Up to that time I had never been in either Wei Hsien or Tsinan, and so had no real opinion as to which place was the better location for the college. It was largely settled by one of our influential colleagues who did have very pronounced convictions against Tsinan. Later events have shown that the decision in favor of Wei Hsien was a wise one: we could not at that time have built an adequate campus for a college to fit the needs of a later day; the buildings and land which were procured then, offered later, however, a better place for the Wei Hsien Middle School than has been the lot of most schools of that grade to secure. In addition, no little preliminary experience in "union effort" was gained in the days at Wei Hsien before we moved into the united plant at Tsinan. The history and development there is recent and also a matter of record.

As some of you know, I was secretary of the National Educational Association of Shanghai (1917-1919) when Dr. Leighton Stuart of Nanking and I were called to help in the development of Yen-ching University.

Of my thirty years of missionary life I have spent about eleven of them in the United States leading a homeless wandering life with a suitcase while securing friends and funds for Chee-loo and Yen-ching Universities.

But the days and years at Wei Hsien ever stand out as our most memorable years. There we built our first permanent home;