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- K.C. Journal Post

August 2, 1924

The Kansas City Journal-Post,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

In consideration of and appreciation of your subscription of \$250.00 per year for three years to my support in the work of establishing a Department of Journalism in Peking University, Peking, China, I will be glad to furnish you as many special articles and pictures as I am able.

I will seek to follow as best I can any instructions or suggestions which may be made by the Managing Editor of the Journal-Post, Mr. Ralph Ellis, and such material to be furnished exclusively to the Journal-Post in its territory.

Very truly yours,

(Signed)

Vernon Nash,
Peking University,
Peking, China.

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August 2, 1924.

My Dear Lewis:-

Still more news. The Journal-Post came through this morning with a subscription of \$250 a year for the three years. In return for which they desired me to give them some such a statement as the one inclosed. I trust that my signing of this is in no way a breach of the pledge on the articles of agreement with the University in which I undertook not to enter into any outside work without the consent of the President.

At any rate, I signed that of which a copy was inclosed on the strength of your letters suggesting that I get some such Journalistic connection. From some points of view, there are reasons for regretting that this arrangement could not have been entered into with the Star but all those with power to act in such a matter for them are out of the city for the summer and it is most unlikely that they would have been willing to do anything on the scale of the Journal-Post's offer, judging by what Mr. Stout said and the manner in which he received me.

There is no conflict in the fact that I had previously talked with the Star since the letter given by them is so non-committal as to be meaningless. I shall simply fail to furnish any more articles "for their consideration." This may be six of one and a half dozen of the other for everyone seems to think that it is altogether unlikely that the Star would make any large use of material which I might furnish. I judge by the keen interest shown by the managing editor and by Laurence Dickey, a son of W. S. Dickey, the editor and publisher (also a former member of the Lions Club, who dropped his membership when he got into the newspaper game because he could not give the time in the middle of the day)----I say I judge by their interest that they are going to take hold and make something of the connection.

As ever,

Nash

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VERNON NASH FUND - K.O. Journal Post

August 5th, 1924.

Dear Nash:

I think that "tie-up" with the Journal-Post was a good one. It not only is no breach of University relationship, but is the sort of thing that contributes toward good-will for the University. I think it is all right.

You are quite correct that the letter from The Star was entirely non-committal and we both have lived long enough to know that "what is sauce for the goose, is sauce for the gander", and that the Star would have no right to tie you up without themselves being obligated. In a word, the Star arrangement was simply a courteous letter stating that if you wanted to send them in articles they would be glad to look them over and take them if they wanted them. That is always the case anyway with any publication.

The Journal-Post, on the other hand, sees some possible publicity and value to the extent of \$250.00 a year. Neither of these papers is being published for its health. Neither are you going to Peking for your health. I am glad you made the arrangement and I think it was very good.

Will you please send me the names of the proper persons in the Journal-Post office, including Lawrence Dickey and his father, so that I may put them on the list for the Peking News? As I told you in Kansas City, the News itself is not a soliciting sheet, it is an information bulletin and I would be glad to put the persons whom you suggest in the section of individuals to whom we send The News for information only.

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I am glad for the conversation with Mr. Winters. I know he has the residence in mind, as also the matter of his possible going out there for a visit with his family. He spoke of both matters to me, but asked that I say nothing about either of them to you until he had had the opportunity of a conversation.

In the meantime, we will keep it between ourselves and await developments. He is a prince of a man.

I think your own analysis of the possibility of any organized support by Kansas Citizens is correct and I assure you that we will not go in there to stage any wild or definite campaigns. We will simply see what we can do in a quiet way.

With warm regards, as ever

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Vernon Nash
Y. M. C. A.
Kansas City, Mo.

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VERNON NASH FUND - K.C. Journal Post



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SS "President Madison"

August 19. 1929

Dear Lewis:-

Your good letter about the arrangement with the Journal-Post reached me for a steamer letter in Seattle. I'm glad that you approve and are pleased with the deal we made. The three principal names involved are

W. S. Dickey, owner. ✓

W. Laurence Dickey, a son. ✓

Ralph Ellis, managing editor. ✓

Note the spelling of Laurence's name. I think it would be well for you to send a copy also to the Sunday Editor, a Mr. Collins, whose initials I did not get.

There is a great crowd of missionaries on board, including Dr. Bowen of Nanking, and the fellowship is delightful. This is specially true with the Wolfrez and the Crosses.

Every conversation I have with an experienced missionary confirms me in the feeling that I am privileged to step into an opportunity whose possibilities are almost measureless.

Cordially,

Nash

Kansas City Journal Post

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KANSAS CITY JOURNAL, MORNING
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KANSAS CITY WEEKLY JOURNAL

Kansas City, Mo.,

September 18, 1926.

Dr. Jas. A. Lewis, Secretary,
Peking University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

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Dear Dr. Lewis:

Am enclosing a check for \$250.00 made payable to yourself as Secretary of the university on our agreement made back in 1924. At that time we agreed to subscribe that much toward a fund for Vernon Nash in Peking.

We have heard from Nash occasionally but not as often as we would like. If you write him would suggest you say that we would appreciate some more photographs and general stories as to conditions or anything he may wish to write, especially since China has stayed pretty well in the news lately.

Very truly yours,

Kansas City Journal-Post

W. Laurence Dickey
W. Laurence Dickey

WLD:K

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VERNON NASH FUND - K.C. Journal
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September 22, 1926.

Mr. W. Laurence Dickey,
Kansas City Journal-Post,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Mr. Dickey:

Thank you sincerely for your letter of September 18, together with your check for two hundred and fifty dollars, covering the agreement which you made toward the support of Mr. Nash in 1924. This helps a lot at the present moment, in view of the fact that we have been carrying Mr. Nash on our budget during this period at a cost of about three thousand dollars a year, though we have received from Kansas City only about three thousand dollars altogether. This puts us considerably behind on that item.

I am sending your letter on to Mr. Nash, with the request that he send you photographs and articles such as you wish.

In the meantime, let me summarise the conditions in China as follows:

The Chinese are a people of long memories; they are also a people who move slowly. In her recent history movements in the country can be best indicated by outstanding events which have taken place.

First: The Boxer up-rising of 1900 was a great fanatical demonstration against the foreigner and foreign influence, but it has become evident that that frenzy represented simply the death throes of old China, and the birth of the new.

Second: This first phase of rebirth culminated in the overthrow of the Manchu Dynasty in 1911 and the establishment of the so-called Republic on October 11 of that year.

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Third: Following the overthrow of the Manchus power in China was concentrated in the person of Yuan Shi-kai, who had been the strong man of the Manchus in later years, and who was the outstanding military leader in China. He was strong enough to continue the unity of the country which existed under the Manchus.

Fourth: Yuan Shi-kai died in 1915. He had unified his country by the establishment in each province of a military governor who was a General known to him for strength and who was loyal to him personally. With Yuan's death, however, disension arose among these various military governors as to which should succeed Yuan. Each considered himself the logical successor, with consequent rivalry, which has existed until now, and still exists.

Fifth: The central government ~~has~~ represented in Peking has continued to depreciate in power and influence for the last eleven years. Meantime, it has developed a new power in China -- namely, public opinion. It takes a long while for a people as numerous as the Chinese, who have lived for centuries under alien domination, to transform their opinions from silent opposition to a central government, into constructive development thereof, even though this development be of, by, and for themselves. Furthermore, this development has been retarded by the extremely high rate of illiteracy (about ninety percent) of the great mass of the people, as well as the dearth of public channels of communication and of information. Gradually this is being overcome through the establishment of many newspapers throughout the country, and the rapid spread of at least a minimum degree of literacy among many hundreds of thousands of people during the past decade.

Sixth: During this recent period there has been a slowly rising tide of resentment against what the Chinese consider foreign encroachment, but which has largely been a continuation of the foreign attitude of superiority, which has over-looked the fact that foreign prestige has continually declined in Chinese opinion since the out-break of the World War in 1914. In addition to this last factor must be included the return to China of many thousands of Chinese young men who went abroad as students during the past twenty years, and who lost their fear of the foreigner through intimate contact with him in his schools and universities.

Seventh: This rising tide of resentment culminated in the really unfortunate shooting in Shanghai on May 30th last year by British troops of innocent Chinese students, who were quietly parading. That incident chrysalized Chinese resentment to the point of complete rebellion against any further ~~associations~~ of prestige, and opened the way for an active expression of this resentment whenever occasion might arise. The incidents along the

assertions

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Yangtze within recent days have been typical of such feeling.

I spent an afternoon and evening during the summer with the Chinese Minister to the United States. He told me that though he thought that conditions might become a bit worse for the next few months, yet gradually there was a development of unity and common purpose among the mass of the people. He also stated that those individuals and institutions which should continue their service in China during this period of unrest, not with the fear of losing prestige because of their foreign nationality, but with an earnest desire simply to help China work her way out, would gain vastly in influence and opportunity for service in China during the coming years.

You will recall the famous statement of Marshall Foch; "My right is crushed, my left is smashed. I will attack." It seems to us that this is most apropos to conditions in China at this hour.

With cordial personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

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Yangtze within recent days have been typical of such feeling.

I spent an afternoon and evening with the Chinese Minister to the United States during the summer

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VERNON NASH FUND - *K. C. Journal Post*

May 28, 1927

Dear Mr. Sharp:

Our Treasurer, Mr. McBrier, has only just returned from a visit of several weeks in Europe, and since your check for \$250 was sent to him at his other office, it did not reach his Peking University Office until yesterday. Will you therefore kindly pardon the delay in thanking you for this generous gift and expression of your continued interest in Peking (Yenching) University? Please be assured of our genuine appreciation.

Receipt #1757 for \$250 is enclosed herewith.

Please note that any future checks should be sent to Mr. McBrier, Peking University, Room 825, 150 Fifth Avenue.

Very sincerely yours,

PEKING UNIVERSITY

Secretary

Mr. Marion B. Sharp, *Bus. Mgr.*
Kansas City Journal-Post
Kansas City, Missouri

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VERNON NASH FUND

August 19, 1927

My dear Mr. Dickey:

Thank you very much for your check for \$250 completing the pledge of the Journal-Post toward the Vernon Nash Fund for the years 1924-1926. Mr. Nash will be glad to have the news of this additional contribution. In the meantime please let us express to you his appreciation and that of the officers for your generous subscription toward the work of the Department of Journalism. Our receipt is enclosed herewith.

Very sincerely yours,

Office Secretary

Mr. W. Laurence Dickey
Kansas City Journal-Post
Kansas City, Missouri

Kansas City, Y.M.C.A.
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VERNON NASH FUND

March 4, 1924

Mr. C. S. Bishop
Y. M. C. A.
Kansas City, Mo.

My dear Mr. Bishop:

Mr. Nash has written me of the very attractive possibility that the Kansas City Association may undertake his support over a term of years. Nothing would be more gratifying to me in addition to securing Mr. Nash and having further help in our School of Journalism, than to have this kind of recognition and assistance from an organization in which I have always believed and which, next to my own immediate ideas, has always had a large place in my heart and more of my time than anything else in China.

I am sailing for Great Britain on Saturday, but shall say that if I do not hear from you before that time, my colleague, Dr. Luce, or someone else, will be prepared to take up further details in this arrangement. It would seem that the Lord was guiding us and arranging matters during the last minutes of my stay in Kansas City.

With cordial regards to Mr. Nash, believe me

Very sincerely yours

JLS:S

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Mr. Jas. H. Lewis
 Peking University
 156 Fifth Avenue
 New York City, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Lewis:

Following is the minute adopted by the World Service Club Committee of the Central Department of the Young Men's Christian Association of this city.

"Upon motion by Mr. Weaver, seconded and carried, it was agreed that The World Service Club guarantees to Peking University an annual payment of \$500 toward the support of Mr. Vernon Nash for three years, on July 15th of 1924, 1925 and 1926."

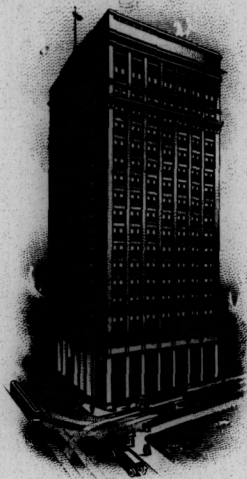
Mr. Nash has referred back to Mrs. Mehorney the list of names of the women who have subscribed toward his support, asking for proper addresses, etc. I expect also to secure about \$200 more from certain individuals, and I trust that you will hear favorably from Mr. Clark regarding the balance to be raised by the Lions Club. I have not yet heard from Mr. Bryson Jones; if I do not hear within a few days I shall get in touch with him.

Yours sincerely,

C. P. Fletcher
 Secretary.

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Mr. C. P. Fletcher,
Secretary, Y.M.C.A.,
404 East 10th Street,
City.

My dear Mr. Fletcher:-

Answering your letter of the 3rd.
Since Mrs. Jones' return, we have been exceedingly busy,
and the straightening out of our personal affairs was
postponed until yesterday morning.

We have discussed the matter of
contributing to the expenses of Mr. Vernon Nash in his
work at the Peking University and concluded that \$100
was about all that we could assume, in view of the many
other appeals that we have and are receiving. Therefore,
I am enclosing a check for \$35 for the first twelve months,
with the understanding that I will send you \$35 for each
of the two succeeding twelve-month periods, making in all
the subscription covering a three-year period a total of
\$105.

Please understand that I am making
this subscription payable to you with the agreement that
if Mr. Vernon Nash does not go to Peking and assume this
work, then the money is to be returned to me, or if during
the three-year period Mr. Vernon Nash does not continue,
I shall then feel that my obligation for further payments
is voided.

and oblige

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this

Yours very truly,

RBJ:BWA
Enc.

R. Bryson Jones

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Mr. James H. Lewis,
 American Office, Peking University,
 156 Fifth Ave.,
 New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Lewis:

I wish to acknowledge your kind letter of June 26th. For one thing, I must say that you over-estimate my part in helping Nash to get out to China.

In my letter to you of June 24th I omitted the date - June 19th - of the minute passed by the World Service Club Committee of our Association here. Within a few days we shall be sending you a check in the amount of \$500.00.

Enclosed herewith is a check in the amount of \$35.00 from Mr. R. Bryson Jones and his letter of July 8th in this connection, and also a copy of my letter to him of today.

Mr. Ralph McAfee of the Council of Churches is trying to secure a few subscriptions toward the Nash Fund, and Mr. E. C. Wolcott, 605 Reliance Bldg. and Mr. C. M. Christie, 1010 Continental Bldg. are also doing the same. I think it might be well if you would get in touch with these men direct. I might say that Mr. Wolcott had already subscribed through our Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Nash are of course quite busy now getting ready to leave. We shall miss them very keenly.

I shall be glad to co-operate with you further in the interest of Peking University in any way I can.

Yours sincerely,

C. P. Fletcher
 Secretary

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Y.M.C.A. World Service Club
R.C. - June 7, 1924*

x to Capt. Reed

July 24, 1924.

Mr. James H. Lewis,
Peking University,
156 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Lewis:--

We take pleasure in enclosing check
for \$500.00 in payment of the pledge of the World
Service Club of this Association toward the support
of Mr. Vernon Nash at Peking University for the year
1924.

Very sincerely yours,

J. H. Vaughan
Acting Executive Secretary.

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VERNON NASH FUND

July 28, 1924

Mr. G. E. Vaughan
Acting Executive Secretary
World Service Club, Y. M. C. A.
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Vaughan:

I acknowledge very gratefully your check for \$500.00, in favor of Peking University toward the support of Vernon Nash during the year 1924.

It was certainly not only loyal, but also the mark of vision upon the part of your Club to contribute in this generous way toward Mr. Nash's support. You are linking up with one of the most strategic enterprises in the entire Far East. Just three days ago, one of the best informed men on educational matters in the Far East talked with me confidentially about the possibility of other agencies concentrating their Far-Eastern work around there in Peking University.

Let me suggest just this thought. Study the map of Asia and you will see the geographic alliance of Russia and China; study the history of Asia and you will discover that the Yellow Race not only emigrated from the basin of the Tigris and Euphrates in old Babylonia and therefore are kindred to the peoples of Western Asia and Eastern Europe. But you will also recall the Mongolian invasion of Europe under the leadership of Genghis and Kublai Khan during the thirteenth century - an invasion which went as far in Europe as Vienna and which has left in the Slav many dominant characteristics of the Oriental.

Couple with the above recent events in Asia, the close relationship between China and Russia, the rebuff to the Japanese by the Western World and you face the suggestion of cohesion, which has not been thought of for a generation. Personally, I think this is very likely. If it takes place, the next fifty years will witness the rise of an empire or coalition of eastern peoples supported by limitless supplies of raw material inexhaustible resources of cheap labor and by infinite numbers of men, who can bear arms and bear them well, if that is what they are called upon to do.

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Peking University, located at the Capital not only of China but of the whole Far East, has an opportunity neither equalled nor excelled in the history of the world, to help shape the ideas and the ideals of this vast, expanding and turbulently changing population, which covers the face of Asia.

I congratulate you and the Club through you, upon the genuineness of their vision in their association with this enterprise.

Very sincerely yours

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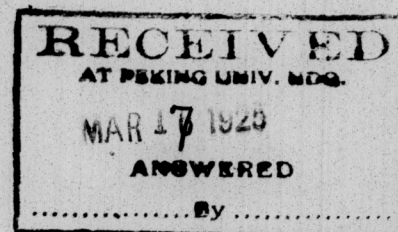
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Am. Hdqrs., Peking University,
156 Fifth Ave., N.Y.



Gentlemen:

Can you supply us some fresh information re the University? Our World Service Committee will have a meeting next Thursday evening in the interest of helping to maintain Mr. Nash out there. Let us have something by that time if possible. We've never received any literature from you.

Yours truly, C. P. Fletcher

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VERNON NASH FUND

March 17, 1925

Mr. C. P. Fletcher
404 East 10th Street
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Fletcher:

Your note of the 14th has just come in, and I am exceedingly surprised that you have never received any literature for we sent quite a bunch of it last summer after Mr. Nash had gone to China.

We are mailing you today, however, several copies of the last three issues of the "Peking News" which members of the Committee will be interested in reading. I am sorry that these will not arrive in time for the class.

I am sending this letter special delivery by air mail, in the hope that it will reach you before the Thursday night meeting. One reason for the delay of your letter is that our address is now 150 instead of 156 Fifth Avenue. We moved across the street in order to consolidate all the China Union Universities into one office and thus save considerable rent.

The most significant thing going on in China today is the "Thousand Character Movement". James Yen, a former student of Yale and a chap in his late twenties, together with some other American-returned Chinese students, picked out the one thousand words most commonly used in Chinese speech and started three years ago to teach the Chinese characters for these one thousand words to everybody in China. They can teach them in three months. As a result of this, many tens of thousands of people have learned to read within the past three years, and more than two hundred newspapers and periodicals using these one thousand words as a medium, have been started. If you will compare this intellectual Renaissance in China with the same kind of a Renaissance in Europe the latter half of the fifteenth and the first half of the sixteenth centuries, you will realize the period of national development and outreach which is upon China today. It is into such a literary new-thinking world of Chinese that Vernon Nash comes at this moment. The School of Journalism, with which he is now associated at Peking, is an absolutely new venture in China. There is no national press service over there as there is over here. The Department of Journalism at Peking University is trying to develop, not only journalistic ideals and standards, but also a mind among the Chinese which will be tolerant, open and creative, as it is struck with the impact of western civilization today.

For the help of your Committee in the support of Mr. Nash, we are extremely grateful.

With warm personal regards,
Sincerely yours

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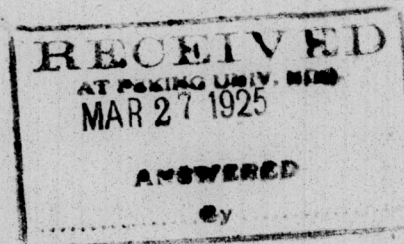
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Mr. Jas. H. Lewis
 150 Fifth Avenue
 New York City, N.Y.



Dear Mr. Lewis:

Your "air-mailed" letter of the 17th arrived Friday morning, the 20th, but the printed matter came Thursday afternoon in time for the meeting of the World Service Committee. We had a very interesting time going over this material and certain letters from Vernon Nash. We shall undoubtedly secure the \$500.00 which is our share of his second year's support.

I don't know what might have become of the previous literature you say was sent. At any rate it did not reach me, or any of us as far as I can find. I shall, of course, be interested in receiving all of the regular bulletins and anything else which will keep us posted concerning the University and especially the new Department of Journalism.

Yours sincerely,

C. P. Fletcher
 Secretary.

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Mr. James H. Lewis,
 Peking University,
 150 Fifth Ave.,
 New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Lewis:

Enclosed is our check of \$500 in payment
 of the share of the World's Service Club of the Y.M.C.A.
 here toward the second year's support of Vernon Nash in
 Peking University. With some difficulty, we have finally
 gotten this much together. ✓✓

I don't suppose I should concern myself
 with the Lions Club share of Nash's Budget. I may just
 mention that Mr. J. F. Porter, who in the very beginning
 promised Mr. Clark \$100 a year for three years, remarked
 to me several months ago that he had not yet been asked
 for payment of his pledge although he had several times
 spoken of it to Mr. Clark. He said that Clark referred
 to an intended visit of yours here when the matter would
 be taken up further.

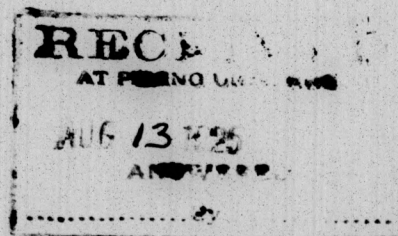
With best wishes for the work of the Univ-
 ersity, and with kindest personal regards to yourself,
 I am,

Yours sincerely,

C. P. Fletcher
 Secretary.

CPF:W

Ch. rec'd \$500



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Received	Salary - Vernon Nash
Entered	☒
Cash receipt made	☒
Pledge card	☐
Follow up card	☒
Checked on list	☐
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Answered	☐
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VERNON NASH FUND

August 14, 1925

✓ Mr. C. P. Fletcher
Y. M. C. A., 404 East 10th St.
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Mr. Fletcher:

Thanks very sincerely for the generous check for \$500.00 from the World's Service Club, toward the second year's support of Vernon Nash. The promptness and generosity of your club we very greatly appreciate.

I am also glad for your word about the Lions Club share. I have had several communications from Mr. Clark in which he spoke about quickly finishing up the Lions Club contribution, but they seem to have let it slip by until fall. I told Mr. Clark that I would be glad to come again if he wished me to do so. Apparently it will be necessary and I am, therefore, writing Mr. Clark about it. Thanks for your good word.

While there is great unrest among students in China, and indeed among all of the groups living in the cities or industrial centers, nevertheless the work of Peking University is going forward with even more good influence than before. You will be interested to know that when the students of all the colleges and universities around Peking - and there are several government universities among them - voted that their representative to the National Conference of Students in the recent crisis should come from Peking University - or as we are known over there, Yenching - they also voted that the students of our university should make their own selection as to delegates.

First of all, you must realize that modern industries in China have practically tripled within the last ten years which enormously affects the hand industries of China. Go back in your Chinese history and you will recall that the opening of the railway between Peking and Mukden in 1898 or '99 was the economic cause of the Boxer uprising. You see twenty-five per cent of the population of China engaged in transportation. This transportation is done by sticks over the shoulders, wheelbarrows, ponies and donkeys, camels and sedan chairs. This twenty-five per cent is about eight times what it ought to be. The building of the railway threw out of employment thousands of day laborers.

Now the modern industries which are growing up like mushrooms, in China are employing thousands of workers - men, women and children - ranging from seventy years of age to six and seven. I know of great factories which keep little girls six and seven years old working at tasks which compel them to

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stand on their feet fourteen hours a day, for which labor they are paid five or six cents. It is against such practices as this that protest gradually arose among the student classes of China - which are the most informed groups in the country.

Conditions probably will remain upset in China for some years to come. It is a sign of her growth and of her adaptation to the twentieth century as contrasted with conditions of the fifth century B. C. in which she has been living until within the last generation.

The Chinese Christians are carrying on in an extremely effective way, but for the most part they do not number among their adherents sufficient numbers of persons of wealth to carry on their work alone. They need our help very materially. They do not wish our dictation which is a most hopeful indication. They covet our friendship and they are extremely anxious that we believe in their sincerity.

To those whose interest in China is one of genuine Christian service and the spread of the spirit and message of Jesus, rather than "conquests" per se, China presents a greater opportunity today than in the history of her fellowship with the nations. If however, we consider that the missionary message must fundamentally be accompanied by propaganda of our own nationalism - however good our own nationalism may be - then such intercourse will not be welcomed by the Chinese nor will it long endure.

With regards,

Sincerely yours

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Received	250.00
Entered	8/16/26
Cash receipt made	Vernon Nash Fund
Pledge card	#7684
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Mr. H. W. Luce,
150 5th Ave.,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Luce:

We inclose herewith the Association's check for two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) representing half of our pledge to the Nash fund for the year 1926. The greater part of the balance due you has been provided for, but we are not able to tell you at this time the exact date on which you may expect to receive it.

We shall be glad to have any news items concerning Mr. Nash, if it is news which you may feel we might use to an advantage in relaying it to the members of the World Service Club.

Yours very truly,

GKV:HA

Geo K Vaughan

Dear Mrs. Dean:

Will you please send a receipt for this & say that will send him word about Mr. Nash early in September.

Perhaps you might put this letter in a folder with other things to call to my attention on return. The "Camp" here closes Sept 1, but if I can arrange it I would like to arrange to stay here till after "Labor Day" I plan to be in N.Y. Sept 7 or 8th. probably the 8th. *W.H.*

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VERNON NASH FUND

KANSAS CITY

Y. M. C. A.

Vernon Nash Fund 1924-1925-1926

In a letter from Vernon Nash to Mr. Evans June 2, 1927

he says the Y. M. C. A. considered that they still owe \$250 to complete their payments of \$500 annually; they needed a little over \$50 yet so Mr. R. R. Irwin, who is active in both the "Y" and Lions Club, gave Mr. Nash a check for that amount and the "Y" assured him that a check for \$250 would be on its way to the New York office in a few days.

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Vernon Nash Fund

August 30, 1928

Mr. B. A. Garside
New York City

My dear Garside:

While in Kansas City the other day, I found that the Y.M.C.A. "World Service Club" had gradually collected scattering Nash funds to the amount of the enclosed check. Acknowledgement should be sent to Mr. M. H. Spencer, Business Manager, Kansas City, Missouri, Young Men's Christian Association, 404 E. Tenth Street, K.C., Mo.

We are having a delightful trip West and I'm beginning to look forward to hopping into the financial work with vigor again. That's more than I've been able to say in recent weeks, but even three day's free from "MUSTS" is having its effect.

Cordially,

(Signed) Nash

*This applied to old pledge of
World Service Club to Vernon Nash Fund*

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September 5, 1928

My dear Mr. Spencer:

In the absence of Mr. Wannamaker from the city, please allow me to thank you in behalf of the officers of the University for your check, received through Mr. Nash, as a contribution from the World Service Club of the Kansas City Y.M.C.A. toward the Vernon Nash Fund. As our records showed \$50.00 still due on the original pledge of \$1500.00 made by the World Service Club, we have credited this check for \$49.13 against that pledge.

No doubt Mr. Nash has told you of the progress in his efforts to obtain funds for the School of Journalism at Yenching. We are hopeful that during the fall the entire amount needed can be secured. Mr. Nash is eager to return to China but feels that he must remain in this country long enough to obtain definite assurances of support for his work for a five year period.

We are enclosing herewith our official receipt for \$49.13.

With sincerest thanks to the World Service Club for this gift, we remain

Sincerely yours,

Acting Campaign Office Secretary

Mr. M. H. Spencer, Business Manager
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404 East Tenth Street
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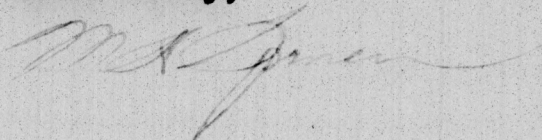
Yenching University Headquarters,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Att'n: Blanche M. Britton

Gentlemen:

We notice your letter enclosing receipt for
a former payment indicates that there is still 87¢
due. Enclosed check will close the account.

Yours truly,



MHS:A

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