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MRS. ALBERT J. LYMAN
255 PRESIDENT STREET
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

May 11, 1923

My dear Mr. Arnold:

I am delighted to send
this extra cheque for ^{\$25} \$100.00
sent by a friend of mine
out of town. Kindly make
the formal receipt to
Mrs. Mildred B. Bliss
and forward to me at
this address.

Sincerely yours,
Elizabeth Hills Lyman

May 5th, 1923.

My dear Mrs. Lyman:-

I am happy to have your letter upon my return. Miss Alder has written a number of letters to her friends but the responses as yet have not been overwhelming. However, she promises to stay on the job to secure at least \$100.00.

I telephoned Mrs. Dickinson and Mrs. Westbrook, but have failed to connect up to now. We of course will keep closely in touch with all of our Brooklyn friends, which includes Mrs. Hobson as well.

Regarding a day of interviews in Brooklyn with Mrs. Hobson, we have about decided to send the enclosed invitation to the Brooklyn men whose names were suggested at the Committee meeting in Dr. Baldwin's home. This men's dinner next week at the Metropolitan Club is one of the most representative affairs that we have yet succeeded in planning. We shall watch to see what Brooklyn men attend and plan to follow them up later, using Mrs. Hobson's kind offer of her automobile at that time.

May I tell you how delighted we all are that you are so actively a friend of Peking University. Certainly your aid has been invaluable and we appreciate what you have done tremendously. Dr. Stuart returns to New York on Monday and will be most grateful when he hears of your contribution.

I hope to come to Brooklyn before long and shall look forward to seeing you when I do.

Very sincerely yours,

May 12th 1923.

My dear Mrs. Lyman:

I take the train this afternoon for Vancouver and shall go directly through to Peking. Mr. Arnold has brought to my attention your note of May 11th, with the extra check of \$100 enclosed. I wish we had more friends like Mrs. Lyman in America; indeed I cannot tell you how great is my appreciation for the interest and action you have taken on behalf of Peking University.

Would you talk with Miss Shannon Webster if she comes over to see you, so that she may have your advice. I do not want to ask you to do more than you have already done, but feel sure that if Miss Webster might lay before you her ideas you would be able to help her out. Probably Miss Webster will telephone you and, if it is possible to do so, I hope you may have time to see her.

I may return in the fall from Peking to further the interests of the campaign. In the meantime, with deep gratitude,

I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Albert J. Lyman,
255 President Street,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

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April 25, 1925

! Albert
Mr. Millard B. Bliss,
% Mrs. Alvert J. Lyman,
255 President Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

Dear Mr. Bliss:

The Equitable Life Insurance Company moved \$350,000,000. through the New York streets last Saturday. These securities were transferred from their former offices down-town to their new magnificent building opposite the Pennsylvania Station.

Peking University will move, this fall and winter, its entire student body from its present quarters in the southeast corner of the City of Peking to its new campus and buildings six miles northwest of the City. Twenty-eight buildings are being completed as the initial construction unit for this great institution.

Peking University has been transformed from a purpose to a reality within the past seven years. It represents an extraordinary contribution to international friendship and education - a tribute to the unselfish generosity of Christian friends in America.

Last September I wrote a few friends of the University and stated that what we needed was "one final lift" to complete our mechanical installations and equipment expense, and I stated in that letter that negotiations were under way for the final buildings which we need. The response since then has been generous but it is not large enough to provide for these needs.

The Trustees are pouring in their time and money to push the University over this crest. I know you have been considering what you might do some time for the University. May I say that your help, in cash or subscription before June 1, may mean more than a larger subscription made a year from now. Will you today sign the enclosed pledge card and drop it in the mail? Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

James H. Lewis

Mrs. Robert Woods Bliss
Mrs. Mildred B. Bliss

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MRS. ALBERT J. LYMAN
253 PRESIDENT STREET
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

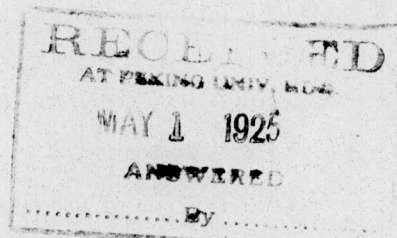
April 30, 1925

My dear Mr. Lewis:-

The enclosed letter has come back to me with errors enough to defeat any sort of appeal! I have tried repeatedly to have these mistakes corrected on the records of the Peking University office, but without success. Now, having become acquainted with your smiling face, I am encouraged to believe that something will be done! It would seem that any approach should be made through Mr. Russell, Mrs. Robert Woods Bliss's secretary. I had supposed that Mrs. William Henry Bliss and her daughter had the same secretary, Mr. Edwards. (Vide the card given to you at the promotion conference two weeks ago.)

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Hall Lyman



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MRS. ALBERT J. LYMAN ✓
255 PRESIDENT STREET
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

February 12, 1928

My dear Miss McCoy:

I am writing to ask if any work is being done under Tamblin and Brown as a "Campaign" for Yenching. Are there any letters out? Is any one working in the field?

We of the Women's Committee are in the dark about the entire matter, and it is distinctly a 'puzzle'.

Your letter bears date January 13, 1928. This is relative to the letter that should have been sent to me in December. Is this letter of yours meant to bear date February 13, I wonder.

I shall be glad of any information as to the entire matter.

Very sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Hills Lyman

*Wm 1611
Called her up &
explained*

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February 14, 1928.

My dear Mrs. Lyman:

In accordance with our telephone conversation this morning, I am sending, under separate cover, some printed matter that has been gotten out this winter by Tamblin & Brown.

As soon as I have an opportunity to talk with Dr. Stuart, I shall call to his attention the fact that you have not been notified regarding the present campaign.

Sincerely yours,

Office Secretary.

Mrs. Albert J. Lyman,
255 President Street,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

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COPY

AMERICAN TRUST AND SAFE DEPOSIT COMPANY

may
~~June~~ 15, 1928

Mrs. Albert J. Lyman,
Apartment 10 A,
36 Plaza Street,
Brooklyn, New York

Dear Mrs. Lyman:

We have your letter dated the 15th and are enclosing check covering your expenses as specified.

We note what you say regarding the sum you are arranging to provide for current expenses of the Womens College. I am wondering why the suggestion is made by Mrs. Lee that this be sent to the Peking office in New York, for all of the current expense funds in this country that I know of for the Womens College, pass through my hands here. Mrs. Boyd sends all her remittances here and so do the various womens boards and committees which are at work. Perhaps, this may be a different sort of a proposition, I do not know, but in any event would suggest you review it again with Mrs. Lee in order that there may be no possible confusion.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) LOUIS A. BOWMAN.
Vice President and Trust Officer.

LAB C
Enclosure

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COPY

May 19, 1928

Mr. L. A. Bowman
131 North Dearborn St.,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Bowman:

Mrs. Lyman has sent me your letter of May 15 asking me to comment on your question.

When Mrs. Lyman spoke to me of the \$1000 she hoped to have by June I understood that it was to be sent as a help toward the special fund the Trustees of the University and the Yenching College Committee are together trying to raise at the present time. That is why I suggested that it be sent to the New York office to be credited as so much toward the campaign. The objects for which the \$400,000 of the campaign are to be used include \$10,000 toward the current expense budget of the Woman's College. I am not clear whether this fund for the current expense budget will be available for the school year closing in June 1928 or only for the following year. If I am right in assuming that the Woman's College Committee can draw on this fund for the meeting of any present deficit, I still think it desirable that this \$1000 should go to the treasurer in New York and be credited to the campaign fund. A letter from Mr. Wannamaker under date of May 17, calls my attention to the fact that there will still be \$37,000 to be secured before July 1 even if the conditions of Mr. and Mrs. Boyds gift and one other conditional gift are met.

Mrs. Lyman will of course herself decide as to whether or not this \$1000 should rightly be counted a part of the campaign and will let you know.

Cordially yours,

(Mrs. Lucius O. Lee)

L:S

COPY
COMMITTEE OF
YENCHING COLLEGE FOR WOMEN
of
Peking University

May 19, 1928

Mrs. A. J. Lyman
255 President Street,
New York City

Dear Mrs. Lyman:

I am returning Mr. Bowman's letter to you
and I am writing him as you will see by the enclosed copy.

If this \$1000 is really the continuance of money
you have been accustomed to send to Mr. Bowman for current
expenses about this time each year, it is only natural that
he should feel concern lest it be diverted to some other pur-
pose. I think it would be quite possible for you to send it to
Mr. Garside, for him to credit it as a receipt on the campaign
fund, and as soon as that is done, to forward it to Mr. Bowman
that he might send it with other funds to Peking at once.

Ever yours,

(Signed) EULA B. LEE

(Mrs. Lucius O. Lee)

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Kindly return enclosed letters.

MRS. ALBERT J. LYMAN
APARTMENT 10 A
36 PLAZA STREET
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

re \$1000.00

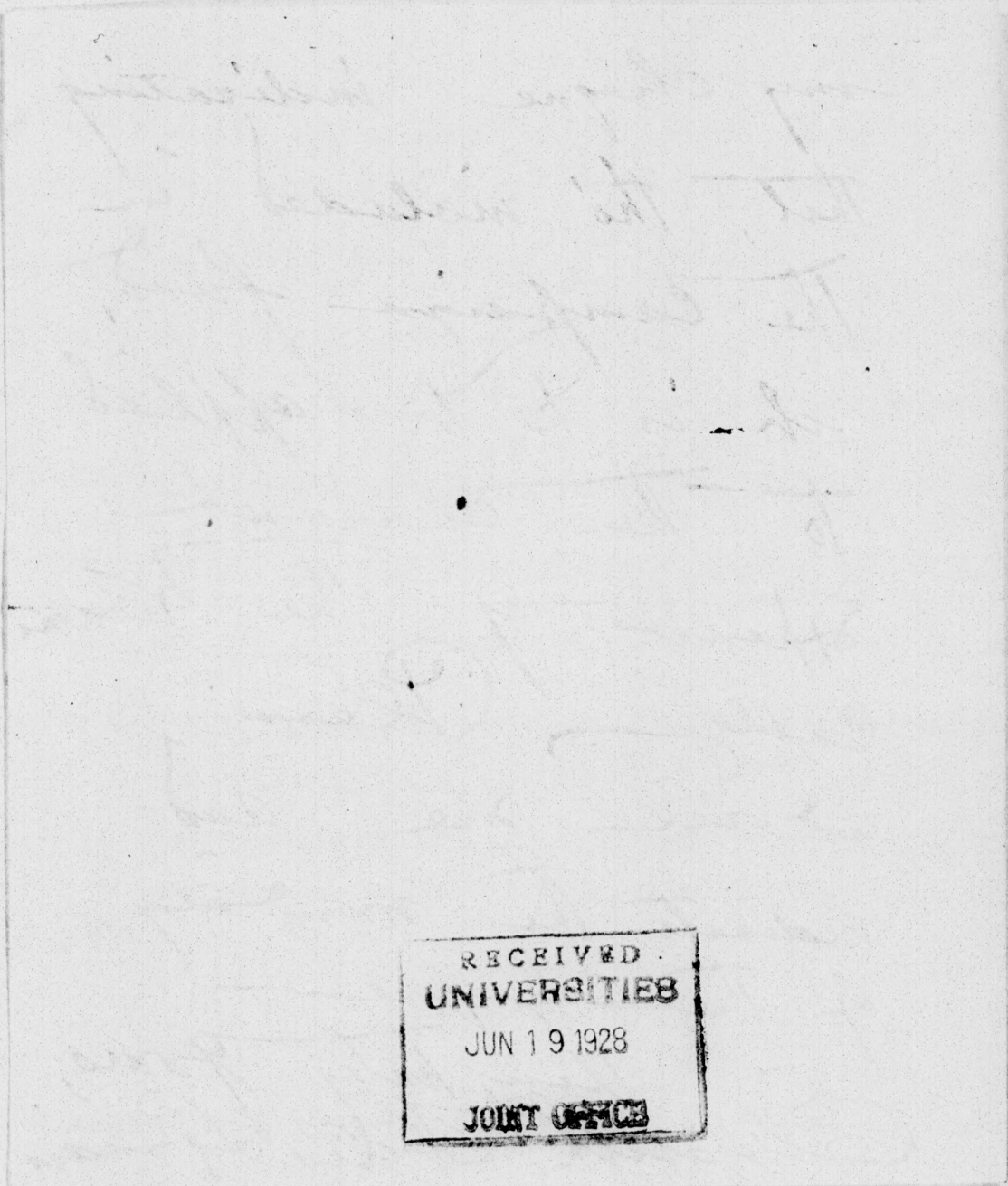
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My dear Mr. Gaiside,

I have written to Mr. Bowman and to Mrs. Lee that this is my by-the-hardest work for the Campaign; but I write to inquire whether or not I can make a special note on

my cheque indicating
that, tho' included in
The Campaign fund,
it is to be applied
to The current
Expenses of The Women's
College. Please
advise me and
indicate the wording
of The cheque.
Very truly yours,
Elizabeth Mills Linn



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JOINT OFFICE

Lyman, Mrs. Albert J.
Apt 107 36 Plaza ST.
Brooklyn, N.Y.

June 21, 1928

Pledge \$1000 to current expenses
of Women's College
1928 Campaign

Received	6-21-28
Receipt slip #	
Entered on control record	✓
" " acct. card	✓
" " contr. list	✓
Serial No. on L. and card	202 ✓
Pledge signal attached	
X-file cards	
Letter ack. sent	6-21-28 ✓
Checked for O. L.	✓
" " class card	✓
" " stencil	✓

by Mr. Garside
see files

This pledge was paid the following
day Receipt # 1945 - \$1000.
Check acknowledged 6-22-28 by L.M.C.

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June 21, 1928

Mrs. Albert J. Lyman,
36 Plaza Street,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Lyman:

We have your letter of June 18th with its various enclosures.

We will be very glad to receive your check for \$1000.00 and to credit it as designated for the current expenses of the Women's College. This designation is quite in harmony with the system we are using in recording contributions coming in during the present campaign.

The check may be made out either to "Trustees of Peking University" or to "E.M. McBrier, Treasurer".

Within the near future we must have a meeting of the Campaign Committee to authorize the distribution of all designated receipts of the present campaign to the various objectives indicated, and also to decide on the distribution of undesignated gifts that have come in.

I am returning to you herewith the various enclosures which came in your letter of June 18th.

Thanking you for this new evidence of your warm interest in the Yenching work, I am

Very sincerely yours,

B. A. Gould

BAG-H

Enc.

CC: Campaign Office ✓

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MRS. ALBERT J. LYMAN
APARTMENT 10 A
36 PLAZA STREET
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

June 28, 1928

My dear Miss M^c Coy:

Replying to your acknowl-
edgement of my cheque
for \$1000⁰⁰, I enclose
a partial list of donors:
the rest of the \$1000⁰⁰
was in small sums
down to \$100, "courtesy

lifts" to me:

Sincerely Yours,
Elizabeth Wells Lyman

November 9, 1928

My dear Mrs. Lyman:

Knowing how deeply interested you are in Yenching and especially in the Women's College of the University, I venture to inform you of the very difficult situation we face in our present campaign for funds.

You are well aware, of course, that last winter when President Stuart was seriously needed in Peking he came home because of the necessity of securing a moderate additional fund to meet certain needs of the University on its present scale of operation. The amount requested of our friends in America was \$500,000.00, this to be distributed among certain pressing needs - a small addition to the endowment, a dormitory to accommodate desirable students eager for admission for whom we have an ample teaching staff but no accommodation, faculty residences required to relieve faculty members of conditions of living entailing waste of time and undue nervous strain, a gymnasium for the Women's College, a building for the practice school of the department of education, the minimum necessary improvement to the campus of the University, etc.

We have all been gratified by the response with which the appeal for the University has been met since we were well aware when the campaign began that the American public had not yet recovered from the effect of unfavorable newspaper reports of conditions in China. We are grateful to have secured in cash and pledges \$447,000 of the total amount for which we have been asking. We feel that this degree of success under difficult conditions means a distinct endorsement of the University by those best informed about its work.

But the distressing element in the situation is that we are in great danger of losing \$90,000 of the \$447,000 pledged. This very generous gift has been offered to complete the present building

requirements of the Women's College. The two friends who have offered it have extended the time limit of their offer twice. We are now informed confidentially that at the expiration of the present time limit, January 1st, there is no reason to hope for a further extension of for a modification of the conditions. They offered this gift as a part of the money necessary to put the University on a sound basis for the proper accomplishment of its task with its present prospective enrolment of 700 students. They do not approve of contributions which fail to achieve the objects in mind. They definitely expect us to report by January 1st that all the objects we have had before us in this campaign shall have been accomplished.

We are doing our utmost to secure the remaining \$53,000 in time to save that generous gift. I am venturing to address this letter to you in the earnest hope that there may be some one or more friends to whom you will feel free to address an appeal for help to the University under these conditions. I know you will help us in any way that seems practicable.

You can certainly state to any interested friends that Yenching University now holds the foremost position among Christian colleges in China. It has the largest enrolment of collegiate students and these come from every province in the country, a disproportionate number from remote provinces in the south. It has been selected by a competent commission as the one institution to offer at present a full curriculum of postgraduate studies and it has enrolled this year 100 postgraduate students. Obviously it is to be the center from which the most thoroughly trained leadership is to be sent into all parts of China to help in bringing Christian influence to bear upon the New China.

With sincere appreciation,

Cordially,

Assistant to the President

Mrs. Albert J. Lyman
Apartment 10 A
36 Plaza Street
Brooklyn, New York

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November 9, 1928

My dear Mrs. Lyman:

I was certainly encouraged Wednesday by the very earnest thought of all of you who attended the meeting of our campaign committee and deeply grateful for the offers of help. I hope that the letter I have drafted may be reasonably well suited to the purpose. It is rather difficult to confine such a letter within limits as brief as one would desire. If you feel that the letter should be condensed, do not hesitate to return it with your comment. Unfortunately, however, I leave town today to be gone for a week and and should not be able to redraft the letter for that length of time.

It is my understanding that you will kindly undertake to approach by letter Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Robert E. Speer, Mr. Edwin M. Bulkeley, and Mrs. Louis Slade. If I am incorrect in my memory, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant to the President

Mrs. Albert J. Lyman
Apartment 10A
36 Plaza Street
Brooklyn, New York

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Mr. Wannamaker regretted that he had to leave the office before personally signing this letter.

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MRS. ALBERT J. LYMAN
APARTMENT 10 A
36 PLAZA STREET
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

December 3, 1928

Mr. E. M. McBrier—
Fenching University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City.

My dear Mr. McBrier—

Two weeks of thinking about the possibility of going again to Peking brings me to this conclusion. I cannot 'boast' in this last lifting to secure the balance of our campaign money, and also go out for the dedication. So I choose to 'boast', much as I would like to be present in Station next October.

Frankly, I'm not sure that I ought to send this cheque. It reduces my entire possessions to about \$44,000; but I'm counting on getting my 'promotion' before I get to the last thousand. At sixty-

right, I might expect this to
"see me through", as my forebear
used to say; but I belong to
a long-lived race, and I
may go on to ninety!

Two hundred of this cheque
I have secured in small sums;
I may get in a few more
five dollar bills; but for
the greater part I must count
upon the proceeds of a sale
to-day of a part of my capital.

It seems so important that we
should secure the Boyds \$90,000,
every one who cares just
must do more than he or
she 'can'!

A grippy cold keeps me
from to-morrow's meeting.

Sincerely Yours,
Elizabeth Mills Lyman

December 4, 1928.

Mrs. Albert J. Lyman,
Apt. 10-A,
36 Plaza Street,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Lyman:

I do not know when I have received a letter that has touched me more than yours of yesterday, which arrived this morning with your most generous check for \$1,000.

Any words that I might be able to write could not express my feelings. Surely such sacrificial giving as this will not be passed unnoticed by our loving Lord and Master.

The Kingdom of God is built by just such gifts. Sometimes I wonder just how far the gifts of those who do not sacrifice count in the real building of the kingdom.

Any poor words of mine cannot thank you adequately and I am presumptuous enough to ask if I may send a copy of your letter to Dr. Stuart, who I know would appreciate reading the same.

Most sincerely yours,

ENMcB/A

Apt. 10A
36 Plaza Street
Brooklyn, N. Y.
December 5, 1928

Mr. E. M. McBrier
Yenching University
150 - 5th Avenue
New York, N. Y.

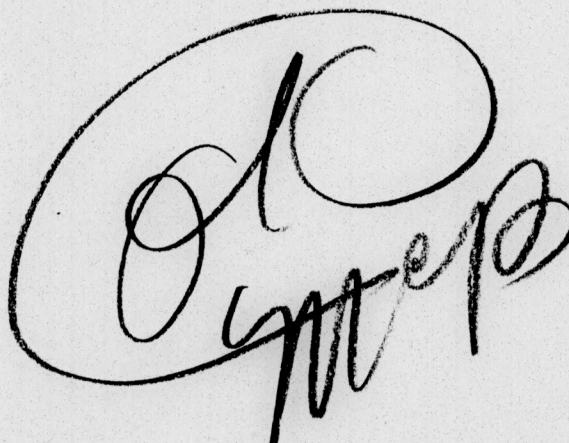
My dear Mr. McBrier:

I thank you for your courteous letter received
this morning in response to my perhaps too intimate letter
to you.

If the use of that letter will be of any service
to our common interests, I am quite willing you should do
with it as you will.

Cordially yours,

Elizabeth Arden Luan
(Mrs. Albert J.)



December 5, 1928

Dear Mrs. Lyman:

Please tell me by telephone quite frankly whether you feel that the enclosed printed form of your letter to Mr. McBrier - which carefully omits any reference to your name or even to the city from which you wrote - would possibly be embarrassing to you if I should place it in the same envelope with an appeal letter we are about to mail to our friends.

Hastily yours,

Mrs. Albert J. Lyman
Apartment 10 A - 36 Plaza Street
Brooklyn, New York

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MRS. ALBERT J. LYMAN
APARTMENT 10 A
36 PLAZA STREET
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

December 5, 1928

My dear Mr. Wannemaker,

When I came into my apartment at six o'clock, after nine hours of incessant effort on another money raising plan, I was probably too weary to be other than shocked when I read your letter.

The parading of one's doings gives me a shiver. It was only as a possible spur to others of the Board and of the Women's Committee that I wrote as I did to Mr. Mc Guire. I just could not bear to have the letter used as you suggest.

If you can use it as cut (Enclosure) I am willing; but not otherwise.

Sincerely yours,
Elizabeth Hills Lyman

Lyman, Mrs. Albert J.
(Apt 10A) 36 Plaza Street
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dec. 6, 1928

\$1,000.00 for 1928 Campaign - Women's College

Gift received	12-6-28
Receipt clip #	2206
Entered on control record	✓
" " acct. card	✓
" " contr. list	✓
Serial No. on L. and card	498 ✓
Pledge signal attached	_____
X-file cards	
Letter ack. sent	12-6-28
Checked for O. L.	✓
" " class card	✓
" " stencil	✓

ODW said to make this for
Women's College tho she did not
designate in letter 12-3-28

December 6, 1928

My dear Mrs. Lyman:

Mr. McBrier has, I believe, already written to you, but please permit the Campaign Office to repeat how very much we all appreciate your kindness and sincere interest in the University.

You did not so indicate in your letter but we presume you intend this \$1000 to be added to the funds for the Women's College, and so the receipt is made out in this way. If you intended the gift for the undesignated funds for the entire University, please let me know and I shall be glad to make the change.

Very sincerely yours,

Campaign Office Secretary

Mrs. Albert J. Lyman
36 Plaza Street
Brooklyn, New York

LM

December 7, 1928

Dear Mrs. Lyman:

I would under no circumstances have used your letter without your permission. I hesitated even to inquire about it feeling that you would be redutant to consent. Since receiving your letter of the fifth I have decided that it would be better not to use the letter.

We are still doing everything possible and are greatly encouraged by your generosity. We have reduced the amount still needed to almost exactly \$30,000 and we have engagements to see a good many people in the next week or ten days.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Albert J. Lyman
Apartment 10 A, 36 Plaza Street
Brooklyn, New York

ODW:BB

C O P Y

Yenching University

October 7, 1929

Mrs. Albert J. Lyman,
Apt. 10A, 36 Plaza Street,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Lyman:

The Yenching Finance Committee on September 27 made a study of contributions received by the Committee of Yenching College for Women for the Woman's College Gymnasium. We find that on June 1, 1927, the following amounts were received by Mr. Bowman for the "Gymnasium Building Funds":

Mrs. J.H. Moore	\$300
Mrs. A.J. Lyman	200

You will remember that in April 1928 Mr. and Mrs. William Boyd made their pledge for \$90,000, stating that "We will contribute in the name of the Boyd family the sum of \$90,000 for a gymnasium and social building for the women students of Yenching College". Mrs. Lee and Mrs. Williamson, who were present at the Finance Committee meeting, were both of the opinion that Mr. and Mrs. Boyd desired to contribute the entire cost of the Gymnasium so that there could be no question of its being truly a "Boyd Gymnasium". The Finance Committee, therefore, directed that we make inquiries as to whether you and Mrs. Moore would have any objections to the allocation of your gifts to the General Building Funds of Yenching College for Women rather than to the Gymnasium Building Fund as was originally designated.

Will you please let me know quite frankly if, for any reason, you do not desire to have the allocation of your gift of \$200 changed? In case you have no objections to the change in allocation, would you prefer that this gift be designated for some other objective than the General Building Funds of the Woman's College?

Our records do not reveal under what condition Mrs. Moore's gift of \$300 was received, but I suspect that this gift was received through your efforts. In case you are acquainted with Mrs. Moore would you be willing to ask her whether she would approve of a similar reallocation of her gift of \$300? If you are unable to take the matter up with her direct can you make any suggestions as to how and where we should get in touch with her?

We miss your presence at the meetings where these Yenching financial and promotional matters are being discussed.

Very cordially yours,

BAG-H

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C O P Y

MATSON LINE
Hawaii - South Seas
Australia

Indian Ocean *Lyman*

AROUND PACIFIC CRUISE
On Board S.S. Malolo

November 13, 1929

My dear Mr. Garside:-

Your letter of October 7 caught me at Batavia, Java. I hasten a reply to catch a mail boat at Fremantle, West Australia.

By all means allocate my \$200.00, to which you refer, to the General Building Funds of Yenching College for Women, since Mr. and Mrs. Boyd are assuming the full expense for the gymnasium.

I am quite sure that my cousin, Mrs. ^{J.H.}Moore, will agree with me in this matter and will raise no objection to a like disposition of her \$500.00. However, I am forwarding your letter to her. Should you hear no objection, you will assume that this question is answered.

I lunched with Mrs. Frame on October 16 --- too late a date for the grand dedication exercises.

It is pleasant to be missed at the meetings of the Yenching College Committee.

Cordially yours,

(Mrs. Albert J) Elizabeth Hills Lyman
36 Plaza Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

*Copy to
Promotional office*

Mrs. Albert J. Lyman
36 Plaza Street
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Jan. 25, 1930

\$500 - Women's College Endowment

Gift received	1-25-30
Receipt clip #	3411
Entered on control record	
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" " contr. list	✓
Serial No. on L. and card	68 ✓
Pledge signal attached	—
X-file cards	
Letter ack. sent	1-27-30
Checked for O. L.	
" " class card	ML ✓
" " class Renewal	✓

MRS. ALBERT J. LYMAN
APARTMENT 10A
36 PLAZA STREET
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

cc to JHS
January 6, 1931

My dear Mr. Tannemaker,

The folder is most interesting. I have rejoiced all the last year that I was 'moved' to give Pers Stuart \$5.00 = last Jan. (1930), for it looks now as if any sizable gifts to any educational work are far in the future. The hardest 'hit' for me personally is not in going into cheaper living quarters, in wearing 'old clothes', or in similar changes, but in cutting down, or cutting out,

my giving to causes I love.
However, the world is
at once in having to
meet changed conditions;
Probably some good is
coming out of readjustments.

Sincerely Yours,
Elizabeth Mills Lyman

January 14, 1931

My dear Mrs. Lyman:

You are very good to take the trouble to write me in response to the circular letter. We always know that you do all you possibly can for Yenching University. We are deeply grateful for your spirit. If we had a sufficient number of friends with hearts as warm as yours, Yenching University would float on a stream of gold.

With every good wish for the year just begun.

Cordially yours,

Assistant to the President

Mrs. Albert J. Lyman
Apartment 10A
36 Plaza Street
Brooklyn, New York

ODW:KK

cct. J. L. S.

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Mrs. Albert J. Lyman
464 Clinton Avenue
Brooklyn, N. Y.

December 10, 1931.

My dear Mrs. Lyman:

We have just received a hundred dollar gift from Mrs. C. M. Pratt, 241 Clinton Avenue, Brooklyn. Back in January 1929 she gave us \$500 and in December 1930 \$100. There is nothing in the files to show how she happened to give the \$500; it may have been in answer to an appeal letter sent out early in December 1928, when we were trying to finish our campaign of that year. The files show definitely that the \$100 in 1930 came in answer to a letter appeal only.

Mr. Wannamaker is considering approaching Mrs. Pratt, since she seems to be interested in the University, and apparently has some means. He wonders if you happen to know her or anyone who does, who might be asked to give us some information about her or perhaps help in an approach. Or would you yourself be willing to help us in this?

You will be interested to know that we are getting in a little money in response to our appeal, about \$535 so far, which will give us almost \$200 beyond the cost of the appeal. This is in two days and many of the letters cannot ~~not~~ have had time to reach their destinations, so we are hopeful of getting some more responses in the coming week.

Sincerely yours,

Corresponding Secretary

MRS. ALBERT J. LYMAN
264 CLINTON AVENUE
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

December 14, 1931

My dear Miss McCay,-

I presume Mrs. Pratt belongs to our "Pratt Institute Pratts", but I do not know.

If you care to use the enclosed letter, I shall be glad to serve in this little way.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Hills Lyman

Do send me all recent literature or information.

MRS. ALBERT J. LYMAN
464 CLINTON AVENUE
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

December 15, 1931

My dear Mrs. Pratt, -

Through the Yenching University office at 150 Fifth Avenue, I learn that you are interested in 'my' university. If there is any information that I can give to you, it will be a real pleasure to me to talk.

For some years I was Chairman of the Candidate Committee of the Roman's College, and so came into close contact with the work and the faculty. It was my joy to be Dean Frame's guest in 1927 and again in 1929.

My resources have been
not 'cut', but 'slashed'; and
I am unable to serve the
University as it was my
pleasure to do formerly;
but it is near my heart
and I shall be glad if
any knowledge I have
can be of use to you
and to the University.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Hilda Lyman

MRS. ALBERT J. LYMAN
464 CLINTON AVENUE
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

December 16, 1931

My dear Mr. Kannanaker,
You are absolutely right
as to the approach to Mrs. Pratt.
I realized the 'official' note
in my letter, but decided to
let it go to provoke criti-
cism.

- Is there late news concerning
- (1) our 'Fencing Students' partici-
pation in riots? ⁽²⁾ Are the
students continuing regularly
at their tasks in the University?
 - (3) Who is Acting Dean of
Women? ⁽⁴⁾ How does the
Endowment stand — as for
the Women's College?

- (5) Is the present effort for money chiefly to raise the annual budget?
- (6) What is the present enrollment?
- (7) Are the two treasuries in any way distinct, — for the University upkeep as departments for men, and that for the women?
- (8) Are the Endowment funds merged?

I am quite out of touch with details since the meeting at Mrs. Finlay's nearly two years ago.

Sincerely Yours,
Elizabeth Hells Lyman

Copy to JH's.

12-17-31

Dear Mrs. Pratt:

Since writing you our thanks for your generous help, it has dawned upon me that two of the best friends of our University are living on the same street in Brooklyn, and to wonder whether it would not be mutually pleasant for these friends to meet. Mrs. Albert J. Lyman, of 464 Clinton Avenue, has been a contributor to Yenching University for years. She has visited the institution twice and remembers vividly and with the greatest pleasure those two experiences. Mrs. Lyman is a woman of unusual cultivation and charm, and others who have not been to China have been delighted to share in conversation with her the pleasure of her trips there.

I am telling Mrs. Lyman of your interest in Yenching. If you two friends find it convenient to meet each other in the near future, I shall feel that I have done something to repay each of you for your help to us.

Cordially yours,

Assistant to the President

Mrs. Chas. M. Pratt
241 Clinton Avenue
Brooklyn, New York

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December 17, 1931

Dear Mrs. Lyman:

Thanks for your prompt reply. I am relieved to know that you felt one of the forms of letter addressed to Mrs. Pratt would be appropriate.

I am mailing to her today a freshly typed letter in the form you approved, returning a copy to you so that you may remember just what we have written Mrs. Pratt. I purposely left the question as to who should take the initiative in getting acquainted - you or Mrs. Pratt - entirely open in the way I phrased the last sentence in my letter. I thought that if Mrs. Pratt should telephone you and express her interest in meeting you and talking with you, that would be the best thing that could happen. On the other hand, I hoped that if she does not telephone you within a week you might think it proper to take the initiative and arrange to meet her.

I will answer all your questions within the next twenty-four hours in a separate note.

Assuring you of our heartfelt appreciation of your willingness to help in this fine way, I remain

Cordially yours,

Assistant to the President

Mrs. Albert J. Lyman
464 Clinton Avenue
Brooklyn, New York

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Mrs. Chas. Pratt

December 21, 1931

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Dear Mrs. Lyman:

I hasten to send you a note just received from Mrs. Pratt in response to my suggestion that she and you meet each other.

I really wish, greatly, that you could find some way to become acquainted with Mrs. Pratt. Just how that can be done in view of the situation indicated by her note, I do not know. You will certainly be much wiser in reaching a decision, either that the idea must be abandoned, or as to what method will serve, than I could be.

I shall be grateful if you will let me know the result of your reflection upon Mrs. Pratt's note.

Would it seem to you in bad taste for you to make the experiment of telephoning and offering to come in to see her just now -as if you had not received any intimation making it doubtful whether she would be free to receive you? I certainly do not wish to put you in the position of doing anything contrary to your own sense of the proprieties, as you would, of course, not do any such thing. I am so eager to have a friendship established between you and Mrs. Pratt that I may be tempted to go beyond the limits of good taste. You must decide and not I.

Cordially yours,

Assistant to the President

Mrs. Albert J. Lyman
464 Clinton Avenue
Brooklyn, New York

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December 21, 1931

Dear Mrs. Lyman:

I delayed replying to your questions because I wanted to be able to answer each of these quite definitely. I am now taking them up in order.

I think I have written you already that our latest news regarding the situation on the campus was dated November 17th and that there had been as little interference with the normal course of events in the College as one could possibly expect during the acute crisis in Manchuria. We have no indication that anything more serious has occurred since that time.

With regard to the Dean of Women, a committee consisting of Miss Myfanwy Wood, Chairman, Miss Margaret Speer, and Miss Chen I, has been seeking for a satisfactory person for this important position. Miss Tseng Pao Sun, of Changsha, has been invited, and according to our latest information she had not yet definitely decided whether to accept or not.

The cash and pledges secured for the Women's College endowment to date amount to \$63,084.90. All of this is paid in except \$9,310, most of the latter amount not being due for a considerable time.

Replying to your question as to what sort of finance effort we are making, I would reply that we have found it imperative to center attention upon efforts to meet the conditional offer from the Rockefeller Foundation, of \$250,000 for the endowment of the physical sciences, with the time limit of June 30, 1932. We are, however, not limiting ourselves entirely to that one objective. Sad to say conditions are so unfavorable that we are having extremely small success in obtaining funds for any purpose.

Enrollment for students this year is 801. Approximately one-fourth of the students are women; 111 are graduate students; 52 are short-course students.

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Mrs. Lyman.....#2

December 21, 1931

The treasuries of Yenching University and Yenching College for Women are kept entirely distinct, both as to the accounts and as to the handling of funds. Woman's College funds are kept in a special account under the name of the Woman's College.

The endowment funds of Yenching University and Yenching College for Women are likewise kept entirely distinct. All funds and securities belonging to the Woman's College stand in the name of that College, are accounted for separately, and are held in a separate trust account.

I trust I have answered your questions satisfactorily. Please be free to write us at any time for information.

Cordially yours,

Assistant to the President

Mrs. Albert J. Lyman
464 Clinton Avenue
Brooklyn, New York

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MRS. ALBERT J. LYMAN
464 CLINTON AVENUE
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

Mrs. Chas. M. Pratt

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Darien, Conn.

December 25, 1931

My dear Mr. Wonnamaker,

Frankly, I do not see
any way to aid fencing
through my 'forcing' an ac-
quaintance with Mrs. Pratt.

Were conditions reversed, and
I were shut in with an invalid
husband, I should resent a
stranger's intrusion, - feeling
sure that, under the guise of
neighborliness or sympathy,
the stranger had an axe
to grind. Then, too, merely for

the sake of establishing
new contacts, I cannot under-
take new enterprises. When
one arrives at the middle of
one's seventy-second year, one
chooses deliberately as to
the use of time and strength. Al-
ready I am having to do
what I hate to do — cut
down interviews, correspondence,
telephone conversations. I suppose
one must accept one's limitations
and pay tribute to one's calendar!

Regretting that I must
consider this a closed inci-
dent, and always with best
wishes for our Jonching University,

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Hills Linn

Lyon, Carolyn H.

(Mrs. Edmund)

Mrs. Edmund Lyon
Rochester

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December 31, 1926

My dear Mrs. Lyon:

On this mail I am taking great pleasure in sending you some of the plans and pictures which you were looking at the other day. I am sure you and your daughters will be interested in looking them over especially as they are so lettered and annotated on the back of each picture that they may be easily "placed" on the ground plan and the birdseye view. No photograph can do justice to the buildings and the campus. That cannot be done until we can reproduce the colors. The picture of the dormitory quadrangle and the lake has just come in from China. Now that we have these plans and pictures so well correlated it is possible for us to begin to glimpse the reality of earlier dreams.

Notwithstanding the troublous time in China it is the consensus of opinion of all whom I know, whose judgement is based on adequate knowledge and sympathetic understanding, that the developing plant (the beautiful campus and buildings) is matched by the remarkable place of importance which the University has attained during the last two or three years. The dominant factor in Chinese life today is the irresistible rising tide of nationalistic spirit. The University has been so admirably and wisely handled that, meeting this tide sympathetically, it has been carried to a place of regard and prestige which many of us thought might take five or ten more years under ordinary circumstances to attain.

I did so enjoy my fellowship the other day with you and your daughters and I do cherish the hope that you will think of me not so much as the one upon the burdensome job for securing funds for Peking University has been placed but as one who is a bearer of of "good news" of China and the University which you are delighted to hear. I, of course, must leave entirely to you any financial cooperation you may desire to take. I can only suggest the possibilities knowing that they will have your careful consideration.

Knowing of your recent interest in the Presbyterian

manse I have thought you would be especially interested in a very special item connected with the housing of our faculty, these missionary teachers who are spending their lives with no little sacrifice (though they do not call it by that word) in raising up the greatly needed Christian leaders for China. One of our main items which is giving us the most concern is the developing of a community center wherein will be some twenty-five or thirty missionary homes. We find that the complete cost of the land together with all the items of the development of this Faculty Residence Community (outside of the cost of the individual residences) will be \$25,000. If you thought that you could undertake this objective it would be a wonderful thing to do even if it took a period of years to accomplish it. The whole plan when developed will be about twice as large as that now indicated on the upper part of the ground plan. Our thought is that whoever would contribute this amount we would desire to call this Faculty Community after the name of the donor or as the donor might suggest.

I do not wish to over-state anything or go a single bit beyond the facts but I feel confident that it would be difficult to find in all the world a square half mile in which an "investment" of this kind could be made which would give finer and more vital return. It would mean that you are cooperating with a very small group of individuals, in one of its most important and urgent items, in the development of "the only Christian University at the literary and student at a quarter of the human race". One's imagination fairly breaks down when we quietly and thoughtfully reflect what the meaning of cooperation in such a tremendous and inspiring task may be.

As you ponder your relation to the Christian movement to the world (which Jesus calls a kingdom of God) I know full well this matter will have your most careful consideration; and I am hoping that you will be able to give yourself this joy and us the encouragement of this cooperation.

With all best wishes for the New Year, believe me,

Very sincerely yours,

NWL

Mr. Caskey: Peking

Mrs. Edmund Lyon
1441 East Avenue
Rochester, New York

AT PEKING UNIV. HDQ.

JAN 14 1924
ANSWERED

January 7th, 1924

Mr. Herbert K. Caskey, Secretary,
Peking University,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

My dear Mr. Caskey:-

Your letter of October ninth in regard to a contribution towards the funds of the University of Peking has lain a long time unanswered, due in large measure to the fact that I have been ill, and also to my indecision as to whether I could help.

Because of my interest in individual work in China, my contribution to your worthy enterprise must be limited to one thousand dollars, a check for which amount I am enclosing.

Hoping that you will be able to secure in Rochester the full sum anticipated and desired, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Carolyn H. Lyon
(Mrs Edmund L.)

CHL:WS
Enclosure.

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Still in file

Peking University
Dear Friends—

I have written Mr. Lyon a personal
note of appreciation for this contribution
but you will of course send him the
regular receipt.

Cordially H.K. Caskey.

October 23, 1928

My dear Mrs. Lyon:

Dr. Chester E. Janney, who is now representing Yenching University in this country in the work so long and devotedly done by Dr. Henry W. Luce, hoped to have the pleasure of meeting you when he was in Rochester recently but found that you were temporarily out of the city. He has requested me to write you. May I venture to state concisely, without having had the pleasure of talking with you personally, why I feel that you would be happy to have a share in helping this particular institution?

1. Yenching has been selected by a competent commission representing Christian higher education in China as the one Christian university which should emphasize advanced and post-graduate work. It is designated as the university which should have the largest enrolment among the Christian institutions in China.
2. The development of advanced and post-graduate work there for the entire group of Christian institutions in China means that the choicest young men and women being educated for Christian leadership in institutions throughout the country will go to Yenching for their final preparation. Last year there were 70 such students from various parts of the country enrolled for post-graduate courses. Most of these young men and young women will become teachers and pass on their influence to great numbers of the rising generation. Others will be ministers, social workers, etc.
3. The University represents in an official way four Christian denominational groups - Presbyterian, Methodist, American Congregational, and English Congregational. In another sense it does not represent any denomination but is significant of the emphasis being placed more and more by the wisest missionaries upon the deeper fundamentals of Christianity.
4. Yenching University has shown remarkable success in bringing about harmonious cooperation between Chinese, Americans, English, and Europeans, the cosmopolitan faculty of more than 100 composed of two-thirds Chinese and one-third foreigners, mostly Americans. The members of the faculty live under identical

copy to C. E. J. & Mrs. Paul Moore Trayer, Rochester

conditions regardless of race and share equally in influence and authority in the University. There is not an equally able group of teachers gathered in any other one Christian institution in China.

5. We are nearing the completion of a special campaign to secure \$500,000 needed by the University to put it on a stable basis to meet its requirements for an enrolment of 600 students. Included in this \$500,000 is a conditional pledge made by two of our friends. We require \$56,000 still to meet this condition and secure that large gift. We must get this additional money by January 1st. We remember with grateful appreciation your contributions on two former occasions. Will you not help us at this time when your help will mean so much?

Assuring you of our sincere appreciation of any help you may give us, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Assistant to the President

Mrs. Edmund Lyon
1441 East Avenue
Rochester, New York

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Lyon, Mrs. Edmund
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Lyon, Mrs. Edmund

1441 East Avenue
Rochester, N. Y.

Dec. 17, 1928

Pledge \$3000 for 1928 Camp.-Undesignated
12-17-28 by wire

Receipt 1/2/29

Entered on class card ✓

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Letter ask. sent 12-17-28

Checked for O. L.

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Payable "One thousand payable
January first - payment of
balance to be made over next
two years."

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Mrs. Edmund Lyon
1441 East Avenue
Rochester, New York

Dec. 21st, 1928

E. M. McBrier, Treasurer,
Yenching University,
150 Fifth Ave., New York.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed is Mrs. Lyon's check for one (\$1,000) thousand dollars, the first installment of her pledge of \$3,000, which is due January first 1929. The balance is payable as follows:- \$1,000 on January 1st, 1930, and 1,000 on January 1st, 1931.

We will be anxious to hear that the quota to be raised by the 1st of the year, has been promised, and that the activities of the University can be carried on as planned.

Very truly yours,

W. H. Smith
Secretary to Mrs. Lyon

Enclosure

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Charge to the account of

China Union Universities, 150 Fifth Avenue

Form 1228 A

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

June 27, 1932

[Handwritten signature]

Mrs. Edmund Lyon
1441 East Avenue
Rochester, New York

Yenching University Peking China needs nine thousand eight hundred dollars to complete quarter million fund and secure Rockefeller quarter million grant. Time limit June thirty. We have canvassed all our friends and are about to fail unless you can help now. In Yenching emergency three years ago you gave three thousand dollars. Earnestly hope you can help.

Olin D. Wannamaker
Assistant to President
150 Fifth Avenue

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Charge to the account of China Union Universities, 150 Fifth Avenue
(Yenching)

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June 28, 1932

Mrs. Edmund Lyon
1441 East Avenue
Rochester, N. Y.

Yenching University within ten thousand dollars of fund required obtain quarter million Rockefeller gift Must complete Thursday Available assistance exhausted stop In previous difficulties you have greatly assisted stop Please telegraph wheter you can pledge two hundred dollars or substantial portion thereof payable in three years to protect University against loss splendid appropriation.

E. M. McBrier, Treasurer

150 Fifth Avenue

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Mrs. Edmund Lyon ✓
1441 East Avenue
Rochester, New York

June 28th, 1932.

Mr. Olin D. Wanamaker
150 Fifth Avenue
New York N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

Mrs. Lyon has directed me to reply to your day
letter of June 27th in which you state the necessity
for funds to aid Yenching University.

She regrets that, at this time, it is quite im-
possible for her to help in any way, and it is hard for
her to refuse, knowing as she does of the splendid
educational work of the University. She is concen-
trating this year in helping meet similar emergencies
here in Rochester.

Very truly yours,

Winifred Smith

(Secretary)

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Mrs. Edmund Lyon
1441 East Avenue
Rochester, New York

April 13th, 1933.

Mr. E. M. McBrier, Treas.,
Yenching University
150 Fifth Ave., New York.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of April 4th to Mrs. Lyon has been received by her, and she has turned it over to me for reply, as she is not at all well at present.

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She is extremely sorry that she will be unable to resume her contributions to Yenching University in view of the fact that she must help so many Rochester institutions with their financial difficulties, -as well as a large circle of friends and relatives who are feeling the effects of the present crisis.

She is sure you will understand, and that it is from no lack of interest in the splendid achievement of Yenching that she must refuse help at this time.

Very truly yours,

Winifred H. Smith
(Secretary)

February 4, 1935

Mrs. Edmund Lyon
1441 East Avenue
Rochester, New York

Dear Mrs. Lyon:

During our recent visit to your city I called at your home hoping that I might have an opportunity to see you and discuss with you something of Yenching University - its work and its needs. I learned that you were not well and were not seeing guests at that time, and it is for this reason that I am now writing you.

You have been very generous to Yenching University in the past and have helped to build up a wonderful institution in Peiping. There are now 800 students, 550 men, 250 women, in the institution doing a very high grade of work.

Yenching is doing its full part in training the new leadership for China and I know you will be gratified to learn of how effectively the institution which you helped to build is meeting its present obligations to the new China.

I am enclosing with this a recent map which has come to us from the University showing the actual campus as it now stands.

During these last few years we have suffered severely in our income and we have been forced to reduce our budget to the extent that our efficiency is being threatened. We hope very much that you may be able to make us a gift at this time to help carry on this work until there is some little pick-up in the financial situation. Even if it is not convenient for you to give us as liberally as you have in the past we hope that you will give us as large a gift as you feel able to give under the present conditions.

Thanking you for all that you have done and looking forward to a continuation of your assistance, I am,

Very sincerely,

Nathaniel Gist Gee

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Encl.

June 1, 1935

Mrs. Fowler
c/o Mrs. Edmund Lyon
1441 East Avenue
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Fowler:

I trust you have had an opportunity since our conversation when I was recently in Rochester to discuss with Mrs. Edmund Lyon the possibility of a gift to Yenching University.

Mrs. Lyon has been interested in the work at Yenching for many years, having made her first gift, according to our records, in January 1924. She has given us several thousand dollars for various phases of the work and I believe she will still be interested in continuing her support, especially during this time of great need.

I gave you full details concerning Yenching but would be glad to supply any additional information which you may need.

Hoping we may have at least a small contribution from Mrs. Lyon toward our current budget, and with thanks to you, I am

Very sincerely,

N. Gist Gee
Vice President

NGG:HW

Mrs. Edmund Lyon
1441 East Avenue
Rochester, New York

June 10, 1935

N. Gist Gee, Vice President,
Yenching University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City

My dear Mr. Gee:

It has not been possible for me to discuss your recent call with Mrs. Lyon. She does not recover from her illness as rapidly as we would like to have her, and very little business is taken up with her. However, when the opportunity presents itself for me to tell Mrs. Lyon that you were here I shall gladly do so.

I am familiar with most of the benevolences that Mrs. Lyon will continue for this year and while I do not like to sound to discouraging, Yenching University is not on the list. Many changes have had to be made in the last short while owing to Mrs. Lyon's illness and to many illnesses in the immediate family.

Wishing you all success in your splendid work.

Very truly yours,

Mary M. Fowler
Secretary to Mrs. Lyon

*ack & answer her as
soon as possible
when possible
6/11/35 - M.C.C.*

See also Mrs. Lyon's
daughter,

Mrs. John Van Voorhis