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YENCHING UNIVERSITY
PEKING, CHINA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

July 29, 1941

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS
"YENTA"

Mr. C. A. Evans
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

Enclosed are papers containing information about Noah Lerman, who graduated here this spring and who is very anxious to get to America to continue his studies at Stanford University where he has been accepted for admission. We hope that with this information you will be able to obtain from the State Department the necessary permission for his entrance into the country.

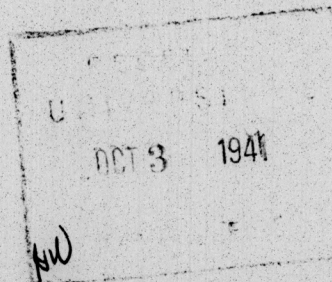
The boy is a Russian Jew and has had quite rough going the past few years. He has supported himself entirely through college and has just graduated with a brilliant scholastic record, having majored in Physics and minored in Mathematics. His English is very good as you can see from the attached letter addressed to me. Initiative and seriousness of purpose are two of his outstanding characteristics.

Dr. Stuart has recommended that he try to obtain his passport in Shanghai through the office of the American Consul General there rather than in Tientsin. If and when you obtain permission from the State Department, we suggest that we be notified here at Yenching and we in turn shall let Mr. Lerman know.

Sincerely yours,

Mary Hutchison

Enclosures



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21 July, 1941

51, Hsi Piao Pei Htg.
East City, Peking.

Dr. Karl M. Cowdery
Associate Registrar
Stanford University
Palo Alto, California,
U.S.A.

Dear Sir,

Having received your statement of admission I made all preparations to leave for America, including a steamer reservation for departure early in August.

However, I received a check from a very unexpected quarter - the American Consulate, where I found that student visas can no longer be obtained as readily as in the past. Various unusual difficulties now present themselves to an applicant in my position which require some time to overcome. One of the new regulations is that biographical data must be submitted to the Department of State by the applicant's sponsors in America; and clearance instructions from Washington must be received by the local Consulate before a visa can be issued. The New York Office of Yenching University will act as one of my sponsors, but the regulations require two sponsors. I would, therefore, be very grateful if you could kindly give confirmation of my admission to the post-graduate division of the Department of Electrical Engineering to Mr. C. A. Evans, 150 Fifth Avenue New York, N-Y, of the New York Office of Yenching University. Then Stanford would I believe, be considered as my second sponsor and all the requirements would be fulfilled. However, even with all possible effort to expedite the procedure, a delay of two or three months is inevitable. Consequently, I am afraid it will be quite impossible for me to reach Stanford in time for the Autumn Quarter.

I am hoping, however, to get the visa in time to arrive at Stanford for the Winter Quarter, and I am taking the liberty of asking you to be so kind as to re-admit me for that quarter. I have now completed my undergraduate work and the complete transcript of record has already been forwarded to your office by the school authorities; so that I believe you are in possession of all the necessary documents.

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I regret very much having to trouble you in this way, but I know you will understand that this unfortunate delay is entirely beyond my control. At the same time I hope I can be readmitted for the Winter Quarter as I am very anxious indeed to study at Stanford.

Respectfully yours,

Noah Lerman.

cc Mr. Evans ✓

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Biographical Data.

1. Applicant's name

Noah Isaac Lerman.

2. Date and place of birth

17 July 1921 in Petropavlovsk, Siberia.

3. Nationality

Russian Jew (now regarded as ex-Russian emigrant).

4. Present address

51, Hsi Piao Pei htg, East City, Peking.

5. Marital and family status

Single. Youngest in a family having three children; the other two being a sister, aged thirty-five, and a brother, aged thirty-four. Father is sixty years old, mother — fifty-four.

6. Present residences of members of family

The whole family lives at No. 51, Hsi Piao Pei htg, East City, Peking.

7. Educational background

Attended a mixed Kindergarten at St. Joseph's School (a girls' convent), Tientsin, during the year 1927-28.

Was transferred to the Tientsin Grammar School (administered by the British Municipal Council) in 1928. There received primary and secondary school education, graduating in December, 1936.

Entered Yenching University, Peking, in September 1937, majoring in Physics with Mathematics as minor study. Received the B.S. degree in June, 1941.

8. Occupation since 1930

With the exception of giving private lessons occasionally and acting as laboratory assistant (part-time) in Yenching in 1941 I have been occupied entirely with my education, as described under 7.

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affiliations

9. Political activities and ~~applications~~

Brought into China from Soviet Russia by mother in 1924 and entered in her passport as an ex-Russian, immigrant into China. Got a separate residential permit in Peking in 1939, renewed yearly until the present time. Registered as an ex-Russian immigrant into China, politically neutral. Have never been involved in any political activities.

10. Whether convicted of or punished for any political or other offense.

Never convicted of or punished for any political or other offense.

11. Names of political organizations with which applicant is connected by a memberships or ~~application~~ affiliation.

Registered by the North China authorities as an ex-Russian immigrant, politically neutral.

12. Whether alien has previously resided in the United States.

Have never before resided in the U.S.A.

13. Destination in the United States

I am planning to go to Stanford University, Palo Alto, California, by which I have been accepted for post-graduate study in the Electrical Engineering Department.

14. Proposed port of entry

San Francisco, California.

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15, Elgin Bldg.
Tientsin

OCT 3 1941

Dear Miss Hutchison,

I am sending you the bank's letter of guarantee which I could get only to-day owing to inevitable delay in obtaining my permit to leave Peking. I wanted to have it certified by an attorney and with this purpose in view paid a visit to Dr. C. F. Fox, a local attorney. He told me, however, that although this practice is very popular here in China, in America his signature as a witness would have about as much weight as mine. So his kind frankness saved me a lot of trouble and expense.

You will notice that this letter is a copy. The original is in the hands of the American Consulate and will be transferred, together with other documents, to the Consulate in Shanghai where the case will now be handled. You might want to mention this to Mr. Evans, in case the authorities enquire about the original.

By the way, I've overlooked an error made by the clerk in typing out my biography. Under #9, 11 he has written the word "applications" instead of "affiliations." Would you mind correcting it for me?

Thank you very much for all the trouble you are taking in my behalf. I appreciate greatly your kindness and helpfulness throughout.

Sincerely yours,

W. H. H. H.

P.S. I enquired at the post-office about American mail and it appears that letters can be sent express. Do you think it worth while sending my documents that way?

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Tientsin, June 27th, 1941

C O P Y

The American Consul General,
Present.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. I. Lerman, whose nephew Noah Lerman, is applying for a student visa to enter the United States of America for the purpose of study at the Stanford University, is a client of this Bank, and his financial standing is perfectly sound.

We understand that the duration of Noah Lerman's study in America is to be 2 years, and do hereby guarantee that the amount necessary for his expenses to the extent of a total of US\$2000.- (Dollars Two Thousand Only U.S. Currency), will be provided by our client Mr. I. Lerman.

Yours faithfully,

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Dr. J. L. Stuart,
Office of Yenching University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

November 10, 1927.

Dear Dr. Stuart:-

Today I wrote a letter to Dr. Salt, asking the University authorities to release me from my connections with the Department of Agriculture. My reasons for taking this step will be explained to them orally. I am hoping that you may not misunderstand this matter due to your absence.

We are now facing a difficult problem with the Short Course students. These students have published in the Yenching Weekly and other papers articles stating the inability of several of our teachers. At the same time they have stopped coming to the classes of one of the teachers. This has resulted in the resignation of two of our teachers; consequently the Short Course work is almost at a standstill and further procedures may not be possible, as it is impossible to find teachers to take the places of those two resigned both from the standpoints of financial condition and time.

When the Department budget for this year was made out, I promised that I would try my best to keep the expenditures within the budget. But it is now impossible to tie over this year as to how next spring would be, I am not willing to take further responsibility. The reasons for the financial difficulties are many-fold, the chief of which is that more teaching staff is necessary and a lot of the Department's income has been held either by the New York Office or by the Treasurer's Office for paying back debts and also expenditures, which were not included in this year's budget.

When I was appointed to act as the head of the Department last spring, I found that the departmental staff was of one body and was working in a smooth order. However, due to student movements and financial difficulties, I feel that I am not able to lead this body any longer.

My impression lately is that the University is trying its best to maintain its own financial status so much so that it is no longer cooperating with the Department of Agriculture. The house in which I am staying now (25 E. O.)

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is charged at 70.00 per month and the rent for half of this year has been taken off from our receipts of tuition by the Treasurer's Office. Seeing that the Department is not able to pay so much for a rent, I am arranging to move out to a house in Chongli.

If the present state of affairs should continue, I am sure the Department will suffer from the operation of the University will always be bothered by difficult questions coming from the Department. In order to give the Department a chance for reconstruction, I thought it best for me to resign as soon as possible. I hope that you will understand that it is only due to my inability to keep things straight and not for any other causes, that I wish to resign.

I wish to include in this letter a paragraph concerning the Korean Garden. You may have already heard that the purchase has not gone through. No matter whether you know or not the reasons for not having obtained the property, I wish only to say that I had nothing to do with the purchase, except representing the University authority and also the lawyer and Mr. Wang in some of the meetings. Should this paragraph seem surprising to you, just take it as a joke. Should you have heard that I have been taken as an important part in the purchase, this paragraph will explain myself.

Yours very faithfully,

Thomas H. Lew

Thomas H. Lew,
Chairman, Department of Agriculture.

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Howe Lew

December 15, 1927.

Dear Dr. Lew:

Your letter resigning from the Department of Agriculture has just been received. I am on the eve of starting for a trip to the South to be with my boy and relatives over the holidays but must send a few lines to you to express my profound interest over this action. I do hope that long before this reaches you the unfortunate circumstances which led you to this decision will have been satisfactorily adjusted and that we can be assured of your continuance in a position for which you seem to be so admirably fitted. Only yesterday I was making an appeal for additional help for this Department and need scarcely assure you that I hope its finances can be greatly improved. You know too well the general difficulties of the University to make it unnecessary for me to explain why we have had to be so careful in charging the expenses of this Department to its own income. With the heavy cut in the teachers' salaries and the reduction in other ways, we have been forced to economize in every possible way and for this reason have been unable to help your Department as we should like. However, there ought to be ways to solve the present problems and bring the budget of the Department within its income until other funds can be found for expenses.

This is only a short hurried note to reach you without delay and to ask you to reconsider and stay on with us, at least until further efforts can be made for meeting the problems your letter refers to.

With assurance of my high esteem, believe me,

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. H. H. Lew,
Yenching University,
Peking, China.

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January 25, 1928

Dear Dr. Lew:

I am enclosing, herewith, a letter and a copy
of my reply. Please indicate whether you prefer Mr.
Lo or this man.

Very sincerely yours,
(Signed) J. Leighton Stuart

Dr. H. H. Lew
Yenching University
Peking, China

P.S. It might be well to ask Dr. Galt to cable your decision.

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January 25, 1928

Dear Mr. Tong:

Your letter has just reached me this morning and I am writing at once to acknowledge it. As it happens, we are looking for one more Chinese in just the subjects in which you seem to have specialized. Early this month I met another man who has somewhat the same qualifications and have recommended him to Dr. H. H. Lew, head of the department. I shall forward your letter also and ask him to reply either to you or to me as promptly as possible. It may be that you will care to write Dr. Lew direct giving him more details. If so, his address is "Yenching University, Peking, China." The facts are probably covered, however, in your letter to me.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. Leighton Stuart

M. Q. S. Tong
601 Grant Avenue
San Francisco, California

Note: A copy of Mr. Tong's letter referred to is now in the Central Office Files. B.B.

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FOOD RESEARCH INSTITUTE

STANFORD UNIVERSITY

CARL L. ALSBERG
JOSEPH S. DAVIS
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DIRECTORS

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, CALIFORNIA
February 13, 1928

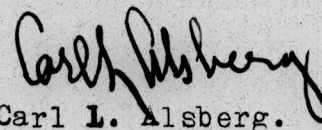
Dr. Leighton Stewart,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Stewart:

When I was at the second meeting of the Institute of Pacific Relations at Honolulu last summer, I suggested as part of the research program of the Institute a number of projects. These were incorporated in the Institute's program and the Social Science Research Council was approached to finance them. The Council approved of two of them and has induced the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial to finance them. I beg to enclose copies for your information.

As you will note the plan is to have the work undertaken under the direction of the Food Research Institute by adequately trained young Oriental scholars. I am turning to you to ask your help in locating two or possibly three Chinese of about the stage of experience that would correspond to an assistant professor in the United States. It occurs to me that your experience with the scholars of China may enable me to get in touch with one or two of them directly or indirectly who may be properly equipped for the work.

Very sincerely yours,


Carl L. Alsberg.

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Dr. J. Leighton Stuart,
Office of Peking University,
156-5th Ave., New York City,
U. S. A.

Dear Dr. Stuart:-

Thanks for recommending Mr. Lo to me. I am enclosing a copy of my letter to Mr. Lo. Hoping it will be satisfactory to you.

A few things of the Department might be of interest to you:

1. Mr. Edward of Peking informed us that we were almost sure to receive \$25,000 gold from the Famine Funds to be added into our capital. A certain amount of money was set aside for starting another campaign. Should it be unnecessary to do so, \$25,000 of which will be given to us. The money will come to our New York Office by March 1928.

2. The Korean Garden purchase is still suspending. The case would have been settled, had there not been so much hesitation on our side as to the financial strength of this Department. Through many meetings and calculations, the University authorities finally have authorized the purchase.

3. Report of the cooperation work in Short Course Instruction had been sent in to Dr. S. H. Galt for approval. A translation copy is hereby enclosed. Hoping to hear your criticism about the work.

4. Mr. Lin, a well known lawyer in Peking, wishes to donate a mountain side to us. The proportion as yet is not quite ~~attracted~~ ^{attracted}, but Mr. Lin seems to be willing to help in capital expenditure for putting in fruit trees on the side. Mr. Lin has a cottage there and by giving us the mountain side, it would eventually beautify his cottage.

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Dr. Stuart

5. The students are quiet, and classes are being started. Mr. Lew Yun Lung, one of our most practical men resigned due to the student trouble, and Mr. P. H. Yui resigned due to other works in the city. In spite of this, the instructional and administration works are going with little trouble.

6. The Department has again suffered loss from commercial projects, thus the income has been too low to meet its expenditure. The expenditure has not gone beyond the budget provision. Nevertheless, a new budget had to be made and I am hesitating a great deal as to my ability in keeping within its limits although my policy is to stop all commercial projects, yet it takes time to do it. As I am carrying a heavy teaching load and miscellaneous administrative work, I am chased to the limit. I am hoping that the co-operative work will be approved which will allow me more time to do construction work for the Department.

Very faithfully yours,

Homer H. Lew

Homer H. Lew,
Chairman, Dep't. of Agriculture.

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February 27, 1928.

Dear Mr. Alsberg:

I have your letter of February 13th asking me to suggest two or three Chinese who would be a help in investigating the subject of agricultural products in Eastern Asia. I suggest that you write to Dr. and Mrs. Homer H. Lew, Yenching University, Peking, China. Dr. Lew is at present the head of a small department of Agriculture. He is a young western trained Chinese actively interested in all such problems. His wife specialized in home economics at the Oregon Agricultural College and the University of Michigan. They could either take up the problem with you directly or suggest other Chinese who might do so.

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. Carl L. Alsberg,
Food Research Institute,
Stanford University,
Stanford University, California.

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H.H. Lew

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Dr. J. L. Stuart,
Office of Yenching University,
150 Fifth Avenue, N. Y.,
U. S. A.

Dear Dr. Stuart:-

Your letter dated Jan. ²⁴25, 1928,
inclosing a letter of application is at hand.

Financially the Department is not
able to give employment. Unless Mr. Fan should
start for the States in the Summer, I shall not
consider it necessary to cable for a man.

Mr. Liao, the Fengtien man whom
Mr. William Hung recommended has had several
letters to me. The present arrangement is that
he will go to Philipines to study Horticulture
and Extension for a year on his own expense, then
I will let him know whether we could employ him or
not in Spring of next year.

Faithfully yours,

Homer H. Lew
Homer H. Lew,
Chairman, Dept. of Agri.

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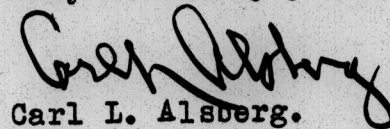
March 9, 1928

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart,
Yenching University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, New York.

Dear Dr. Stuart:

Thank you very much for your letter of February 22. I will get in touch with Dr. H.F. Lew at once. I am wondering whether you can tell me more specifically what his training has been. What we need for the project under consideration is a man whose training has been good in economics and statistics from the standpoint of agriculture. A man whose training has been in practical agriculture or agronomy would hardly suit. He must be in a position to devote at least two years full time to the work and to come to the United States for at least one year of the two. In particular I would appreciate your telling me with whom in America and at what institution he was trained. With many thanks,

Very sincerely yours,


Carl L. Alsberg.

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March 12, 1928
Dept. Agriculture

Dear Dr. Lew:

I have your letter of February 14th with the other mail.

We are keeping in touch with Mr. Lo and I have advised him to look you up when he goes back to China during the coming summer.

I am interested in what you write about Mr. Lin wishing to donate a mountainside to the Department for reforestation. I have been to his summer home and therefore have the place clearly in mind.

I am sorry that Messrs. Low Yun Lung and P. H. Yui have both left the department.

I hope the Korean Garden can be purchased without much longer delay.

Regarding the \$25,000 gold, I fear that the probabilities are against our receiving it. This was held to be used for promoting another campaign for Famine Relief in China should that ever become necessary and in view of the famine now in existence there are vigorous plans being pushed in this city for starting another such campaign. I am meeting with some of those concerned the day after tomorrow. Of course it is embarrassing for the University of Nanking and us to resist a humanitarian effort like this and even though we did the control is not in our decision. I am very sorry for the continued financial stringency of this important department and venture to hope that conditions will improve somewhat although there is not much prospect of immediate relief.

Very sincerely yours,

Dr. Homer H. Lew
Yenching University
Peking, China

JLS:O

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Mr. Fan I Hua has decided to go to the states for further study. We would need an Animal Husbandry man, but we have no fund to cover his salary. If you know that we may have an extra income, please let me know. Mr. S. T. Shen has a friend, who studied Veterinary Medicine and is now in China, so we have a choice between this man and Mr. Roderick Lo. I suggest that we offer an instructor's salary of \$140.00 a month with free lodging. I shall put this offer to Mr. Shen's friend first, because we rather prefer a veterinarian. So as soon as I hear from you of the assurance of an extra income, I shall wire you whether or not to engage Mr. Lo.

I presume you have seen the propose cooperative plan with Tsing Hua and Hsiang Shan. The China International Famine Relief Committee has offered to give scholarships of \$100.00 per student each year. I am hoping that the work can be satisfactorily started. Other works of the station are going on smoothly.

Very faithfully yours,

Homer H. Lew
Homer H. Lew,
Chairman, Dept. of Agri.

HHL:K

S. Cabled 5-7-28

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May 9.

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Homer Lew

April 10, 1928

My dear Eubank:

I am sending you some correspondence which I think is clear. I wonder if you would be willing to write Dr. Alsberg what you know about Homer Lew along the lines of his inquiry. You are better informed than I.

With cordial regards

Very sincerely yours

J. Leighton Stuart

Mr. Bransford Eubank
Princeton Theological Seminary
Princeton, New Jersey

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P.S. Please return this correspondence when you have finished with it.

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Princeton Seminary, Princeton, N. J.
April 14, 1928.

Dr. Carl L. Alsberg,
Food Research Institute,
Stanford University,
California.

My dear Sir:

At the request of Dr. Stuart of Yenching University, I am writing concerning Dr. H. Lew of the Department of Agriculture Yenching University, Peking.

Dr. Lew received his Masters degree from Ames, Iowa in 1924. That summer he went to the college of agriculture, University of Maryland, receiving his Ph. D. in Agronomy in August 1925. So far as I know, Dr. Lew's training was more along the line of soils and soil chemistry. I cannot say how much training he may have had in economics and statistics.

I know Dr. Lew personally very well, having worked with him in the same department, and lived with him in the same mess for a year and a half. He is exceptionally sober and level-headed for a returned student, a clear direct thinker, good observer, and a steady hard worker. I am sorry that I cannot tell you more in particular. If there is anything that I might be able to do for you, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

Bransford Hubank.

Liu Ho
Lew".

P. S. Dr. Lew's Chinese name is romanized
and he sometimes signs his name "Homer

B. H.

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EXTRACT FROM CABLE TO YENCHING

May 9, 1928

"The following is sent at the request of Dr. J. L. Stuart;-
Authorize new man agriculture as requested!"

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May 23, 1928

MEMORANDUM RE MR. SHAFER, POTTSVILLE, PA.

By Chester E. Jenney

Mr. Shafer will give a check for \$1000 sometime during the first fifteen days of September, 1928 before the college year opens. This is for the salary of a new man in the Department of Agriculture. CEJ will follow this up.

Note: See cable to Peking May 9th, in reply to Homer Lew's letter of April 2, 1928.

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