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June 4, 1930.

Dr. William O. Campbell,
Sewickley, Pa.

My dear Dr. Campbell:

I want to commit to writing the substance of our fine conversation together on May 27, that you may have it on record for reference.

I first became acquainted with Mr. Finley in 1905. Gradually through the years he came to have confidence in me, and -- as you may well know -- it is no small thing to gain the confidence of such a man. In 1913-15 Shantung University, already with a fine history back of it, was without an initial plant. It appealed to him and he came to our help. Mr. Finley told me more than once that he was going to ask a few of his friends to be executors of his estate, as they would know best how to carry out his wishes. I imagine you feel it no light task; and I do not know how you could better know his mind than by noting what appealed to him strongly in the past.

We are uniting all the higher educational institutions in and near Peking, consisting of two men's colleges, one women's college and a theological seminary. The old buildings very wisely have been given over to the upbuilding of much needed preparatory schools. A new site of 100 acres has been secured and plans and estimates as per attached out and statement have been made. The situation is exactly similar to the one which appealed to Mr. Finley before.

I was glad to learn that you share our conviction that to establish Peking University at "The Capital of Asia" is probably the biggest single task in China -- if not in the world -- today. China with 400,000,000 of people and America with 100,000,000 together comprise a third of the human race. Friendly relations of an exceptional character exist between them. China looks to us now for just this aid which we can give through a strong Christian university in Peking.

I believe that nothing would be more in harmony with Mr. Finley's desires than that you and your colleague should designate funds to Peking. Personally, I should like to see one of the buildings named "Finley Hall." I wonder if you also would not share in this desire?

Very sincerely yours,

HWL:W

114 Centennial Ave

Decatur, Ga

Sep. 17/20

Doctor H. C. Lee

Dear Doctor Lee.

In talking with Mr.
Herron trustee of the Fair co-
lute and Mrs. Henry a week or
ago - the facts were just to
them being missing - as they
appeared to us were that
the Fair had borrowed to
give \$10,000 towards 300,000
was raised - that the fund
raised was not that amount
but about 270,000 - that

not-withstanding his loss.
Will not be compelled to
buy, he will collect
\$18,000 - leaving 12,000 un-
paid. Will you please tell
us whether there are two
facts. Will you also kindly
state whether Mr. Fairley
knows that the ball amount
has not been raised. He knows
that it would not be like
Mr. Fairley to make good his
promise 50 cent higher
the amount specified had

have not been reached. It
will however be up to ~~us~~
a decision if we have a
bulk of the out of the back in
the case. Will trouble me
enlighten us.

Very respectfully

Wm. O. Campbell

September 23, 1920.

Dr. William O. Campbell, D.D.,
114 Centennial Avenue,
Sewickley, Pa.

My dear Dr. Campbell:

Replying to your note of September 17th I would say that when in 1914 or the early part of 1915 it became apparent that I must return to China in the summer of 1915, and when it was evident that I could not raise all of the \$300,000 in that time at my disposal I went to Mr. Finley's office to ask him if he would be willing to regard his tenth of the \$300,000 as the last \$30,000, which would mean that I would have to reach the sum of \$270,000. By dint of hard work, so much so that I nearly collapsed, I succeeded in raising this sum of \$270,000. This was quite in accord with Mr. Finley's desire, and in view of that he made the payments of which you speak. There are many things that one cannot feel sure of after a period of years; but of this I am absolutely sure; that Mr. Finley was entirely in agreement with this arrangement, and perfectly satisfied with it.

With all best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

HWL:W

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Finley Memorial Hall

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May 13, 1921.

Dear Dr. Campbell,

A day or two ago I had a most pleasant conference with Mr. Herron. I felt he was most sympathetic and quite inclined to give great weight to your judgment in this important matter relating to Peking University.

On page 30 of the brown-covered illustrated Pamphlet (of which you have a copy) is given the various buildings and their cost. It would be fine if you could see your way clear to decide upon a memorial, Finley Hall, by building and giving the equipment of one of the large buildings, say the Chemistry and Physical Laboratory or (better) the Administration Building (Buildings No. 3 or 9 on the plan): The earlier the choice of building is made the more sure we will be that the one desired is secured. Decision might be made now, and payments made when the money was available. This would help us to plan better now.

If earthly affairs are seen from the higher abode, I feel sure that nothing is giving Mr. Finley greater joy than his earlier gift to Shantung. In a similar and in a greater way we can think of a gift to Peking, where the infinite opportunity and the strategic importance of the work are what Mr. Finley would like to share in. Judging by what we know of him and taking into consideration the actual gift he made, there can be no doubt that helping Peking in a large way would be most in accordance with his desire.

I should be glad if you and Mr. Herron could come to an early decision. Nothing would cheer us, the University Trustees, and my fine colleagues on the field more than the announcement to them of your decision to help in this wonderful work.

With warm regards, believe me

Ever sincerely yours,

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December 30th, 1921.

Mrs. J. B. Finley,
Schenley Hotel,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

My dear Mrs. Finley:-

There has just come from the architect a final bird's-eye view drawn in harmony with the grounds of the new University site. If you study it closely you will be surprised to find the wealth of detail in this drawing.

My memory of and relationship with your beloved husband, which has been continued so happily in you, has put deep in my heart the hope that one day there will arise on the great University Campus at Peking a Finley Hall. If by a process of dividing payments and spreading them over three or four years you could see your way, even at some sacrifice, to put up one of the Dormitory buildings, which cost \$50,000, I can think of nothing that would be in greater harmony with Mr. Finley's wishes and possibly nothing that could give you more real and abiding joy.

It is quite possible if you should make this decision that I would make an appeal to Dr. Campbell for the other part of Mr. Finley's estate to give a dormitory, (\$50,000) and the connection Dining Hall (\$35,000) which would enable us then to do even a greater thing, namely to have a Finley Quadrangle. Your decision to take one of the buildings would go a long way in making possible the task.

You will be glad to know that our hearts have just been cheered by a gift of \$50,000 more. It does seem as if this wonderful scheme would gradually work out and I am keenly desirable that at this important stage you should be among those who should have a part in the initial work.

This carries to you and your sister the warmest greetings of the New Year. I hope soon that you will be in your lovely new home and enjoying it to the full. I somehow feel that you will enjoy it the more if you were to co-operate with us in putting up the buildings I suggested in the great international

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Mrs. J. B. Finley.
December 30th, 1921.

center of Peking.

Assuring you of my warmest regards, believe me,

Ever sincerely,

Vice-President.

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December 30th, 1921.

Rev. W. O. Campbell, D.D.,
Sewickley, Pa.

My dear Dr. Campbell:-

You will be rejoiced to know that a friend has given \$50,000 for the Theological Department of Peking University on condition that we get another \$50,000. I am sure that you can imagine this enheartens us not a little.

I am sending you the complete plan drawn for the new site at Peking. A close study of the plan will show you how thoroughly it is thought out and will reveal the mass of detail which is not apparent at a casual glance.

I am in touch with Mrs. Finley and have talked to her about her co-operating with us in this work and have found her most sympathetic indeed toward it. What I would really love to see would be a Finley Quadrangle. It is possible that with you and Mr. Herron as trustees of the Finley estate could plan to give a Dormitory costing \$50,000 and the adjoining Dining Hall, \$35,000, that we may induce Mrs. Finley to give the other Dormitory of \$50,000, and in that way we could do what would be a wonderful thing as a bit of service by completing a whole Quadrangle, and I can think of nothing more in harmony with the wishes of our friend. From every point of view it would be a wonderful thing to accomplish; from the point of view of the University, its needs and its opportunities, from the point of view of the interest which animated Mr. Finley and from the point of view of yourself and Mr. Herron as administrators of his estate.

I realize that it probably will not be accomplished all at once but would be somewhat dependent upon the settlement of the estate, but if the matter could be arranged, then with an

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Dr. Campbell.
December 30th, 1921.

initial gift and a program worked out in harmony with the whole situation, it would mean a great deal at this time.

Deeply appreciating the very warm and cordial interest shown by both Mr. Herron and yourself, believe me,

Most sincerely and earnestly yours,

P.S. I enclose an extra copy of this letter to you, It is possible you may wish to send the original on to Mr. Herron accompanied by the bird's-eye view. I enclose a large envelope in case you require it.

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114 CENTENNIAL AVENUE
SEWICKLEY, PENNA.

Jan. 8th 1922

Dear Doctor Luce

Mr. Herron came to
see me yesterday. We talked to-
gether about the distribution of the
books set apart for charity by the family
estate. Just at present we can do
nothing. We are to leave & be going to
Washington within a month. The de-
cision arrived at there will determine
what we can do in the near future.
You will be glad to hear
that we are both favorably

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SEWICKLEY, PENNA.

Jan. 8, 1922

we since having Peking, and
the realization of your prohibition in
regard to the building being a
quadangle. I feel that we could
do nothing more worthy of Mr. Foley,
or more agreeable with his wishes.

That with what he did for
Shantung would be one for him
honorably a most laudable
place in the history of Christian
education in China. Now for us
there is an important factor, for
some of us are young. But we

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SEWICKLEY, PENNA.

cannot accomplish this work in
 the near future without the
 active and generous cooperation of
 Mrs. Failing. With her acting in
 that way, I feel that it can be
 done. At least that is a reasonable
 hope. I should be glad to see
 her on this subject, but I have
 for ten days been confined to my
 bed with a most severe cold.
 I expect as soon as I am able to
 go to Friday. If you see Mrs. Failing
 you may give her an outline of the

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114 CENTENNIAL AVENUE
SEWICKLEY, PENNA.

Jan. 8. 1922

situation. My address will
be "The Alabama", Winton Park,
Flaming. Unless something prevents
we shall leave the last of this
week.

Cordially Yours

Wm. O. Campbell

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January 12th, 1922.

Mrs. J. B. Finley,
Schenley Hotel,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Finley:-

To-day I had a very cordial letter from Dr. W. O. Campbell in which he says he has conferred with Mr. Herron. He writes -

"You will be glad to know that we are both favorably inclined toward Peking and the realization of your proposition in regard to the buildings forming a Quadrangle. I feel that we could do nothing more worthy of Mr. Finley or more agreeable with his wishes than that, with what he did for Shantung, would secure for him permanently a most honorable place in the history of Christian education in China. Then for us time is an important factor for some of us are young, but we cannot accomplish this work in the near future without the active and generous co-operation of Mrs. Finley. With her co-operation in that way I feel that it could be done. At least that is a reasonable hope. I should be glad to see her on this subject but I have for ten days been confined to my bed with a most severe cold. I expect, as soon as I am able, to go to Florida. If you see Mrs. Finley you may give her our views of the situation."

I cannot imagine anything finer than, if, we all co-operating together, can thus erect a memorial at the great capital of China for him who inspired in us profound admiration and affection. In addition to its being one of the finest bits of service rendered, as a memorial it will be well known in due time. Every year sees in a remarkable degree a great increase in the number of people coming to Peking, and those who view the memorial there will come to realize the prophetic vision of him who expressed his interest in Shantung and now a similar but larger interest expressed through his estate.

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Mrs. Finley.
January 12th, 1922.

With my brilliant Chinese colleague, Mr. William Hung, who goes out to Peking University in September, I am leaving to-day on a two and a half months trip to the Pacific Coast, starting in at Pasadena and ending at Seattle the early part of March. We go to present the great and unparalleled needs and opportunities of Peking University. I am sure you will follow us with your prayers. In the mean time I know you will be considering this important and magnificent plan of which we are all thinking and hope to see realized some day.

With the very warmest regards, believe me,

Most sincerely yours,

P.S. I enclose a photograph of a drawing of a Quadrangle based on the actual architectural drawings and the land elevation. It is not merely a pretty picture, but shows a Quadrangle as nearly accurate as can be done before the buildings become an actuality.

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January 12th, 1922.

Dr. William O. Campbell,
114 Centennial Avenue,
Scrivley, Pa.

Dear Dr. Campbell:-

Thank you very much for your kind note of January 8th. Your deep and quick interest for that which seems of unparalleled importance has cheered me greatly in these arduous initial days. I am sure that all of us who have had any part in the development of Peking University can have a very real and quiet joy for we are sharing in one of the largest matters that pertain to the Kingdom of God.

I enclose a photograph of a drawing which has been made from the architectural drawings and actual landscape elevations so that shows a quadrangle as nearly as it is possible to do before it is actually built. Perhaps after you and Mrs. Campbell have looked at it you will send it on to Mr. Herron.

I will write to Mrs. Finley and tell her that you are hopeful that with her co-operation this fine memorial may, in due time, become a reality.

I do hope that this letter finds you cold better and that you are able to start for the more salubrious climate of the sunny south land. My warm affection follows you as you go and I will look forward to meeting you again in the Spring.

To-morrow, with Mr. Hung, I start for two and one half months trip to the Pacific Coast in order to present the needs and the opportunities of the University. We start in at Pasadena and end up in Seattle in early March.

Most cordially yours,

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Alabama Hotel
Winter Park
Florida

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Feb. 25th / 22

Doctor Henry W. Luce
Dear Doctor Luce

It gives me great

pleasure to inform you that we are
about to place in your hands the sum of
Twenty seven thousand dollars (\$27,000)
a contribution from the Finley estate to
Peking University. It is our desire
that this money shall be used either
in the erection of one of the buildings of a
quadrangle. I have written to Mrs.
Finley hoping that she may be persuaded
to add the Finley house adjoining
to enable us to erect one of the modern
buildings. When I get her reply I
will inform you as to its result.
Personally I hope that all the
buildings of the quadrangle will be
vide of benefit to the estate. That how-
ever cannot be decided now. I
feel that in this way we should

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Alabama Hotel
Winter Park
Florida

Feb. 25/22

As I am sure that this meeting would
leave us do. This movement toward
giving a more liberal place in
the history of Christian education in
Colonia.

I am glad to say that we are
going on along with the work and probably by
it. We expect to be located at the
26th of March.

Hoping that you will, and
that your work goes on smoothly.

I am
Faithfully
Yours

P.S. My daughter is well; but I
am not too well. I will be with you -
I hope to see you in the future.
Keep me very lovingly.

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April 17th, 1922.

Dr. William O. Campbell,
114 Centennial Avenue,
Sewickley, Pa.

My dear Dr. Campbell:-

While I was on my extended trip to the Pacific Coast in company with Mr. Hung, I received word of your decision in regard to the Finley memorial. It goes without saying that I was greatly rejoiced and that your decision has brought great inspiration to us all. Others are coming to see what you so quickly saw several months ago, namely, what a great strategic position for a Christian University Peking is, and that there is no finer place in all the world to raise up a memorial for our friend, Mr. Finley. It will not be many years before that memorial, there on the other side of the earth, will be better known, even in Pittsburgh, than if it were placed in some University near at hand.

I saw Mrs. Finley for a few moments on my way from the west as I passed through Pittsburgh. She was just in the midst of moving into her new house, and I think already sees that she made a mistake in attempting such a large mansion as the architect has persuaded her to build. I have hopes that in due time she will really do something, but I wish your committee would not entirely condition your gift on her taking action at the present time. I feel sure that eventually she will want to have a real part in the matter.

Here and there on the Pacific Coast and other places I have found great interest in China and the plans for Peking University, and I have never had greater hope than at this moment that before long we shall see in the capital of China a great Christian university worthy of the name.

I believe Mrs. Finley was to see Mr. Herron a few days after I was there. If she cannot do anything at present I wonder if your fund would complete the first \$50,000 so that we could --

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Dr. Campbell.

Hoping you had a helpful sojourn in Florida,
and that you return strengthened by your trip, believe me,

Ever sincerely yours,

Vice-President.

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Copy of Mr. Wm. O. Campbell's letter of Apr. 26th.

Dear Dr. Luce,

I think you understand the provisions of Mrs. Finley's for charitable contributions; one fourth for the advance of the Christian religion; one fourth for education, one fourth for miscellaneous causes, and one fourth to be kept in the estate. In our proposition to give you \$37,000 for Peking University Mr. Herron and I have united the contributions for the first two causes, assuming that your institution according to your plan was to advance both the cause of education and Christian religion. Our attorney wants to be convinced that our view is right and that we could justify it in court if it were called in question.

Will you kindly send me any documents you may have, or say anything you may have to say on this question that I may submit it to our attorney.

Faithfully yours,

(Signed) Wm. O. Campbell.

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Ans'd 4/28/22
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1146 Centennial Bldg.

Sewickly, Pa. 4.26"/22

TRUSTEES OF
PEKING UNIVERSITY

Dear Doctor Lee
In response to your letter of the 7th inst. you understand the
position: one fourth of the total amount of the Christian
religion, one fourth for education, one fourth for medical
courses, and one fourth to be kept in the state
In our proposition to give you \$37,500 for the year
before and I have united the contributions for
the first two courses, ensuring that your intention
according to your plan was to obtain both the course
of education and the Christian religion. Our attempt
was to be convinced that our view is right;
and that we could justify it in court if
it were called in question. Will kindly send
me any documents you may have, or say anything
you may have to say in this question that I may
submit it to our attorney.

Faithfully yours

Wm. O. Campbell

Doctor H. W. Lee.

April 28, 1922

Dr. William O. Campbell,
114 Centennial Avenue,
Sewickley, Pennsylvania.

My dear Doctor Campbell:

In the absence of Vice-President Luce, I am
answering your letter of April 26.

I think there is no possible embarrassment to
your counting a gift to Peking University as a gift for
religious as well as for educational purposes. Let me state
the facts briefly.

1. The original Certificate of Incorporation in the
State of New York contains the following:

"The particular business of said Society shall be
to raise a fund.....to establish or maintain in
Peking, its immediate vicinity or another adjacent
countries a college or other educational institution
which shall be founded and conducted on strictly
Christian and evangelical, but not sectarian principles."

2. The amendment to the Charter, granted by the Regents
of the University of the State of New York, December 2, 1915,
provides that three American Foreign Missionary Boards shall
be the constituent Trustee electing members of the Corporation.
This is a legal statement which indicates the distinctly
missionary purpose of the University and by the provisions of
its By-Laws at least two-thirds of the body of Trustees must
be elected by the cooperating Missionary Societies. Each of
the cooperating Societies regards the work of the University
as essential to its foreign missionary work and I take it that
it would be commonly known and granted everywhere that the
foreign missionary work of these Societies is distinctively
religious work, whether carried on through educational processes
or not.

34. The By-Laws of the Trustees provides that all professors of certain rank shall be Christians of evangelical faith. The University contains as an integral part of its work a theological seminary which is rapidly being developed and which is designed to furnish religious leaders of the highest type for the Christian Church in China. I trust that these points make it clear that a gift to the University will in a very genuine way be providing for the advancement of the Christian religion. I enclose for your information a copy of the Certificate of Incorporation and of the Amendment to the Charter.

When we shall receive from you a formal statement offering the gift and stating the conditions which attach to it, I will be very glad to present this to the Trustees for their formal action and also for the resolution of appreciation which I am sure they will desire to pass.

With cordial regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

I. The Christian College

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I think there is no doubt

Secretary

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May 18th, 1922.

Dr. William O. Campbell,
114 Centennial Avenue,
Sewickley, Pennsylvania.

My dear Dr. Campbell:-

On my return from a rather extended trip to Chicago, with Dr. Leighton Stuart, President of Peking University, I found your letter of April 26th and also have noted the reply which was sent to you by the Secretary of our Board of Trustees, Dr. Eric M. North. It would seem to me that Dr. North's letter answers fully your questions and sets forth clearly that the work of our Peking University would come under two of the four heads which are guiding you in the distributing of Mr. Finley's estate. Should you desire more data we of course would be most happy to send it to you.

One of my Cleveland friends interested in Missions, has just been out to China. He is strongly in favor of evangelistic work but he has written our Board that evangelism and education must be carried forward but if they cannot do both, Christian education must be advanced, in view of the fact that these Christian Colleges are really evangelistic agencies in that so many of the students enter the Colleges as non-Christians and in due time become Christians. I have recently seen a statement, though I have not verified it, that 50% of those entering the Church come through our Christian Schools.

Dr. Stuart, Mr. Hung and I are to be in Pittsburgh next Saturday, Sunday and Monday. I enclose a schedule of our engagements. I should love to have you meet Dr. Stuart and if we can possibly find the time we will run out to see you. Should it at all happen that you are in the city during our stay would you let me have word at the William Penn Hotel.

With the most cordial greetings,

Ever sincerely yours,

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114 CENTENNIAL AVENUE
SEWICKLEY, PENNA.

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Dr. Dr. Lee,

I am waiting for the
letter or letters you were to have
sent me duly signed. You
remember I gave them to you
in the First Church. When
received, I will send you the
cheques for the amount we
agreed to give to Treking

Respectfully
Wm. O. Campbell

June 1-1922

**The Board of Foreign Missions
of the
Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.
156 Fifth Avenue
New York**

DWIGHT H. DAY
TREASURER
RUSSELL CARTER
ASSISTANT TREASURER

June 6, 1922.


TRUSTEES OF
PEKING UNIVERSITY

Mr. Eric North,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York.

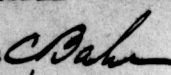
Dear Mr. North:-

Our Board at its meeting yesterday voted to accept for Peking University the \$25,000 gift from the Estate of J. B. Finley, deceased, for purely religious work, and authorized the signing of the receipt and statement that the sum would be used in the advancement of the cause of Christian Religion in the Republic of China. You will find both of the papers herewith, and we trust they will be in order.

We assume that the check for the amount will be drawn to the order of the Board. When it comes to us we will receive it and in due course turn the amount over to you.

Yours very sincerely,

RUSSELL CARTER, Associate Treasurer,

By: 

Enclosures,
C.B.-M.

Finley Estate

C O P Y.

June 10, 1922

Dr. H. W. Luce.

Dear Dr. Luce:-

I send you inclosed the two checks for twenty-five thousand each.

I have received a letter from the Foreign Board promising to use the money given to it from the Finley estate for Christian work in China, all of which is satisfactory.

In a letter received from Mr. North it is suggested that we should allow you to note in your books our desire (no pledge implied) at some future time to give funds sufficient to complete the buildings of a quadrangle. I regret that I cannot comply with this suggestion.

You may remember that I spoke for myself alone when I expressed the desire to do that. Mr. Herron has never gone that far and I should not under the circumstances be willing to do anything which might seem to imply that we were both of the one mind in the matter.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Wm. O. Campbell.

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114 CENTENNIAL AVENUE

SEWICKLEY, PENNA.

June 10th/22

Doct^r H. W. Luce

Dear Doct^r Luce

I send you enclosed
the two checks for twenty five
and each. I have been a officer

from the Foreign Band passing to
and the money given to them the
Friday at the Ben Christian work in
Chennai, all of which is for fasting.

In a letter received
from London it is suggested that

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114 CENTENNIAL AVENUE
SEWICKLEY, PENNA.

June 10, 1922

Do not doubt it allows you to travel in
your business and I would not be in-
convenienced at all by the time to give
you the amount to complete the building
of a quarter. I regret that I cannot
comply with this suggestion.

Yours very sincerely
That I should be any more than when
I experience the desire to do that
Mr. Harrison has more than for
and I should not understand it
as in the case of anything to do anything
which might seem to imply that

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SEWICKLEY, PENNA.

we were both of one mind in
that matter

Very respectfully

Wm. O. Campbell

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TRUSTEES OF
PEKING UNIVERSITY

June 13, 1922

TRUSTEES OF
PEKING UNIVERSITY

Dr. William O. Campbell,
114 Centennial Avenue,
Sewickley, Pa.

My dear Dr. Campbell:-

I enclose herewith receipts of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions and of the Trustees of Peking University, each for \$25,000, checks for which we received from you yesterday.

At the next meeting of the Trustees suitable resolutions of appreciation will be sent.

I quite recognize the undesirability of a letter from you, or from the Trustees under the Will, expressing a desire for the development of a quadrangle to be known as the Finley Quadrangle, when such desire is that of yourself alone. I had supposed it was a desire in which the Trustees were at present united.

May I add my personal appreciation of the advantage of receiving the gift at this time as it will make practicable an immediate development of our building operations in rapid order.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary.

ELN
GMM

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CABLE ADDRESS: "INCULCATE NEW YORK"

TELEPHONE CHELSEA 9950-3

**The Board of Foreign Missions
of the
Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.
156 Fifth Avenue
New York**

DWIGHT H. DAY TREASURER
RUSSELL CARTER
ASSOCIATE TREASURER

June 14th, 1922.

TRUSTEES OF
PEKING UNIVERSITY

Dr. Eric M. North,
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

My dear Dr. North:

Enclosed please find our check for \$25,000.00,
covering the amount received from the J. B. Finley Estate for the
Peking University.

Very sincerely yours,

Russell Carter
Associate Treasurer

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Encl. ok. to order
of E.M. McBrier, Treas.

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June 14th, 1932.

Dr. Eric M. North,
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

My dear Dr. North:

Enclosed please find our check for \$25,000.00,
covering the amount received from the U. S. Minty State for the
Peking University.

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June 14th, 1922.

Rev. William O. Campbell, D.D.,
114 Centennial Avenue,
Sewickley, Pa.

My dear Dr. Campbell:-

Thank you very much for your note of June 10th
and also for the enclosure of the two checks, receipts for which
are being sent to you.

I realize that the suggestion expressing the hope
that the Finley Estate might give funds sufficient to complete a
Finley Quadrangle indicates only your own personal desire. I
know, however, that the desire is very strong and we shall hope
that Mr. Herron may, as he studies the matter, may gradually be of
one mind with you.

You will be interested to know that the Board of
Trustees is asking Mr. Hung and myself to stay on yet another year,
hoping by so doing that we can carry across the initial plans of
the University. In order to carry the thing through as it ought
to be during the next four or five years, it will require about
\$600,000 and \$2,500,000 for endowment, but in view of all the cir-
cumstances it seems wise to us and I feel challenged that we should
seek \$1,000,000 during the coming year. I can but hope that the
Finley Estate may have an additional share in this by completing
the suggested Finley Quadrangle.

Everything is so encouraging that we look forward
to the coming year with great eagerness and joy.

Deeply appreciating the sincere interest that both
you and Mr. Herron have taken in all this matter, and assuring you
that this interest has been a matter of great encouragement to me
in those early stages when we went alone by faith, believe me,

Ever gratefully yours,

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June 16, 1922

Mr. Russell Carter,
Board of Foreign Missions of
the Presbyterian Church,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Carter:

This is to acknowledge your letter of June 14,
concerning check of \$25,000 covering the amount received from the
J.B. Finley Estate for Peking University.

Thank you very much for the prompt handling of
the matter.

Faithfully yours,

ASSISTANT TREASURER

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Taken from discarded file copy
January 25, 1930 E.W.

Finley Estate

October 23rd, 1922

Rev. William O. Campbell, D.D.
114 Centennial Avenue
Sewickley, Penn.

My dear Dr. Campbell:

I had hoped to get out to Sewickley on my recent short stop at Pittsburgh, but things crowded so much that I found it impossible to give myself the pleasure of a little chat with you at this time.

I did go out to see Mrs. Finley and spent part of an evening with her and her sister. As you know they are now living in their new house on Beechwood Avenue, but it does seem an awfully large house for two such little ladies as they are. One could not but feel that it would have been a vastly finer thing to have built a less pretentious house and put the difference into the Finley Memorial at Peking. We talked about China matters in general and about Peking in particular, but I am writing her more particularly, expressing the hope that she will share in the building of the Finley Quadrangle at Peking. One building of the three buildings has, as you know, been given by the Finley estate of which you and Mr. Herron are trustees. I have been wondering whether the estate might be willing to take as the next step the position that they would give the \$35,000 for the dining hall, provided Mrs. Finley would give the other side of the quadrangle (\$50,000). Of course I would hope that the estate might see its way clear to doing this fine bit of work anyway, but I share with you the desire that Mrs. Finley might co-operate in the matter. If the estate could see its way to take this definite step, I would bring the matter before Mrs. Finley in a very concrete way, from which we might expect some sort of a reply in the early future.

Two or three of our finest leaders from China have just arrived in New York; men who are accustomed to look on the whole problem in China both nationally and internationally. They assured me that they believed my statement was well within the truth when I say that as long as Peking University, at the political, literary and student center of one quarter of the human race is in temporary buildings, it offers to us the most urgent single task not only in China, but as far as they know, in all the world.

You will be glad to hear that President J. Leighton Stuart wrote in his last letter that we have now secured five of the most able and devoted Chinese Christian teachers in all China. Four have accepted or invitation to come to Peking in the face of all sorts of important and high salaried positions in all parts of China, to come to us at less salary than they would get elsewhere. They say that in their investment of life, as I do, that there is no superior place at the pre-

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Rev. William Campbell

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sent time in all China and perhaps in the world. This is true also of any financial investment that may be made for the advancement of the welfare of the world. The effect of the work that has been done by any one or several University in this country combined for the advancement of the world's civilization and up-lift cannot be compared with what may be done at Peking University provided only we put it strongly on its feet.

It has been a great pleasure and encouragement for me to know how fully you share these feelings and convictions with me. I have been wondering whether you would be staying in the North this winter or whether you will be going south as you did last winter. I had a very fine talk with your son-in-law, Mr. Woods in his office in the Brick Building the other day.

With all best wishes, believe me,

Ever sincerely yours,

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Finley Estate

December 23, 1923

Mr. Joseph A. Herron
Monongahela, Pa.

Dear Mr. Herron:

Mrs. Finley was in New York last week and told me that you had expressed a desire to see me and talk further over the proposition of a dormitory quadrangle for Peking University. She apparently is greatly interested and very anxious to have this done. If the estate could furnish one more dormitory (\$50,000) she assures me that she will give the connecting building and the whole to be known as the "Finley Quadrangle". She urged me to make a point of seeing you some time next month. It happens that I have an occasion to visit Pittsburgh Sunday, January 6, and can be there the next one or two days. My impression is that she told me you were in the city on Mondays and Tuesdays of each week. If agreeable to you, could we arrange a conference on one of those days, January 7 or 8?

Awaiting your reply and with best wishes, for the New Year,
believe me

Very sincerely yours

P. S. I venture to send you copies of addresses made by two men whose opinions will, I am sure, be of interest.

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Fort Pitt Hotel

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Memo on Finley Quadrangle

On Jan. 31/24 I visited Mrs. Finley and Mr. Herron. Mrs. F. is apparently very eager to have the Quadrangle completed, but as the \$35,000. which she promised was conditioned upon the return of a loan which has not been effected she is now trying to urge that the Estate provide \$75,000. and she the remaining \$10,000. She has pressed her debtor with this object in view, but he says that while working to pay this off he could not do so now if he "were to be hanged tomorrow." Mr. H.

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is now thoroughly committed to the ~~com-~~
pletion of the Quadrangle, with such
help as can come from Mrs. F.
But he has explicit legal advice
against pledging any income not
yet available or binding his suc-
cessors. The terms of the will
demand that only income be paid
and this as it accrues. He realizes
that Dr. Campbell earnestly desires
the completion of this Quadrangle,
and feels confident that the suc-
cessors of either or both ~~as executors~~^{trustees}
will continue a policy begun
by these present ~~executors~~ trustees.
In this connection it is important to
note that the third trustee is the
Monongahela Trust Co. of which



Fort Pitt Hotel

Pittsburgh

1-31-24

Mr. Herron is president and the dominant influence. The court will fill vacancies as these occur. Mr. H. is starting for a Mediterranean cruise on Feb. 9, returning in April at which time he wishes to be reminded of our matter. He expects them to make an initial payment of \$10,000 or some such amount, and to continue this annually until the Q. is completed.

In addition to this reminder

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to him, the office should see
that he and Mrs. F. are under
frequent but not too insistent
cultivation. Mrs. F. has one or
two sisters and three not very
deserving brothers all of whom
prey upon her. Mr. H. is 76 years
old, Dr. C. 83, Mrs. F. perhaps
over 70. I shall try to write Mrs. F.
from time to time, and Mr. H.
likewise. It may be that on
one side or the other the process
can be speeded up. I am asking
Mrs. F. to help us to put up
the Central Hall first by their
combined gifts.

J.H.S.

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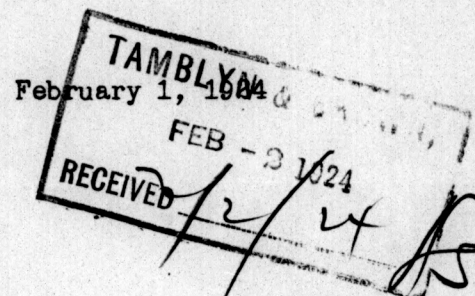
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Mr. H. F. Strong
 17 East 42nd Street
 New York City

Dear Mr. Strong:

Enclosed is a copy of "Memo. on Finley Quadrangle",
 received from Dr. Stuart this morning. Quoting from Dr.
 Stuart's letter to me, he says:

"Tell Mr. Strong I feel after today's interviews
 that we are justified in writing:

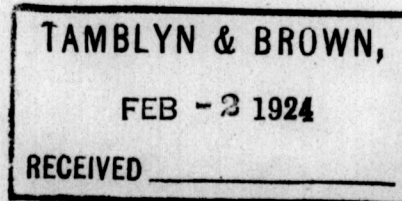
'Completion of Finley Quadrangle \$85,000.
 as a verbal pledge.'

Ask him to see that Mr. Herron is communicated with in
 April. Mr. H. is at last 'sold'."

Very sincerely yours

Vera D. Sillman

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17 EAST 42ND STREET
NEW YORK

RECEIVED
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FEB 4 1924
ANSWERED
.....By

GEORGE OLVER TAMBLYN
JOHN CROSBY BROWN

February 4th
1924

Dear Miss Sillman:-

[Handwritten initials]
I was certainly glad to get your note enclosing Doctor Stuart's memorandum regarding the Finley Quadrangle. I believe this could go as one of our Class B items, that is, as a "definite verbal assurance".

Whenever you get caught up with work that has doubtless accumulated I should appreciate an up-to-date statement of our cash total, separating the Class A "Cash and Signed Subscriptions" and the Class B.

It might be well to list as a separate division under Class A the Bashford Memorial Pledge recently secured by Mr. Wee, especially the \$25,000 from New England. Of course this would not be Class A until a letter from Bishop Hughes actually has been received.

Very cordially yours,

[Handwritten signature: Harold J. Strong]

Miss Vera I. Sillman
156 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

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Finley Estate

Mr. G. O. Tamblyn

Peking Report

H. F. Strong

February 25, 1924

Referring to your memorandum of the 19th, I thoroughly appreciate what you say regarding the desirability of getting valuable pledges placed in writing as soon as possible. This difficulty has been especially extensive in the Peking campaign. The fifty thousand dollars from Boston was secured through Dr. Joseph L. Barton from one of his confidential pet prospects and he is keeping the source to himself, though I am sure Dr. Stuart knows who it is. Dr. Barton himself has been in the hospital until recently and as soon as we can get him to handle the matter I think we can get it in writing in his office. Then we shall probably have to accept for the Peking records a statement from Dr. Barton that the pledge is on file in his office.

The New York pledge is from a woman who has several relatives that she is trying to persuade to help provide a dormitory. If they will not do this she will cover the entire proposition herself, but she is holding up word while she is negotiating with her brothers and sisters. I think this will be adjusted within a few weeks.

A gift from the Warner family has not been placed in writing because Mr. Warner is securing this \$25,000 from several members of his family and he does not know how much he will have to go down for personally until some of the business affairs of his relatives are cleared up.

The Finley Quadrangle is a matter which probably never will be satisfactorily on record because of certain legal complications. The executors of the estate are not permitted to pledge themselves positively on funds until they accrue, but they have given assurance that they propose to give \$10,000 a year until the amount is covered. Doctor Stuart considers that on this basis we are justified in counting it as a definite asset.

I am sorry that these matters cannot be put in more businesslike shape and am doing my best to reduce such matters to the minimum.

H. F. Strong

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Dr Leighton Stuart
156 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Wm. L.
H.W.

Feb 29, 1924

Dear Dr Stuart

I did not have the
opportunity of acknowledging
your letter before leaving
home

I was glad to know your
interview with Mr. Herron
was in a manner satisfactory.
I did not get to see Mr &
Herron before he left.

I talked to him by telephone

he said you were satisfied
with the arrangements made
with them, but nothing
would be done till his return.
As soon as he gets back I
will see him and hope I can
persuade them to do something
more than they think at present
they can do.

Wishing for Dr Luce and
yourself every success in
your work.

Very sincerely

Marguerite B. Fairley

Feb. 29-1924

April 7, 1924

Mr. Joseph A. Herron
Monongahela, Pa.

My dear Mr. Herron:

I am just back, yesterday, from a short trip to Great Britain on University business, and recall the fact that you asked me to remind you early in April of the payment for the amount toward the Finley Memorial Quadrangle, which Dr. Campbell and you have in mind for this University. I think the amount mentioned was \$10,000.00 at that time. In order to avoid any possible misunderstanding, let me gladly state that the University recognizes that this does not in any way commit the the Finley Estate to anything beyond this one payment.

I hope that you have enjoyed your trip to the Mediterranean and have come back rested and improved in health.

With very cordial regards,

Sincerely yours

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April 9, 1924.

Dr. W. O. Campbell,
114 Centennial Avenue,
Sewickley, Pa.

Dear Doctor Campbell:

I put it down as one of the things that I thought I could surely do--namely, to visit Pittsburgh again, and among the items I held strongly in mind, I shall give myself the pleasure of seeing you again before I start for China. But in making up my schedule I find that it will be impossible as there are certain urgent demands on me in the Middle West and on the Pacific Coast which I must meet before I sail on the "President Jackson" from Seattle May 8.

When I think of the blessings which have made the last four and a half years endurable as I have traveled here and there in behalf of Peking University I place high among them the privilege of knowing you and having your sympathetic and practical co-operation in what you so quickly recognize was a task not only inspiring but of first importance.

From the first with unwavering conviction you "stood by" and I appreciate it more than I am able to express to you now, and in doing so I am inclined to think that you have rendered as great a single service as you have ever given to the advancement of the Kingdom of God in the world. In my thought it is one of the things that crown your wonderful life and service, and I go back to China carrying in my heart very beautiful memories of our fellowship together in this task.

Gradually, Mr. Herron has come to share your views, and we find in him a most sympathetic colleague. Gradually, too, Mrs. Finley herself has grown an interest, and we have hopes that one day we shall see the completed quadrangle of which we have dreamed during these last few years.

With most cordial greetings to Mrs. Campbell, believe me, most affectionately in the bonds of a great common task,

Sincerely your friend,

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Dr. W. O. Campbell..2

April 9, 1924.

common task,

Sincerely your friend,

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C O P Y

Monongahela, Pa.

PEKING UNIVERSITY, Incorporated,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

Gentlemen:-

At a recent meeting of the Trustees of the
J. B. Finley Estate the following contributions were
approved:

First: The sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000) Dollars
to the PEKING UNIVERSITY, Incorporated,
for use exclusively for educational
purposes;

Second: The sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000) Dollars
to the BOARD of FOREIGN MISSIONS of the
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, U.S.A. to be used
exclusively for the advancement of the
Christian Religion in the Republic of
China.

*Finley
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quadruple
sample*

Receipts in duplicate for the above are here-
with enclosed, and upon return of the same properly
executed in duplicate by the respective institutions,
vouchers will be forwarded.

Very truly yours,

ESTATE of J. B. FINLEY, Deceased,

June 10, 1924

By Joseph A. Herron (signed)
Trustee

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June 14, 1924

Russell Carter, Associate Treasurer
Board of Foreign Missions
Presbyterian Church, 156 - 5th Avenue
New York City

My dear Mr. Carter:

I am attaching herewith a letter, under date of June 10, 1924, addressed to Peking University by Joseph A. Herron, Trustee of the estate of J. B. Finley, deceased. You will notice the second item in the letter refers to a sum of \$5,000 to the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, to be used exclusively for the advancement of the Christian Religion in the Republic of China.

Finley estate
I am also attaching a duplicate receipt for the signature of the Board of Foreign Missions, to be completed and returned to me for return, together with receipts which we have in the office to Mr. Herron. As soon as these are returned to him, the sum of \$5,000 will be forwarded to you.

I am also attaching herewith correspondence on this matter in the month of June 1922, showing that at that time your Board accepted the \$35,000 gift from this same estate for the same purpose, and generously turned this amount over to Peking University, in order to help complete a dormitory at Peking University.

I am attaching also a copy of a memorandum written in the handwriting of President Stuart of the University, referring to a conference which he had with Mrs. Finley and Mr. Herron on January 31, 1924. And as a complement to this memorandum, a letter written by Dr. Stuart to Mr. Joseph A. Herron under date of April 7, 1924, which explains itself. The reply to this letter of President Stuart to Mr. Herron is this letter of June 10, 1924, addressed to Peking University and containing receipts for two sums of \$5,000 each, or a total of \$10,000. which agrees in amount with the memorandum of January 31, 1924 and the letter to Mr. Herron of April 7, 1924.

Mr. and Mrs. Finley were interested in China through the instrumentality of Vice-President Luce of Peking University. When Mr. Finley died he left a will which divided a trust in his estate into four parts. One specifically relating to Peking University, another applying in general to religion in China under the Presbyterian Church, the third I do not recall, the fourth to be reinvested in order that the investments of this portion might in turn replace the gifts under the first three items.

It is the wish of Mrs. Finley, as expressed in personal conferences with President Stuart, that the income from this Estate shall be used so far as possible toward the completion of a full quadrangle at Peking University, involving two dormitories and a central hall connecting them, to be called "The Finley Quadrangle" - the total cost will be somewhere in the neighborhood

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of \$155,000. Toward this amount \$25,000 was contributed direct in June 1922, and in order to carry out the desire of Mrs. Finley and the trustees of the Estate, the Presbyterian Board very generously turned to the University the \$25,000 received by them, in order that the first dormitory might be erected. This makes a total of \$50,000 already contributed toward the \$155,000 necessary.

The correspondence attached herewith shows the desire of Mrs. Finley and the Trustees is that so far as possible the plan for the development of a Quadrangle shall be continued, though under the terms of the will the Trustees are not allowed to commit themselves for any enterprise beyond the increment to the Trust Fund at any time of appropriation.

In view of all the facts in the matter, Peking University will be very grateful to the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, if the Board sees its way clear to reaffirm this generous action of June 6, 1922, and upon the receipt of this \$5,000 to appropriate this money to Peking University on behalf of the Board, in order that the work on the Quadrangle may be continued.

Sincerely yours

Executive Secretary

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ESTATE OF
J. B. FINLEY, DECEASED.

EXECUTORS AND TRUSTEES:
MONONGAHELA CITY TRUST COMPANY,
MONONGAHELA CITY, PA.
JOSEPH A. HERRON,
WILLIAM O. CAMPBELL.

ATTORNEYS FOR THE ESTATE:
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MONONGAHELA CITY, PA.,

JULY 3RD, 1924

JAMES H. LEWIS EXECUTIVE SECRETARY,
BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS,
156 FIFTH AVENUE,
NEW YORK, N. Y.

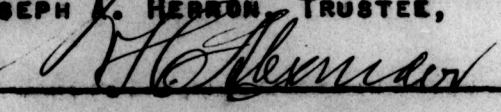
DEAR SIR:-

WE ARE IN RECEIPT OF YOUR LETTER OF THE 2ND INST.,
ENCLOSING OFFICIAL RECEIPTS OF BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, AND
PEKING UNIVERSITY, \$5000 EACH, AND HEREWITH ENCLOSE TWO VOUCHERS
IDENTICAL AMOUNTS, PAYABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RECEIPTS.

WILL YOU KINDLY ACKNOWLEDGE, THAT WE MAY KNOW THAT THE
VOUCHERS HAVE BEEN SAFELY RECEIVED, AND OBLIGE,

YOURS TRULY,

ESTATE OF J. B. FINLEY, DECEASED,
JOSEPH A. HERRON, TRUSTEE,

BY 

ATTORNEY-IN-FACT.

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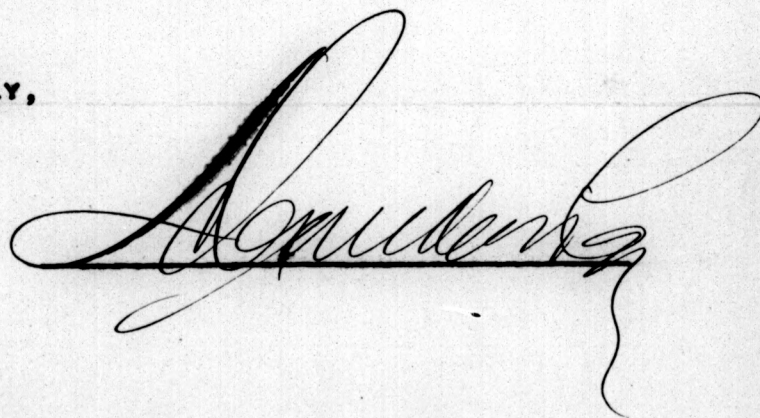
JAMES H. LEWIS, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY,
BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSION,
156 FIFTH AVENUE,
NEW YORK, N. Y.

DEAR SIR:-

WE ARE IN RECEIPT OF A COMMUNICATION FROM RUSSELL
CARTER, ASSOCIATE TREASURER, STATING THAT YOU HELD IN YOUR OF-
FICE A LETTER FROM US, ADDRESSED TO JAMES H. LITTLE, EXECUTIVE
SECRETARY, THIS IS EVIDENTLY A LETTER FROM THE ESTATE OF J. B. FINLEY,
DECEASED, INTENDED FOR YOU, AND MISDIRECTED.

KINDLY OPEN THE LETTER, AND VERIFY. REGRETTING THE
ERROR, WE REMAIN,

YOURS TRULY,

A large, elegant handwritten signature in dark ink, likely belonging to a representative of Alexander & Co. Bankers. The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial 'A' and a long, sweeping tail.

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July 21, 1924

Alexander & Co., Bankers
Monongahela, Pennsylvania

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of your letter of July 18, and immediately upon reading it communicated with the mail office and have just this moment been handed the envelope, which I have opened and which I find to contain the two checks for \$5,000.00 each; one made to the favor of Peking University and the other in favor of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church.

The error I find to be one on the envelope made by the stenographer. It might help in further communications if they are addressed to me at the office of Peking University, rather than the Board of Foreign Missions. We occupy the same building but are not identical.

I am very grateful for these checks.

With very cordial appreciation,

Yours truly

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Taken from discarded file copy
January 24, 1930 E.W.

March 18, 1925.

Mrs. John B. Finley
Pittsburg
Pennsylvania

My Dear Mrs. Finley:

You will be surprised both to hear from me in this country and from this hospital. I had been barely seven months in China and had just unpacked my books from the boxes where they had been for seven years and had barely gotten started in my work in China when Dr. Stuart came to me one day and asked if I would not come home again. I, of course, knew all the reasons - namely, that we had no dining hall at all for our five hundred students - that we lacked two dormitories unless we turned away one-hundred fifty or two hundred-men this coming year, and in addition, we lacked some ten residences. Although I had to get up out of a bed in the fine Rockefeller Hospital at Peking to do so, I felt the need was so urgent that I started within twenty-six hours' notice. I knew that I needed medical treatment and had hoped to put it off until July, but after several X-ray examinations and the advice of four experts, I concluded it was necessary to stop now rather than wait until July, so I am here until March 28th for some intestinal treatment. My great problem is how to take a "rest cure" with these great Peking needs ever before my eyes.

On Sunday, March 1st, I was in Detroit. It had rained and then frozen and the streets were covered with glassy ice. I fell and fractured my wrist, which is now done up in a cast. Very fortunately, I can take the two treatments at once, which will be a great saving of time. Of course, I do not know which way my path will take me after I get out of here, but I shall hope sooner or later to have the pleasure of greeting you and your sister as I pass through Pittsburgh.

I am hoping that you are both well and strong.

I neglected to say that the buildings going up there are quite beyond anything that I had anticipated. The beautiful new campus and the buildings going up upon it are really a great creative contribution to China. They are indeed unique. There is nothing in China like them.

Mrs. Luce has just sent on to me your Christmas card which reached Peking just after I left.

Ever with warm regards,

Sincerely,
Your friend,

HWL

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The Presbyterian Hospital of the City of Chicago.

S.E. COR. CONGRESS AND WOOD STREETS

CHICAGO,

Mar 24/25

Dear Jim:

So sorry to hear of your illness. To have
both the "active" men for P. H. laid up
at the same time is quite extraordinary.

Five days ago a letter went to
Mrs Newberry (now in Florida) + to Dr Brown.
I'll see Brown probably next week.

The last few issues of Peking
News have been special topic numbers.
with rather long articles. ^{These were good.} I would
suggest at least a partial return to
the early idea of short crisp items of a more general ^{wide} range
+ with the personal element emphasized.

Are you mentioning Sept 1926 "Pilgrimage to
Peking" in this number?

My schedule (tentative)

1. Leave here 28th noon
2. See if I can make another contact with Mrs Blaine

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Finley Quadrangle

2. Evanston Cong. Residence

4. This Friday 27th will arrive Rudolph Weyershauser. He may not have returned

5. Then as you suggest - visit Detroit & Cleveland.

6. Pittsburgh.

Lighten's suggestion is: See if (in addition to the \$5000 Dr. Campbell) \$10000 was paid in by The Finley estate. Then get ^{from estate} another \$10000 (which Lighten thought Finley Estate ~~may~~ have already paid in) & then, this making 20000, try to get Mrs. Finley to add the 15000, necessary for the Dining Hall. I have been proposing (Dr. Campbell is most willing) to have them take a whole ~~quadrangle~~ ^{quadrangle} - the Finley Quadrangle. Let me know the status of their payments. Dr. Campbell is probably in Florida now.

7. If there was time I might stop & see Mrs. Garvey - Balto.

8. If I miss Rudolph Weyershauser here, I'll plan to Mrs. Hill at Passaic.

9. As regards Creage - I think I should be brought into contact with him to connect with the post & to her testimony from my trip recently to China.

Dear H.H.H.

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March 26, 1925

Dr. H. W. Luce
Hamilton Club
8 S. Dearborn St.
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Dr Luce:

It seems to me that your letter from Robert Garrett is very good and you will, of course, want to go to see him after you recover.

Miss Sillman is sick today and cannot therefore reply to your letter.

Mr Penn of Cleveland has done nothing.

I think it fine that you go to Pittsburgh after Cleveland. The Finley estate sent in \$10,000.00 but we are still fussing with the Presbyterian Board over half of it which they claim is theirs. A letter ought to come from Dr Campbell to the Presbyterian Board stating that the Trustees wished this money to go to Peking direct. No other money has come from either Mrs Finley or the Trustees and I think it excellent that you go there with the picture of the Dining Hall and try to get her to give it.

I am in favor of your seeing Kresge. You know I spoke about this the first day you arrived in New York. The first thing I want to ask him for, however, is \$250,000.00 to pay for the mechanical installations and power equipment. We will talk this over on your arrival.

I am greatly relieved this morning to learn that the word from the Presbyterian Board was confused as to a kidney illness of what sounded like "Dr Luce", but it is a "Dr Lewis" and he is here in the Presbyterian Hospital in New York. It certainly threw an awful scare into us for two days.

With warm regards,

Ever yours,

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Taken from discarded file copy
January 20, 1930 E.W.

J.B. Finley
Sewickley, Pa.,
May 10, 1925.

Mr. Russell Carter,
Treasurer Presbyterian Board of Foreign Mission,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Carter:

The Trustees of Mr. J. B. Finley's Estate are very much interested in Peking University and would like to do all in their power to cooperate with you in that work. They believe that in so doing they are in harmony with the highest desire of Mr. Finley.

Part of our gifts are to go to educational work, and part to religious work. Happily the Peking University combines both of these ideas and it seems well to us, in order to have the University secure the largest possible co-operation from us, to give \$5,000.00 directly to the University Treasurer, which might be regarded as a gift to education; and a gift of \$5,000.00 to the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions. Our hope is that the Board would see fit to use this amount for the development of the University looked at from the point of view of religious work, in addition to whatever sums the Board is accustomed to grant.

We cherish the hope that later we can add to the gifts already given. Possibly in due time we might even complete one of the University Quadrangles as a memorial to Mr. Finley. Any later gifts we might make would be given in the spirit and mind of the above unless otherwise indicated.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) WILLIAM O. CAMPBELL

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May 18, 1925

Excerpt from letter written by Mr. Russell Carter of the
Presby. Board to Rev. Wm. O. Campbell, one of the
Trustees of the Finley Estate, Pittsburgh, Pa., in
reply to letter from Mr. Campbell of May 10th.

"In accordance with the suggestion in your letter, the
Board at its meeting today took formal action endorsing the suggestion
of the Trustees as follows:

'Record was made of the receipt of a letter from the
Trustees of the J. B. Finley Estate, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, ex-
pressing the hope that the \$5,000.00 Gold contributed some months ago
to the Board for work in China and future amounts that may be similarly
designated be used by the Board for the development of Peking University
"in addition to other sums that the Board is accustomed to grant." The
Board voted to comply cordially with this expressed desire of the Trustees
of the Finley Estate and would be gratified if, as intimated in their
letter, they find it possible to complete a University Quadrangle as a
memorial to Mr. Finley."

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Very sincerely yours,

Russell Carter,
Associate Treasurer"

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Mr James H Lewis
150. Fifth Avenue
New York City

Replied to Lion Letter
Apr 25, 1925 - G.A.M.

Dear Mr Lewis

I was sorry not
to see you while you were
in Pittsburgh. Had hoped to
meet you in New York. was
there for only two days
did not have time to make
any appointments.

I have had a check made
out, for some time, for the
Mechanical Equipment and
Expense fund of the Pekin

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University. which I have been
meaning to send you. and
which I am enclosing. \$100
We had a very pleasant evening with Dr Luce this
week. I might have given
him the check. but forgot it.
Hoping to have the pleasure
of meeting you some time.

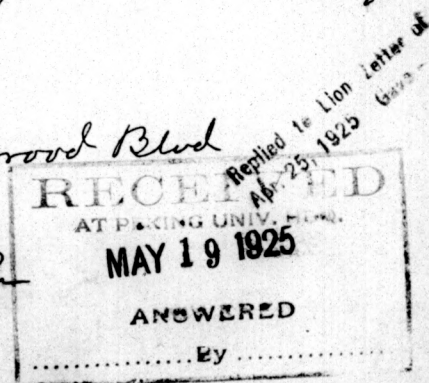
Very Truly

Marguerite B Finley

Mrs J B Finley

1160 - Beechwood Blvd

Pittsburgh Pa



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Received	<i>Lionel</i>
Entered	<i>L</i>
Cash receipt made	<i>L</i>
Pledge card	<i>L</i>
Follow up card	<i>L</i>
Checked on list	<i>L</i>
as of Stencil	<i>L</i>
Answered	<i>L</i>
(When sent)	
Filed	

at Xmas '924 by *J. L.*

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Monongahela, Pa

Chicago, Ill.
May 19, 1925

Dear Mr. Herron:

As always heretofore, so it was the other day. I appreciated your cordial interest and spirit of cooperation in the large heavy task we are carrying out at Peking. When at Sewickley the day before, I also had a most pleasant visit with Dr. Campbell. He told me of the several gifts to other colleges like Cairo and the Pennsylvania Woman's College and Wooster, and I can see both the reasons and the value for these gifts. It would seem to me that you are discharging your duty in regard to Mr. Finley's Estate in a way that would be very pleasing to him.

Dr. Campbell was not certain but entertained the hope that possibly something more could be done for Peking the latter part of the year. I am hoping that you can continue to set aside funds that will enable us to carry out the wonderfully fine plan of having a Finley quadrangle.

Certain money that Mrs. Finley was to give to us on condition she secured it seems to have been entirely lost by her. She is now endeavoring, as you may know, to seal her house, and in that case, would hope to cooperate somewhat with us.

I am just starting now from Chicago to make a trip along the Pacific Coast, where there are four or five who have initial interest in Peking, and hope to return about the middle of June. After that, I hope to take a little time to get into better physical condition. I am traveling now much against the Doctor's will, but the situation at Peking is so urgent that I feel I must continue even at the risk of not playing "safty first".

Deeply appreciating your cordial interest and cooperation in this almost incomparably fine task at Peking, believe me,

Most sincerely yours,

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May 19, 1925

Dear Mrs. Finley:

Thank you sincerely for your delightful letter and for the check for \$100.00 which you enclosed for the Mechanical Equipment and Expense Fund.

I am very sorry that I did not have the privilege of meeting you here in New York, but will look forward with pleasure to meeting you in Pittsburgh some time this month. I will probably be there along the latter part.

Dr. Luce undoubtedly showed you the photographs of some of the buildings and particularly of your own dormitory. The beauty of the building surpasses our earlier expectations.

You will also be gratified to know that Mr. Edward S. Harkness and Mr. Arthur Curtiss James have each just given us \$100,000.00 toward our endowment fund. The friendly support and vision which you and these men and other friends of the University have shown, in providing so largely for its equipment and foundation, insure the continued large service of the institution.

With very warm personal appreciation,

Sincerely yours

Mrs. J. B. Finley
1160 Beechwood Boulevard
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Replied to Lion Letter
Apr. 25, 1925 - 60

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Exact copy of file carbon -HR - 4/14/30

Finley Quad

Pittsburgh, Pa.
October 5, 1925

Dear Doctor Campbell:

I met Mr. Herron just before he went out to you today and had a very short conference with him. I do not know whether he had time to talk over what I proposed to him. It was something like this:

First: It would seem to me that in carrying out what would be most in harmony with the mind of Mr. Finley nothing would be more appropriate than the completion of the quadrangle at the Peking University. This would require a total of \$75,000, viz., \$25,000 to complete the Dining Hall and \$50,000 for the other side of the quadrangle.

Second: To accomplish this exceptionally fine objective might require a little concentration of funds during the next four or five years, but it seems to me that the importance of having such a fine memorial in memory of our friend, Mr. Finley, placed in such a magnificent spot and destined to render very exceptional service, would justify such a concentration of effort.

Third: There might be two possible ways of accomplishing this: (1) Put aside, if possible, \$15,000 for five years; or (2) \$10,000 for five years, hoping that in due time Mrs. Finley herself might work out the \$25,000 balance needed for the connecting Dining Hall.

Fourth: I understand that you would not wish to bind any of your successors, but it would seem to me you could enter on this plan and carry it as far as possible, making clear in memorandum that while it was not binding you and Dr. Herron would like to express your belief, based on the accumulated facts in regard to the high standard, general regard and eminent position of Peking University, that it would be wise on the part of your successors to complete such a worthy memorial to Mr. Finley.

Hoping that you will feel that my suggestion is a very reasonable one and that it might have your careful and early consideration, believe me,

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) H. W. Luce

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December 31, 1926

Dear Mr. Herron: *Monongahela, Pa*

I am taking great pleasure in sending to you some of the plans and pictures which I was showing to you the other day. I am sure you and your colleagues will be interested in looking them over. They are so lettered and annotated on the back of each picture that, if desired, they can be easily "placed" on the ground plan and the birdseye view. Until we get the pictures colored we cannot do full justice to the real beauty of these buildings. Now that the plans have been so thoroughly worked out we can see now, as we have not been able to see before, that the reality is coming up to, possibly surpassing, our earlier expectations.

Notwithstanding the troublous time in China it is the consensus of opinion of all whom I know, whose judgement is based adequate knowledge and sympathetic understanding, that the developing plant (the beautiful campus and buildings) is matched by the remarkable place of importance which the University has attained during the last two or three years. The dominant factor in Chinese life today is the irresistible rising tide of nationalistic spirit. The University has been so admirable and wisely handled that, meeting this tide sympathetically, it has been carried to a place of regard and prestige which many of us thought might take five or ten more years under ordinary circumstances to attain.

As you may note I am including one picture which you did not see, a new photograph just at hand of the lake and the dormitory quadrangle. I think it will help you to see more clearly than ever before the wonder and beauty (in concrete and granite) of the very great objective we have so often spoken of viz, the gradual completion of the finley quadrangle. I am hoping that, as you divide the funds which may be at your disposal this year, this objective might be carried to the utmost limit possible.

With all best wishes for the New Year, believe

me

Very sincerely yours,

0661

November 2, 1927

Dear Mr. Herren:

Following up our recent conference, I find that the total amount received on the J. B. Finley Memorial Dormitory Quadrangle to date is \$80,000. You will recall that upon consultation with the legal advisor of the Estate it was felt that funds for this purpose could be paid under both of the first two divisions specified in Mr. Finley's Will. In the first payment \$25,000 was actually paid to the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions for the extension of Christian religion, with the understanding that it would be passed on to us, and another \$25,000 paid to our University directly as for education. This practice could be followed at any time and I have the assurance of the Board that they would be glad to co-operate in this way.

According to our records, the last payment was made on July 18, 1925. I recall that you said that by next January it would be possible to make a further distribution and we shall look forward to a remittance at that time. The quadrangle in question is being held for this purpose but because of the large number of students applying we are anxious to carry the work forward as rapidly as conditions permit. It would help very considerably if you felt yourself able to indicate that hereafter as the interest accrues, distribution would be made to us on such a basis as seemed to you desirable.

I venture to express the confidence that the naming of this whole quadrangle after Mr. Finley and concentration on an institution that will undoubtedly play an increasingly important part in human affairs as international relations become more important, especially as affecting China and the United States, will be as appropriate a use as can be made of the income you are distributing.

As you are well aware, the late Dr. Campbell felt very strongly on this matter and was extremely anxious to see the complete erection of this dormitory quadrangle provided for through this source. This will amount to \$125,000. If you feel that payments can be made quarterly from now on, on a definite basis, I am inclined to hope that our Trustees might undertake to finance the construction without unnecessary waiting until sufficient money has accumulated to enable us to go forward.

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Mr. Joseph A. Warren
Nov. 2, 1927

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If not imposing too much upon your time, I should appreciate a reply from you indicating that our records and yours correspond and indicating the schedule upon which hereafter we may expect further remittances. This is the more desirable because I shall probably be returning to China in the near future and our office records can thus be more accurately cared for.

With hearty appreciation of your active interest in this matter and with my personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. Joseph A. Warren
Monongahela City, Pa.

JLS:LM

Copy to Mrs. Finley

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ESTATE OF
J. B. FINLEY, DECEASED.

EXECUTORS AND TRUSTEES:
MONONGAHELA CITY TRUST COMPANY,
MONONGAHELA CITY, PA.
JOSEPH A. HERRON,
WILLIAM O. CAMPBELL.

ATTORNEYS FOR THE ESTATE:
MCLIVAIN, MURPHY & MOHN,
613-621 BERGER BUILDING,
PITTSBURGH, PA.

Monongahela, Pa.
April 27, 1928

Peking University,
American Office,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Attention of J. Leighton Stuart.

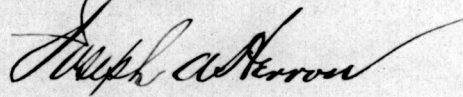
Dear Mr. Stuart:

Enclosed find receipt in duplicate
a donation from the Estate of J. B. Finley,
deceased, to the University of Peking, for
One Thousand (\$ 1,000).

Please have this receipt executed
by the proper officers of the Office in this
Country and return to me, at which time I
will mail you a voucher for the same.

Yours truly,

JAH/s



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Finley Estate

March 30, 1928.

Dear Mr. Herron:

According to your own suggestion, I am writing to you to remind you of your expressed intention to devote the interest from the Finley estate, which will have accrued by April 1st, to Peking University. You will recall that I had seen you before January 1st and had hoped for \$2,500 at that time. For this reason, I wonder if it would not be possible to give us \$5,000 from the two provisions of the will which have to do with the extension of the Christian religion and with education, as was the case you will remember in the original payment to us of \$50,000. As at that time, the Presbyterian Board would gladly receive on our behalf the former of these two items.

I am all the more hopeful that you will see your way clear to assist us at this time, because we are in the midst of a campaign which should be concluded by June 1st and in which we have gifts conditional upon securing the whole amount. The larger the amount you can give us now the more we will be helped in realizing the objectives of this campaign.

I am expecting to be in Pittsburgh for most of next week and shall look forward to seeing you at that time.

With cordial regards, believe me

Very sincerely yours

Mr. Joseph A. Herron
Alexander Bank
Monongahela City, Pa.

JLS:O

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PEKING UNIVERSITY, a corporation of the State of New York, incorporated for the purpose of establishing and maintaining in Peking, China, a University founded and conducted on strictly Christian and Evangelical (but not Sectarian) principles and to aid the youth of the Chinese Republic and all other countries in obtaining, in such University, a literary, Scientific or professional education, and organized and operated exclusively for such purposes,- HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES to have received, from JOSEPH A. HERRON and the MONONGAHELA CITY TRUST COMPANY, of Monongahela, Washington County, Pennsylvania, surviving Trustees under the last will and testament of J. B. FINLEY (late of the City of Pittsburgh, Washington County, Pennsylvania), deceased, the sum of ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000) DOLLARS; which said sum the Peking University, by its proper officers, agrees to use exclusively for educational purposes, and not for the profit of said Peking University or for any officer or stockholder thereof.

PEKING UNIVERSITY

By

ATTEST:

Edna Z. Jerome

B. A. Garrison

Asst. Treasurer

April 28, 1928

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Asst. Treasurer

April 28, 1928

NOTARY PUBLIC, New York County
New York Co. Clerk's No. 36, Reg. No. 0-2
Certificate filed in Kings County
Kings Co. Clerk's No. 34, Register's No. 100
My Commission Expires March 30th, 1930

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ESTATE OF
J. B. FINLEY, DECEASED.

EXECUTORS AND TRUSTEES:
MONONGAHELA CITY TRUST COMPANY,
MONONGAHELA CITY, PA.
JOSEPH A. HERRON,
WILLIAM O. CAMPBELL.

ATTORNEYS FOR THE ESTATE:
McILVAIN, MURPHY & MOHN,
515-521 BERKELEY BUILDING,
PITTSBURGH, PA.

MONONGAHELA, PA., MAY 1ST, 1928.

E. M. MCBRIER, TREASURER,
PEKING UNIVERSITY,
150 FIFTH AVENUE,
NEW YORK, N. Y.

DEAR SIR:-

HAVING RECEIVED THE FORMAL RECEIPT OF THE
PEKING UNIVERSITY FOR \$1000.00, I HEREWITH ENCLOSE
VOUCHER NO. 1170 FOR \$1000.00, DISTRIBUTION FROM
THE EDUCATIONAL FUND OF THE J. B. FINLEY ESTATE
FOR THAT AMOUNT.

YOURS TRULY,

JOSEPH A. HERRON, TRUSTEE OF THE
ESTATE OF J. B. FINLEY, DECEASED,

W. H. Herron

ATTORNEY-IN-FACT.

Receipt # 1923

Voucher # 1170 for \$1,000.00 enc.

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J. B. FINLEY, DECEASED.

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PITTSBURGH, PA.

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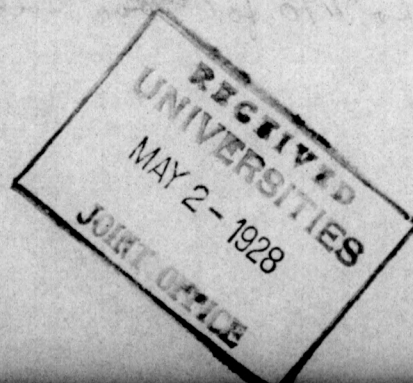
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ATTORNEY-IN-FACT.



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Furley Estate
(Jos. A. Herron, Trustee)
Monongahela City, Pa.
May 2, 1928

\$1000

Gift received	5-2-28
Receipt slip #	1923
Entered on control record	✓
" " acct. card	✓
" " contr. list	✓
Serial No. on L. and card	174✓
Pledge signal attached	✓
X-file cards	—
Letter ack. sent	5-3-28
Checked for O. L.	✓
" " class card	✓
" " stencil	✓

This was given from the 2nd quarter
1928 distribution from this estate.
No promise of further ~~dist~~ share
but Mr. Herron should be cultivated
at beginning of each quarter

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Note by Mr Luce: Her husband, Dr W Campbell
Pastor Emmanuel of Swarthmore Pa

Thanks her
for picture

I account

Date? Sometime in the other. They has
1926 put up one donation
My dear Dr. Luce: (5000) & we hope
they will push a Quadrangle

I reply to yours of the 17th
I would say my husband
has left no paper expressing
his wishes in regard to Peking
University. Mr. Hermon well
knows his great interest there
and I think will do what he

he can to carry out his desires.
I am sending you an account
of the service held in the church
he loved so well and served so
long. He took ill the evening
of the day we arrived. and while
at first he improved - he soon
grew worse. He did not suffer
except from weakness, and slept
peacefully away at the last.

Hoping you have a complete
recovery. I am cordially yours
Mary S. Campbell

43 Plaza Place
Atlantic City
N. J.

June 6, 1928

MEMO RE STATUS OF FINLEY ESTATE GIFTS TO YENCHING UNIVERSITY

Ever since 1921, when the quadrangle idea was first presented (by Dr. Luce, then Vice-President of the University) to Dr. Wm. O. Campbell, one of the trustees of the Estate, and Mrs. Finley, both Dr. Campbell and Mrs. Finley have strongly and consistently been in favor of Yenching University receiving two fourths of the annual income from the Finley Estate - one fourth directly to the University for educational purposes and the other indirectly through the Mission Board for the advancement of the Christian religion.

As a result of their interest, two fourths of the income were actually given to the University in June 1922. It is our understanding that both Mrs. Finley and Dr. Campbell desired and expected that this distribution would continue. Unfortunately Mrs. Finley has no authority in the matter since her husband did not make her a trustee and Dr. Campbell has died. Mr. Herron and the bank in Monongahela City, which he controls, constitute the two surviving trustees. This means that Mr. Herron has complete authority.

From the beginning of the project Dr. Stuart and other officers of the University have repeatedly followed up the matter - with the former trustee, Dr. Campbell, with Mrs. Finley, and with Mr. Herron. During the past winter, since Dr. Stuart's arrival in the U.S. for the 1928 campaign, he has written to both Mr. Herron and Mrs. Finley a number of times, endeavoring to make an appointment with Mr. Herron. He saw Mr. Herron in October and later wrote to him as per the attached excerpt of letter of November 2, 1927, sending Mrs. Finley a copy of this letter. Dr. Luce, who knows Mrs. Finley well, also wrote to Mr. Herron and Mrs. Finley, January 10, 1928.

Dr. Jenney, Executive Secretary for Yenching University temporarily, called on Mr. Herron in January 1928 and a report of his conversation is given on an attached sheet. Dr. Stuart wrote to Mr. Herron again on March 30th, asking him to give \$5,000 covering the two provisions of the will which have to do with the extension of Christian religion and with education, as was the case in the original payment to us of the \$50,000. Dr. Stuart tried to call on Mr. Herron the first week of April but found him out of the city for that week. He therefore wrote to him again. When Mr. Herron finally responded, he sent but \$1,000 with no comment whatever regarding the amount of the gift, merely stating that it was contribution from that quarter of the income which is devoted to the educational fund. This \$1,000 was given from the April, or second quarter, of the income for 1928.

NOTE: Excerpts from the more important letters in the correspondence regarding the Finley Estate gifts are attached hereto.

Copy to JLS

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FINLEY(ESTATE)MEMORIAL QUADRANGLE

Extract from a letter of H. W. L. to Dr. W. O. Campbell - Dec. 30, 1921

"I am in touch with Mrs. Finley and have talked to her about her cooperating with us in this work and have found her most sympathetic indeed toward it. What I would really love to see would be a Finley Quadrangle. It is possible that if you and Mr. Herron as trustees of the Finley Estate could plan to give a Dormitory costing \$50,000 and the adjoining dining hall, \$35,000, that we may induce Mrs. Finley to give the other Dormitory of \$50,000, and in that way we could do what would be a wonderful thing as a bit of service by completing a whole Quadrangle, and I can think of nothing more in harmony with the wishes of our friend. From every point of view it would be a wonderful thing to accomplish; from the point of view of the University, its needs and its opportunities, from the point of view of the interest which animated Mr. Finley and from the point of view of yourself and Mr. Herron as administrators of his estate.

I realize that it probably will not be accomplished all at once but would be somewhat dependent upon the settlement of the estate, but if the matter could be arranged, then with an initial gift and a program worked out in harmony with the whole situation, it would mean a great deal at this time."

Extract from a letter of Dr. Campbell to H. W. L. - Jan. 8, 1922

"Mr. Herron came to see me yesterday. We talked together about the distribution of the funds set apart for charity by the Finley Estate. Just at present we can do nothing. We are to have a hearing at Washington within a month. The decision arrived at there will determine what we can do in the near future. You will be glad to know that we are both favorably inclined toward Peking, and the realization of your proposition in regard to the buildings forming a quadrangle. I feel that we could do nothing more worthy of Mr. Finley, or more agreeable with his wishes."

Excerpt from letter of June 10th, 1922, to Dr. Luce from
Mr. Wm. O. Campbell

"Dear Dr. Luce:

I send you inclosed the two checks for twenty-five thousand each.

I have received a letter from the Foreign Board promising to use the money given to it from the Finley Estate for Christian work in China, all of which is satisfactory.

In a letter received from Mr. North, it is suggested that we should allow you to note in your books our desire (no pledge implied) at some future time to give funds sufficient to complete the buildings of a quadrangle. I regret that I cannot comply with this suggestion.

You may remember that I spoke for myself alone when I expressed the desire to do that. Mr. Herron has never gone that far and I should not under the circumstances be willing to do anything which might seem to imply that we were both of the one mind in the matter."

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Excerpt from letter to Mr. Wm. O. Campbell from Dr. Luce

October 23, 1922

I did go out to see Mrs. Finley and spent part of an evening with her and her sister. We talked about China matters in general and about Peking in particular, but I am writing her more particularly expressing the hope that she will share in the building of the Finley Quadrangle at Peking. One of the three buildings has, as you know, been given by the Finley estate of which you and Mr. Herron are trustees. I have been wondering whether the estate might be willing to take as the next step the position that they would give the \$35,000 for the dining hall, provided Mrs. Finley would give the other side of the quadrangle (\$50,000).

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COPY

December 29, 1923

Mr. Joseph A. Herron
Monongahela, Pa.

Dear Mr. Herron:

Mrs. Finley was in New York last week and told me that you had expressed a desire to see me and talk further over the proposition of a dormitory quadrangle for Peking University. She apparently is greatly interested and very anxious to have this done. If the estate could furnish one more dormitory (\$50,00) she assures me that she will give the connecting building and the whole to be known as the "Finley Quadrangle". She urged me to make a point of seeing you some time next month. It happens that I have an occasion to visit Pittsburgh Sunday, January 6, and can be there the next one or two days. My impression is that she told me you were in the city on Mondays and Tuesdays of each week. If agreeable to you, could we arrange a conference on one of those days, January 7 or 8?

Awaiting your reply and with best wishes for the New Year, believe me

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. Leighton Stuart

P.S. I venture to send you copies of addresses made by two men whose opinions will, I am sure, be of interest.

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EXCERPT FROM REPORT OF DR. STUART

Jan. 31, 1924

On January 31, 1924 I visited Mrs. Finley and Mr. Herron. Mrs. Finley is apparently very eager to have the Quadrangle completed, but as the \$35,000 which she promised was conditioned upon the return of a loan which has not been effected, she is now trying to urge that the Estate provide \$75,000 and she the remaining \$10,000. She has pressed her debtor with this object in view, but he says that while working to pay this off he could not do so now if he "were to be hanged tomorrow."

Mr. Herron is now thoroughly committed to the completion of the Quadrangle, with such help as can come from Mrs. Finley. But he has explicit legal advice against pledging any income not yet available or binding his successors. The terms of the will demand that only income be paid and this as it accrues. He realizes that Dr. Campbell earnestly desires the completion of this Quadrangle and feels confident that the successors of either or both will continue a policy begun by these present trustees. In this connection it is important to note that the third trustee is the Monongahela Trust Company, of which Mr. Herron is President and the dominant influence. The court will fill vacancies as these occur.

Mr. Herron is starting for a Mediterranean cruise on February 9, returning in April, at which time he wishes to be reminded of our matter. He expects then to make an initial payment of \$10,000 or some such amount, and to continue this annually until the Quadrangle is completed.

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Sewickley, Pa.
May 10, 1925

Mr. Russell Carter,
Treasurer, Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions
156 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Carter:

The Trustees of Mr. J. B. Finley's Estate are very much interested in Peking University and would like to do all in their power to cooperate with you in that work. They believe that in so doing they are in harmony with the highest desire of Mr. Finley.

Part of our gifts are to go to educational work, and part to religious work. Happily the Peking University combines both of these ideas and it seems well to us, in order to have the University secure the largest possible cooperation from us, to give \$5,000.00 directly to the University Treasurer, which might be regarded as a gift to education; and a gift of \$5,000.00 to the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions. Our hope is that the Board would see fit to use this amount for the development of the University looked at from the point of view of religious work, in addition to whatever sums the Board is accustomed to grant.

We cherish the hope that later we can add to the gifts already given. Possibly in due time we might even complete one of the University Quadrangles as a memorial to Mr. Finley. Any later gifts we might make would be given in the spirit and mind of the above unless otherwise indicated.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) William O. Campbell

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Excerpt from letter Nov. 2, 1927, Dr. Stuart to Mr. Herron

Following up our recent conference, I find that the total amount received on the J. B. Finley Memorial Dormitory Quadrangle to date is \$60,000. You will recall that upon consultation with the legal advisor of the Estate it was felt that funds for this purpose could be paid under both of the first two divisions specified in Mr. Finley's Will. In the first payment \$25,000 was actually paid to the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions for the extension of Christian religion, with the understanding that it would be passed on to us, and another \$25,000 paid to our University directly as for education. This practice could be followed at any time and I have the assurance of the Board that they would be glad to co-operate in this way.

According to our records, the last payment was made on July 18, 1925. I recall that you said that by next January it would be possible to make a further distribution and we shall look forward to a remittance at that time. The quadrangle in question is being held for this purpose but because of the large number of students applying we are anxious to carry the work forward as rapidly as conditions permit. It would help very considerably if you felt yourself able to indicate that hereafter as the interest accrues, distribution would be made to us on such a basis as seemed to you desirable."

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Excerpt from Dr. Jenney's Report of January 14, 1928

"Mr. Joseph A. Herron did not keep his appointment with me on Friday at the Duquesne Club. I spent about four hours trying to find him in the city. I finally got him on the long distance telephone at Monongahela City, made an appointment with him there for this morning, Saturday. Went to see him as per appointment. The result of my conference was as follows: The Mrs. Finley estate has an income of \$10,000 a quarter, one fourth of it to go to Christian education, one fourth to Christian missions, one fourth to general charity, and one fourth to be re-invested. The \$10,000 that came in from this estate on January 1, or thereabouts, has already been distributed. Mr. Herron promised me that at least one fourth, if not one half, the income of the estate to be distributed on April 1st would come to Peking University."

ESTATE OF
J. B. FINLEY, DECEASED.

EXECUTORS AND TRUSTEES:
MONONGAHELA CITY TRUST COMPANY,
MONONGAHELA CITY, PA.
JOSEPH A. HERRON,
WILLIAM O. CAMPBELL.

ATTORNEYS FOR THE ESTATE:
McILVAIN, MURPHY & MOHN,
613-621 BERGER BUILDING,
PITTSBURGH, PA.

Monongahela, Pa.
January 23, 1929

Mr. Olin D. Wanamaker,
Assistant to the President,
Yenching University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 22d, received.
It is the custom of the Trustees of the
Finley Estate to have an audit of the books
of the Estate every quarter, at which time
the accountant allocates the amount to be
distributed from the different funds mentioned
in the will.

Owing to the illness of the accountant
this has not been done this period and we
have received no report so far, however, I
will have a receipt written and sent to you
from the attorney's office in Pittsburgh,
which when signed by the proper officers, and
returned, I will remit, the one thousand (1000)
dollars. This will make \$ 57,000.00 to your
University from the Finley Estate.

I regret that Dr. Jenney and you have
been so greatly embarrassed in not receiving
our remittance and suggest that you can prevent
such embarrassment by not applying again.

Yours truly,

JAH/s

Joseph A. Herron
Trustee

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MONONGAHELA CITY, PA.
JOSEPH A. HERRON,
WILLIAM O. CAMPBELL.

ATTORNEYS FOR THE ESTATE:
McILVAIN, MURPHY & MOHN,
813-821 BERGER BUILDING,
PITTSBURGH, PA.

Monongahela, Pa.
January 25, 1929

Yenching University,
Olin D. Wanamaker,
Assistant to the President,
150 Fifth Avenue.
New York, N. Y.

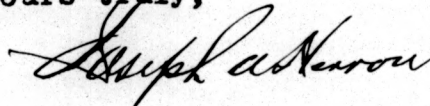
Dear Sir:

Enclosed find receipt in
duplicate, donation of One Thousand
Dollars (\$1,000) from the Estate of
J. B. Finley, Deceased, to the Yenching
University.

Please have this receipt executed
by the proper officers, return to me
and I will send voucher for the amount.

Yours truly,

JAH/s



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C O P Y

YENCHING UNIVERSITY, of China, a University organized for Educational Purposes, HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES to have received, from JOSEPH A HERRON and the MONONGAHELA CITY TRUST COMPANY, surviving Trustees under the last will and testament of J. B. FINLEY, (late of the City of Pittsburgh, County of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania), deceased, the sum of ONE THOUSAND (\$1000) DOLLARS; which said sum the YENCHING UNIVERSITY agrees to use exclusively for educational purposes, and not for the profit of said YENCHING UNIVERSITY or for any officer, stockholder, member or employee thereof.

YENCHING UNIVERSITY

by B. A. Garside (signed)

Assistant Treasurer

ATTEST:

Caroline L. Lane (signed)

Carolyn J. Abernethy (signed)

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ESTATE OF
J. B. FINLEY, DECEASED.

EXECUTORS AND TRUSTEES:
MONONGAHELA CITY TRUST COMPANY,
MONONGAHELA CITY, PA.
JOSEPH A. HERRON,
WILLIAM O. CAMPBELL.

ATTORNEYS FOR THE ESTATE:
McILVAIN, MURPHY & MOHN,
612-621 BERGER BUILDING,
PITTSBURGH, PA.

Monongahela, Pa.
January 28, 1929

Yenching University,
Louise McCoy,
Campaign Office Secretary,
150 Fifth Avenue.
New York, N. Y.

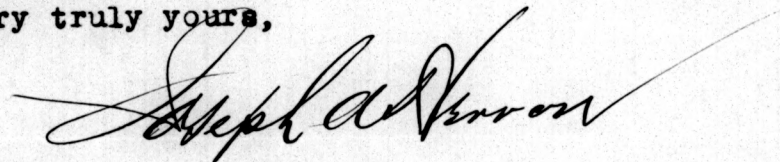
Dear Sir:

Enclosed find voucher # 1275,
from the Estate of J. B. Finley, deceased,
for \$ 1,000.00 payable to Yenching University.

When we mailed the receipt to you,
we sent them in duplicate. You have re-
turned only one copy.

Very truly yours,

JAH/s



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Finley Estate (Joseph A. Heron, Trustee)
Monongahela, Pa.

Jan. 29, 1929

~~OK~~
about Sept. 20
CDW to send
photo of Finley

\$1000 for 1928 Campaign-Undesignated

Gift received	1-29-29
Receipt clip #	2336
Entered on control record	✓
" " acct. card	✓
" " contr. list	✓
Serial No. on L and card	632 ✓
Pledge sign attached	_____
X-file cards	_____
Letter ack. sent	1-29-29
Checked for O. L.	_____
" " class card	_____
" " stencil	_____

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