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George H. Trull

WILKES-BARRE, PA..

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To Pekin Transfer

Mr. George H. Trull, Sec'y.,

Board of Foreign Missions,

156 Fifth Ave., New York.

My dear Mr. Trull:

Sometime ago I took up with you the matter of Specific Work in some Mission Field for a certain member of my church, who wished to invest \$25 a year for a five year period. Your reply to this communication has been in his hands, and he has now decided, on my suggestion, to establish a Loan Fund in the Union Theological Seminary of Peking University for the aid of needy students. He wishes to call it the Burt Friant Loan Fund, and desires that it be administered in perpetuity by some member of the faculty. Although the extent of his present obligation will amount to only \$125, it is entirely probable that the total amount will be raised in time to \$500. The fund is to be dispensed in the same way as similar loans are administered in our schools and universities here. Any student who wishes to borrow from the fund will give his note and pay 3% interest on the loan.

If you will be so kind as to draw up a form of bequest embodying these features and submit it to me, I will have him sign the contract. And I may say that if you could do this at your early convenience it would be appreciated, as he wishes the transaction to date from the first of the year as nearly as possible.

Just between you and me this is one of the most unusual incidents that I have ever run across in my experience as a preacher. This man is a railroader with no means except his salary, with a large family, and has never had the opportunity of any training in college or school. The suggestion

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of the gift came entirely from him without any solicitation whatever. I think it is a thing that should be commended, and our appreciated acceptance will no doubt result in similar desire on the part of others in this congregation.

Allow me to be,

Cordially and sincerely yours,

R. V. Lancaster

R.V. Lancaster.

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C O P Y

January 11, 1921.

Rev. Richard V. Lancaster,
Memorial Presbyterian Church,
West North Street,
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Dear Mr. Lancaster:

Your fully appreciated letter of December 30th to Mr. Trull regarding the proposed Burt Friant Loan Fund for Students in the Theological Seminary of Peking University was referred to me yesterday inasmuch as I am charged with special responsibility on behalf of the Higher Educational Institutions.

After consultation in these offices it seems wise to have this Fund handled and administered directly by the Peking University Trustees, which are established as a separate corporation under the Educational Laws of New York State. I have also conferred with Dr. Eric M. North, Secretary to Peking Trustees, regarding this and he believes that this Fund could best be handled by that body.

I am therefore referring your letter, along with a copy of this my acknowledgment, to the Reverend Henry W. Luce, D. D., Vice President of Peking University, who just at present is at home on furlough and in the offices of Peking University in this building.

It is inspiring to know of the great interest and devotion to the cause of Christ in foreign lands which is evidenced by the man who is establishing this Loan Fund, and I am sure that the Peking Trustees will fully appreciate the situation and rejoice in the interest shown, as much as does the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions.

With kind regards and best wishes for the highest success of all of the work of your church, I am

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

George T. Scott

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AGREEMENT made this 14 day of ^{February} January, 1921, between

Jacob S. Friant

of the city of *Wilkes-Barre, Pa*

hereinafter called the donor; and the Trustees of Peking University, incorporated by special act of the Legislature of the State of New York and having its principal office at 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City, hereinafter called the trustees.

WITNESSETH: That whereas the Trustees are engaged in conducting a theological school as a part of the University of Peking, in Peking, China, and

Whereas the donor desires to further the cause of theological education in China under the direction of the Trustees of the University of Peking and has made a gift of ^{\$25 each year for five years (1921-1925 inclusive)} for that purpose to the Trustees, and wishes to define the purpose of the gift and the objects to be attained by its use,

Now in consideration of the premises and of the payment of said sum of ^{\$25 each year for five years (1921-1925 inclusive)} as above set forth, the receipt of ^{first yearly payment of} which is hereby acknowledged, and of the provisions of this agreement the parties agree as follows:

1. That said fund shall be known as the BURT FRIANT LOAN FUND.

2. That said ^{\$25} the receipt of which is and all other sums to be given in the future for the said fund, acknowledged, shall be held by the Trustees in perpetuity as a part of the permanent funds of said institution.

3. That the said fund shall be held in as nearly liquid form as possible so as to be available to aid needy students seeking its benefit in the theological school and the principal shall be loaned from time to time under the direction of the President of the University of Peking to such Chinese students in the theological school as shall be approved by the President of the University of Peking; and upon such loan, the note of

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the student shall be taken, bearing interest at three per cent (3%) per annum, the use of the fund to be similar to that of like funds in American Universities.

This agreement shall apply to and bind the heirs, executors, successors and assigns of the respective parties.

WITNESS the signatures and seals of the parties the day and year first above written.

In the Presence of

A. V. Lancaster.
Eric McNorth

Signed: Jacob S. Friant

L. B. Wilson
President, Board of Trustees
of Peking University

E. M. O'Neil
Treasurer, Board of Trustees
of Peking University

C O P Y

March 16, 1921.

The Reverend R. B. Lancaster,
Memorial Presbyterian Church,
West North Street,
Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania.

My dear Brother Lancaster:

I enclose herewith signed copy of the agreement concerning the Burt Friant Loan Fund.

Will you express to Mr. Friant our very sincere appreciation of this generous act upon his part. The gift will do a genuine and a permanent work in assisting worthy students to maintain themselves during the period of training for a leadership that is to be immensely valuable to the building up of the Kingdom of God in China.

With cordial appreciation of your own attention to the matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

E. M. North

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PEKING UNIVERSITY

February 26, 1926.

Mr. J. S. Friant,
311 Madison Street,
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

My dear Mr. Friant:

I find a memorandum recalling to mind your gifts of twenty-five dollars for the "Burt Friant Loan Fund" of Peking University, and I am not clear in my recollection whether it was your desire to continue to increase the fund beyond the amount of one hundred dollars, which it now totals.

The University is steadily developing in the effectiveness of its service and the assistance of the Loan Fund is heartily appreciated.

Cordially yours,

(Signed)

E. M. North

Assistant Treasurer
Peking University

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Wilkes Barre, Pa. Mar. 3, 1926.

Mr. Eric M. North,
Assistant Treasurer.

My dear Sir:

Yours of Feb. 26th received and beg to say, I thought I had sent in the \$25 for 1925 but on receipt of your letter I find I had not, so I enclose you my check for the above amount. Do not wish to stop short of my agreement, which I promised to pay \$25 a year for five years to the Burt Friant Loan Fund, commencing Jan. 1921. I hope to be able to continue it a little longer than that.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

J. S. Friant

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Burt Friant Loan Fund

C O P Y

March 11, 1926.

Mr. J. S. Friant,
311 Madison Street,
Wilkes Barre, Pa.

My dear Mr. Friant:

I have to acknowledge with hearty appreciation your check for \$25.00 for the Burt-Friant Loan Fund. This makes a total which you have paid in for this fund \$125.00. We are indeed grateful to you for the help you are rendering to Chinese students through this fund and are very glad to note that you hope to continue to increase the fund.

Cordially yours,

(Signed)

E. M. North

Secretary.

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July 21, 1927

Mr. Bliss M. Wiant
Yenching University
Tsing Hua Yuan
Peking West, China

My dear Mr. Wiant:

In cleaning up old correspondence I note a query in yours of March 16th, concerning the Burt Friant Loan Fund. It does not in any manner, shape or form belong in the current section but in the permanent section, and you will find an explicit statement concerning its subject in my letters of February 8th and 16th, 1927. to you and Dr. Stuart.

In reviewing items in connection with the closing out of 1926-1927 accounts, we note your drafts 758 and 758, totaling \$1510.00 for Mr. Nash's travel. You refer to this eventually as a 1928 item. From our point of view, it is a 1926-1927 item because it is to be included in the amount which the special gifts were to cover. As I have already written you, they have not covered it as yet and we will have to include this in your 1926-1927 deficit which we have to consider.

Faithfully yours,

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Secretary

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February 1928

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The five payments of \$25 each have been made by Mr. Friant constituting his original plan. He expresses, however, a hope of increasing the fund, as you will note from his letter dated Mar. 3, 1926.

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Dr. J. Leighton Stuart,
President of Yenching University,
C/o China Union Universities Office,
150, Fifth Avenue,
New York, U.S.A.

14th
March,
1930.

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Dear Dr. Stuart,

Our China Committee and Council have had before them the case of Miss LUCY M. BURTT, a Young Friend, an exceptionally well-qualified University graduate, with very varied teaching and other experience among Students, who has been offered a post in Yenching University, as you are doubtless aware. At the request of the Dean of the Women's College Miss Burtt has sent full particulars, including copies of testimonials, to Mrs. Lucius O. Lee, the Secretary of the College Committee, at Boston, Mass.

The position, as we understand it, is that if our Council will provide the Outfit and Passage money to China for Miss Burtt, and her maintenance for a short period, the Yenching University will take her on to its own Budget (including her return passage), but the exact date for effecting the transfer to your Budget has not been mentioned. It is understood that the appointment is for three years.

Our Council, last week, was greatly impressed with the depth and reality of Miss Burtt's concern for this work amongst Students in China and warmly encouraged her to accept the post, subject to your University agreeing to take her on to your own Budget in due course. We very much hope that you will see your way to do this as from 1st January 1931. If you agree to this suggestion, you can rely upon our Council sending her out in the Autumn of this year (1930) and providing her salary up to 31st December 1930.

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Dr. J.L. Stuart,
President of Yenching University,

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As Miss Burttt's engagement with the Student Movement does not expire till 31st July next and she will need time for packing and a holiday after that, she will not be ready to leave England until the latter part of September. It is felt that as many of her colleagues will be Americans it may be useful for her to go out via the U.S.A., so as to make the acquaintance of some of those specially responsible for the work of the University.

When replying we should be much obliged if you would kindly let us have a copy of your scale of salaries as no list seems to be available in London.

Looking forward with much satisfaction to co-operation in your great work at Yenching,

I am,
Sincerely yours,

Herbert H. Catford

HERBERT H. CATFORD,
Assistant Secretary.

P.S. I am sending a copy of this letter to the Dean of the Women's College at Yenching, so that she may be kept informed as to the present position of the matter.

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*Friends Service
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YENCHING

March 31, 1930

Re: HHC/GME-3/14/30

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My dear Mr. Catford:

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I have your letter and am very much interested in the opportunity to have Miss Burtt come to us. The committee in charge of our Women's College is doubtless already in correspondence with you regarding the customary procedure in the appointment of new members of our faculty and the financial arrangements. We have understood, however, as they came to us from China, that the Friends Service Council would undertake the salary of Miss Burtt for the first academic year, or in other words through June 30, 1931. In the discussions on the subject it was also determined to request the Council to appoint Miss Burtt as its representative for the full period of her first term in China, not merely or even mainly because of the financial relief to us, but because we would very heartily welcome the fellowship with the religious body represented.

Personally, I feel very strongly that it would add much to the spiritual value of our University if the Friends were actively connected with us. It would be a further evidence of the cooperative spirit among the different Christian forces working in China. I venture to hope that it would also not be without interest and encouragement to British Friends to be associated with those of us who are attempting to build up a Christian, but non-sectarian university in the city which has always been, and doubtless will continue to be, even more the cultural and educational than the political capital of China.

From all that we have thus far learned regarding Miss Burtt, we desire to have her and prefer her to other candidates who have been under consideration, without regard to the financial assistance you have offered or the prospects of association with the Friends, but we should be very happy if this might be the occasion for a permanent relationship and if considered favorably we shall do our utmost to make this an arrangement of mutual benefit.

Very sincerely yours,

s/ J. Leighton Stuart

President

Mr. Herbert H. Catford
Eusten Road, London N.W.1

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EUSTON ROAD,
LONDON, N.W.1

April 3, 1930

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Dear Dr. Stuart,

I reached San Francisco yesterday & have copies of recent letters from our office about Lucy Burtt. I wish I could meet you but it will probably be impossible. Garside will know if a meeting of the Executive or a few members of our West China Board has been called for Fri. afternoon April 11th. Sometimes that aft. or evening would be my only chance, I sail on the 'Bremer' & go on board the night of the 11th.

If you see any chance of a meeting would you send a line to the Secretary, American Friends Service Committee, 20 S. 12th St., Philadelphia, Pa.? He is making plans for me for my last couple of days. Otherwise just ignore this letter.

It was a great privilege & joy to see Yenching; what a beautiful house yours is! If you had been there it would have been just complete.

Please pardon a hasty note - it brings warm good wishes

Sincerely yours

H. T. Silcock

April 26, 1930

Henry T. Silcock, M.A.
Friends House
Euston Road
London, N.W.1., England

My dear Mr. Silcock:

Mr. Garside has told us of his brief interview with you as you passed through America on your way to England from China. Those of us who are especially interested in Yenching University would have been very glad had you been able to spend more time in America.

I write today to tell you that on recommendation of the Committee of Yenching Woman's College the Trustees of Yenching University on April 23d voted approval of Miss Lucy M. Burt's papers and of her engagement for a term of three years as teacher in the History Department of the University. Our understanding is that the Friends Service Council will provide Miss Burt's out-going travel and her support for a somewhat indefinite period after her arrival. We further understand that your Board has approved of her making the journey to China by way of the United States that she may meet as many as possible of the Trustees and members of the Woman's College Committee, and that she may see something of the educational institutions in this country. We will be glad to welcome Miss Burt and to do anything we can to make her time in this country both pleasant and profitable.

Our Woman's College Committee, at its recent meeting, instructed me as Secretary to express to the Friends Service Council its deep appreciation of the cooperation of the Council in supporting Miss Burt and its hope that the relationship of the Friends Service Council to Yenching may become permanent. We recognize the financial limitations under which any Board finds itself and we would not be unduly importunate. At the same time we believe that it would mean something to your Board to have a permanent share in Yenching and that the Society of Friends in England could and would make a very real contribution to the life of the University.

With every good wish for your work, I am
Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Lucius O. Lee)
Secretary

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Dr, J. Leighton Stuart,
150, Fifth Avenue,
New York City,
New York, U.S.A.

TRANSFER

8th
May,
1930.

My dear Dr. Leighton Stuart,

Your letter of 31st March reached us on 3rd May after its third journey across the Atlantic! I had been puzzled at hearing nothing from you, especially as I learned from Mr. Silcock (who returned to the Office on 22nd ult., after his extended journey through India and China) that, when he was in New York, Mr. Garside had shown him a copy of a letter from you to me. If the address had included the words "Friends House" or "Friends Service Council" the letter would no doubt have got through.

With regard to your letter, which I am very glad to have, our Council is so anxious to forward Miss Lucy Burtt's concern for service at Yenching University that I can say at once that I am sure that they will agree to be responsible for her salary for six months longer than the date suggested in my previous letter, which was 31st December 1930. We, therefore, accept your suggestion that we should undertake responsibility for her salary to 30th June 1931.

Miss Burtt is, I understand, in direct communication with Mrs. Lee as to the date when she should look to coming to the United States, on her way to Yenching.

We assume that, as it is clearly to the advantage of the University that Miss Burtt should make herself familiar with American Educational Methods and Institutions before she goes to Yenching, the whole of the additional expenses involved by her visit to the United States (such as travelling and hotel expenses in the States) will be borne by your Funds. Our Council regards its financial responsibility

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Dr. J. Leighton Stuart.

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for Miss Burtt as limited to the following three items:-

1. Outfit £50.
2. Cost of direct journey from London to Peiping via U.S.A.
3. Salary from 1st September 1930 to 30th June 1931 at £150 per annum (which we understand is your usual rate for a Single Woman Lecturer).

We shall be much obliged if you will kindly confirm the above.

I have shown your letter to Mr. Silcock and he appreciates your further suggestion, namely, that the Friends Service Council should appoint Miss Lucy Burtt as its representative at Yenching "for the full period of her first term in China." It is perhaps only fair to say that if this implies that our Council should undertake her financial support during such period, I fear that there is no prospect of this. Our commitments are already seriously beyond our normal means. If she can be our representative without implying financial support beyond the period ending 30th June 1931, the Council will no doubt greatly appreciate the opportunity of Friends being represented on the Staff of the University. Perhaps you will kindly let us know whether such an arrangement would be possible.

In closing, I may say that we consider that you are very fortunate in securing Miss Burtt as a member of your staff. She is one of the very finest of the young people in the Society of Friends on this side of the water. She has had unusual experience in lecturing and teaching in her own special subjects, and has the gift of quickly finding points of contact with students and of leading them on to the consideration of the deepest things in our Christian Faith, whilst she combines in her own character some of the finest Christian graces.

Very sincerely yours,

Herbert H. Catford

HERBERT H. CATFORD,
Assistant Secretary.

P.S. I am sending a copy of this letter to Mrs. M.S. Frame,
the Dean of Yenching Women's College.

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FRIENDS HOUSE,
EUSTON ROAD,
LONDON, N.W.1

9th May 1930.

Mrs. Lucius O. Lee,
14 Beacon Street,
Boston. Mass.

My dear Mrs. Lee,

Thank you very much for your letter of April 26th which I have received this morning.

I am glad to know of the decision of the Trustees of Yenching University, and I am grateful to you for writing so promptly. With regard to the final arrangements I think I can best make the position clear by enclosing a copy of a letter from my colleague, Herbert H. Catford, to Dr. Leighton Stuart. I appreciate your hope that our Council may have permanent relationships with Yenching University. I hope myself that we might be able to do something in this direction, but as you recognise we are under very severe financial limitations.

Sincerely yours,

H. T. Silcock

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May 28, 1930

Mr. H. T. Silcock
Friends Service Council
Friends House
Euston Road
London, N.W.1, England

My dear Mr. Silcock:

Thank you for your letter of May 9th and the enclosure of a copy of Mr. Catford's letter to Dr. Stuart.

Let me assure you that the Yenching College Committee appreciates the cooperation of the Friends Service Council in assuring Miss Burtt's support through June 30, 1931, in addition to her outfit and the cost of her travel. If as time goes on it should seem possible for you to continue Miss Burtt as your representative in Yenching, we would all rejoice. This would make you a cooperating board, and we would hope that eventually you might have a representative on the Board of Trustees and if possible, the Committee for Yenching College for Women.

Very cordially yours,

(Mrs. Lucius O. Lee)

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May 28, 1930

Dear Mr. Catford:

I have just returned after an absence from the office and find your letter of May 8th. We fully appreciate the agreement upon which Miss Burtt comes to us and are prepared to take her on our budget after the period provided for by the Friends Service Council will have expired. On the other hand I cannot avoid passing on to you a problem which has been created for us in the acceptance of Miss Burtt.

Our local people in Peking had been in correspondence with another lady who expected to arrive in the autumn and carry on certain necessary work in the department of history upon arrival. Those of us who are in this country had all agreed that we preferred Miss Burtt and that we might possibly provide for both ladies by transferring the other one at least for part time to another department. Owing to confusion in these negotiations, or to some other cause about which we are at this writing ignorant, she has cabled stating that she is unable to go to China this summer. We are, therefore, left with this work unprovided. It would, therefore, very much ease our problem if Miss Burtt could arrive in time for the beginning of the term. I believe Miss Kendrick is writing her direct on this same subject.

Apart from the financial benefit to us in having Miss Burtt provided on a more or less permanent basis from the Friends Service Council, we had the further and very strong desire to have the Council officially related to us as an integral part of the Yenching University constituency. Much as we have to struggle for money, I think all of us who are interested in her going, were more influenced by this aspect of the matter even than the financial help, although we fully appreciate the limitations which prevent your carrying out our suggestion.

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. Herbert H. Catford
Assistant Sec. Friends Svc. Council
Friends House,
Easton Road
London, N.W. 1

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20th June, 1930.

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart,
President Yenching University,
150, Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK CITY, U.S.A. **TRANSFER**

Dear Dr. Leighton Stuart,

I have delayed replying to your letter of 28th May until after the meeting of our Personal Service Committee which was held this week, at Birmingham.

The Committee gave careful consideration to arrangements for Miss Lucy M. Burt and recognizes that in view of the situation created at Yenching, owing to a prospective worker having fallen through, it would be unreasonable to urge that Miss Burt should spend the extended time in the United States, on her way to Yenching in the Autumn, that we had hoped would have been possible.

There are certain points, however, upon which I feel sure that you and we will be quite in agreement upon:-

- (1) Foremost amongst these is the absolute necessity of Miss Burt having a break of two full months between the completion of her very strenuous work for the Student Christian Movement at the end of July and her departure for China.
- (2) We believe that the University will lose very seriously if Miss Burt cuts out a visit to the United States altogether. The American Friends Service Committee is becoming increasingly interested

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in work in China and the Secretary of the Committee has just returned to Philadelphia after a visit to our European Centres, with the full expectation of arranging for Miss Burttt to visit the principal Quaker Centres and Colleges in the United States. In view of the great need at Yenching our Committee is prepared to cut down Miss Burttt's programme to the following, namely visits to New York, Boston and Philadelphia. They do not feel that it would be wise to curtail her programme more drastically and hope that you will agree that (as we are contributing her support up to 30th June 1931) we are not unreasonable in desiring that she should have the opportunity of getting into touch with a few of the leading members of our Quaker constituency before she leaves for China. In the long run it will, we are sure, be an advantage to the University itself if Friends in Philadelphia get interested in Yenching through her connection with it. As Miss Burttt's offer for Yenching is due in part to the encouragement that she received from Dr. Henry T. Hodgkin, she is anxious to meet him again before actually starting on the work. Her visit to Philadelphia will give her the opportunity of meeting him once more.

With our full concurrence, she suggests the following arrangements for her journey:-

4th October 1930	Leave London
10th " "	Arrive New York (Besides seeing Friends in New York, visit Boston and Philadelphia)
30th October "	Sail from Vancouver
14th November "	Arrive Kobe (Arrive Peiping say about 21st November)

Our China Committee meets here on 1st October and the Council on 2nd October so that these proposals will fit in excellently as far as we are concerned at this end.

As the University will have good notice of the date at which Miss Burttt is expecting to arrive at Yenching I trust that it will be possible to make satisfactory arrangements

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for carrying on the work during the few weeks at the beginning of the term when they will be without her help.

To save delay, I am sending copies of this letter to Mrs. Murray S. Frame and Mrs. Lucius O. Lee.

Much hoping that what is proposed will commend itself to you all.

Very sincerely yours,

Herbert H. Catford

HERBERT H. CATFORD.

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Friends House, Euston Road, London, N.W.1

Temporary Address: c/o OLD JORDANS HOSTEL, Nr. BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.

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9th July, 1942.

Mr. C. A. Evans,
Associated Boards for Christian
Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, U.S.A.

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Dear Mr. Evans,

You will remember that Yenching University (or yourselves, I am not sure which) had undertaken to pay the sum of £60 per annum to Lucy Burt, and that she had arranged through us for this amount to be paid to her Mother here towards her personal support. Since the Japanese occupation, we have not, of course, had any message on this particular matter from Lucy Burt, but we feel a responsibility on her behalf to keep up the payments to her family, as long as they need them. (1) Could you please let us know whether you have had any message about this from Lucy Burt, and whether it is still regarded as a commitment by the University or yourselves. If so, (2) would there be any possibility that it could be remitted to us so as to make good the amounts we are sending to her Mother? We realise, of course, that your Board may not feel called on, under the circumstances, to continue this allowance to Lucy and, if so, it will then be for us to decide how long we can rightly continue the home allowance. We recognise that decision on that point is our responsibility. Also, can you please tell us what was the last amount you remitted to Lucy Burt for this item, and what period it covered, and whether you know whether she had received it? (4)

With kind regards,

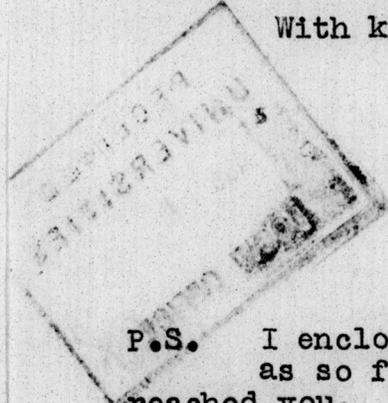
Yours sincerely,

Bernard G. Lawson

BERNARD G. LAWSON,
Assistant Secretary: Finance.

P.S. I enclose second duplicate of my letter to you of April 27, as so far no reply to this has come to hand - I hope it reached you.

Encl.



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October 21, 1942

Mr. Bernard G. Lawson
Friends Service Council
Old Jordans Hostel
Mr. Beaconsfield, Bucks, ENGLAND

Dear Mr. Lawson:

I have before me a letter of July 9th which took a considerable time to reach us. This enclosed a duplicate of your letter of April 27th which was answered on July 31st.

The question you raise regarding Lucy Burt has been given very careful consideration and must be acted upon by our Yenching Board at its earliest opportunity. One reason for not writing sooner has been the hope that we could secure a meeting of the Board and reach some conclusion as to the extent to which the University will go in caring for the salaries of these good people. It would seem that there is a certain amount of responsibility although Miss Burt returned to China without any backing on the part of the University. I have always regretted this arrangement as I felt that the work which she was doing was worthy of full support. If I may be so brash as to breathe out loud, I had hoped that the Friends Service Council would find a way to participate with Yenching to a larger degree. Of course, now we have a war on our hands.

I presume Miss Mary Hoxie Jones sent you a copy of the letter which she received from Miss Burt and which contains the following statement:

"I am drawing \$250.00 a month (local currency. Perhaps about US\$50.00), as life at the College of Chinese Studies is more expensive than in my old College home. Amounts already sent to Yenching should cover my support until November at least."

I am willing to make a suggestion to the Yenching Board that they carry the normal salary for Miss Burt pending some clarification of the issues for those who have been carrying on her support. We find that on November 22, 1941 \$250.00 was deposited in the Yenching bank account here in New York "for Lucy Burt Fund representing contributions raised by Joseph E. Platt." The letter notifying the field to this effect was returned, and there is no way of communicating with occupied China now and the bank account is frozen.

I have been wondering if you have any way of supplying funds for the support of the missionaries from England as apparently is being done at the present time for the Americans in Peking. The Swiss Government is handling this and we have deposits on hand in Washington for the Swiss Government to draw upon. The amount doled out is for simple living expenses. If there is such a course of procedure, we might try to get the University's Trustees to help bear this expense.

I shall be interested in your reaction, and may I say in closing that I will present this item to the next meeting of any committee of Yenching entrusted to deal with it.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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cc: Accounting Office
Via Atlantic City

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Friends House, Euston Road, London, N.W.1

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11th December, 1942.

Mr. C.A. Evans,
Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK, U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Evans,

I acknowledge with many thanks your letter of October 21st received on the 7th instant. We very much appreciate the consideration you are giving to the question of Lucy Burt's support, but I think perhaps there has been a slight misunderstanding on your part, as my enquiry of July 9th related only to an allowance of about £60 per annum which Lucy Burt was receiving from the Yenching authorities over and above the normal maintenance allowance we were paying her, and this £60 she was putting at the disposal of her mother over here through ourselves. We are still quite ready to continue responsibility for such funds, as it may be possible to remit to her through our Foreign Office, (at present £10 per month) as well as continuing a normal sterling allowance here of £40 p.a. but we think her mother's circumstances are such as to make the continuation of £60 p.a. desirable, and as this had previously originated from Yenching itself, we wondered if there was any possibility of it continuing through yourselves or perhaps some part of it. I am sorry if my letter of July 9th was not entirely clear in this respect.

You will see from the above that there is a scheme in existence through the intermediary of our Foreign Office and a neutral power (I believe the Swiss) by which a personal subsistence of up to £10 per month can be forwarded to British nationals in Japanese occupied territory, (this applies similarly to other Axis-occupied territory), though as yet we have no confirmation of such payments having reached those of our workers who are in Japanese territory.

We should be interested to know from what funds you think Lucy Burt is drawing the £2.250 a month (local currency) which she mentioned to you. We do not quite understand how this would work out at U.S. Dollars 50? If she is drawing ~~from her~~ funds for this regular sum, it is just possible that when our £10 per month reaches her she might be able to make some repayment. We are interested to learn of the contributions raised by Joseph Platt in 1941, though sorry to learn that the bank account is now frozen.

If you have not already heard, you will be much interested to know that we have had a longish message from Lucy Burt through our Geneva Centre, saying she is working as Warden of a residential Y.M.C.A. hostel, under the direction of the Japanese, and her "family" includes a most varied assortment of British, American, Chinese, Japanese,

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German and possibly other nationalities. She seems to be entirely satisfied with this remarkable avenue of service in the midst of this war period.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

S/ Bernard G. Lawson

Assistant Secretary - Finance

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January 29, 1943

Mr. Bernard G. Lawson
Friends Service Council
Jordans Hostel
Near Beaconsfield, Bucks, England

Dear Mr. Lawson:

My secretary calls attention to correspondence held with the Yenching budget situation and informs me that this has not been acknowledged. It is not our intention to let matters of this sort slide indefinitely and we hope you will accept this oversight.

Apparently the original and duplicate of this letter came at the time we received a statement from the group at Yenching making recommendations as to the Trustees' responsibility for the staff interned at Peking. The recommendations made by the Advisory Committee included the name of Miss Lucy Burttt for regular salary allowance plus New York payments. We would take this to mean that it was the intention of the Advisory Committee for us to continue any responsibility for Miss Burttt. The Trustees of the University took action setting aside all of the unpaid portion of last year's budget for the expenses and salaries of those in North China. We are, therefore, in a position to render some assistance toward the payments you are making against the account of Miss Burttt. Pending further action of the Trustees of the University, I am taking the matter in hand to the extent of sending you \$120.00 for which check is enclosed.

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Please let me know if this is not the proper way of remitting, at the same time please notify me of your reaction.

I find that your letter of October 16th was not acknowledged, although it did not call for an answer as I find that our Accounting Department sent L227-7-4 to you on December 4th. I trust this reached you without undue delay.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

CAE/B
cc: Accounting Office

Via Atlantic Clipper
s.s. via regular mail

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In your reply please quote

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26th February, 1943.

Mr. C.A. Evans,
Associated Boards for Christian
Colleges in China,
150, Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK, U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Evans,

Many thanks for your letter of January 29th (received in quite good time) and we much appreciate the draft for \$ 120 enclosed. Please find our official receipt herewith and we should be glad if you would express our thanks to the Trustees for helping us to meet the allowance which Lucy Burtt used to make to her mother from her Yenching salary and which we are continuing. When the Trustees have further considered the matter, we should be glad to know whether we may look to them for regular help in this matter.

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The method of remitting is quite satisfactory, though, in view of the risks with mails these days, a mail transfer to our Bankers, Messrs. Barclays Bank, Ltd. Euston Branch, London, N.W.1. (account of Friends Service Council) is a somewhat safer method. In that case we should appreciate a letter from you advising us of each remittance as made.

Whilst I am writing, may I confirm that I wrote to you on January 6th acknowledging the sum of £227.7.4. received through our Bankers in settlement of the items set out in my letter to you of October 16th (re Marjorie Robertson).

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Bernard G. Lawson
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Assistant Secretary - Finance.

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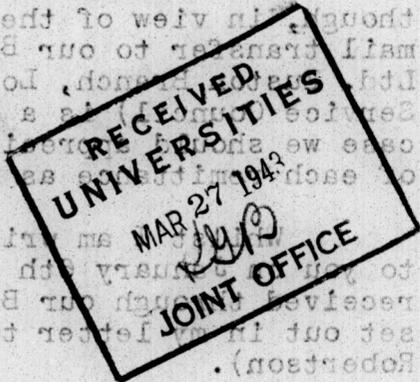
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With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Bernard G. Lawson,
Assistant Secretary - Finance.



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April 6, 1943

Mr. Bernard G. Lawson
Friends Service Council
Old Jordans Hostel
Near Beaconsfield, Bucks, England

Dear Mr. Lawson:

Agreeable to your letter of February 26th which took more than a month in transit, we are sending check to cover the balance of the year for Miss Lucy Burt. This is in accordance with the suggestion in our letter of January 29th and should pay the balance of the current year. This will be done in the method suggested in your letter and we will send you a confirmation of this under separate cover.

There are only bits of news which filter through regarding the people at Peking. Personal letters which are mailed through to Chungking from Peking contain some things regarding personal activities. It seems that there is perfect freedom to transmit mails back and forth between occupied and unoccupied territory. The only way we get information is by way of repetition of the people at Chengtu.

From all accounts Miss Burt is carrying on in the capacity which she first undertook and apparently is well and getting sufficient nourishment.

Yours very sincerely,

C. A. EVANS

CAE/B
cc: Accounting Office

Via Air Mail
c.c. via regular mail

P. S. *This has been sent by mail transfer to Messrs. Barclays Bank Ltd. Euston Branch London N. W. 1 (Account of Friends Service Council).

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24th June 1943

Mr. C. A. Evans,
Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China,
150, Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Evans,

Many thanks for your letter of 6th April, and we have received the sum of £30.5.8. through our Bankers and much appreciate this further remittance from you. Taking into account the amount received on 1st March, this makes a total of just on £60, covering one year of the special grant for Lucy Burtt (which, as you know, we are passing on to her mother over here). Would you please let us know what period is covered by your term "the current year." Is it to the end of this year, or last year, or some period in between? Actually we have been meeting this committment since the fourth quarter of 1941, but I think we did not write to you about it until the middle of last year, and we are quite prepared to fit in with whatever commencing period fits in with your accounts.

Receipt attached to W 10639

We recently received a letter from Lucy Burtt dated 15th December, 1942, and in it she states that her final balance in the hands of the Yenching Treasurer (August 1942) was \$2031.75 F.R.B. She adds "Some day you will presumably reclaim this from the Trustees in New York." Perhaps your Accounts Department would kindly keep a note of this until there is some development as regards your funds in Yenching, though, of course, none of us knows whether we shall ever recover anything on our assets in Japanese occupied territory! Lucy Burtt appears to be receiving satisfactorily the £10 per month which we are sending to her through the Foreign Office here. We are thankful for this, also for the most useful service which has so unexpectedly opened out for ~~Lucy Burtt~~ in the Y.M.C.A. Hostel in Peking.

The cost of living seems to be still rising in West China, and ~~it~~ is still causing us considerable anxiety in the effect it has on our commitments. I see there is a suggestion that some of the members of a Canadian Missionary Society may find it necessary to withdraw into India for the time being. Just at the moment we are all very interested in the offer of the Chinese Government to provide, in effect, a 50% subsidy on all sterling remittances received from this country for the support of foreign mission and other similar educational and philanthropic work. We ourselves have some hesitation as to accepting the offer in case it opens the door to some form of Chinese governmental control, sooner or later, of foreign mission work, but we are awaiting the views of our workers in West China and of Chinese Friends themselves.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Bernard G. Lawson

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Assistant Secretary, Finance.

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S.P. Would you please ask your records department to note that the address of the Friends Service Council is Friends House, Euston Road, London, N.W. 1, and not Jordans Hostel, near Beaconsfield, which we only used temporarily during the vacation period.

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Assistant Secretary, Finance.

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July 16, 1943

Mr. Bernard T. Lawson
Friends Service Council
Friends House, Euston Road
London, N. W. 1
England

Dear Mr. Lawson:

Your letter of June 24th has just arrived referring to the remittance covering certain payments you have made to the account of Lucy Burt. Our books show that the remittances we have sent you amounting to \$240.00, covered our fiscal year from July 1st, 1942 to June 30th, 1943. You state that you have been meeting this commitment since the fourth quarter of 1941. Does this mean that there is still an obligation on our part of the last three months of 1941 and the first six months of 1942? If this is correct we should be very glad to make a remittance thereby putting the entire responsibility upon Yenching University. Adjustments, of course, will have to be made later on when this war is over or when the group from North China is back. I haven't much faith that the amount of money which Miss Burt quotes will be worth anything when it comes to the final settlement.

I am glad to know that she appears to be getting along well and that she is doing some useful work in North China.

I do not think that you need to be alarmed about the acceptance of the fifty percent exchange grant provided by the Chinese Government. There is no thought, so far as we know, in the minds of those who have carried this through that there will be any definite control of the college work. Dr. Wu Yi-fang, who is with us now, has stated quite definitely that there is nothing in the thinking of the Chinese toward this end. I believe our Canadian brothers are accepting this situation and will not remove their Canadian missionaries, or any part of them, to India. The fact is that prices are mounting in India but not with the same rapidity, of course, as in China.

I am always glad to hear from you and if you should happen to see Dr. Decker before he leaves kindly give him my best regards.

Very truly yours,

CAE:EW

C. A. EVANS

Via: Air Mail
cc : Regular Mail

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~~Temporary Address: 10, Old Jordan's Hotel, 10, Old Jordan's Hotel, 10, Old Jordan's Hotel, 10, Old Jordan's Hotel~~

5th August, 1943.

Mr. C. A. Evans,
Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Evans,

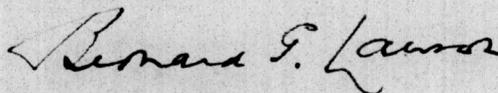
Thank you for yours of 16th July, and I note that you were calculating that the remittances sent to us for Lucy Burt's account covered the 12 months ending June 1943. The position here is that we commenced making the payments of £15 per quarter to Lucy Burt's mother from the last quarter of 1941, so to 30th June 1943, we had paid out £105, against which we had received the equivalent of £59.17.5. from yourselves. We should not like to say that there is an actual "obligation" on your part to make good that balance, as I think we went ahead without consulting you, feeling that it was up to us to stand by Lucy Burt's commitments as she was prevented from doing so directly. If, however, it was possible, and you felt it right to do so, naturally we should welcome reimbursement. Are you able to discover up to what date the Yanching Treasurer had actually paid or credited Lucy Burt with the amount due to her, which she relied on as a means of meeting these commitments?

Dr. Decker has been over here and has met with a certain number of Friends, but I am sorry to say that I myself happened to be away at the time and did not see him.

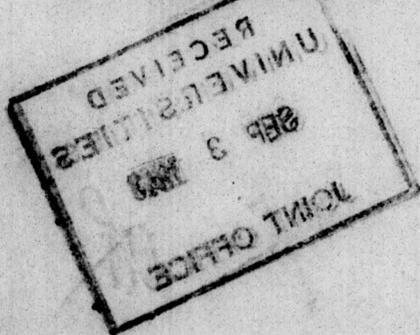
We are glad to know that you are in favour of accepting the 50% exchange subsidy from the Chinese Government, and although we have not yet heard from them definitely on the point, we rather think that our workers in China and Chinese Friends are taking that view also.

Our Yearly Meeting is starting in Friends House today, so you will understand we are pretty busy, but looking forward to a good and useful time.

Yours sincerely,



BERNARD G. LAWSON
Assistant Secretary, Finance.



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150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Evans,

Thank you for yours of 16th July, and I note that you were calculating that the remittances sent to us for Lucy Bartlett's account covered the 12 months ending June 1943. The position here is that we commenced making the payments of £15 per quarter to Lucy Bartlett's mother from the last quarter of 1941, so to 30th June 1943, we had paid out £105, against which we had received the equivalent of £59.17.5. from yourselves. We should not like to say that there is an actual obligation on your part to make good that balance, as I think we went ahead without consulting you, feeling that it was up to us to stand by Lucy Bartlett's commitments as she was prevented from doing so directly. If, however, it was possible, and you felt it right to do so, naturally we should welcome reimbursement. Are you able to discover up to what date the Yanching Treasurer had actually paid or credited Lucy Bartlett with the amount due to her, which she relied on as a means of meeting these commitments?

Dr. Decker has been over here and has met with a certain number of Friends, but I am sorry to say that I myself happened to be away at the time and did not see him.

We are glad to know that you are in favour of accepting the 50% exchange subsidy from the Chinese Government, and although we have not yet heard from them definitely on the point, we rather think that our workers in China and Chinese Friends are taking that view also.

Our Yearly Meeting is starting in Friends House today, so you will understand we are pretty busy, but looking forward to a good and useful time.

Yours sincerely,

Bernard G. Lawson

BERNARD G. LAWSON
Assistant Secretary, Finance.



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10th May, 1944

Mr. C.A. Evans,
Associated Boards for
Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y., U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Evans,

This is just to acknowledge with many thanks your letter of April 19, and to say that the £30 further contribution from you, towards monies we are paying to Lucy Burt's mother, has just reached us through the bank. I enclose receipt with many thanks.

Yours sincerely,

Bernard G. Lawson

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October 31, 1944

Friends Service Council
Friends House
Barton Road
London, N. W. 1

Dear Sirs:

We are sending to Barclays Bank in New York \$131.30 today with the request that they forward to you £50 through the Barton Branch of their bank. This remittance is for Miss Lucy Burt's mother for the period July 1, to December 31, 1944. We will appreciate your sending this money to Mrs. Burt. X

Very truly yours,

G. A. Evans

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Mr. C.A. Evans,
Associated Boards for
Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, U.S.A.

6th December, 1944

Dear Mr. Evans,

Many thanks for your letter of October 31 which arrived on 4th December, and yesterday the £30 reached us through our Bank. We are much obliged for this remittance, which clears our payments to Lucy Burt's mother up to the end of this year. We have not had any news recently of or from Lucy herself.

With kind regards and best Christmas wishes, if this reaches you in time.

Yours sincerely,

Bernard G. Lawson

B. G. LAWSON.
Assistant Secretary, Finance.

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27th April, 1945.

Earle H. Ballou,
Yenching University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York 11, N.Y.

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Dear Friend,

I think you may not have heard that Robert J. Davidson died in Los Angeles in May 1942.

Your circular letter of March 20th last addressed to him has reached this office, and we are greatly interested to hear such reassuring and recent news of Dr. Stuart. I well remember meeting him when on an all too brief visit to Yenching in pre-war days, and I can imagine what a relief this news will be to you and to all friends of Yenching.

Yours sincerely,

Norah Ackerley.

NORAH ACKERLEY,

Assistant Secretary: China Committee.

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C.A. Evans Esq.,
Associated Boards for
Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, U.S.A.

17th May, 1945

Dear Mr. Evans,

We have just received through our bankers ^athe remittance of £30, being the half yearly contribution towards the allowance we are paying to Lucy Burtt's mother. We are much obliged for this sum and enclose our official receipt.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

B. G. Lawson

B. G. LAWSON.
Assistant Secretary, Finance.

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