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S. D. GAMBLE
4 WESTMORELAND PLACE
PASADENA, CAL.

March 4th, 1920

Dear Rex:-

The enclosed is just one of the brainless wonders that I understand that you have undertaken to educate in Peking. I am glad to hear that you have been able to accept the appointment as Secretary of the Peking University though I know it will be a hard blow to Hangchow to have to lose you.

Mr. Vincent has been here and Moore Gordon is in town now so we are keeping in touch with the University doings a bit and of course always get the latest from No. 3 Westmoreland.

One of the secretaries of the Presbyterian Board called on his way to New York from China. He dropped a remark that may interest you. He said that he was very much afraid that as Luce and Wheeler had raised money for Presbyterian projects in the past that they would be very apt to raise a large proportion of the money for Peking University from Presbyterian sources and that he did not look with favor on such a move as the Presbyterians had such a small representation in the Peking University. Just an interesting bit you may want to bear in mind.

S. D. GAMBLE
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PASADENA, CAL.

From latest reports you seem to be very busy working up the University project and I understand that you have the Trustees going around with their tongues hanging out you are working them so hard. I think I will have to come down to New York next month and see that you are not overworking. I plan to go to the Connecticut Valley Conference at Northampton for April 14th. After that will hope to stop in for a visit in Boston and New York and will certainly plan to see a little of your family while there.

We, the entire Gamble family, greatly enjoyed having dinner with the Farleys the other evening even though it was one of those nights when California was getting its winter rain.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

Sidney D.

Best to Connie and Reggie

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March 20, 1920

Dear Sidney:

Your letter of March 4th was gladly received and I thank you for the snapshot of the "Brainless Wonder", in Peking.

I noted what you said in regard to one of the Presbyterian secretaries being apprehensive as to any money we might raise from Presbyterian sources for the University. I took up this matter with Dr. Speer and he said the Board was committed to the University project and that there was no question about it being ready to shoulder its full responsibility for the institution. The trustees have drawn up a building scheme for the next five years which will require about \$2,000,000 to meet, if the present rate of exchange holds. This has been divided pro rata among the four boards which are backing the university, the British London Missionary Society being assigned one-seventh (1/7th), and the three American Board two-sevenths (2/7ths) of the total. In the New Era Drive we are down for a total of \$300,000 for this year as approved by our board, \$50,000 to be secured from direct denominational sources and \$250,000 as a supplementary assessment approved by our board in the Inter-Church Drive. So you can see there is plenty of room for any efforts Mr. Luce and I may make along this line.

You might show this letter to your father to clear up the matter.

I wrote your father some time ago asking him if he would like to help a Chinese student now studying in Columbia University. He is a graduate of Hangchow College and spent a year in France with the Motor Corps. His name is Paul Lu; he is a fine Christian boy and is willing to do anything he can to help meet his own expenses. At present he is cooking and waiting on table in a private family. \$300 will pull him through the year and if he does not get it it may mean he will have to give up his work here without getting his degree and go to some less expensive college. He is in line for a Bachelors Degree this spring. I am paying him a certain sum of money every month for some secretarial work he is doing for me, but this is not enough to cover his expenses and I thought your father would be glad to give him a lift if he knew the facts.

I shall look forward to seeing you in the East in April. With best wishes, I am

As ever yours,

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November 20, 1920

Mr. Sidney D. Gamble,
4 Westmoreland Place,
Pasadena, California.

Dear Sidney:

I have the honor of transmitting to you the formal action of our Trustees at their last meeting on November 8th, which was as follows:

"Voted, that Mr. Sidney D. Gamble be invited to join the Faculty in the Department of Sociology, his appointment to be confirmed as soon as means are supplied for his support."

I do not know how this action will coincide with your own plans, but in any case, we thought it wise to put it before you, and give you time to make your own decision concerning it. This action was taken originally by the Board of Managers in Peking, and has been heartily endorsed here by our Trustees.

As you know, Mr. Burgess is on his way home now, and seems keen about the work opening up in the Department of Sociology. The understanding has been, I believe, that there should be an additional man working in that department who has the practical viewpoint and close relations with the Y.M.C.A.; and it seems that you are logically the man for the place.

I expect now to arrive in Pasadena a few days before Christmas, and I will hope to see you then and talk over this whole question. Connie and the baby are starting in time to arrive about December 1st, but I cannot get away just now to go out with them. I shall expect to be in Pasadena for some weeks after Christmas, but may have to pull away later in the winter.

Please give my best wishes to your father and mother and to Miss Huggins.

Sincerely yours,

WRW

S. D. GAMBLE
4 WESTMORELAND PLACE
PASADENA, CAL.

November 29-1920.

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Mr. W. R. Wheeler,
Peking University,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Rex:-

Elect

I certainly thank you for the notice of the formal action of the Board of Trustees on November 8th. I feel greatly flattered that the University wants me in its Department of Sociology, but inasmuch as I see that my appointment is not to be confirmed until means are supplied for my support, I presume there is no need for an immediate answer to this invitation. As you have probably heard more than once my plans are unmade for the future.

We have enjoyed seeing something of Pete and Jimmie who were here for Thanksgiving, and will be looking forward to seeing Connie before long, and when your smiling countenance appears will expect to take it out and rub it in the dust of the tennis court, walk the smile off over the mountains or most anything to make you forget the trials and tribulations of a University Secretary.

Booker

Booker was in yesterday, bringing with him five Chinese boys, four sons and one grandson of Yuan Shih Kai. He takes them to San Diego for about two weeks so that he may have a chance to visit his lady love, and then will bring them East and attempt to locate them in homes that will care for them and put them in school. I believe he has asked Doctor Speer if he knows of any homes that will be open to such boys. If you know of any lines that might give information on the location of such homes, I know he would greatly appreciate it if you would tell him about them. I think it will be something of a problem to locate these boys, particularly as so much depends upon getting them in the right kind of homes. They are boys from nine to thirteen years old.

Burgess

Stew Burgess comes in to-day and will be here for about two weeks, and then goes East for a visit with his family and some four months intensive work in social programs and sociological instruction. I am naturally anxious to hear from him what has happened in Peking this last year.

I hope that Connie will have a safe trip coming out and that you will not hesitate long before you follow her.

With kindest regards, I am,

Very sincerely,

Sidney D. Gamble

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January 14, 1921

Mr. Sidney D. Gamble,
4 Westmoreland Place,
Pasadena, California.

Dear Sidney:

You have already received the actions of the Board of Managers and the Board of Trustees asking you to link up with the great work which we believe is opening up before us at Peking University. You went out to China and gradually found the place where you could do large service at Peking, and it would seem to us all that it would be the most fitting thing in the world for you to continue that work in the way suggested. Not only because of both the need and the opportunity am I eager that you should go, but it would be a great pleasure personally to think of your uniting with us in this fine and glorious task. It would grieve me indeed if we should not be able to carry out the plan because of financial reasons. I can only hope and pray that the way will open to carry out this great work which I know is near your heart also.

At the present time Peking is not widely known, but with our new pamphlet we are able to present in some adequate way its place and opportunity. From now on, with such a 100% proposition, it ought not to be difficult to interest a large number of friends.

With warm greetings to your father and mother and to Miss Huggins, believe me

Ever affectionately yours,

HWL:M

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S. S. Gamb

April 29, 1921

Mr. D. B. Gamble,
4 Westmoreland Place,
Pasadena, California.

Dear Mr. Gamble:

I have been wanting to write to you about a matter that is much on my mind and heart.

You of course have learned about the plans and opportunities that are arising in such a wonderful way before Peking University. Dr. Goucher has just returned from Peking where he was present at the time of the buying of the new site. He feels that the site is a wonderful one, and is glad that we were unable to obtain other sites which were under consideration. We are just now receiving pictures of it; it is an old Manchu prince's estate, full of trees, naturally adapted to beautiful landscape treatment; it rises fifty feet from the road on which it fronts, facing the Eastern Hills, the most beautiful sky-line in Peking. The Methodist Board is purchasing the land owned by the University in the city, which will enable us to start building the first unit on January 1st, though we do not have funds in sight as yet for sufficient buildings to house the University. Still, it seemed the only thing to do, in view of the fact that thirty of our colleagues are living and working in temporary quarters.

The thing that I have particularly in mind now, and which you will want to talk over more fully with Sidney, is the relation of Princeton University to Peking University. As long ago as 1905 I said to my friend Bob Gailey that I believed Princeton ought to be more closely related to a university on the foreign field. At that time I could not have anticipated the very wonderful growth of this idea which has been taking place in the last two or three years; a large number of universities are now planning to become affiliated with universities on the foreign field. It is the most natural thing in the world for a university to project itself into a university on the foreign field, and I know of no spot on the earth where it would tell more vitally than at the great radiating center of Peking.

The Princeton Promotion Committee has the matter under consideration, and I think the majority favor going ahead. It has become increasingly clear to me that if we could only go to the Committee with the support of a man or a building to be known as "Princeton Hall" it would probably mean an immediate decision for Princeton to take up this work. All we desire now is to get it started; and then in so far and as fast as strength was developed, Princeton might look forward to developing the Department of Sociology of Peking University into a School of Social Science. That is what Mr. Burgess thinks, and he and I find ourselves in absolute harmony on the whole situation.

What I should like to see very much would be Sidney as the direct representative of Princeton University at Peking University, going out, of course, under the Princeton Committee.

I do not know whether you will feel like going into the matter carefully and taking a definite part in it or not, though I am sure that you will be deeply interested in it. If I were not already almost overwhelmed with direct responsibility both for budget and building, and if the matter of Princeton cooperation had advanced far enough so that I could appeal to some Princeton graduates, I would not hesitate a moment about going out and endeavoring to secure a salary and expenses for Sidney. This is the problem as it lies in my mind, and I am simply sharing it with you. If I were a Princeton man, or especially interested in Princeton, I would like nothing better than to be the one who would take the initial step in enabling her to open up relations with Peking University, which I think in fifteen or twenty years will be seen to be one of the finest things ever done for Princeton.

We are looking forward with great interest to the publication of Sidney's book. I know you will take real pleasure in it, and that you will be happy now to have him back in Pasadena for a little time with you.

I thought I should just like to write you to let you know about this Princeton matter and to give you my point of view, preparatory to your talking it over with Sidney when he comes.

We are gathering together now a lot of the fine material constantly coming from Peking, and will print it in the first edition of the "Peking News", a copy of which will be sent to you.

You will be interested to know that Leighton Stuart, together with Dr. Bowman and Dr. Hawks-Pott have been decorated by the Chinese Government for services in education.

With warm greetings to Mrs. Gamble and yourself, believe me

Very sincerely yours,

HWL.W

S. D. GAMBLE
4 WESTMORELAND PLACE
PASADENA, CAL.

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June 11-1921.

Dr. H. W. Luce,
156-Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Doctor Luce:-

I believe I have never given you an official reply to your letter sent me in April, relative to my appointment by the Peking University. After your talk with Mr. Burgess following your talk with me, I believe you will understand how any possible relation I may have in the future with Peking University will be handled. If I go to China at all for work in Peking, I will go as a member of the Princeton University Center and will probably be allocated by them for certain work in the University, and my appointment will go thru the International Committee of the Y.M.C.A. rather than thru one of the church boards, as would be if I accepted the appointment from the Trustees of Peking University.

Yours sincerely,

S. D. Gamble

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Bankers Trust Company

Columbus, Ohio. January 22nd, 1923.

Mr. Sidney Gamble,
 4 Westmoreland Place,
 Pasadena, California.

My dear Mr. Gamble:

You will note, when you look over the enclosed sheet, that three very notable colleges have been united into one institution. Pending the securing of funds and the erection of the buildings on the beautiful site northwest of the city, the University has been housed in some little temporary Chinese buildings which happened to be on a bit of land in the southeast corner of the City.

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My colleague, President Stuart has just arrived from China, bringing the latest word that, in spite of raised standards so that only one student out of five has been accepted, scores of potential leaders are being turned away. Store-rooms have emptied for dormitory purposes, recitation rooms are used for dormitory space at night; the Assembly Room cannot contain the students unless many stand, while most of the faculty are asked to stay away from Chapel! And this is the only Christian University at the political, literary and student center of a quarter of the human race.

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Four hundred thousand dollars have been given, enabling us to buy the site and to begin the erection of five of the buildings. Six hundred and twenty thousand dollars are needed to complete sufficient buildings to enable the University to leave its cramped and almost intolerable quarters and move out on the new site.

In view of these facts - and many similar ones which could be added - I am writing to ask that you consider (as not a few are doing already) whether you could not definitely plan to cooperate with us financially to the fullest extent of your power during the next twelve months, that we may in some degree meet this unparalleled need and opportunity now facing us at Peking.

Very earnestly yours,

H. W. Luce
 Vice-President

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Gamble

PEKING UNIVERSITY

February 4, 1927.

MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION WITH MR. SIDNEY D. GAMBLE, 2/1/27.

Mr. Gamble informed the undersigned as to the status of his pledges to Peking University:

1926	Mr. Gamble pledged for Roads.	\$3,000.00
	6/9 paid \$1000.	
	8/5 " 1000.	
	11/3 " 1000.-	
	Pledged for Agricultural Dept.	2,000.00
	10/5 paid \$1000.	
	11/3 " 1000.	
	Mrs. Gamble pledged for Roads	
	12/31 paid in full.	500.00

1927 Mr. Gamble stated that his pledges stand as follows:

For Roads.	3000.00
For Agricultural Dept.	2000.00

and that Mrs. Gamble will pay \$500. for roads in 1927.

1928 He stated that his pledges for 1928 were \$1000.00 for Agriculture.

The pledges of these three years total \$6,000.00 from him and \$1,000.00 from Mrs. Gamble for roads: and \$5,000.00 from him for the Department of Agriculture.

The gift of 100 shares of Rand-Kardex stock which has been sold but not yet reported by the broker will provide more than enough cash to pay in full Mr. Gamble's pledges for Roads and for Agriculture for 1927. He instructs that the balance be held for use later on instructions which he will give after conference with President Stuart.

E. M. NORTH.

C O P Y

February 4, 1927

Mrs. Sidney D. Gamble
37 Bluff Street
Hamilton, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Gamble:

It was not until Mr. Gamble informed me day before yesterday that I knew that the amount of \$500 for roads, receipt of which was reported to us by the Treasurer in Peking, was your own gift. I want, on behalf of the Trustees to express directly to you our appreciation of this gift which will, we trust, go far toward making the path plain before the students of Yenching! We have sent receipt for this under Mr. Gamble's name to Cincinnati and trust that this will not embarrass the matter, but if you should prefer receipt to be made in some other way please advise us.

Cordially yours,

Secretary
Peking University

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NOTE: See memorandum of conversation with
Mr. Sidney Gamble 2/1/27, memo dated
Feb. 4, 1927.

S. D. GAMBLE
V. M. C. A.
PEKING

You have probably seen this.
Wm Murray

August 2nd, 1927

Dear Mr. Murray:

TRANSFER

For sometime I have had but little opportunity to get anything more than general newspaper information on conditions in China, and developments have been far from clear. Of course there have been plenty of rumors. Several times we have been sure that the Southerners would capture the city within a few days, and have hurriedly shipped some of our most valued possessions, but we are still calm and quiet. Present indications are that we will continue to be so for a long time to come. The Southern forces seem to have lost their drive, for the present, and the war has entered the political phase. None of the three big military groups, Peking, Nanking and Hankow are strong enough to dominate the situation, and all are attempting to work out alliances with other groups and forces. General Feng Yu Hsiang and Governor Yen of Shansi are not definitely allied with any of the big groups, but are very influential as they occupy a strategic geographical position and all three groups are bidding for their support.

Our newspapers are under close censorship so give but little news concerning events in Central and South China, just enough to let us know that interesting and significant policies are being worked out. I have been fortunate enough to get first hand reports from friends who have just returned from Shanghai and Nanking. The information they have given me is so interesting that I want to pass it on to you.

When Chiang Kai-shih was in Canton he was working with a Central Executive Committee which included men of all kinds of political affiliation, Right and Left Wing Kuomintang members and avowed Communists (C.P.s). The Left Wing members and the communists gradually gained the upper hand, and with the help of Chiang Kai-shih expelled many of the White, or Right Wing members, who thereupon left Canton and formed a Central Executive Committee that claimed to be the Executive Committee of the real Kuomintang. The Canton Executive Committee, made up of communists, and a mixed group whose definite political affiliations were not always clear, moved to Hankow when the Nationalists were successful in their Northern expedition last summer. Chiang Kai-shih worked with it until just before the Nanking incident. His turning against the communists seems to have been one of the causes of the Nanking trouble.

When Chiang broke with the Hankow group, he would logically have turned to the Right Wing Executive Committee to help him in establishing a new government, but as he had been instrumental in expelling them from the Committee in Canton, he could not very well ask them to join him. The only other available group was the so-called Peking University group. It consists of men who have been prominent in the affairs of the

Government University in Peking, and includes Chancellor Tsai Yuan Pei, Chang Mo Lin, Li Shih Ching, and others. In educational circles this group is known to be quite radical and a good many people have felt that they have been more interested in their radical theories than in maintaining a university with high scholastic standards.

The political situation was such that this group could demand and get the majority control of all the Committees in the Nanking government except the committee on Military Affairs. The minority is made up of men that Chiang has drawn from the Hankow group and from the Right Wing Executive Committee. With power in their hands the Peking University group has naturally proceeded to put its members into office and to attempt to put their theories into effect. Dr. Tsai and many others of the group are Chekiang men, and have been especially powerful and active in that Province. For a time Dr. Tsai was head of the Chekiang Provincial Government, but about the time of the Nanking incident was driven out by the more radical communist group. Now that the communists have been suppressed, the Peking group seems to have regained control.

Although the Nanking Executive Committee has the power and control, the Right Wing Executive Committee has maintained its organization in Shanghai and has been carrying on a steady struggle with the Nanking Committee. Chiang seems to be gradually getting rid of the more radical members of the Nanking Executive Committee and to be approaching a working understanding with the Right Wing Committee. At least that committee keeps a close watch on the Nanking Committee and reports to Chiang any communistic connections of the members of the Nanking group.

I am told that in Nanking and Shanghai any man who is found to be definitely connected with the communists is pretty sure to face the firing squad. Over 100 men were shot during the ten days that one of my friends was in Shanghai and Nanking, a very different attitude from the days in Canton when Right and Left Wing Kuomintang members and communists sat together on the Central Executive Committee. In Nanking they have three degrees of Red, the straight out and out Reds, a group that is called P'ing, those whose political affiliations are not quite clear, and third, those who are Red covered with white paper, - Red at heart but white for expediency's sake. Chiang is not only gradually attempting to eliminate the more radical members of the Nanking Executive Committee, but is trying to replace some of the Peking University group by members of the Right Wing Committee, and so again join forces with those whom he expelled from the Executive Committee in Canton. Some ten men are members of both Nanking and Right Wing Committees. It is said that Chiang's shifting from one group to another may very well cost him dearly in the struggles that lie ahead, but for the present it makes it seem evident that the conservative group are gaining in power in the South. Certainly the communists and radicals have been very roughly handled during the past weeks.

The policy of the Peking University group of putting their graduates into office is not going unopposed. They sent to Canton as concurrent Commissioner of Civil Authority, Provincial Commissioner of Education, and President of the Kwangtung Provincial University, a Chekiang man, graduate of the Peking University, who is not yet thirty years old. The Cantonese do not want him, partly because he is a Chekiang man, and partly because of his radical ideas. They insist that if he is not withdrawn they will take steps to cut off the financial assistance Canton is giving to Nanking from Canton. At the present time this is said to amount to about \$80,000,000 silver a year.

One explanation given for Chiang's recent military difficulties, the loss of Hsuehchow, etc., is that the soldiers have been turned against the Peking University group by the propaganda of the Right Wing Executive Committee.

The Peking University group has been particularly active in reforming the educational program and policy. They have attempted, and are still trying, to dismiss the principals of all the middle schools and replace them with graduates of Peking University. They have forced the "reorganization" of many private schools, and have laid down very stringent regulations for missions schools, - all executive officers must be Chinese, the Board of Managers must be 100 per cent Chinese. One of the regulations says that if mission schools are registered, 10 per cent of their budget shall go for the support of a government representative and his department. I haven't been able to find out just what his duties are to be. So far they have not been able to enforce this 10 per cent regulation. In a few cases they have confiscated mission property. South-Eastern University, the government university in Nanking, has been completely broken up. Under the leadership of Dr. P. W. Kuo it had been doing good work and had maintained high scholastic standards. For this and political reasons it had incurred the jealousy of the Peking University group. Sometime ago they secured the dismissal of Dr. Kuo and now have acquiesced in the break up of the University. The buildings have been occupied by the military, one or more buildings have been burned, soldiers have raided the laboratories and museums, and microscopes have been sold for \$5.00 a piece. When complaints have been made to the Educational Administrative Committee, they have done nothing to stop the destruction.

The buildings of Nanking University are at present partly occupied by the military. General Chiang has issued orders that they should evacuate the buildings, but he finds it difficult to enforce the order as living quarters are very limited. I understand the Chinese faculty hopes to be able to open the University in the fall. Only four of the foreign staff are still in China.

The Educational Administrative Committee of the Nanking government consists of four men belonging to the Peking University group and three men from the Cantonese group. One of the latter is Chung Yung Kwong who is the president of Ling Nan University, the successor of the Canton Christian College. As the head of a

private university, he has naturally been against the policy of "reorganization" and has been leading the fight in behalf of the private institutions. Being in the minority, he has found it difficult to get the Educational Committee to change its policy, but recently has persuaded the Committee to pass a Private Educational Institutions bill which provides that no private school shall be confiscated or reorganized without special permission from the Educational Administrative Committee. The committee has put Dr. Chung in charge of matters concerning private institutions so it seems that the outlook for private schools is better than it was in the past. Ling Nan has registered with the Nanking government but has refused to accept the regulation requiring that 10 per cent of the school budget go to a government representative. So far, with Dr. Chung on the Educational Committee, they have been able to resist successfully. Canton Christian College closed early on account of labor troubles, but it looks now as though Ling Nan University would be able to open this fall. We all hope this is true for the outlook for education in China is rather hopeless if the private and mission schools are not allowed to continue their work.

The Kwangtung Provincial University has a budget of \$1,000,000 a year but apparently a good deal of this is being used for political purposes. One third of the professors are not in Canton, but are engaged in political work elsewhere. One man spent six months in Shanghai as the professor designated to buy books. About half of the group who are in Canton are doing practically no teaching, and the others are doing only a minimum. As a result the students can do but little work.

Here in Peking we are very much concerned about the future of Yenching University. A few radical students caused a little flurry early in June, but (although other schools closed without final examinations, Yenching finished the year's work and graduated a fine class of 116 students of which 29 were girls, and including 20 pre-medical students. Summer school is now in full swing with over 100 pupils. There are many more applications for the fall than can possibly be accepted. The University has a wonderful opportunity for service and influence and is doing splendid work. There being every likelihood that it will be a long time before the Southerners get to Peking, and with their program becoming more and more reasonable, we feel confident that Yenching will be able to adjust to any new political situation and will have a growing influence in China.)

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Seabury D. Gumble
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Yours sincerely,

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JOINT OFFICE

Princeton-in-Peking

11-14-27

Dr. North says that Mr. Sidney Gamble underwrote \$7,000 for a residence, he has paid this in full (5-31-27) and it is up to Princeton-in-Peking to find this money somewhere and pay him back. In the meantime the residence will be the "Gamble" residence but cross-filed to Princeton-in-Peking as coming through it.

The Guy Residence is a separate item, as Mr. Guy gave the full amount of the \$7,000, although probably the first \$3,500 of this was paid direct to the field. The two items of \$3,500 each are covered in the Journal entry under residences under date of Apr. 23, 1925, and October 5, 1925.

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Memorandum to Miss McCoy regarding the Payments of Mr. S. D. Gamble for a Residence.

In a letter bearing upon the reconciliation of accounts, dated March 9, 1927, Dr. E. M. North wrote, in regard to the "Princeton Special" item of receipts on the field of \$7,000. - "This, I presume, is the residence which Mr. Gamble was underwriting and the amount which you name I do not think has ever been authorized by you to be put upon our books; I have therefore taken no action on it. I would request you to send us this authorization, in order that this may be properly taken care of." In response to this, Mr. Wiant supplied the data which you have already secured from Miss Lane under date of May 5, 1927 -

August 26, 1925	G\$2,000.
September 18, 1925	1,000.
October 7, 1925	1,000.
November 3, 1925	1,000.
December 2, 1925	1,000.
January 9, 1926	1,000.
	<u>G\$7,000.</u>

Perhaps the actual pledge of this underwriting was made directly to the officials of Princeton-in-Peking.

November 15, 1927

K. J. Linehan

SIDNEY D. GAMBLE
Y. M. C. A.
PEKING, CHINA

4457 Waldo Ave
New York, N. Y.
November 25th
1927

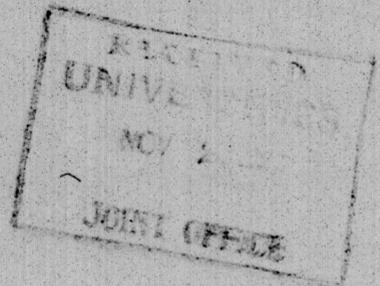
Peking University
150 5th Ave
New York.

Gentlemen

Enclosed please find check to your
order for Five Hundred Dollars from
Mrs Gamble. This, I believe, fulfills
the payments on her pledge toward
the building of the roads on the
Yenching Campus. I trust the work
on that project has been going on
and the roads are now completed.

Please send receipt in Mrs.
Gamble's name to the above
New York address and office
cc. for 500 line.

Yours sincerely
Sidney D. Lamb



Gamble, Mrs. Sidney D.
(Elizabeth S.)

Nov. 29, 1927

\$500

Gift received	11-28-27
Receipt slip #	1814
Entered on control record	✓
" " acct. card	✓
" " contr. list	✓
Serial No. on L. card	51
Pledge signal attached	✓
X file cards	✓
Letter ack. sent	11-29-27
Checked for O. L.	✓
" " class card	✓
" " stencil	✓

To complete Mrs.
Gamble's \$1000
toward roads on campus

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CABLE ADDRESS: FORSEC
CODE: MISSIONS

December 27, 1927.

Peking University,

New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find check to your order for Six Hundred Dollars. This is a contribution to the work of your university but I would ask that you do not allocate it to any given account until I can have an opportunity to see Dr. Stuart, but I would ask that you send me a receipt before the end of the year so that I may be able to use same for income tax purposes. *ed*

Please send the receipt to me here at 347 Madison Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

Yours sincerely,

H. F. Fancher

\$600

Gift received	12-28-27
Receipt #	1827
Entered on central record	✓
" " approved	✓
" " confirmed	✓
Serial No. on L. and card	62
Pledge signal attached	✓
X-file cards	✓
Letter ack. sent	12-28-27
Checked for O. L.	✓
" " class card	✓
" " stencil	✓

For Student Loan Fund

December 28, 1927

My dear Mr. Gamble:

Your letter of December 27th and check for \$600 have been handed to me for attention. Please let us express to you our sincere appreciation of your generosity and continued interest in the work of the University. We understand that you will advise us later as to the specific use for this money. Our official receipt is enclosed herewith.

Very sincerely yours,

Office Secretary

Mr. Sidney D. Gamble
Foreign Committee of the
National Council of Y.M.C.A.
247 Madison Avenue, New York City

May 8, 1928 Dr. Stuart tells us
Mr. Gamble preferred this
\$600 to go for scholarships.
Lm

Made 23, 1928.

4457 WALDO AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY

My dear ^{Paid in full} ~~Stephen~~

8-19-29

After talking the matter over with Sidney

I have finally decided on my pledge to the Women's
College. I would like to promise \$5000.00 to be
paid in the following manner - \$2000.00 cash

in 1928 and 1929 and \$1000.00 in 1930. If possible I will pay the \$1000.00 earlier.

I am glad to be able to help you in your campaign and hope that you will have early success in getting the rest of the money.

We enjoyed so much having you here the other evening. The best of China is always

Stoop to those that have been there, isn't it.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Lowe Gamble.

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B. H. FAUCHER
TREASURER
Jaunt

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GENERAL SECRETARY, CANADIAN COUNCIL

March 24, 1928.

CABLE ADDRESS: FORSEC
CODE: MISSIONS

Mr. Leighton Stuart,
Care of Mr. John I. Logan,
31 East Elm Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Leighton:

I am just in receipt of a letter from Chinte Chang who, you will remember, is studying in Seattle after having had considerable difficulty getting into the U.S.A. He writes me that he has applied for a graduate scholarship in Columbia University but that some of the statements in his application need to be substantiated, namely, that he graduated from Yenching with first honors and was elected a member of the Phi Tai Phi, the honor society. He asked me to write such a letter but I hesitate to do it as I am not connected with the University. I wonder if you would feel able to write such a letter for him. His letter states that the scholarship committee meets on April 1st so it will be necessary for your letter to be sent on as soon as possible.

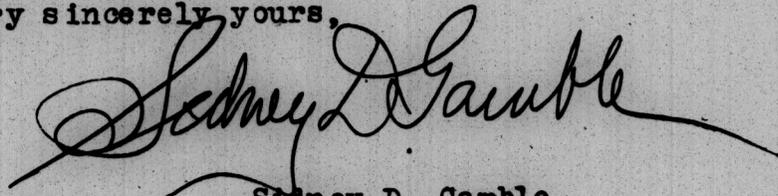
I am afraid our friend Chang is going to be something of a problem. He has been living fairly economically, averaging about \$85 a month including books and tuition but another three months will use up all the money that I promised to loan him, not even leaving anything for his return trip to China. I don't know how he will finance another year although he seems determined to stay on for a longer experience in America. Personally, I hardly feel it is right for him to borrow much more money as I am afraid he will have difficulty in repaying it after his return to China. I would like your thought on the question as to whether or not it would be a kindness to him to insist that he doesn't borrow a sum that will be too large for him to pay even though it means his early return to China.

We hope you are now having a successful time in and around Chicago. Betty has just written you of her decision in regard to the fund for the women's dormitory.

Mr. Leighton Stuart -2-

Don't bother to write me about Chang
as we can discuss this matter when you are again in New
York.

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sidney D. Gamble". The signature is fluid and elegant, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Sidney D. Gamble

SDG:M

March 30, 1928

My dear Mr. Gamble:

At the request of Mr. Wannemaker we send you herewith copies of certain statements and data which have been sent to Mr. Edmund E. Day of the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Foundation. They are as follows:

1. A statement entitled "Yenching University —Division of Social Sciences"
2. A statement entitled "Reasons in favor of a financial grant to Yenching University for use in strengthening the Division of Social Sciences"
3. "Summary of Income" -
4. "Summary of Expenditure" -
5. "Details of Disbursements" -

Very sincerely yours,

Office Secretary

Mr. Sidney D. Gamble
4457 Waldo Avenue
New York City

copy to O D W

Sent Special Del!

May 21, 1928

MEMORANDUM TO MR. SIDNEY GAMBLE:

Dr. Stuart asked me to tell you that Mr. Fred Eldridge will probably speak to you about helping to endow a school of education for Yenching. JLS did not wish to discourage Mr. Eldridge from speaking to you. He feels confident that Mr. Eldridge will succeed with his effort and wishes to encourage rather than discourage him. He asks that you explain to Mr. Eldridge that you are helping in other aspects of the University but could give him the best boost you can to go ahead in his effort in behalf of a school of education. Mr. Eldridge has done invaluable service for Dr. Stuart in the present campaign.

O. D. W.

May 22, 1928.

4457 WALDO AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY

Yeshiva University
100 Fifth Avenue

My dear Miss McCoy,

I am enclosing my check for \$1500.00
in partial payment of my pledge for 1928.

Serial # 128

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. S. D.) Elizabeth S. Zamble

Gamble, Mrs. Sidney D.
(~~address~~ 4457 Waldo Avenue
New York
May 23, 1928

\$1500 as first payment on pledge

Gift received	5-23-28
Receipt No. #	1934
Intercom control record	✓
" " " " "	✓
" " " " "	✓
Serial No. on L. and card	128 ✓
Pledge signal attached	✓
X-file cards	_____
Letter ack. sent	5-24-28
Checked for O. L.	✓
" " class card	✓
" " stencil	✓

For Women's College 1928 Campaign

CHINA UNION UNIVERSITIES

S.D. Gamble

Fukien Christian University
University of Nanking

Shantung Christian University
Peking University

West China Union University

Cable Address
Nanfushan, New York

CENTRAL OFFICE
150 Fifth Avenue, New York City
B. A. GARSIDE, Secretary

Telephone
Chelsea 2130, 2132

Peking University

May 24, 1928

Memorandum to Mr. Wannamaker:

*files
Dr. Stuart*

We are attaching for your information some notes I made after a conference with Dr. Stuart just before he sailed. I have checked items which may be of interest to you.

Incidentally Mr. Gamble has now asked us to make a new disposition of his \$600.00 gift referred to near the bottom of the second page. He now instructs that this be forwarded to Peking as needed as an additional contribution to the Student Loan Fund which he initiated some months ago with an original contribution of \$1778.50.

B. A. GARSIDE

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Enc. 1

Mr. Gamble telephoned B.A.G. to this effect

Copied from old file carbon-KK
9-29-31

July 9, 1928

Mr. Sidney D. Gamble ✓
Y. M. C. A.
347 Madison Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sidney:

In line with your suggestion that I write you near the close of the Yenching campaign an accurate statement of the situation, I am doing just that.

My feeling in regard to the real status of the campaign has somewhat changed since a meeting of the Finance Committee last week. Mr. Evans, Chairman of the Committee, stated that the representative of Tamblin and Brown had acknowledged that the appropriation secured from the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial of \$140,000 was not to be considered as pertaining to this campaign. Of course, this has no bearing upon the question as to whether Mr. and Mrs. Boyd may see fit to permit this appropriation to count toward meeting the conditions prerequisite to the payment of their pledge of \$90,000 for the Woman's College. The report by Mr. Evans, however, and the apparent feeling of both Mr. Evans and Mr. Warner that the Memorial appropriation was obviously unrelated to the whole campaign and that no actual argument could be presented to Mr. Boyd in favor of his allowing it to be counted in connection with his own pledge, increased my doubt whether Mr. and Mrs. Boyd will feel that their conditions have been met, even under an exceedingly flexible interpretation.

For this reason, I have made all the more strenuous effort to secure additional money for the actual objectives of the campaign. We have thus far received in response to two letters of appeal, approximately, \$23,000 and I am confident that we shall get a few thousand more before Friday when we are to report to Mr. Boyd. I feel that he is much more likely to waive any claim of technical non-fulfillment of his conditions if we can make a reasonably good showing without using the Memorial appropriation.

Total amount of money received or pledged has been approximately \$570,000 - or \$430,000 without the Memorial grant. In this figure, we are not counting verbal pledges of \$5,000 from Mr. Ludington in Philadelphia, \$500 from one New York friend, and four pledges for the Department of Journalism aggregating \$22,500. The last named are not binding unless we carry the total for the Department of Journalism to \$50,000. On the whole, however, you will see that we have made a very good showing and that the prospect for ultimate success by continuance of effort during the autumn would be bright.

As a member of the Board, both of Yenching and Princeton-in-Peking, and from your long residence at the scene of action you are entirely too familiar with the conditions to warrant me making any definite request of you. I thought, however, that it might be well to state our situation and leave you to judge whether some pledge within the objectives of this campaign might seem possible to you at this time to strengthen our claim on Mr. Boyd.

Mr. Sidney Gahle....#2

July 9, 1928

Since you received the check from your mother, I am mailing to you for transmission to her, the Treasurer's receipt and our letter of thanks.

Sincerely yours,

ODW/MHM

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*Copy for Campaign
Office*

FOREIGN COMMITTEE
of the
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND CANADA.

July 19, 1928

Mr. B. A. Garside,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Garside:

This will confirm our telephone conversation of this morning in which I authorized you to advise Mr. Ritter that he could draw the sum of \$400 Gold to be used for the Student Loan Fund at Yenching University. I understand that the procedure is that the Peking Office will draw a draft on you which you will pay when presented here and that I will send you a check for that amount when you advise me that the draft has been received and paid.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) SIDNEY D. GAMBLE
Sidney D. Gamble

SDG:M

Memo to Miss McCoy

Following are the facts in regard to the \$600.00 from Mr. Sidney Gamble which is being used for the student loan fund:-

This \$600.00 was received from Mr. Gamble on Dec. 28, 1927, without designation, but with a general understanding that the designation would be given later after he conferred with Dr. Stuart. During May, 1928, Mr. Gamble instructed us to hold this at the call of the field for the student loan fund. We authorized the field to draw on us of the amount as needed. They have now drawn \$200.00 of the amount and we presume the remainder will be drawn in the near future.

7/26/28

J. A. G.

4457 WALDO AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY

August 15th

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My dear Miss McCoy,

Enclosed please find my check for

one thousand dollars which will complete my
pledge to the women's Club for this year.

Sincerely yours,
Elizabeth Love Smalley

Mrs. Sidney D. Gamble
4457 Waldo Avenue
New York City

Aug 1928

\$1,000.00 payment on pledge - 1928 Campaign-Women's College

Gift received	8/16/28
Receipt slip #	2077
Entered on control record	✓
" " acct. card	✓
" " contr. list	✓
Serial No. on L. and card	128 ✓
Pledge signal attached	✓
X-file cards	_____
Letter ack. sent	8/17/28 ✓
Checked for O. L.	✓
" " class card	✓
" " stencil	✓

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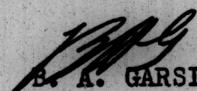
Yenching University

November 30, 1928

Memp. to Campaign Office:

In a letter dated September 26th Dr. Galt inquires about a pledge by Mr. Gamble for \$1,000.00 for the Department of Agriculture to be paid during the year 1928.

As far as I know this pledge has not yet been paid. However, Mr. Gamble telephoned me about a week ago stating that he was arranging for the transfer to Peking University of certain shares of Procter and Gamble stock of which the market value is about a thousand dollars. He stated that he would be writing a formal letter on the subject, but as yet I have seen nothing from him. Possibly this stock he is giving the University is in payment of this pledge but we cannot be sure until his letter reaches us. We would appreciate any further information you may have in regard to the matter.


B. A. GARSIDE

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*Filed 1300 12-3
to see letter 11-27 to E. H. ...*

COPY

Cecil H. Gamble
1022 Union Trust Bldg.
Cincinnati, Ohio

December 3, 1928

Yenching University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

At the request of my brother, Mr. Sidney D. Gamble, I am today handing to the Cincinnati office of the Herrick Company, Union Central Building, for your account, three shares of the Common stock of the Procter and Gamble Company, market value as of this date, \$284.00 per share - a total value of \$852.00. This stock transfer represents a gift by my brother to the work of your University. If you desire to hold this stock, the Herrick Company will be glad to have it issued in your name and forward it to you upon receipt of your instructions to that effect. On the other hand, should you desire to have it sold, they will be glad to handle the sale for your account and I will be glad to be of any assistance which I can in the matter upon receipt of your request.

You will receive formal acknowledgment from the Herrick Company covering the receipt of this stock for your account and I will ask that you forward to my brother, c/o the Y.M.C.A. - 347 Madison Ave., N.Y.C. the receipt of your organization covering his gift of three shares of the common stock of the Procter and Gamble Company.

Yours truly,

/s/ Cecil H. Gamble

original in Central Office

C O P Y

FOREIGN COMMITTEE
OF THE
NATIONAL COUNCILS OF THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND CANADA.

General Office - 347 Madison Avenue, New York.

December 5, 1928.

Mr. E. A. Garside,
Yenching University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Garside:

In response to your letter of December 4th I enclose herewith check to the order of Yenching University for \$400 gold to cover the draft drawn in Peking for funds for the Gamble student loan fund.

A letter from the field makes me feel that the last \$1,000 which I authorized will not be drawn until some time after the first of the year as they will probably not be using that money until the second semester.

Please send me an official receipt for the \$400.

Very sincerely yours,

/S/ SIDNEY D. GAMBLE

SDG:M

\$400 - Student Loan Fund

Gift received	12-7-28
Receipt slip #	2207
Entered on control record	✓
" " acct. card	✓
" " contr. list	✓
Serial No. on L. card	499 ✓
Plodge	attached
X-file card	
Letter ack. sent	12-7-28 by B.A.G.
Checked for O. L.	✓
" " class card	✓
" " stencil	✓

December 5, 1928.

Mr. Sidney D. Gamble,
347 Madison Avenue,
New York City, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Gamble,

We acknowledge with sincere gratitude the receipt of the three shares of common stock of The Procter & Gamble company, which were turned over by your brother, Mr. Cecil H. Gamble, to The Herriek Company two days ago, subject to our order. We understand that this stock applies to your pledge of \$1000 to the Yenching Department of Agriculture during 1928.

After my conversation with you this morning, I consulted with a number of other members of the Finance Committee, and found all of them favorable to the policy of disposing of the stock. I am therefore instructing The Herriek Company to sell the stock and to forward the proceeds to this office. As soon as the proceeds of the sale are known, the Campaign Office will send you a receipt for that amount.

With assurances of the University's warm appreciation of this further contribution to the work of Yenching, I am

Very sincerely yours,

B. A. Gaudin

BAG/G

CC: Campaign Office ✓

*no. the
receipt to
for 3 shares
of "Tech"
BAG to see
12-13
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December 5, 1928.

Mr. Cecil H. Gamble,
1022 Union Trust Building,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Gamble,

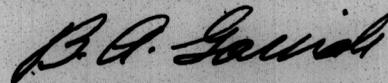
We acknowledge with sincere appreciation your letter of December 3rd informing us of the deposit with The Herrick Company of three shares of the common stock of the Procter and Gamble Company, representing a gift of Mr. Sidney D. Gamble for the work of Yenching University.

After consultation with your brother and with other members of the Yenching Finance Committee it has been decided to sell this stock, and I am therefore giving The Herrick Company instructions to that effect.

We are at this time sending your brother a letter of acknowledgment and appreciation.

With assurances of our sincere gratitude for your help with this additional gift of Mr. Gamble to the work of Yenching University, I am

Very sincerely yours,



Secretary and Asst. Treasurer

BAG/G

CC: Campaign Office ✓

Yenching University

December 7, 1928.

Mr. Sidney D. Gamble,
347 Madison Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Gamble:

We are grateful to you for your letter of December 5th with its enclosed check for \$400.00, covering the amount of the draft drawn on Peking for the Gamble Student Loan Fund. The official receipt of the University is attached hereto.

With sincere appreciation of this gift, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

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B. Q. Galloway

CC for Campaign office ←

Gamble, Mr. Sidney S. D.

4457 Waldo Ave.,
New York City

Dec. 12, 1928

\$853.87 for Dept. of Agriculture

Gift received	12-12-28
Receipt slip #	2245 made out for 5
Entered on control record	✓ shares of stock - not cash
" " acct. card	✓
" " contr. list	✓
Serial No. on acct. card	540 ✓
Pledge receipt attached	—
X-file card	
Letter ack. sent	by BAG Dec. 5, 1928
Checked for C. L.	✓
" " class card	✓
" " stencil	✓

In payment of pledge - see letter of Dr. E. M. North Feb. 4, 1927.

This \$853.87 covered a gift of three share of Procter & Gamble Common Stock which was sold. (See corres. in Central Office files)

Mr. Garside writing to ask for the balance of \$1,000 which Mr. Gamble had promised, which this \$853.87 does not fully cover.

S.D. Gamble

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December 14, 1928

Mr. Sidney D. Gamble
347 Madison Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Gamble:

I am glad to report that we have now received from the Herrick Company in Cincinnati a check for the proceeds of the sale of three shares of Procter and Gamble common stock which you turned over to them last week, subject to the order of Yenching University.

The sale price of the shares was $285\text{-}5/8$ less \$1.00, and the proceeds, \$853.87.

We are enclosing herewith a formal receipt for these three shares of stock.

Am I correct in my understanding that you plan to send us a check for the amount necessary to bring this contribution up to the full amount of \$1,000.00 which you are providing for the Department of Agriculture this year? If so, I will hold this \$853.87 here in New York until it is convenient for you to send the remainder and will then forward the \$1,000.00 to Dr. Galt in one remittance.

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Again assuring you of the gratitude of Yenching for this further contribution to the work, I am

Very cordially yours,

[Signature]

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Enc. Rec # 2243

CC: Campaign Office *←*

C O P Y

December 17, 1928

Mr. B. A. Garside
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Garside:

Enclosed please find check to the order of Yenching University for \$146.13 which together with the Procter and Gamble stock already given you will complete my pledge to the work of the department of agriculture for this year.

Very sincerely yours,

/s/ S. D. Gamble

Sidney D. Gamble.

SDG:M

Yenching University

December 18, 1928.

Mr. Sidney D. Gamble,
347 Madison Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Gamble;

We are sincerely grateful to you for your letter of December 17th, with its enclosed check for \$146.13 which together with the Procter & Gamble stock already given us completes your pledge for \$1,000. for the Department of Agriculture for this year.

An official receipt for this amount is enclosed herewith.

I know that the Department of Agriculture will be most happy to receive this contribution, for their finances have been unusually difficult this year.

Very cordially yours,



BAG/EH.

Copy for Campaign Office

Gamble, Sidney D.
4457 Waldo Avenue
New York City

Dec. 19, 1928

B 146.13 - Dept. of Agriculture

Gift received	12-19-28
Receipt slip #	2283
Entered on control record	✓
" " acct. card	✓
" " contrib. list	✓
Serial No. on L. and card	540
Pledge signal attached	
X-file cards	
Letter ack. sent	12-18-28 by B.A.C.
Checked for O. L.	✓
" " class card	✓
" " stencil	✓

79 Martin Street
Cambridge, Mass.
May 20, 1929

Miss Marion DeC. Ward
50 Commonwealth Avenue
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Miss Ward:

Thank you very much for the check of \$200.00, as a contribution toward the expenses of Mr. W. L. Chang. I am turning the check over to Mr. Wannamaker of our University Office who is keeping the fund for Mr. Chang.

It is a real joy to feel that Rhoda and I have been able to win such a friend as you for Mr. Chang and his preparation for the benefit of the farmers in China. I note in your former kind letter you stated that you might be able to make another contribution about Christmas time. I do hope that you will not make too much of a sacrifice on your own part in this generous helpfulness. On the other hand it will not be an easy work to raise the estimated sum of \$1500.00, so by the middle part of next September, that is, before Mr. Chang starts on his trip for Europe and China, if you will be so kind as to let me know how much a further contribution you will be able to make by Christmas time I might be able to persuade our University Office to advance the sum for Mr. Chang.

If we are able to raise the whole sum for Mr. Chang before that time I shall of course inform you and would hope that we shall not need to call upon you to help again in his case as we thoroughly know that such generous contributions made by you are the result of a good deal of self-denial.

Rhoda joins me in grateful regards.

Very sincerely yours,

WH:BC

Gamble, Mrs. S. D.

4457 Waldo Ave.
New York City

June 7, 1929

\$1500. toward pledge #128 to 1928 Camp.-Women's College

Received	6-7-29
Receipt #	2467
Entered on control record	✓
" " acct. card	✓
" " contr. list	✓
Initials on L. and card	128 ✓
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Checked for O. L.	✓
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4457 WALDO AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY

June 5th 1929

My dear Miss Mc Coy,

I am enclosing another installment on
my pledge to the college. As I report
in my journal that this leaves a total

- of one thousand still to be paid?

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Louise Gamble

(Mrs. J. D.)

Harbor Point

Michigan

August 16th

1929

My dear Miss McCoy,

Enclosed please find my check for one thousand
dollars (\$1000.⁰⁰) which, I believe, completes my
pledge made to the University.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Louise Gamble

(Mrs. Sidney D.)

Mrs. Sidney D. Gamble
4457 Waldo Avenue
New York City
(Harbors Point, Mich.)

Aug. 19, 1929

\$ 1,000.00 Bal on 1928 Campgn - Women's College

Gift received	8-19-29
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HARVARD-YENCHING INSTITUTE



79 Martin Street
Cambridge, Mass.
May 20, 1929

Mr. Olin D. Wannamaker
Yenching University Office
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Wannamaker:

I suppose you have received a check from Mrs. Shoemaker of St. Louis, Missouri, for Mr. W. L. Chang.

Enclosed I am sending you a check for \$200.00 also for Mr. W. L. Chang. I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter to Miss Ward, the contributor.

7/21/29
sent him copy
L. G. Good
Mrs. Shoemaker

Last fall I had a little talk with Sidney Gamble about the case of Mr. W. L. Chang. He seems to be very much interested. I told Mr. Gamble that I would not need to call upon him during the present academic year but I might approach him for a gift for the following year. I would like to have your advice on the matter before I write Mr. Gamble.

With kindest regards,

Very sincerely yours,

William Hung

WH:BC

HARVARD-YENCHING INSTITUTE



79 Martin Street
Cambridge, Mass.
June 2, 1929

Mr. Olin D. Wannamaker
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Wannamaker:

As the academic year is drawing to a close it becomes rather necessary for Mr. W. L. Chang to plan ahead his schedule for next year. I think during the summer he will be going to spend his time on a farm near Lyons, New York, where he will have practical farm experience. Our plan has been that after this summer experience he would proceed to Europe to visit the farms in Denmark, Germany and Russia, and then to get back in China in the spring of 1930.

This will of course depend a good deal on the question of funds. I recall I wrote you about the possibility of my approaching Mr. Sidney Gamble for a little assistance. I ask your advice on the matter and shall appreciate to hear from you soon.

Very sincerely yours,

William Hung

WH:BC

Copy for Promotional Office.

Scholarships

Cottage 32, 1
Harbor Point, Mich.
July 31, 1929.

Mr. B. A. Garside,
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Garside:

This will acknowledge receipt of the check to my order for \$100.00, same being made by you at the request of Mr. E. O. Wilson.

A recent letter from Mr. Ritter gives a report of the work of the student loan committee which shows that the committee is working well with the students and the students seem to be cooperating well when it comes time for them to commence repayment on their loans. Such a report is, of course, very gratifying.

Mr. Ritter asked if I would be willing to continue to contribute to the Loan Fund so that the committee would have funds to carry on their work this next year. By the time word can get to the field it will be almost time for the college to be opening so may I ask you to advise the field that they are authorized to draw up to One Thousand Dollars Gold (G\$1,000.00) for the use of the student loan fund if that amount is needed. When the draft arrives in this country I will arrange to send you the money needed to meet it.

The \$1,000.00 should cover the work of the 1st semester and I plan to contribute a like amount for the 2nd semester but before giving a definite pledge for the money want to have an opportunity of going over the situation with Mr. Ritter when I see him in New York. It might be well to advise the field that the \$1,000.00 promised herewith is for the 1st semester so that they can plan their work and advances accordingly.

Thanking you for your help in this matter, I am,

Yours sincerely,

/s/ Sidney D. Gamble

C O P Y

(Campaign Office) Oct. 7, 1929.

Yenching University

August 5, 1929.

Mr. Sidney D. Gamble,
Cottage 32, 1
Harbor Point, Mich.

My dear Mr. Gamble:

I am answering your letter of July 31st for Mr. Garside, who is absent on his vacation.

We note from previous correspondence that you had intimated in the past your willingness to contribute toward the student loan fund during the year 1929-30, but your letter with the very definite authorization for \$1,000 for the first semester if it is needed, rings a new note of appreciation. Anyone who has been on the field can realize to what extent such funds can be used and the tremendous good that they can accomplish. It is very evident that you appreciate this to an unusual degree.

We are getting off a cable to the field tomorrow and will make it very plain that this \$1,000 is for the first semester of 1929-30 and has nothing to do with the \$1,000 authorized September 2, 1928, and which Mr. Ritter stated in one of his letters had been largely spent on the field. We cannot understand why this particular draft was never made. On July 19th Mr. Garside wrote to the field regarding the matter, very clearly explaining the whole situation. Undoubtedly at a very early date we shall receive a draft for the \$1,000 you authorized a year ago.

With very sincerest regards, and with added thanks, I remain,

Very truly yours,

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Assistant Treasurer,
Yenching University

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October 25, 1929

Dear Ritter:

Since my conversation with you, I have looked further into the matter of the Gamble student loan fund. I do not know that I can give you the figures in any form very different from that in which they already have been stated by Mr. Garside. Possibly, however, this very brief statement of the case may enable you to clear it up.

Our records read as follows: By the fall of 1928 Mr. Gamble had paid in for scholarship loan fund \$2778.50, and in August of 1928 promised an additional \$1,000 to be paid upon request early in 1929. This has not yet been called for but Mr. Gamble in the meantime (see Mr. Gamble's letter 7-31-29) has authorized \$1,000 for the first semester of 1929-30 and promised an additional \$1,000 for the second semester of 1929-30. These amounts when paid will bring his total gifts to the Loan Fund up to \$5,778.50.

My own impression is that this record is complete. If you feel differently, please let me know. You will note that Mr. Gamble has pledged and not yet paid, not only the \$1,000 to which Mr. Garside referred in his report to you, which Mr. Gamble said he would be able to pay early in 1929, but also a second \$1,000 for the first semester of the collegiate year 1929-30 and a third \$1,000 for the second semester of this year. I have no understanding of the failure of the field to draw the \$1,000 for which the Treasurer's office authorized them to draw as early as September 1, 1928. No doubt continued exchange of correspondence between Mr. Garside and Dr. Galt's office will bring drafts from the field for the \$3,000 mentioned above pledged by Mr. Gamble but not yet drawn.

Do you still think there is an amount mentioned by Mr. Gamble to you verbally and not included above? If so, the matter would have to be taken up by you and Mr. Gamble in a conversation, since it would not be wise for any one else to discuss the matter with him.

See Mr. Ritter's reply 10-29-29

R. Ritter.....#2

Oct. 25, 1929

We are endeavoring to make an engagement for you to meet Mr. Bruere, of the Penney Foundation, instead of Dr. Poling, since Dr. Poling himself suggested during my conversation with him many months ago, that I should at my convenience, arrange to see Mr. Bruere. We shall let you know as soon as we can secure a date.

It was a great pleasure to see you and I shall be glad to renew the pleasure frequently.

Cordially yours,

Assistant to the President

Mr. Richard Ritter
457 Washington Avenue
Brooklyn, New York

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P. S. By the way, we have secured a copy of a pamphlet giving a sketch of the life of Mr. Penney. I am asking that a copy be sent to you since I think you would find it interesting and it would be well to run over it before your interview.

Since writing the above, I have been able to make an appointment for you for Tuesday A. M. at ten o'clock with Mr. Bruere, the Research Secretary of the Penney Foundation. If you do not receive the pamphlet "Dynamo" in time to read it before Tuesday, please let Miss McCoy of the Yenching office know, and she will send you my copy. I should like you to be sure to see this literature before you call on Mr. Bruere.

copy to J. H. E.

457 Washington Ave.,
Brooklyn, N.Y., October 29, 1929.

Mr. Olin D. Wannamaker,
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York City:

Dear Wannamaker:

In answer to your letter of the 25th, I think I can clear up the whole misunderstanding in regard to the Gamble loan fund by telling you just what my understanding has been in regard to both what Mr. Gamble stated to me in conversation several years ago in Peiping (as I remember it) and what, according to my figures, he has already given.

Mr. Gamble of course can himself check up on my memory, but I believe that he stated that he wished us to have a revolving fund of \$8,000 gold, if we needed it. He contributed \$2,778.50 that first year (1927-8) and was to contribute \$2,000 a year additional each year until the \$8,000 was complete. The table would look like this:

1927-8	\$2,778.50
1928-9	2,000.
1929-30	2,000.
1930-31	2,221.50
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	\$8,000.00

However, he made it very clear that he would not contribute this full amount unless the plan was, both in his opinion and in ours, a success, and unless we actually needed the money.

What he had actually paid before I left Peiping (July 1, 1929) was only the first \$2,778.50, according to our figures. He had, however, authorized another \$1,000 which could have been collected by us at any time during the year 1928-9. This was never collected. The reason for this, apparently, was that the Peiping treasurer thought the New York office would collect it without any further word from us. We knew that the money was authorized by Mr. Gamble, and so thought it had been collected and was reposing in the New York office. Since that was a matter for the treasurer to take up with you I had not inquired into the details until just before I left Peiping and when I made my final check-up preparatory to turning things over to Mr. Chou. At that time, to my surprise, I discovered that this money had never reached us, and so wrote you. I had thought that by that time there would have been a total of \$4,778.50 in the fund, and was surprised to find only \$2,778.50 had been actually received. However, - since we did not need the money, - it was obviously not our duty to press the point. I merely wrote to you about it, not to get you to collect it from Mr. Gamble, but to make sure that there had been no mistake.

The reason we did not need that money was that a considerable amount of the Boyd fund money was in our treasury and I had advised Mr. Tsai to use that up before using up the Gamble money. I learned (to my surprise) in the course of the year, that much of the Boyd money had been given for loans, not (as I had supposed) for scholarships. No-one here except Miss Wang had apparently realized that. There were, unfortunately, a number of such misunderstandings due to

the frequent changes of administration in the treasurer's office and in the loan and scholarship work. When the loan and scholarship work was given over to the self help committee in the Fall of 1927, I was handed a mass of uncatalogued, undigested material which (working on in my spare time) I was not able to organize before the better part of two years had sped by. In the course of this organization I made several such startling discoveries such as that I have mentioned in regard to the Boyd fund. We need not go into those details here. Suffice it to say that had Mr. Gamble known that there was Boyd money available for loans he would not have needed to have offered us such a large sum as \$8,000. Therefore, - although we did not actually receive anything from Mr. Gamble during the school year 1928-9, I - for one - am content. My advice is not to ask him for this \$2,000 which I understood he had agreed to pay, nor even for the \$1,000 which he actually authorized. On the other hand, I think we shall need the full \$2,000 during the current school year, the first \$1,000 of which Mr. Gamble has already authorized and the second \$1,000 of which he has already promised for the second semester. After these two payments have been consummated, Mr. Gamble will have contributed a total of \$4,776.50.

Perhaps next school year, if the need still exists, and if the fund is still considered to be properly managed, he will be willing to give the final payment of \$1,221.50, thus bringing his total fund up to \$6,000 instead of the \$8,000 that we originally thought we would need.

I am sure we are all extremely grateful to Mr. Gamble for his generosity, and we do not wish to accept from him one cent more than can be constructively used. Of course I am no longer on the Committee, and it may be that the present Committee and its chairman will think that I am meddling in making a recommendation at the present time. But I rather think that they will agree with me in this judgment, inasmuch as I distinctly remember that Mr. Gamble promised this money only in case we were convinced it was needed.

Let me say just a word about the future of the Boyd fund. Our Committee, while I was still chairman, passed a motion to request Mr. and Mrs. Boyd to allow us to use the bulk of the income from their fund (it is, unlike Mr. Gamble's, an endowment fund) for annual scholarships rather than for loans. We believe that endowed funds are better suited for scholarships and a revolving lump sum (like Mr. Gamble's funds) for loans. On the other hand we knew that Mr. and Mrs. Boyd preferred loans to scholarships, so we recommended that \$250 a year be added to the General Loan fund from the Boyd income, the rest being allocated to scholarships. I wrote a long letter to Mr. and Mrs. Boyd to this effect last Spring before I left Peiping, and it was to have been presented to them this Fall upon their arrival by Miss Sui Wang who secured the money in the first place and who is their good friend. I have not yet heard of the outcome, but hope that either Miss Wang or Mr. Chou has written either you or me of it before this.

If we can have, then, a permanent revolving fund of \$6,000 from Gamble sources with an addition of \$250 each year to take care of the natural growth of the University, from Boyd sources, I am sure that our loan problems will be met and solved forever. Hereafter whatever funds come in for this Committee ought to be allocated to Scholarships, not loans.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Gamble so he will understand the situation in full, and shall also (after I have had your confirmation) send a copy to Mr. Chou. Cordially yours, *Richard H. Miller*

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B. A. GARSIDE, Secretary and Treasurer
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Yenching University

November 7, 1929

Memo. to Mr. Wannamaker,

I am returning herewith Mr. Ritter's letter to you under date of October 29, dealing with the Gamble loan fund.

I wish to call attention to ~~the~~ one important difference between our Yenching records and Mr. Ritter's understanding of the status of Mr. Gamble's pledge for an additional \$1,000 which was to have been sent out during the early part of the fiscal year 1928-29. On July 17 I sent you a memorandum in which I discussed at some length the status of this pledge for \$1,000. I sent a copy of this memorandum to Mr. Ritter under date of July 19 but apparently he had not received it when he wrote his letter of October 29. I will, therefore, summarize again the facts as stated in my earlier memorandum.

On August 22, 1928, at a meeting of the Yenching Finance Committee Mr. Gamble reported that he had received information from Mr. Ritter indicating that an additional one thousand (beyond the C\$2,778.50 already sent out in the Gamble loan fund) would probably be required shortly after the opening of the University in September, 1928. Mr. Gamble stated that he was willing to give his pledge for an additional one thousand dollars, payable sometime early in 1929. The Committee, therefore, voted by action F-2344 to authorize the field treasurer to draw after September, 1928, up to gold \$1,000 as might be required by the Student Loan Fund, with the understanding that such a draft would be carried on the Yenching Suspense account until Mr. Gamble's pledge was due early in 1929 and he was notified that the thousand dollars had been drawn.

In accordance with this action of the Finance Committee, I cabled Yenching University on August 31, 1928, as follows:

"YOU MAY DRAW AT THREE DAYS.....GOLD \$1,000 STUDENT LOAN FUND".

On August 31, 1928, I also wrote Dr. Galt as follows:

"Additional pledge by Mr. Gamble for the Gamble Student Loan Fund. The cable we are sending today also authorizes you to draw an additional thousand dollars for the Gamble Student Loan Fund. This is authorization #2859. This is in accordance with action of the Finance Committee on August 22, 1928. Mr. Gamble is now a member of the Finance Com-

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mittee and at the meeting on the 22nd reported the receipt of letters from Mr. Ritter indicating that further funds would be needed for Student Loan Fund after the opening in September. Mr. Gamble stated that he is willing to give his pledge for an additional \$1,000, payable at some date early in 1929. On this assurance the Committee instructed our office to authorize you to draw on us for up to G\$1,000 for the Gamble Student Loan Fund. This amount will bring the total of the Gamble Loan Fund to G\$3,778.50."

For some reason, as yet unknown to our office, the field has never drawn this one thousand authorized on August 31, 1928. In July I wrote Dr. Galt again reminding him that this authorization is still outstanding. As yet we have received no reply from him. Since the money has not been drawn we have not felt justified in going to Mr. Gamble with a request that he pay the one thousand dollars over to our office. If I am correct in my recollection of the conversation I had with him in August, 1928, he stated that he would be willing to pay this one thousand at any time after the early part of 1929 upon receipt of information that this amount had actually been drawn by the field. So far as I know, Mr. Gamble still has this same attitude toward the gift.

In Mr. Ritter's letter of October 29, Mr. Ritter states that apparently the reason this one thousand dollars was never collected was "that the Peping Treasurer thought the New York office would collect it without any further word from us. We knew that the money was authorized by Mr. Gamble and so thought it had been collected and was reposing in the New York office".

I trust that this additional explanation will clear up the misunderstanding that has arisen. I am attaching an additional copy of this memorandum for you to forward to Mr. Ritter if you so desire. I will also hand a copy to Mr. Gamble.


B. A. GARSIDE

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Enc.

Yenching University

December 26, 1929

Mr. Sidney D. Gamble,
347 Madison Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Gamble:

On December 19 we paid a draft drawn by Dr. Galt for the Gold \$1,000 which, during August 1928, we authorized the field to draw on the Gamble Student Loan Fund account. This, you will remember, is the authorization which has been outstanding for something more than a year. About two months ago I discussed the matter with you in a telephone conversation and at that time explained in some detail how the matter stood, so I presume it is not necessary to go into detail again.

There is still outstanding the new authorization for G\$1,000 which we sent out to the field on August 6, 1929, in accordance with your letter of July 31, 1929. Dr. Galt has acknowledged receipt of our communications concerning this new authorization but has not indicated whether the field will find it necessary to draw this last G\$1,000 for the Loan Fund. No doubt you have been in touch with the situation either through Mr. Ritter, or in direct correspondence with the field, and so have more up-to-date information than our office concerning the status of this Loan Fund.

We will be glad to receive at your convenience G\$1,000 to cover the amount already disbursed from University funds for this remittance on the Student Loan Fund.

I had intended to report this draft to you at the time of the meeting of the Finance Committee on Monday, but did not have an opportunity to do so.

With all good wishes for the approaching New Year, I am

Very cordially yours,

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CC: Promotional Office ✓

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347 MADISON AVENUE, NEW YORK

December 31, 1929.

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150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

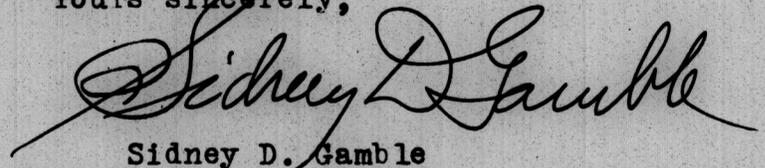
Gentlemen:

I enclose herewith check to your order for \$1,000 to cover the draft of like amount that you paid on December 19th. This draft was drawn on the field for money to be used in the Gamble Student Loan Fund account.

As I understand it, there is still an outstanding authorization in the hands of the field authorities for an additional \$1,000, same to be used if the money is needed for the loans to be made during the rest of the year.

I trust that your receipt for the above contribution will surely be dated in 1930.

Yours sincerely,


Sidney D. Gamble

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copy sent B.A.G.