YENCHING

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Dr. H. W. Luce,
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My dear Dr.Luce:

We have for acknowledgment your two letters of February 8 and your postcard of January 29.

We are indeed grateful to you for the two checks for $10 each which you enclosed in your letter of February 8. In accordance with your request, we are transmitting $10 to J.W.Hunter at Shantung Christian University, asking that it be used to help some student in the University who needs special help because his family is affected by famine conditions. I believe that Hunder is the best man at Cheeloo to handle the matter since he is Acting Treasurer and is well acquainted with the special needs of the students. We are also sending $10 to Dr.Howard Galt at Yenching for the same purpose.

We are profoundly grateful to you for these expressions of your interest in the students at Cheeloo and Yenching who are so directly affected by the famine conditions prevalent throughout Northern China. The enrolment at Cheeloo has been materially reduced for several years because of the prevalence of famine conditions throughout the regions whence the Cheeloo students come. I know that many of the students who have been able to scrape together enough money to continue their studies at Cheeloo are in a serious financial plight. While the attendance at Yenching has not been so noticeably affected, I am sure that many of the students there are also suffering from famine conditions in the areas whence they came. As you say, the only permanent solution of the problem of the scurge of periodic famines is to get Christianity so thoroughly into the life of China as to eliminate the basic conditions which today are causing such a wide-spread famine problem.

Thank you also for your second letter of February 8 commenting on the cablegram announcing the adoption of a correlated program. It is surely obvious that even though the program adopted in Shanghai is as nearly ideal as one can hope for in this imperfect world, it will still be a tremendous task to make the program effective in China and secure adequate support for it here in the West. The difficulties lie not so much in the attitude of those hostile or indifferent to these institutions, as in the attitude of many who are counted the best friends of our China colleges. Everyone agrees in principal to the urgent necessity of