University, but will be a tribute to Dr. Luce's part in this work.
- (4) Following Dr. Hume's address, the Secretary of the Board will present the messages and letters of greeting and felicitation to Dr. Luce which are being received. This should be quite brief, only a few of the most significant messages being read at that time.
- (5) You will then call on Dr. Luce for his response. It would be very interesting to the group if, in doing this, you could tell a little something about the part he played in the negotiations which resulted in the generous support which Yenching received from the estate of Dr. Hall.
- (6) Following Dr. Luce's response you will close the meeting in whatever way seems to be most fitting.

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Mr. Davis

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October 21, 1936

All these suggestions are, of course, made in the hope and expectation that you will modify them as you desire. They are intended to serve the same function as the minister's text - as a point of departure.

The responses to our invitations are beginning to come in in a very satisfactory fashion, and we hope that this dinner will be a very pleasant and successful occasion.

Sincerely yours,

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ARTHUR VINING DAVIS, officer corps; b. Sharon, Mass., May 30, 1867; s. Perley B. and Mary Frances (Vining) D.; A.B., Amherst, 1888; m. Elizabeth Hawkins, of N.Y. City, Mar. 1912. Chmn. bd. Aluminum Co. of America; dir. Mellon Nat. Bank (Pittsburgh), Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Water & Power Co., Marine Midland Corpn., Niagara Hudson Power Corpn. Mem. Psi Upsilon. Republican. Episcopalian. Clubs: Pittsburgh, Dusquesne; Metropolitan (New York). Home: Mill Neck, L.I., N.Y., and Pittsburgh, Pa. Office: 230 Park Avenue, New York, and Pittsburgh, Pa.

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ARTHUR V. DAVIS  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

*New York, N. Y.* Feb. 21, 1939.

Mr. George G. Barber, President,  
Board of Trustees of Yenching University,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York.

Dear Mr. Barber:

I am in receipt of yours of Feb. 11th inviting me to be present at the dinner to be given at the Waldorf Astoria on the evening of Feb. 28th in honor of Mr. E. M. McBrier. I expect to be in New York on that day, and unless my plans are very seriously upset, I will take pleasure in attending the dinner to which you are good enough to invite me.

I note your suggestion that I write a letter to be sent to you but to be addressed to Mr. McBrier to be bound with other letters and messages as a memorial book of the occasion, and I am pleased to enclose you herewith a letter which I trust fills the bill.

With kind regards, I remain

Yours very truly,

*Arthur V. Davis*

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January 2, 1940

My dear Mr. Davis:

We are profoundly grateful for such good friends as Mr. Arthur V. Davis. It would be a sorry day for the China Colleges if the time should ever come when they did not have a number of such loyal and devoted friends.

Your generous check for \$10,000 is acknowledged with gratitude and our formal receipt is herewith enclosed. This is a timely and inspiring gift. But you are not alone giving money. You are giving something that is far more valuable than money, namely, your active personal cooperation and advice.

May I add my personal word of appreciation for your devotion to Yenching University, - the University of my special interest. While I am interested in all of the colleges and have given my best efforts through the years to coordinating their activities because I believed that a far better piece of work could be done by having a unification of effort, still my relationship was first of all with Yenching, and to that college I have directed a large part of my personal activity and made the bulk of my gifts in recent years. There were several objectives in Yenching's promotional work for which I felt a very definite responsibility. Back in 1932 we outlined our program for the succeeding years. There were certain situations to which I committed myself at that time, without making any pledges or promises.

With the raising of the \$70,000 Endowment Fund for the Women's College this year, I am very happy to say the last of these objectives will be accomplished. The initial gifts that have been made toward this Endowment Fund should insure the early completion of the balance which today stands at around \$18,000. The ladies' committee is actively working on this objective and should have it in hand in a very short time.

I wish to tell you how happy I am that you are now the President of the Board of Trustees of Yenching University. I try to keep pretty much in the background; but I can say to you in confidence that for several years I have been influencing the necessary moves which made this change possible.

Hoping that you may have a very happy and prosperous new year and with sincere thanks for your fine cooperation, I am

Most sincerely yours,

Mr. Arthur V. Davis  
230 Park Avenue  
New York City

E. M. McBrier

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230 PARK AVENUE

ARTHUR V. DAVIS  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

*New York, N. Y.* Oct. 14, 1940.

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Dr. B. A. Garside,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York.

Dear Dr. Garside:

I am in receipt of yours of Oct. 11th and also the 1940  
Yenching Annual, which I looked over with much interest yesterday although  
I have to admit that that part of it which was printed in Chinese was  
over my head.

Thanking you for sending it to me, and with kind regards,

I remain

Yours very truly,

*Arthur V. Davis*

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M. E. Mission, Peking, Jan 22nd 1918

Dr. George Heber Jones, D. D.,

150 Fifth Ave., New York City, N. Y.

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My dear Dr. Jones :-

Since you are representing the Methodist Episcopal Board of Foreign Missions on the Board of Trustees of Peking University, as one of the Board of Managers I would like to say a few things.

As the Methodist Representative I hope you will always keep it before the trustees that our ideal of a University is not simply a great school but a deeply spiritual school that may seem a strange statement until you begin to study the religious conditions of Mission schools even in China. Our Methodist Peking University has stood for a spiritual institution and what has been the result, after forty years of work here in Peking our Mission has more members than all the other Missions put together and they have been working just as long. They would not teach English for fear that the young men would go out and earn a living outside of the church and the result has been that their school is about dead and they hav'nt the pastors. But the reason why our men stayed in the church, when they had English and could go out and earn so much more, was they were converted and every year

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in a revival they had the ideal held up before them .

I believe in scholarship but you can never compete with the Imperial Government University , or Peking University , or the Higher Normal School in scholastic equipment , for if you put in two million they will put in five million and it is useless for the churches to try and compete . But what China needs at the present time is not so many men with knowledge as men with a personal religious experience , who will honestly and uprightly perform their duties . I hope the Trustees will appoint a Christian Gentleman as President at once , who will come out at once to try and unite the various forces . When the war has settled down I hope one of your first appointments will be a religious Director for the school , it will be impossible for the busy men in charge of the various departments to look after the spiritual interests of the school as they should be looked after .

In regard to the new <sup>site</sup> ~~sight~~ we are hoping soon to hear that the Trustees have settled on the old one and that you will bury that question . There is no doubt that you could buy land more cheaply to start on in the country , but the question is simply this "Could you get the boys to attend ?" Tungchou is 15 miles away on the railroad with three trains each way every day and the boys will not go and if you find a large tract of land three miles from town I am afraid your boys will not go. For we can never offer a four

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years course in America as a bribe as they do at Chinghua University which is out in the country ,and unless you can do that you cannot get the students in the country . I am not overstating the needs of emphasis on the part of the Trustees of the spiritual side , for at the present time Booke College , the big Episcopalian School at Wuchang ,has only twenty Christians in it. At Canton Christian College there is hardly any Christian life in the school .

Turning to my own work for a moment ,the American Board Mission have appointed a very able man to take charge of their evangelistic work in Peking City and after he had looked all over the plants of the other demominations , he said: " The Presbyterians have the best plant for evangelistic work ,but the Methodists have the best native staff and the result is we have four times the membership of the Presbyterians . If we cannot get the new buildings that we need at once ,we must keep our staff together and this year 8 must have \$3500.00 in special gifts outside self support and grants from the Board. The \$3500.00 is Mexican about \$2600.00 gold . If because of the war we should break up our staff ,we would be crippled for years when we got the new buildings that we are in such great need of at the present time .

Both the American Board and the Presbyterian Mission have appointed splended young American men to do student work among the Government Schools and it is essential that we do the same as soon

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as possible. I know that this year we did not request in our distribution sheet that such a man be sent out, but we have asked for such a man in our centenary requests, and I hope that he will be forthcoming.

Mr. Blackstone has promised us a man for Evangelistic work from the Wilton Stewart Fund and he will send a written statement to the Board in New York saying that he will undertake his support for a certain number of years. We are in great need of more help and hope that he will be able to come out as soon as possible.

The entire Buchman party are here now and we are making great preparations for our own work in February when we will carry forward our Evangelistic drive.

Yours Cordially

George L. Davis

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May 25, 1918

The Rev. George L. Davis,  
Peking, China.

My dear Brother Davis:-

Some time ago I received from you an interesting and valuable letter relating to the work of Peking University and its value to the missions in and about Peking. Illness and necessary absence from the office have delayed me in acknowledging receipt of this letter and telling you how much I appreciated it. We are always glad to have such facts and testimonies and they serve very practical purposes. Most of the questions raised in your letter concerning the University have already been answered in our correspondence with the field, so that you will have heard of the actions taken. It is always a pleasure to hear from you, and of the aggressive and effective work you are doing along evangelical lines.

With hearty wishes for much success, believe me

Cordially yours.

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*Harris*  
M. E. Mission, Peking, China. Aug 26th 1918

Rev. George Heber Jones,

150 Fifth Ave., New York City, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Jones:-

Your letter of May 25th came a few weeks ago and I was very glad to hear that you were better, for Dr. Myers had reported that you had been very ill and would be obliged to rest for several months.

In your last letter written to the Board of Managers the point was not made clear in regard to the Yuke or Preparatory School was it the intention of the Board of Trustees of Peking University to let the Preparatory school remain in the separate Missions or become part of the University. After reading your letter there was a difference of opinion, the Methodists thought that the letter meant that each Mission was to arrange for their own Preparatory School and the rest thought it should belong to the University. For the present School year we are going to have a Union Preparatory in our Old University Buildings and the Students will be taught by the University faculty, but they will obey the rules of the school yard they are in and be under the control of the Academy principal.

I think that we will have to follow this plan in the next few years, for there has come a big call for men to go to Siberia with the expedition going there and also a big call for the men to go to France with the coolies and a lot of the

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men will go and it will be hard to get men to take their places ,  
so we will be obliged to unite.

We expect Bishop Welsh in a few days and then we will  
try to get our affairs straightened out for another year. The  
Lord has blessed us wonderfully here in Peking this year ,and we  
will be able to report a good increase in every line here in  
Peking.

We are making big plans for the Centennial.

Yours Most Cordially,

*George L. Davis*

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150 Fifth Avenue,  
 NEW YORK CITY, Oct. 24, 1918

The Rev. George L. Davis,  
 Peking, China

My dear Brother Davis:-

In reply to your letter of August 26th I would say that the matter of the Yu K'e or Preparatory School has been very fully and carefully considered by the Board of Trustees and is still under investigation. We are anticipating that Dr. Smith's conferences with the Board of Managers will be productive of a clear understanding on this matter. In view of the fact that it is thus under advisement I am not in a position to give final statement as to the understanding of the Board of Trustees.

When Dr. Smith returns and presents his report we shall then have the whole matter in final form. I know you are deeply interested in this question and share with all the men connected with the University in a sense of its importance. In view of my official relationship to the correspondence on the whole matter I know you will understand me in refraining from expressing a personal view on the matter, pending the ultimate decision of the Trustees themselves. I feel confident that the matter is working toward a satisfactory solution to all concerned.

I want to thank you for your letter with its expression of your own views. These are always welcomed by us for we are glad to know what our men who are in the midst of the actual situation on the field feel and think in regard to these matters.

Very cordially yours,

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921 E.56th ST.,  
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JAN.14th,1936.

DR.J.L.STUART,  
PRESIDENT YENCHING UNIVERSITY,  
156 FIFTH AVENUE,  
NEW YORK CITY:

DEAR LEIGHTON:

Since coming to this country we have spent most of our time in Chicago. During the Autumn Quarter I was regularly enrolled in the University of Chicago, taking two courses in Geology and one in Mathematics. At present I am not enrolled as I am expecting to take the field for deputation work within a few weeks. During May I will attend the General Conference of the M.E.Church at Columbus, O., as I am a delegate from North China to the same.

We are hoping to get back to China this August-September, but there are several obstacles in the way. 1. The Board of Foreign Missions has ruled that all missionaries returning to the field must somehow raise their own traveling expenses. 2. The Board's Medical Officer- however I feel that this obstacle can be easily surmounted. 3. The troubles stirred up by the Japanese. No one knows what these will amount to.

In regard to the Traveling Expenses I have been wondering whether Yenching University considers my services of sufficient value to help in the matter. There will be only two and a half fares required and I will certainly get a portion of these from other sources. It seems to me that the recent death of Miss Konantz makes a larger need for my services at Yenching.

Things have certainly been unhappy in North China the last two months and one wonders as to the exact situation in the University at present and what the future holds in store, both as to immediate conditions and as to those more remote.

It was only recently that I learned of your definite presence in this country.

Maybelle joins me in best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

*W. W. Davis*  
W.W.DAVIS.

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YENCHING

January 21, 1926

My dear Walter:

I have your letter and replying to the special points about your travelling expenses, I do not quite see how the University can establish a precedent of providing this for any of the missionaries assigned to us by the various Constituent Boards. This is an obligation which these Boards have undertaken to maintain.

Before writing you I have waited to consult some of the Trustees and Dr. Garbide, all of whom take this position. I am, however, calling the attention of Dr. Diffendorf to the problem and feel confident that a way can be found between the Boards and yourself. We certainly need you all the more in view of the death of Miss Kenantz.

I have been getting a number of letters about conditions on the campus. On the whole the faculty students' relations have been fairly well maintained although the work has been very much disorganized. Unless I have another cable, I am planning to sail from San Francisco, March 20th, which will give me that much longer to continue my conferences here. It is almost impossible to get much actual money but we are making some progress even in this respect and are getting better organized for the future.

My greetings to Maybelle.

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. W. W. Davis  
921 East 56th Street  
Chicago, Illinois

*JLS*

cc - Mr. Diffendorf ✓  
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YENCHING

February 5, 1936

My dear Walter:

I have your letter and am much concerned at the action regarding your expenses to the General Conference. Dr. Diffendorfer had mentioned this as one of the ways in which your travel could be cared for. I am letting him have your letter and a copy of this. He seems to feel that by resorting to this method, contribution to the work of the Board could be secured more effectively than otherwise. He apparently has the problem well in mind and I feel confident that some solution will be found that enables you to return to Yenching next autumn. It is needless to assure you again how much we want you.

Poor Bliss Wiant is struggling to secure his expenses under somewhat similar conditions.

With sympathetic good wishes, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. W. W. Davis  
921 East 56th Street  
Chicago, Illinois

cc - Dr. Diffendorfer

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921.E.56th ST.,  
CHICAGO, ILL.,  
MARCH 3rd., 1936

YENCHING

DR. J. L. Stuart,  
Yenching University,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City:

Dear Leighton:

It may be of interest to you to know that the financial side of my return to China this summer together with those of Maybelle and Frankie has been assured. The date for our sailing has not been definitely fixed but it will be sometime in August.

Yesterday's papers contained rather startling news about doings at Tsinghua. I trust Yenching was not involved. I also trust that recent happenings in Japan will not make things worse in China.

Trusting to see you again in Yenching this fall, with best regards and best wishes for a good trip back and a successful closing of the school year,

Yours sincerely

*W. W. Davis*  
W. W. DAVIS.

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*signed - W. W. Davis*

METHODIST CHURCH  
NORTH CHINA MISSION OFFICE  
Peking, China

April 15, 1942.

Dr. F.T. Cartwright X

Dear Frank:

It now looks as tho there would be a chance, within a month, to send you a letter by (Mr. Jesse B. Wolfe,) of the American Embassy, who is among those to be evacuated. I will try and give you a summary report of what has happened to us beginning with Dec. 8th,

YENCHING: The enemy descended upon us by 8:30 Dec. 8th. School was immediately broken up. On Dec. 9 the students and many of the faculty left; many of the foreign faculty concentrated in the South Compound by orders; however a few were slow and were ultimately allowed to remain in their quarters elsewhere. Personally I moved on Dec. 9 to the South Compound and lived with Dr. H.S. Galt and son from Dec. 9 to March 23. Other Methodists in the South Compound were Miss Ruth Stahl, a regular resident, and Mr. James Pyke.

The war found Dr. Stuart in Tientsin; he was arrested and brought to Peking where he and others, including Dr. Houghton of the P.U.M.C. were confined in the American Barracks till early in January; then Drs. Stuart and Houghton together with 2 other P.U.M.C. people were removed to the residence of the Director of the P.U.M.C., where they are still kept under guard. They can receive censored letters; they are allowed occasional visitors; and occasionally for special causes, like seeing a dentist, they are allowed outside under guard. They are well fed, paying their own way, and decently treated. Twice Dr. Stuart has been allowed to go to Yenching for cause, but under strict escort. According to last reports they are all in good health.

Beginning with Dec. 8 and ending with Dec. 31 some 15 members of the Chinese faculty of Yenching were arrested. Those arrested included William Hung, Dean T.C. Chao, Deans Henry Chou and Gideon Ch'en and Controller Stephen Ts'ai; after being held for from 6 to 3 weeks in Gendarme Headquarters in the City they were brought to trial: charge being too friendly with Americans etc. Three minor people were released; all the others including those named above were sentenced to imprisonment for varying terms; details not known; rumors give 3 to 9 months, varying with individuals: rumors vary: they are to be given some credit for time held at Gendarme Headquarters.

A Japanese garrison was placed in Yenching; Foreign faculty members had to have gate passes to go in or out; after the first ten days these were easy to get and could be used without limit during the day time; to go to Peking one had to have a special gate pass; these were much harder to get and were good for one trip only; dental and ocular troubles became very convenient. South Compound Foreign Faculty were concentrated in six houses; we tried to live simply but were allowed electric lights, water, and servants; had plenty to eat: pooled financial resources. Up till March 16 we were allowed free access to the whole Campus; from that date we were restricted to the South Compound and the road leading to the South Gate. Many other minor annoyances but no great ones. We were allowed radios till March 15, when they were called in. The Chinese members of the faculty were allowed more freedom but they gradually left.

On March 19 I secured, after 3 months of effort, permission from the Japanese military authorities to move into the City; moved into the Methodist Mission on March 23. A few of the non-American or British foreign faculty have also left. On March 30 all were ordered to leave but after negotiations the foreigners were allowed to remain indefinitely. The Chinese however have all been compelled to leave.

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**METHODIST MISSION, PEKING:** Promptly on Dec. 8 all the Missions and Mission institutions of any kind in or near the City were seized as well as all American and British institutions. Methodist Missionaries in the Mission were, Rev. R.E. Hanson, Dr. Hopkins and Miss Helen Hopkins, Dr. and Mrs. F.M. Pyke, Miss Adams, Miss Powell, Miss Watrous, Miss Wheeler; Miss Hobart was in Tientsin and Miss Studley was and still is living at the Union Bible School for women; Bishop Quang was also a resident of the Compound, as well as a number of tenants of various nationalities. Beginning with Dec. 10 Dr. Hopkins and daughter were allowed to come and go freely and they have not since then missed a working morning at the Methodist Hospital. The Methodist Hospital has come into a boom period and has expanded; optical clinics alone generally run over 400 a day; Sleeper Davis Hospital has also carried on with little or no interruption and is running to full capacity. After Dec. 15 the guards were removed from the Mission Compound and since then the residents have been free to come and go at all hours. This is generally true of the whole city but Americans and British cannot go outside of the City gates without special passes.

After the first Sunday most of the Churches have been free to hold Sunday services: this is true of the American-British Union Church. Asbury Church has very good congregations. On Easter Sunday 12 young people and as many children were baptized, while 15 were received into full membership.

All Church controlled Schools were promptly closed. However sometime in January all those that had been registered with the old or any other Chinese Government, together with some others, were allowed to reopen, no longer as Church-controlled schools, but as schools under the local Bureau of Education. The property was taken over without any formal action, beyond a declaration; they were also declared to be absolutely free from church influence. These included the following Methodist Schools: Peking Academy, Peking I Higher Primary (Shang Wen Chin), Peking II Higher Primary (Chushihk'ou), Peking III Higher Primary (Shunchihmen), Peking V Higher Primary (Shat'hyuan) and Gamewell Middle School: also the Peking VI Higher Primary (Fangchihhsiang) and a Primary School at Tso-anmen succeeded in turning in. In general the principals and teachers were continued. Missionaries had to give up all connection with such schools. The only ones affected were Misses Adams and Watrous. The Schools have taken over the property of the following Peking Churches, which have consequently been closed or compelled to meet in private homes: Chushihk'ou, Shunchihmen, Shat'hyuan, Fangchihhsiang and Tso-anmen. However on March 14 Bishop Kaung outmaneuvered the grasping principals in the matter of property. I should add that a Japanese advisor was assigned to each school: those are of varying degrees of meanness. W. C. Shang, some of his teachers, and a number of other teachers from various schools still attend church faithfully.

Miss Hobart returned from Tientsin late in December. About March 20 Mrs. Mouchs and Anderson of the P.U.M.C. moved into the compound and are living with Mr. Hanson and myself in House No. 9 (the Felt House).

**THE CHINESE CHURCH:** Even before Christmas it was quite evident that the Japanese were bringing strong pressure to bear to separate the Chinese Christians from the missionaries and the Home Churches. The Japanese sent over Bishop Abe from Japan and he had many conferences with the Chinese Christian leaders. These and other conferences finally culminated in a meeting called at the Peking Hotel by the Special Service Division of the Japanese Army and attended by representatives of all the Chinese Churches and Missions in the City. This conference lasted from about 3 p.m. till 10 p.m. It finally resulted in the signing by each Group of a set of documents as follows:

1. An agreement, turning over the movable and immovable property of the Mission in Peking to the Chinese Church.
2. A Joint Statement.
3. A list of the Property turned over.
4. A list of Bank Accounts turned over.

I am sending you copies of 1, 2 and 4. I have prepared a list of 3 but can't lay my hands on it. All these are translations as the official documents were all in Chinese. Will send a property list later.

The property list included, churches, theological College, endowment property and immovable property; by special modification largely due to the American Boarders and Presbyterians, the missionary residences were excepted. We still (May 4) have control of these and use the rents. The Schools had already been taken over by the Board of Education and the Hospitals were being run by Local Boards.

The Missionaries protested that they had no power to sign but they had to anyway. I was not present at the meeting but have had several good accounts. Our representatives names appear on the enclosed documents. The East City Property was included in the property turned over. Of course there was a debt on this. My suggestion is that the Board use money appropriated to North China for work in 1942, either regular Appropriation or Designated Gifts, to clear this debt. The Chinese Church now renounces all funds from the U.S. However they intend to use the income from the East City Property to support the Ministry of the North China Conference.

The Chinese Methodist Church is now known as the Chung Hua Chi Tu Chiao Wei Li Kung Hui. In all these negotiations Bishop Kaung and the other leaders have acted as Christians and gentlemen; the Bishop has won the approval not only of our own missionaries but of those of other churches. Of course the whole affair was engineered and forced by the Japanese.

I consider that the turning over of the Church Property and Endowment Property made little difference. The Bank accounts really covered work accounts and so made little difference. They were all frozen. Since I came into the City, I have succeeded in turning over to the Treasurer of the North China Conference, Rev. Liu I Hsin, (see copy of Minutes of the Field Committee enclosed) the Bank accounts in the Chung Foo and Kincheng Banks amounting to \$15,000 FRB. Those in the H and S Banks are still frozen and likely to remain so.

TIENTSIN: On Dec. 8th all the Methodist Missionaries were expelled from the Compound; Misses Frantz, Wilson, Nutting (temporarily), Hobart (temporarily) were allowed to proceed to the British Concession with a few belongings, where they found refuge with other missionaries and where they still are in peace and relative comfort. Miss Jaquet and Mr. Dixon were taken to a prison in the Japanese Concession where they were confined; a couple of days later Miss Prentice, who was on the train coming down from Peking was taken to the same prison. Miss Jaquet and Miss Prentice were confined for about 35 days and Mr. Dixon for 50 days. But eventually they were released and joined the others where they are now in good health. They are still able to live on the rental of property in Tientsin, where the transfer of Mission Property has not yet been forced. I had a letter from Mr. Dixon, this a.m. and they are apparently all well. CHANGLI. Since Dec. 8th the missionaries have been confined to the compound and allowed very little communications with the Chinese. Present in Changli, Dr. and Mrs. Clay and 2 sons, Rev. H.E. Dewey, Miss C.P. Dyer, Miss M. Twinem, and Miss Mary K.

Russell of Tsinan and also a Mr. and Mrs. Corkey of Manchuria. About a month ago Miss Russell was allowed to go to Tsinan. The W.F.M.S. house has been grabbed by the boys school, which is still running, but under a new and outside principal; the compound church has also been taken over by the School. The Hospital is still carrying on and Dr. Clay is allowed to go over occasionally for the purpose of undertaking severe operations etc. But on the whole they have been otherwise strictly confined to their compounds. Two weeks ago Rev. Ch'ing Shou the Shanhaikuan D.S. was down; he reported that he had seen Mr. Dewey just the evening before he left and that they were all well. Occasional postcards and letters have been received. The last report was that Dr. Nutting had been allowed to make them a visit from Tientsin. Mr. Dixon sent them up \$900 FRB from Tientsin Rentals. Here in Peking we have sent them a total of \$2,000, FRB since the Dec. 8th including \$500 in April.

Horace Williams is still at Nalgan and according to last reports was well. It is reported that he is to return on the ship with the Diplomats. It has been possible to send him some financial help.

All in the Mission in Peking are well and in good spirits. Dr. Hopkins and his daughter are able to spend the mornings over at the Hospital, which is booming; same true of Miss Howell; Mr. Hanson is putting in his time working on the Language etc. Since coming into the city I have been busy in this office; the others keep busy in various ways, but I notice that prayer-meetings and Bible-classes are very popular.

Last Wednesday, April 29th, Bishop Kaung went to Shanghai on account of the death of his mother, he hopes to be back next week.

The church services at Asbury are very well attended.

In addition to our own people we have 2 Church of the Brethren ladies and one Pentecostal Family refugeeing in the compound; our tenants are Greeks, Germans and Chinese, but they mind their own business; the only troublesome factor is a dog belonging to a German-American.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

/Signed/ W. W. Davis

P.S. Most of the missionaries would like to be repatriated if a chance offers. The Bishop approves such a course. I feel it highly advisable.

LIST OF BANK ACCOUNTS TURNED OVER TO THE CHINESE METHODIST CHURCH MARCH 14, 1942

BANK	AMOUNT
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Peking .....	\$9 286.31
Ditto, Tientsin.....	999.84
Chung Foo Union bank, Peking.....	7 018.02
Kincheng, Peking.....	7 794.16
Total . . . . .	25 104.33

Severe pressure is being brought on the Chinese Churches to unite into one Union Church. This will probably take place in August.

AN AGREEMENT

The parties to this conveyance are: Representatives of the American Methodist Church, North China Area, hereinafter simply called, the Mission; Representatives of the Chinese Methodist Church, Committee for the Peking District, hereinafter simply called, the Church.

Through the mediation of the Special Service Mission of the Japanese Army in Peking, both parties have agreed that: As from March 14th, 1942, the Mission voluntarily conveys to the Church, unconditionally and without recompenses, all the movable and immovable property, and frozen funds, that are now in the Peking District, (with the exception of the Missionary Residences) listed on "The List of temporarily estimated values of the movable and immovable property of the Chinese Methodist Church in the Peking Municipality", "The Bank Deposits of the Chinese Methodist Church", "Sketches of the ground plans of houses and lands of the Methodist Church in Peking", and also "Sketch of the ground plans of houses and lands of the Methodist Church on Hsiao Shun Shutung, Peking."

Henceforth the Mission will naturally not again have any power whatever with respect to the aforementioned conveyed property.

Both parties have agreed on the following seven articles which will serve as a record.

1. The Mission, as from the day of making this agreement, conveys to the Church, unconditionally and without recompense, all of the foregoing items of property as specified in the list of property in the accompanying booklet.

2. From the date of this agreement henceforth, the documents concerning all movable and immovable property registered in the name of Mission become of no effect. Procedure for registering this movable and immovable property is to be carried out according to law by the Church.

3. The Mission will continue responsible for clearing all the assets and liabilities that it had before this conveyance, except for those specifically listed in another agreement. The Church will have no relationship or connection with them.

4. All agreements heretofore made by the Mission with respect to the hereinbefore mentioned property, regardless of whatever group or organization with which such agreements may have been made, become of no effect from the date of this agreement.

5. This agreement will take effect from the day that both parties affix their signatures.

6. The Chinese version of this agreement shall be the official one. Three copies shall be made and given respectively into the hands of: The Special Service Division of the Japanese Army, The Mission, and the Church, to be kept as a record.

7. The frozen assets of the Mission together with the documentary evidence of their ownership, are all, unconditionally and without recompense conveyed to the Church.

The catalogue of things conveyed consists of four separate sections including 89 sheets.

Addendum: Later, this agreement must have the approval of the Mission Board in America.

Signed by Z.T.Kaung for the Church, and N.S.Hopkins, F.M.Pyke and Alice M. Powell for the Mission.  
Seal of the Special Service Mission of the Japanese Army, Peking.

(Joint Agreement) (March 14, 1942)

After the outbreak of the Greast East Asia War, the Chinese Methodist Church of Peking having come to a completely new self realization, and with the purpose of firmly establishing an independent and pure Chinese Christian Church of East Asia, resolutely determined to separate themselves from the early relationship with the American Methodist Church and to reorganize as an independent Peking District of the Chinese Methodist Church becoming a self-governing, self-supporting, and self-propagating church with the hope that the Christian Church may grow and become strong and energetically forward the establishment of Greater East Asia.

The North China representatives of the American Methodist Church, having some understanding of the present situation, heartily approve. Furthermore, in order to promote the above purpose they have on the 14th day of the 3rd month of the 31 year of the Chinese Republic (March 14, 1942) transferred all the property of the Church unconditionally and without recompense to the Peking District of the Chinese Methodist Church.

The Head of the Special Affairs Mission of the Japanese Army at Peking, Major General Matsizaki, also gives his positive approval. Consequently, this joint public statement is issued in the hope that both the Chinese and foreigners will recognize it.

ADDENDUM: This document later to be approved by the Home Board.

Representative of the Peking District of the Chinese Methodist Church Z.T.Kaung.  
Representatives of the North China Mission of the Methodist Church:  
N.S.Hopkins, F. M. Pyke, Alice M. Powell.

The above is definitely approved by the Special Affairs Mission of Japanese Army at Peking.

March 14, 1942.

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After the outbreak of the Great East War, the Chinese Methodist Church of Peking...  
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Church becoming a self-governing, self-supporting, and self-propagating church with one hope that the Christian Church may grow and become strong and energetically forward the establishment of Greater East Asia.

The North China representatives of the American Methodist Church, having some understanding of the present situation, heartily approve. Furthermore, in order to promote the above purpose they have on the 15th day of the 3rd month of the 21st year of the Chinese Republic (March 15, 1932) transferred all the property of the American Methodist Church and without reserve to the Peking District of the Chinese Methodist Church.

The head of the Special Affairs Mission of the Japanese Army at Peking, Major General Matsuda, also gives his positive approval. Accordingly, this joint declaration is issued in the hope that both the Chinese and Japanese will cooperate in...

Representative of the Peking District of the Chinese Methodist Church, S. T. Wang, representative of the North China Mission of the Methodist Church, M. S. Hopkins, T. M. Pike, Alice M. Powell, The above is definitely approved by the Special Affairs Mission of Japanese Army at Peking.

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C O P Y  
METHODIST MISSION, PEKING, CHINA, MAY 18th, 1942 to Frank T. Cartwright

There is another chance to get a few words to you by the courtesy of one of the American Diplomatic officers, who hopes to leave early in June. I wish to report as follows:

PEKING COMPOUND: All members of the Methodist Mission are well; during April and May all have been able to get along on private funds or else on advances from Mission funds in my hands; advanced have been made to members of the Women's Division.

Up to date both hospitals are running at full tilt. The other day Miss Hopkins informed me that April was the banner month of the Hopkins Hospital in the matter of Dispensary Patients, both in the Optical Department and in the whole institution. There are rumours that envious eyes are being cast on these 2 hospitals as well as the Presbyterian one.

TIENTSIN AND CHANGLI: Reports indicate that all the missionaries at these two stations are well; those at Changli are still confined to the compound; Mr. Dewey has been out once in five months and then on a summons. Those at Tientsin are financed as in Peking. Both Mr. Dixon and I have been able to send remittances to Changli. It looks as tho H. S. Williams of Kalgan will be the only Methodist from the North to be sent home on the first Repatriation ship.

YENCHING UNIVERSITY. About 35 foreign members of the faculty are still resident on the campus; these include James Pyke and Ruth Stahl; all are well. The Chinese members have all left the campus but some are living in that vicinity. I have seen Li Jung Fang twice in the last four days. Drs. Stuart and Houghton and those who were with them have been moved from the former residence of the Director of the P.U.M.C. to another place in the East City, near the former Foreign Office; this new place is not as comfortable, as the place they have occupied for 4 months, even tho it was formerly occupied by foreigners. We fear that they are not given the use of the best rooms; their liberties are more restricted than formerly. Mrs. Snapper insisted on being with her husband. Saturday a former student of Dr. Loucks claimed that he had seen on the street in a rickshaw, William Hung, who had just been released from prison. He spoke with him. In addition to William Hung, 3 others of the Yenching Group have also been released; these are Lu Chi Wei, Psychology, a brother-in-law of T.T. Lew, and former Chancellor of Yenching; a Mr. Liu, of Journalism and a Mr. Teng of History.

SUNDRY. Bishop Kaung has been in Shanghai over two weeks on account of the death and funeral of his mother; his return has been somewhat delayed. So far I have succeeded in turning over to Treasurer Liu I Hsin of the North China Conference, all the funds belonging to the Chinese Methodist Church except the checking accounts in the Peking and Tientsin Branches of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

I have turned over to Dr. Yang Yuan Lin the affairs of the Tsunhua District. Several of the preachers have been in an I have heard from some others; all reports indicate great confusion and suffering on the Tsunhua and Lanhsien Districts.

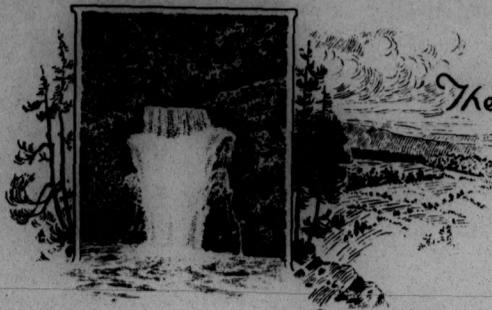
It is likely that the Methodists at Cheeloo University will be sent home on the first Repatriation ship.

We are not as much cut off from the outside world as you might suspect, even tho we have had no letters, dated in December or later. Modern inventions give us many things to be thankful for. Please be assured that we are living in relative comfort and that we have plenty of courage and hope. Here we are allowed complete liberty within the City walls. With best regards.

Sincerely yours,

/signed/ W. W. Davis X

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The INN at BUCK HILL FALLS  
In the Pocono Mountains

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PENNSYLVANIA,

Dec. 9. 43

Dear Charles:

In regard to our conversation about a teaching of Chinese at the U. of Chicago I have two other suggestions

1. Miss Ida Frost,  
New Canaan, Ohio

2. Miss Myra Jaquet  
1137 Lincoln Ave.,  
St. Paul, Minn.

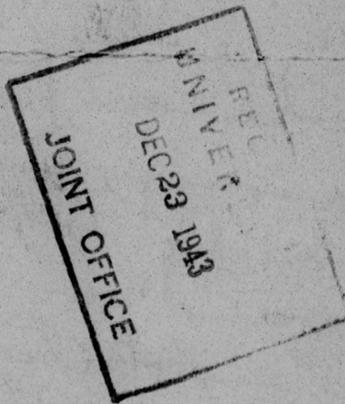
Both come from the Methodist Mission, Tientsin and both would like such a job, the both would want a period of rest before undertaking the work. As Chinese scholars, particularly in pronunciation, do would rank either one ahead of Miss Beath.

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You can of course easily see  
that Miss Madhira in regard  
to them.

It was fine to have seen you,  
Minnie and so many other old  
friends again.

Yours sincerely  
W. W. Davis



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December 11, 1945

Professor W. W. Davis  
144 Walnut Street  
Santa Cruz, California

Dear William:

Thank you for your letter of December 9th suggesting Miss Frantz and Miss Jaquet as possible teachers of Chinese at the University of Chicago. I have forwarded these suggestions to Dr. Sau-yu Teng.

I have seen E. O. Wilson twice recently, and am glad to report that he is in much better spirits since having a check up by a neurologist. The doctor thinks that if he can resume treatments he received three years ago, his health will be greatly improved. His son Alan has been with him since December 2nd, and now his son Peter is coming down from Cambridge to spend the weekend with him.

Sincerely yours,

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February 25, 1944

Mr. W. W. Davis  
144 Walnut Street  
Santa Cruz, California

Dear Mr. Davis:

We are trying to clear up our financial obligations to members of the faculty of Yenching University who returned on the Gripsholm. Miss Cookingham has told me that the Japanese authorities allowed two salary payments to be made to the Mission Board supported members of the faculty which amount to \$1,000.00 Can you recall how you stand with the University now? Do you owe the University money or does the University owe you money?

Since it was impossible to bring any financial statements from Peking to America it seems best to settle these accounts in accordance with the figures each member of the faculty can recall or estimate. If later some adjustments are necessary they can be made if and when we are able to procure our records in Peking.

Sincerely yours,

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MR. C. A. EVANS,  
ASSOCIATED BOARD OF CHRISTIAN COLLEGES IN CHINA,  
150 FIFTH AVENUE,  
NEW YORK 11,  
N. Y.:

DEAR MR. EVANS:

Yours of Feb. 25th repayments by Miss Cookingham to Mission Board members of the Yenching University Faculty in China after Pearl Harbor.

In December 1942 I did receive \$500.00 from Miss Cookingham, at the command of the Japanese authorities. When in New York last December I mentioned this matter to Mr. K. MacKenzie, Accountant of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, and in settling my salary of December and January he made a deduction of U.S. \$71.00 or at the rate of 7 to 1, on this account. If you have not already received this money, you can get it by applying to the Methodist Board.

I have no recollection or record of having received a subsequent \$500.00 from Miss Cookingham tho I did hear that a second payment was made in some cases of the non-Mission Board Faculty.

Yours sincerely

*W. W. Davis*  
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March 7, 1944

Mr. W. W. Davis  
144 Walnut Avenue  
Santa Cruz, California

Dear Mr. Davis,

With further reference to your account with the University, Miss Cookingham has reported that the second salary payment of Chinese \$500 was made to you late in August 1942, shortly after word was received that Americans were to be repatriated. She took the money to your home in the Methodist Mission Compound and not finding you in your home, she went to your office which was located in another residence. At that time everyone was busy preparing for departure from Peking and there were many demands for help for Chinese friends and former servants. You may have passed the money on to someone else for a special piece of charity. Miss Cookingham is quite sure you signed a receipt for the money but all receipts had to be left in Peking with Dr. deVargas. Perhaps these details will help you to recall the payment but if not the matter can wait until later.

As to the exchange rate, it was decided at a group meeting held in House 57 at Yenching early in 1942 when group accounts were set up. There was never any discussion of the exchange rate on the August salary payment by the whole group but the field Administrative Committee decided that the 5 to 1 exchange rate which was used earlier should be used again. At that time the Swiss Committee was using a rate of 5.84.

We have heard that you are planning to go to Washington, D.C. where several other Yenching people are working. We hope you find agreeable work in America.

Sincerely yours,

C. A. Evans

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May 31, 1948

Mr. W. W. Davis  
144 Walnut Avenue  
Santa Cruz, California

Dear Mr. Davis:

A recent letter from Mr. A. C. Hausske, Treasurer of Yenching University in Peking, China contains the following paragraph:

"From the Ministry of Education we have recently received H.C.\$100,000. This is for faculty members who have served for a number of years and is in the nature of a special grant. In talking this matter over with Dr. Mei, it was thought that the equivalent in U. S. currency be kept in New York. With that in mind will you kindly credit U.S.\$32.25 to each."

You are included among the names listed and we are glad to enclose herewith check for \$32.25 representing your share in this distribution among ten honored people on the staff of Yenching University. You will be interested in knowing that Dr. Stuart was named and also Dr. Ph. DeVargas, both of whom are still in Peking, but under widely different circumstances. They are, however, under conditions which make it necessary for us to credit their accounts for the time being.

Very sincerely yours,

E. M. McBRIER, Treasurer

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