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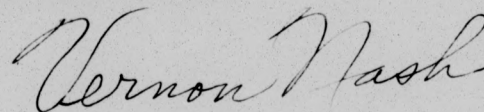
My Dear Dr. Stuart:-

Mr. Bishop and the other secretaries in our regular staff conference the day after you were here were enthusiastic over the possibility of my becoming identified with the new Department of Journalism of Peking University. In view of my particular experience and training, they feel (as Mrs. Nash and I do) that it probably offers an even greater opportunity for me than is now available in the Foreign Work of the Young Men's Christian Association.

There was a general feeling in our conference that it might be possible for the Kansas City Association to undertake my support for a time. I think our men would be glad if it were possible. As one man said, the Mission Boards have been generous in various countries in allocating certain men for Y.M.C.A. work; if an occasion arises when the Association seems to have a man for a place in a union mission enterprise, it is right and a pleasure to be able to "return the compliment."

Whether in the light of all our other task and responsibilities, it will be practicable to make such an effort, remains to be seen. Mr. Bishop tells me that he will write you on that point. I've been grateful these days that I got back to the building that afternoon in time to have even the brief period with you. We will be awaiting developments with prayerful interest.

Sincerely yours,



Dr. J. Leighton Stuart,
 President, Peking University,
 New York City.

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AND ASSOCIATES DESIRE DEFINITE CALL AS
BASIS FOR ACTION BISHOP INTENDED WRITING BUT BECAME
ILL MONDAY DOCTOR ADVISES AGAINST CONSIDERATION ANY
BUSINESS STOP I SUGGEST YOU WIRE IF POSSIBLE TO CRYSTALLIZE
PRESENT ENTHUSIASM FRIENDS

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

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CHARGE * PEKING UNIVERSITY - 150 FIFTH AVENUE - NEW YORK CITY.

March 6, 1924

VERNON H. SH
Y. M. C. A.
KANSAS CITY MISSOURI

PEKING UNIVERSITY EXTENDS OFFICIAL INVITATION TO JOIN STAFF FOR TWO AND IF
POSSIBLE THREE YEARS IF FUNDS TO THE EXTENT OF THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS PER
YEAR ARE SECURED STOP INVITATION IS SUBJECT TO USUAL PROCEDURE IN APPROVING
CANDIDATES PAPERS BY TRUSTEES COMMITTEE STOP LETTER FOLLOWS

J. L. STUART

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March 7, 1924

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

My dear Mr. Nash:

President Stuart of Peking University presented your night letter to the Trustees of the University at their meeting yesterday. The Trustees authorized me to send the following night letter which I did last night.

"Peking University extends official invitation to join staff for two and if possible three years if funds to the extent of three thousand dollars per year are secured stop invitation is subject to usual procedure in approving candidates papers by trustees committee stop letter follows."

We are glad to extend an invitation to you to join the staff of the University for a period of two years and we hope it will be possible for you to do so for a three year term.

We indicated that approximately \$3,000 per year is necessary to cover all the expenses involved in such a trip. President Stuart, I think, talked with you and Mr. Bishop on this basis. This does not, of course, mean that you would have a salary of \$3,000 a year as it would be necessary for the University to pay you according to the regular schedule of salaries which I take pleasure in enclosing herewith for your information.

You will understand that final appointment to the University can only be made after the Instruction Committee has had an opportunity to pass upon your papers. I am, therefore, enclosing an application blank which we would be glad to have you fill out and return it to us with a copy of your photograph and ask you not to overlook the statement requested under No. 29.

We sincerely hope that it will be possible for you to secure the funds which you are working for so you can go out to Peking. Please feel perfectly free to communicate with us at any time on any question which arises in your mind.

Very sincerely yours,

LBH:EL

Secretary Peking University

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3744 Cambridge avenue,
Kansas City, Kansas.
Phone Rosedale 2016

March 23, 1924.

My Dear Mr. Moss:-

Herewith are two announcements of meetings in which efforts are being made to raise the budget for my support. A total of \$468 was pledged at the March 10 dinner. I am down for our four Hi-Y Clubs on successive Monday nights at each of which the boys will be given an opportunity to have a part in the fund.

Our Y.M.C.A. Board of Directors will meet next Tuesday. It is not clear yet whether any official action by the Association as such will be recommended or whether the assurance to the University will be made personally to Dr. Stuart by friends and associates here. There are obvious difficulties in the organic relationship in view of the serious situation in which the Y.M.C.A. Foreign Department finds itself. I would be glad to hear from you what kind of commitment, in your opinion, the University will require to meet the conditions of their invitation.

The long illness of Mr. Bishop (who now happily is back at his desk) as well as the departure of Dr. Stuart with whom he naturally prefers to deal has made it difficult to plan successive steps intelligently in our effort to secure the support. We are planning to issue a little folder in the near future concerning the offer and would like to have a halftone cut of the University buildings or site (whatever you consider most attractive) if you will lend it to us for a short time. It should be preferably about two columns wide. We can also use a quantity of your large folder or any other printed matter you think would meet our needs in approaching a few individuals for sizable gifts.

The appropriate section of the Women's Interdenomination Missionary Council has invited me to speak before them March 31 about my invitation and concerning the possibility of their assuming all or some part of my support. It was this body (as a whole in their annual meeting) before whom Dr. Stuart spoke when here. Each section is composed of two ladies from each of the constituent denominations.

Dr. Lewis
Will you
look after this.
Suggest you
write him
saying poss.
Stuart may
stop on way
out.

Please
return this
to me
B.M.

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3744 Cambridge avenue,
Kansas City, Kansas.
Phone Rosedale 2016

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Do you know whether Dr. Stuart when here conferred with the women of the Council about their raising some amount for Peking University? He told me that he discussed the matter with Mr. Bishop at some length of his returning at a later date for the purpose of raising money. He also said that if this city would secure my support for two or preferably three years, he would feel that Kansas City had thereby done its share.

This section before whom I am to speak is responsible for securing support for specific enterprises. If they consider my case at all favorably, it would doubtless be a very great help to have a letter from Dr. Stuart or the University making some such statement as that quoted at the end of the preceding paragraph.

I have written thus at length in response to your suggestion so that you may be conversant with the situation to advise me and in order that Dr. Stuart on his return may have an account of the way the matter has progressed.

Sincerely,

Vernon Nash.

Mr. Leslie B. Moss,
Secretary, Peking University,
New York City.

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The Westport H. S. Club Offers You Another Big Night Next Monday, March 24th.

We want our "Dads" and you other men who help to make our work possible to have another dinner with us. We are sure that those who were able to be with us last Monday night will be back again. This is a special invitation to those who were unable to make it then.

Dinner will be served by the ladies of the Second Presbyterian Church, Fifty-fifth and Oak streets; feet under the table at 6 p. m. We've been there many times before, so take our word for the feed. (And only two bits, too.)

Just have a look at these attractions on our program. Then reach for your phone, call Victor 8920 and make a reservation.

Music: Chinese victrola records.

Decorations: Chinese Health Posters.

Entertainment: Two Chinese Students will sing in Chinese.

The "Heavy Stuff:" Arnold and Nash. (See Who's Who on Envelope.)



VERNON NASH

"WHAT MORE DO YOU WANT?"

Big News!

Peking University, one of the great union mission schools of China, wants our own Mr. Vernon Nash to come to them and assist in the development of a new Department of Journalism.

Mr. Nash is eminently fitted to do this work. He is a graduate of the School of Journalism at Missouri University—he won a Rhodes Scholarship—he has had several years of newspaper experience and since 1919 he has been Publicity Secretary of the Kansas City Y. M. C. A. But best of all he is ready to answer this call and we know that Y. M. C. A. men and their friends will be greatly interested in hearing Mr. Nash tell “**Why I Want to Do It.**”

There is a great opportunity for service in this new and inviting field. Mr. C. S. Bishop, our General Secretary, who was sent on a special mission to China in 1918-19 on behalf of the North American Associations, is intimately acquainted with the work of Peking University. We have asked him to tell of the importance of this call which has come to Mr. Nash, speaking on “**The Strategic Point in China's Evangelization.**”

Accordingly, Mr. Nash and Mr. Bishop will speak at a **dinner next Monday evening, March 10, at 6:30 o'clock** at the Central Y. M. C. A., under the auspices of the World Service club. This is to be a “Ladies' Night,” so “Friend Wife” and all other women friends will be welcome. Plates 50 cents. Phone your reservations to Victor 8920.

WORLD SERVICE CLUB COMMITTEE,

Central Y. M. C. A., 404 East Tenth Street.

Card

March 27, 1924.

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

My dear Mr. Nash:

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your two letters and your application blank, together with your photograph and the statement of your Christian experience.

I am very glad you are having so satisfactory a time in working up the matter of your support. My understanding from Dr. Stuart was that he hoped that it would be possible to continue you permanently in the University if you could secure your support for the first two or three years.

Just what the possibilities regarding language study for the first year are, I do not know. I feel fairly certain that you would have at least part time free for this, but I know that the teaching needs for next year will be so urgent that they may be unable to give you full time for language work. I am certain, however, that you can trust Dr. Stuart to see that you get entire justice in this matter.

The University does provide living quarters, although they probably will not provide a separate residence for you the first year. It would be rather difficult for you, anyhow, with a small amount of Chinese to manage the necessary number of servants. There will be no charges against your salary for residential quarters; the amount that you are raising to cover your support will include that.

Your second letter regarding the need for a cut, I have turned over to Mr. Lewis, our Campaign Secretary, who will undoubtedly see that you get the publicity material you desire.

We are expecting Dr. Stuart back from England in about ten days from now. It may be possible that on his trip to the Pacific coast when he returns to China, he may be able to stop over in Kansas City and give you some assistance.

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Mr. Vernon Nash

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March 27, 1924.

Hoping that all will go well with you in your crusade for
more money,

I am

Cordially yours,

Secretary, Peking University.

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June 19, 1924.

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

My dear Mr. Nash:

We received a telegram from Mr. Lewis stating that your salary had been secured and asking us to make arrangements for your sailing. In going over your papers it appears that nothing has yet been done about a medical examination for you and your family. This is exceedingly important. I am therefore enclosing medical examination blanks, one set to be filled out by Mrs. Nash and yourself and one set to be filled out by the doctor to whom you go for the examination.

We would recommend Dr. G. H. Hoxie, #1000 Rialto Building, Kansas City. He is known to our medical examiner here, and it would be more satisfactory if he could do the examining of you and your family.

We are very glad that the campaign for funds has been satisfactorily completed, and that your going to China is thereby insured. We are trying to make arrangements for the steamship accommodations on the date suggested and hope we will be successful.

I am sending your papers out right away to the Candidate Committee for their action.

Most cordially yours,

Assistant Secretary,
Peking University.

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Enclosures

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PEKING

June 24, 1924.

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

My dear Mr. Nash:

In reply to your letter of June 21st, I am sending you under separate cover several pamphlets which may give you some ideas and suggestions. These are not published by the University, and such statements as may be made regarding allowances, salaries, and so forth, do not apply to the University's, which are as has already been indicated to you.

You should all be successfully vaccinated for small pox before you go. You should also have typhoid and paratyphoid inoculations. Probably Dr. Hoxie can arrange to do this for you most satisfactorily.

I presume that you have good beds of your own. If you have, I would advise you by all means, to take them. I believe it is much wiser for anyone to try to take beds from this country, than to try to buy them in China. Any clothing that you have will not come amiss in China. It would be well also to buy good heavy underclothing. Most people find that woollens are necessary in the climate of Northern China. Overcoats and heavy sweaters are also a necessity. It is well to take along some good shoes, especially some that you can use for tramping. If you have a bicycle, you could find good use for it in Peking.

Suits of clothes can be more cheaply bought in China than in this country, and it would not pay you to especially stock up on them. The same is true of women's dress goods, with the exception of gingham and calico.

You will need to secure Japanese and Chinese visés on your passports. You should plan to get to Seattle at least the second day before sailing, and you can have the visés attended to there. Our travel department reports that it is possible to secure accommodations on the President Madison for August 12th, and I have instructed them to do so. Will you please send us at once, the names and ages of your children?

I shall send you in a few days, our regular form of agreement for you signature. If there are any questions, do not hesitate to ask them.

We are so glad that your going has been made possible by the contributions of the Kansas City people.

Cordially yours,

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EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, entered into by and between PEKING UNIVERSITY
(name of university)
and VERNON NASH, this 2nd day of JULY, 1924,
(name of person)
WITNESSETH:

That the PEKING UNIVERSITY hereby agrees to and does employ
(name of university)
VERNON NASH for the position of INSTRUCTOR OF JOURNALISM
(name of person)
for a term of THREE (3) years, upon the following schedule of salary and allowances:

1. Salary at the rate of Gold \$1,440 or Mexican \$2,880 per year beginning August 12, 1924;
2. An outfit allowance of Gold \$500;
3. Travel expenses from KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI to PEKING, CHINA
(home address)
by the most direct route; (~~for a five-year period~~ the Board will also pay travel expenses from PEKING, CHINA to home address above).
4. Residentail quarters in PEKING, CHINA;
5. Medical attendance for sickness without charge. (Drugs, prescriptions and hospital expenses not included). One-half dental bills if incurred with prior consent.
6. Children's allowance:- (1-5 years) Mex. \$300 per year;
(6-12 years) Mex. \$400 per year;
7. In the case of life contract, a furlough of FOURTEEN (14) months including travel will be granted once in FIVE (5) years, with travel expenses to and from his/her home in the United States of America.

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The University, upon due notice in writing, may terminate this contract at any time, upon the payment of a sum equal to three months' salary from the date of said termination, and FULL travel expenses to the address given above, by the most direct route.

VERNON NASH
(name of person) hereby accepts the said employment and the foregoing terms and conditions, and agrees, that if for any reason he/~~she~~ resigns the position before the expiration of one-half the term of this contract, he/~~she~~ will reimburse the University for such proportion of the outgoing and outfit expenses as the time of actual service bears to one-half the full term of service as above set forth, and that in case he/~~she~~ resigns before the completion of the contract, no payment shall be made ^{by} the University for travel expenses to the United States of America, except in case of sickness in his/~~her~~ immediate family.

It is further agreed by VERNON NASH
(name of person) that he/~~she~~ will give his/~~her~~ whole time and attention to the work for which he/~~she~~ is hereby employed, and that he/~~she~~ will not engage in any outside occupation or activity for profit, except as may be agreed upon in conference with the President of PEKING UNIVERSITY
(name of university).

This agreement may be extended for a further like period if signed by the parties hereto ninety (90) days prior to its expiration.

WITNESSETH the hands and seals of the parties hereto this

2nd day of JULY, 1924.

On behalf of PEKING UNIVERSITY

University by

Leslie B. Moss

LESLIE B. MOSS, ASSISTANT SECRETARY

Vernon Nash

VERNON NASH

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July 7, 1924.

Dear Mr. Moss:-

It was great news to hear that all possible hindrances such as medical and trustees' approval are cleared and that nothing but a major operation stands in our way. We'll try to see that nothing like that happens.

Herewith the signed contracts. It was rather a shock to us to read that only one-half of our outfit money is payable in this country. The time has been so extremely short that we have felt it advisable to go ahead, taking advantage of special sales and opportunities to buy wholesale, and lay in our clothes, beds, bedding, etc. We have been buying on the basis of \$500, following the schedule which you sent us early in our correspondence, and have already obligated ourselves for more than half of that amount with certain very necessary things yet to secure.

We are hoping, however, to be able to make it with what money we ourselves can scrape together. If things do not go auspiciously in the sale of what few belongings we have, I may have to ask for help. We are sorry to have presumed thus, but the shortness of time has made it seemingly necessary to jump at some conclusions.

The fare from Kansas City to Seattle is \$71.04. With reference to expenses, Mrs. Nash and I would appreciate any suggestions or guidance your office can give as to justifiable amounts for meals, Fullman, and similar items for a couple with two children of the ages ours are. We want of course to be consistently economical and modest in our wants, but tastes and opinions differ greatly as to what constitutes economy. And where small children are involved, some savings cost rather heavily in the long run in additional care and worry.

Concretely, as an example, two standard lowers, Kansas City to Seattle, will cost \$40, while a compartment will cost \$56. In the submission of an expense account, do you think that the latter would be considered warrantable.

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We raise this question because we do not feel able personally to take on very much extra expense but feel also the need of some such convenience for Mrs. Nash. Some little time ago, in some unexplained way, she sprained her back. Dr. Hoxie assures us that it is altogether temporary but needs to be treated much like a sprained ankle. To have a room in which to corral two lively kids with toilet facilities immediately available would very greatly lighten the burden of the children's care.

We got off the applications for clergy certificates today. In view of the heavy tourist traffic from here west and north in August, we would be glad to be able to purchase our Pullman tickets as early as possible.

I'm sorry to give you another two page letter to wade through again, but we would like to know what arrangements your office makes with reference to the payment of insurance, etc., for employees in this country. Also concerning the receipt for us of ~~money~~ funds which may be owing us by friends in this country. Any other information you may have about possible financial transactions for those of us who are on the other side.

Cordially yours,

Vernon Nash.

Mr. Leslie B. Moss,
 China Union Universities,
 New York City.

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VERNON NASH FUND - Lions Club
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PHONE VICTOR 8920

July 30, 1924.

Dear Mr. Lewis:-

In reply to yours of the 24th, would say that I think it advisable for a year or two at least merely to put the Lions Club membership on the list for Peking News. On account of vacations and summer attendance there was not a large group out for my farewell but it was the giving bunch, I think. The matter of my support was definitely put up by Bob Clark, who presided, and who told them frankly that someone would be around to see them in a short time. He and Fred Johnson had lunch together today to outline the effort.

Winters and I had one of the most pleasant hours and a half together imaginable this morning and near the close of it he sat down and wrote me the check which is inclosed. Fletcher tells me that the "Y's" \$500 has gone in. One of the women who consented to act as treasurer tells me that she was sending in a "goodly sum" whatever that may be and Mrs. A. J. Welch, 3732 Jefferson, who made the largest individual gift among the women, told me yesterday that she had sent her full three years' payment in so I hope things are looking up for you on the financial side.

Mr. Moss has certainly been more than fine in his service in the difficult matter of getting outfitted and away on such short notice. I appreciate the courtesy and help more than I can say. Miss Petgen asks me to tell you that she has been too busy to get round to her list yet but has it in mind and will do so. You were evidently in error in assuming that the person or persons questioning the further effort included Mr. Bishop. He just said a few moments ago: "I favor any one or any organization getting all they can." I think by what McAfee said that it came rather from church circles.

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July 30, 1924

Only Arthur M. Marty and A. M. Seddon of the list I sent to you are regular supporters of Y.M.C.A. foreign work. Virtually all of Fletcher's list of those giving through the World Service Club are "Y" constituency of course. Miss Petgen says she will indicate the various connections in the further list she gives you. Practically all she gave you before, I understand, were "vidders" with open connections.

We appreciated your telegram to the club yesterday. Mrs. Nash, Mr. Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher and a number of other personal friends were also guests of the club.

Coming back to the possible mixup. (This is a hurried and confused letter on a very-hot day) Someone the other day suggested that what Dr. Stuart must have meant at most was that Peking U. would not expect any organized help by Kansas Citians in the raising of funds in K.C. if my support was provided in that way. It seems hardly probable that he should shut off anything that you individually might be able to do.

Submitted my first articles to the Star the other day and inclose you copies. This is doubtless my last letter from Kansas City. We shall look forward to seeing you and having you in our home out there. And we never expect to attempt to put into words the appreciation we feel for the part you had in making it possible for us to go. It looked to me like the one great chance of a life-time and I'm unspeakably happy to be on my way.

Sincerely,

Vernon Nash

Mr. James H. Lewis,
New York City.

P.S.-Add Dr. Hanna Leinbach, 726 Lee Bldg., to your cultivation list for money. She's a woman osteopath who has been very interested in me and cordial. She's leader of a Young Women's Miss. Soc. in an M.E. Church.

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July 31, 1924.

Dear Mr. Lewis:-

Herwith another check, being Fred Johnson's payment for his full three years. Be sure to make that clear to him in your acknowledgement as one of his pet aversions is pledging for a term of years in advance.

Johnson, Bob Clark and I spent some time this afternoon with the managing editor of the Journal-Post and he warmed up considerably. We have hopes that they may do something quite substantial in return for any pictures and articles I might send. In which case, I might find it necessary to terminate any arrangement with The Star.

This may not be any loss as it is quite problematical what the Star will do in view of their archaic and impossible attitude toward international relations. I'll hope to be able to write you more about this before I leave.

X to I neglected to mention in my letter yesterday that Winters opened to the door wide for a mention of the residence. He outlined how his interest had grown and how for a time he had considered taking on my full support; then how he can come to feel that others ought to have a share in that pleasure and that "he doubtless might find a way to do the additional in ways which might not appeal to the general run of fellows." (something like that; this isn't verbatim.)

So I indicated something of the situation with reference to the new campus and residences and he expressed a keen interest. The way is therefore prepared I feel for an approach along that line, the next time you are in Kansas City. If he had the consent of his own mind for \$9,000 and did \$3,000, this involves only \$1,000 additional.

AS ever,

Nash

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Nov. 29, 1926.

Dear Dr. North:-

For reasons which will be obvious to you from the contents of recent letters of Dr. Stuart and Mr. Wiant, I am opening all letters addressed to Mr. Britton unless they are very plainly personal. Hence we have your letter to him, inclosing the check for \$150 in repayment for funds expended for pictures and other publicity material.

After conferring with Dr. Stuart, I have indorsed this check with the stamp of the Department of Journalism and signed as acting head of the same, and then turned it over to Mr. Wiant for deposit in an already over-drawn Publicity Account here. We do not have any record of what he wrote to you, but are agreed that this is the most equitable allotment of the money under present conditions. I am turning this letter over to the treasurer so that he may add any details he may care to concerning the details of cashing the check.

With reference to the closing paragraphs of your letter of October 27, I shall be glad if you will send me any requests for publicity material and I shall be glad to send you such copies of material we have here as may be of interest to you.

Cordially,

Dr. Eric M. North,
New York City.

Vernon Nash
VERNON NASH.
Acting Head
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JOINT OFFICE

Nov. 23, 1925

Dear Mr. Nathan:-
The reasons which will be obvious to
you from the contents of recent letters addressed to
Mr. Nathan, I am certain all letters addressed to
Mr. Nathan will be very warmly received.
Hence we have sent your letter to him, enclosing the check
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Cordially,

MR. VERNON WASH.
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Kansas City, March 21.

Mr. Ernest A. Evans,
 New York City.

My Dear Mr. Evans:-

Many thanks for your words of welcome and greeting which awaited my arrival here. I am getting restless and anxious to get on to New York for a good full talk with you and Dr. North about the entire situation, but it is probably wiser for me to make the most of a hot iron in Kansas City just now.

week Dr. Luce seems to have done some very good work preparatory to my arrival. The Board of Directors of the Lions Club, with whom he met, took action ~~this~~ to the effect that they recommend to the club that the Lions Club officially from its club treasury underwrite any deficit there might be in the \$9,000 expected from Kansas City in three years for my support. They hope to get the entire amount from individuals (about \$800 still unpledged, I'm told) before August 12, which marks the end of the three years. Meanwhile they wished to greet me with the welcome gift of the assurance of no deficit for the present contract arrangements with Yenching.

As for the future, they voted to leave that for consideration after my arrival. I speak to them tomorrow noon in a "welcome home" meeting and thereafter expect to do as much toward lining up support for future years as may seem wise under the circumstances. There is some feeling among the leaders that it is wiser to clear up present obligations entirely before confusing the issue with future plans. On the other hand, I would like to capitalize immediate enthusiasms and a cordiality which may not last throughout the summer.

in such strength
this is not a It will be a pleasure if I can be of any help in getting out the next "Peking News." I expect to arrive in New York April 1.

Sincerely,

Vernon Nash.

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On Wabash enroute St. Louis,
Wednesday, May 11, 1927.

Dear Leighton:-

Things have moved swiftly and on the whole favorably since I left New York last Friday night. Lest I miss something I'd prefer to be chronological. After a part of Saturday with Roswell at the Sanitarium, I motored over for dinner and an evening with Tom Ennis' people. They were altogether charming and more interested in China and present movements than any one else I have yet met, I think. I raised the question with him of the payments for Tom and his reply was that he had understood that he was to pay his travel expenses out the first year, \$530 the second year and then his travel again the third. Hence he had just sent him money. He would look up the correspondence, however, and write the N.Y. office. He assured me several times during the evening that their interest in the future of Yenching was not past with the end of Tom's connections.

The next morning I was in Springfield to spend Sunday in Bliss Wiant's home church. The pastor said that he had never heard of the "pledge" for Bliss' home but that if he found on investigation that it had been officially made in writing he would undertake to see that the church made good upon it. He also promised to raise the question of the pledges made throughout the Springfield district with the district superintendent and at the approaching district conference. If all such pledges were merely "verbal assurances", he was afraid it was rather a stale proposition to attempt to revive. Mrs. Wiant, with whom I spent a good part of the afternoon, said she feared that all the pledges were informal and that a revival would be difficult since only eight of forty-three pastors are on the charges which they had when Mr. Wiant died.

The pastor had invited me to occupy his pulpit that night and gave me a good "billing" at the morning service. To my great surprise, the large church was filled that night and I got a great hearing. The pastor had requested that I should not mention the residence. At the end of my talk, the S.S. Supt. rose and asked if the plate might not be placed at the door and an opportunity given to all who wished to support MY work to contribute something. I was not willing that they should so easily and lightly work off their impulse and so ventured to say that while I appreciated the spirit behind the suggestion they could do a great more for me by doing a little more for Bliss along lines about which I had been talking to their pastor. Then I had to bolt for a train and have not yet heard of any further developments.

It is distressing in the extreme to see how perfectly good promises of money have gone by default because of the distance from the givers of the ones most intimately concerned. From what the office secretary showed me of the records which she was trying to straighten out, heaven only knows how many unpaid pledges are on the books.

Cleveland

Monday morning found me in Springfield for an appointment with Mr. E. H. Baker, publisher of The Plain Dealer with whom Dr. Luce has had one or two conversations about Journalism. He first talked at some length about the great dissatisfaction with the directors of the Associated Press (of whom he has been one for many years) over the character of the news which we get from China and even more with the news which China gets from America. He had told me of the reasons for the break some years ago with the Havas News Agency in South America and presently he asked my opinion on the Far East News situation. I replied that I thought the A.P. should break with Reuters for much the same reasons he had stated concerning Havas.

Then he began to lead me out on the present situation, first political, then the literary revolution, etc. I was just well into the second phase when he suddenly turned sideways to his desk, picked up my card and began to finger it. I thought my time was about up and felt sick that I hadn't gotten to the real immediate Yenching interests at all. Abruptly he rose and said: "Wait a minute, 'Hop' simply must hear this." So he went and got his chief editor, Mr. E. C. Hopwood, president of the American Soc. of Newspaper Editors (limited to editors and publishers of papers in cities of 100,000 and over.) Then he insisted that I start all over from the beginning.

We had started at 11 a.m. and we plunged right ahead straight through lunch time, they plying me with questions each with obviously intense interest. Finally about 1:10, he looked at his watch and said: "I beg your pardon, you must be hungry. (I'd forgotten food ever existed, but I didn't say anything.) Will you come out to lunch with us and go on with this?" Mr. Hopwood excused himself so at lunch I got a more intimate chance to go fully into all the details of the financing. To my definite suggestion that we had been hoping he would be the first to lead with a sizable gift, he replied that he would have to consider the matter a little but that "it was too big a thing to let fall for the lack of so small a sum." He remarked that he didn't know a publisher in America that would not be greatly interested in what I had said and he himself especially wanted me to see some of the men who were directors of the A.P. who felt as he did about Far East news and that he would give me letters to them. With that we parted, I leaving our printed material with him and he telling me to call back later in the afternoon for the letters. They proved to be very cordial letters of introduction to the publishers of the Chicago News and the Chicago Tribune, the K.C. Star, the Los Angeles Times and the Oakland Tribune.

Then being thoroughly fagged from the 48-hour talk-fest, I hied me to the municipal links of Cleveland and enjoyed greatly 18 holes of golf. Returned to see in the evening papers that Senator Borah was to speak that night, heard him and caught a late train into Chicago thinking it wise to follow close upon Mr. Baker's suggestions. I went first to the publisher of The Post with whom we had lunched and talked five weeks ago. He was rude and flat and final in his refusal. Said he never expected to give another such reversal of his previous attitude. One of the leading reporters on the News told me later in the day that he had such a reputation for tightness that he had told Paul Hutchinson he'd duplicate what we got.

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This rebuff proved to be a nice background to set off the very thrilling reception I got from Mr. W. A. Strong, publisher of The News, the one great newspaper in Chicago both in editorial outlook and financial standing. When I got to his office at 11, his secretary said: "I don't imagine he'll be able to give you any time as he leaves on the 'Century' (12:40) for the East to be gone several days. However, I'll take in your letter." In a moment she returned to say he would see ~~xx~~ me. When we had shaken hands, he said: "You know, this is a coincidence. Just yesterday I had lunch with Mr. T.Z. Koo and I'd be exceedingly interested from what Mr. Baker says about you to check with you on what Mr. Koo said."

So we were off, he acting as if we had a week ahead of us. I found my chance fairly soon to go from the literary revolution into the journalistic opportunities it is producing and of all our plans. Suddenly: "Where do you hope to get the money?" I outlined briefly the feelers we have had out, ending with the chief hope that one or a group of our American publishers might be attracted to create such a fund as a gesture of goodwill and helpfulness from the journalism of America to the expanding journalism of the new China. He broke in with: "I haven't a doubt but that they'll do it, if a group got a chance to hear the story you've told me and then a few of the right men sponsor the matter."

He was silent about a minute and then said: "You doubtless know that a group of us who were employees of The News when Mr. Lawson died have purchased the property and we are going to be put to it for some years to pay the estate the amounts required in the terms of sale.....On the analogy of Yale-in-China and other similar sister and brother college arrangements, my best suggestion would be that you seek to get Dean Williams or the School of Journalism there to stand sponsor for your project. If they will, you can count on me for some help financially and I'll be one of a group to endorse a general appeal to all American publishers."

We then parted very cordially with the better part of that last hour of his gone, and I tried to get out of his inner and outer offices without kicking off any chandeliers or other light fixtures. After lunch with one of the young reporters on the News whom Grover Clark has asked to come to The Leader, I presented my letter of introduction to the secretary of Col. R.R. McCormick of The Tribune. She took the letter within and returned shortly to say that Col. McCormick was out of the city today (An office lie, in my opinion) but that Mr. Blake, chief editorial writer, would be happy to meet me. So in I went to spend the whole afternoon (and it wasn't my fault, he ~~xxxxxx~~ wouldn't let me go.) Although I put the whole story of Yenching and Journalism over to him, I'm not hopeful of any great results there. Nevertheless, it was one of the most interesting experiences of my life. I have very little respect for the Tribune except as a money-making wonder but Mr. Blake was an affable gentleman who insisted on my keeping my pipe filled as well as his own, who is exceedingly well informed, and with a view point radically different from ours. It was "some" joint debate sans audience, alas alack. We both kept in the best of humor altho going to it hammer and tongs literally for hours.

Then I crawled back to the LaSalle and went to bed in the late afternoon limp from hours of tension preceded by four late-start, early-arrival Pullman nights and facing one of those one-night stand road shows' all-night breaks in order to have a morning with Mrs. Marmon and still get into St. Louis tonight in time to catch the sleeper for Columbia, Mo., where I'm on the program of the Journalism Week tomorrow morning. How did you ever live through years of this?

Mrs. Marmon had wired me at Cleveland that she was already at her summer cottage at Culver, Ind. By a 12:30 change at a junction north of Culver, I got to bed a little after 2 at the hotel in Culver, was up at 7:30, called two Rhodes Scholar class-mates who are teachers in the Military Academy there and who hiked over to sit with me while I had breakfast (their own schedule begins at 7) and was with Mrs. Marmon at 9:30. She was as interested in the large batch of pictures as any one would be who had given to the landscaping gardening but when we had finally exhausted the possibilities in the pictures, I said: "I came here genuinely, as I said in my letter to you, for the sole purpose of showing you as fully as we could what your gift was making possible. But lest you misunderstand one item in the latest issue of Peking News, I want to say that we have estimated that we will need to find about another \$10,000 initial outlay on the campus and a sufficiently large sum to produce an annual income of several thousands for permanent care and upkeep."

Said she: "Oh, I had no thought when I sent in my gift that it was enough to do that big a job and I am expecting to do more later." I thought it prudent in view of my assurances not to seek anything more specific, but I feel that a letter from you specifically asking for another gift and suggesting a sum in her will would be cordially received. She is keenly interested in and conversant with our problems, asking me all about situation here as well as there. Finally she said: "Now tell me something of the interpretation you have of the present situation, and also something of your own work."

So into that we went. As a servant announced that my taxi was at the door and I saw I must go quickly to catch my train, she said: "You're planning to return to China, are you?" I replied that the answer to that depended entirely on whether my efforts to finance the journalism work was successful or not. She replied; turning to her desk: "Well, I want a small part in your work; how shall I make the check payable?" I put on my coat and packed my brief case, hoping that the check would be big enough to justify a 35-mile taxi ride over to the Wabash lines in case I missed the branch line train down the Penn., while waiting for her leisurely filing out of the stub, etc. I trust she did not see me sway when I looked down upon \$1,000.00 at the right end of that check. I trust also that I sufficiently expressed my gratitude and I did catch my train. It was my first blood, apart from verbal assurances in K.C. ~~at the end of the day~~

*Signed
T. Marmon
Nash*

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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

May 19, 1927.

Mr. Ernest A. Evans,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Evans:-

After a week like last week, it is but natural that things should be a little more quiet. I rested several days at home, there being no Lions Club meeting this meeting and came back yesterday morning for a start on the personal calls. Herewith one check in part payment of a pledge and I'm hoping that other payments have been received or are on their way. I'm also hopeful that the experiences of last week are going to buck up the group here. They continue to state without qualification that the bunch are going to see to it that the full \$9,000 is paid up and that then they expect to continue efforts at least as much as has been done in the past. While they speak thus, it seems hard to get the ready cash and I'm at a loss to know just how much pressure I ought to bring to bear.

The Lions Club is almost faced with a serious rift between the Nash and anti-Nash groups. The latter are not unfriendly to me but feel that anything which is done should be as individuals and not as a club. The larger group (easily an overwhelming majority) are keen to see the Club take a part in this matter officially but feel that in such a matter, it is not well to coerce a minority. The feeling will be intensified, it seems, as the men hear the story of the impression the matter makes upon the publishers and others; they do not want to lose their primary place in the enterprise and want the club officially to have the credit.

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SECURITY BUILDING COMPANY

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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

May 19, 1927

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When your telegram about Wee arrived, I regretted that I had forgotten to talk that matter over with you in the closing days there. The late arrival of Wee coupled with the commitments I have on the conventions at widely-separated places made me hesitate on the advisability of his coming unless we can do something in a big way at Hutchinson, Kansas, or have some prospective calls along the way which would make it worth while to carry Wee's train fare over these long jumps. I'm still uncertain on that point but feel sure that if he is coming, we can do some very valuable work together here.

Later. Wee has just wired me from Chicago that he will arrive tomorrow morning. I've just returned from attending a Rotary Club picnic. I'm slated to address them June 30. Trust the fact that Mrs. Marmou did not add "Press" to Mr. McBrier's name will not unduly delay cashing the check.

Cordially

Vernon Nash

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June 2, 1927

On U.P. Somewhere in Nebraska.

Dear Mr. Evans:-

While I cannot confess to a great deal of satisfaction at the results of the time spent in Kansas City, I have more rather than less confidence that my support can be secured there indefinitely. While in and around there this summer on what should prove to be a semi-vacation, I expect to transfer a lot of assurances given during these days into definite amounts on paper and signed.

The distressing factor to me has been the sluggishness of payments on those old pledges. Mr. Clark and Mr. Irwin who promised me yesterday that they would get out today and raise the balance needed to complete the fund in new subs. both expressed reluctance to press the collections but stated their belief that the University office should send out another notice in regular bill form as soon after the 10th of the month as convenient on the supposition that those who expect to pay now will have done so by then. I am glad to be able to include a check for \$100 new money (given me by this year's president of the Lions Club to apply toward the raising of the balance of the 3-year fund.)

The second payment from the Journal-Post was welcome news to me as indicating that they acknowledge a three-year subscription. Wee and I had a very good hour Saturday with the publisher who was very cordial. 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 the Mr. R.R. Irwin mentioned above, who is active in both "Y" and Lions Club, gave me a check for that amount and the "Y" assures me that a check for \$250 will be on its way to you in a few days now.

Dean Williams' prospective trip to K.C. finally materialized for today and last night was as late as I could remain and still make a call or two in Omaha. He was not due to reach Kansas City until 5:30 this afternoon and then had a big night speaking engagement so there was no need to await him unless I could stay through tomorrow which was entirely out of the question. I was disappointed not to be able to go on with the discussion of our reciprocal relationship but expect that to be my first task after Miami.

Miss Grace Boynton up in Mass. is eager to be used by the University while home for anything she can do. Her mother seems better and she could get away for several days if necessary.

Handwritten notes:
P. Shea's
check
received
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June 2, 1927

A review of my activity in these days since Journalism Week ended make me a little more sympathetic toward a gentleman toward whom I was inclined to be critical. It does seem to take so blamed much time to get so little done, and it is so hard to know just when to quit cultivating and start harvesting---when to risk a possible large future for a fairly certain present. As a matter of report and not alibi, about four days of the time is more properly chargeable to vacation.

After that tremendous week from New York to Columbia, Mo., I was so fagged that I took the first two days of the next week at home; the next two days I spent entirely in visiting the key men and telling them of the very hopeful prospects (this produced a very noticeable strengthening of their enthusiasm.) Then Wee arrived and after a long conference we decided the best use of his time while in K.C. would be an acquaintance with the leaders so back I went with him over the same ground I had covered. He will or perhaps has reported on his time in Hutchinson and Okla. City.

Then came the days at the Missouri Lions Convention which was undoubtedly worth the time it took; you'll note from the expense account that its cost was not great. I was quite active on floor and in committee work as a delegate of the K.C. Club and was a speaker at big evening banquet, a noon luncheon and at the regular weekly luncheon of the Hannibal (MO.) Rotary.

Forty-eight hours after I got back from the convention, my brother who has been in China, got home and the whole family was together again without an exception over the week-end and Memorial Day. The last afternoon Wee was in Kansas City, one of the church women took us over the city in her car to visit a number of the other women interested. As a result of that trip, I feel that we may reasonably expect to get more rather than less from the women in the future.

The situation in the church at Omaha seems considerably different from that in the mind of Dr. Stuart so I'm writing him again on that subject and will hope to be there again in the late summer. They have intimated that they might want me for a pulpit supply in August. I was delighted to have almost a half hour with Mrs. Evans, time stolen by her from the meeting of the Prudential Committee.

Your preference for a weekly expense account is noted and I'll do my best to conform. As before I've been frantic in Kansas City at the way my time day and night was pre-empted by work, family and friends. Something in a statement of Miss Lane would indicate that a decision was made with reference to salary; in her letter stating that check had been sent to my bank for deposit no mention was made of the understanding that the amount when agreed upon should be as of April 1. Probably your letter on the matter has not yet reached me; I venture to raise the matter again because I have a note due June 16 for some money to carry us through that month of April before a settlement was made and I had been counting upon that "differential" to cover the most of that note.

Cordially,

Vernon Nash.

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*Noted by EMM
of her friends*

June 20, 1927.

Mr. E. A. Evans,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Evans:-

Well, the Lions national convention is over, leaving me with the baffled feeling that there is a great deal of mineral-bearing ore in Lionism but I'm uncertain as yet just how it can be "smelted." I think those who have been most friendly to my cause within have something of the same feeling. While still describing it as a long shot at a venture, I'm more hopeful than ever that the Lions nationally will do something sooner or later.

As it happened, I had the choicest place on the program although at the time I could have wrung the necks of the program committee for Alvin C. York and I shared the hour from 12 to 1 on the first morning of the convention. The floor and galleries were packed of course to see and hear him. I never saw half as many in the hall at any session following. York of course got a terrific ovation after he had been forced to tell his story of the "greatest individual feat of the world war." The sense of anti-climax as I was introduced almost overwhelmed me, as I knew that I had either to ride the surging wave of that ovation or be swamped by it. I think most of the crowd stayed out of a sporting interest and the kindness of the unusual response I got was attributable to the fact that every person in the house had felt sorry for me when I started. Many of them admitted as much, later. One international officer (now first vice president) said he wouldn't have been in my shoes for \$100. The convention sessions were held only in the mornings; the afternoons were free for sightseeing and social events; banquets with programs, followed by dancing. The biggest and swellest of the banquets was the Governors' Banquet where I sat at the right of the chairman of the Board of Governors (Mr. Ellis of Wyoming) and spoke on the program. So from standpoint of getting myself and work known, little better could have been desired.

*abstract of this
letter sent E.A.E.
6-27-27*

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The International Board sent me an invitation to lunch with them Friday and discuss with them specifically my project. So the matter was talked through again somewhat inadequately under conditions such as obtain when men talk and eat at the same time. I told them of the Chicago publisher--Dean Williams development and stated that I did not come to them as a suppliant but as one offering them the chance to come in on the ground floor of something really colossal. I tried to be careful to do this in such a way as not to be misunderstood or give offense, but they have so many "begging" interviews that it was my instinct to do it that way.

Three possibilities were mentioned:
(a) an outright grant from the treasury of Lions International;
(b) the sponsoring of the project by the Board and commending it to the individuals and clubs: (a) the creation of a program committee of individuals specially interested to seek funds from persons and clubs. It was generally felt that the Board as a board had no concern with (c); there is a specific constitutional provision against (b) to prevent them being overrun with appeals for that kind of action. This left (a).

Mr. B.A. Ruffin of Richmond, Va., now the first vice president, told me Saturday afternoon that the outgoing board had decided that morning to leave the final decision to the new board which would hold its first meeting in the afternoon with only three new members and that there was a generally feeling that a motion to give us \$10,000 would pass. However, the final session of the convention on Sat. morning unexpectedly turned down an assessment of 50 cents a member upon which they had been confidently counting in forming their budget and that as a result not only my fund but a number of other items within the organization had to be laid on the table, pending a referendum of the clubs by district on the half-dollar assessment on which no report will be made until the Des Moines convention a year from now. He naturally refused to make any confident prediction but was mildly encouraging, as to the future hopes.

During the convention sessions and banquet periods, I "lobbied" pretty steadily but afternoons and post-banquet nights I had a glorious good time, seeking at the same time to make myself favorably known to as wide a circle as possible. For instance, I'm quite hopeful of Miami connections made for some possible future "parlor Conference" when they get a little better on their feet, after collapse of boom and the "blow." Also have names of many individuals who were specially interested from all over country. Tomorrow I promised to address the home club of one of the directors at Macon, Ga., so I stopped off with the Kansas City president for a day's tarpon fishing and had the inexpressible thrill of landing my first "strike", a 53-pounder.

*Cordially
Vernon Nash.*

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Kansas City, July 9, 1927.

Miss Louise McCoy,
Peking University,
New York City.

Dear Miss McCoy:-

My dates in Colorado Springs have been advanced one week, so I leave here in a couple of hours to reach there tomorrow morning. Wednesday I expect to be in Rocky Ford, and then head for Las Cruces, New Mexico, where my mail should then be sent, Box 768, until about August 5 or 6.

First, I'll get the incidentals out of the way and then tell you about the checks. Herewith a letter concerning Wee which I'd like the office force to see with perhaps a copy for Mr. Evans, and then send it on to Wee himself please. Herewith also the journalism in China clipping. Many thanks for sending it. It looks very much like a re-write of the Paul Hutchinson article in the N.G. Magazine about which Mrs. B. inquired. Have you two seen "Those absurd Missionaries" in the July Scribners. Don't miss it, whatever you do. It's magnificent. Third incidental is a copy of the fish I caught.

Next before coming to checks, I answer questions and make comments on yours of the 6th. Yes, the acknowledgement of the "Y" check should go to Mr. G.K. Vaughan. They still feel that they owe \$50. The World Service Club is the foreign work group of the K.C. "Y". The \$200 is from that club. Now for the inclosed checks:

The \$400 from Lions Club is sufficient, we hope, to bring the \$9,000 up in full when all pledges shall have been paid. Will you please, as you have time, give me a statement to date of payments made and amounts still due, to be sure I'm not slipping up on anything.

The \$150 from Lions Club, they want to make kill two birds. There had been some slight misunderstanding as to whether the club would have to pay my expenses to Miami. I put in for them as a matter of course having been elected a regular delegate from this club. The question of the subs. of John T. Berry, deceased, came up at the same meeting of the board so they decided that the club would like to clear that subs. against his name and use the money therefrom to apply on expenses incurred by me in attendance upon Lions' Club Conventions.

July 9, 1927

-2- L. McC.

Done 7-13-27

Acknowledgments for both these Lions Club checks should be made to Henry B. Shea, Pres. of the Club, 3rd Floor, N.Y. Life Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.

Now for the \$25 check of Joe Atha. In handing this to me, he told me that he had pledged \$25 the first year without any knowledge that it was a three-year proposition. I apologized therefore for our billing him on it saying we were somewhat dependent for local people here on such records. He assured me, however, that he wanted to go ahead with it and would, as soon as convenient, pay the third \$25. I think it would be well for the office, therefore, in thanking him for this check, to express something of the same apology that I made about billing him for a subs. He had not made, and thanking him for his expressed willingness to go ahead.

Yesterday I had a terror of a day as it has turned beastly hot in Kansas City. Saw in succession the mayor, a fellow member of Lions Club; then publisher of Journal-Post, then publisher of The Star, then chief-editor of the Star, thence back to managing editor of the Journal, then lunch after half-hour's street car ride with friends who visited us in Peking, then back down to the home of the missionary chairman of the Women's Interdenominational Missionary Council, who assured me that the women want to go ahead in a larger way, she thinks; then collected these big checks, then out to a big dinner in the country to speak to the men's bible class and their families of the biggest methodist church here, getting back to my room at 11:30 p.m.

I'm certainly ready for a rest and Mary and the children a half week off look like an oasis to me. When do you folks get away, or do you? If so, how long. Better come to Missouri and eat watermelons.

Cordially,

Vernon Nash

I suggested some time ago that I needed stationery but I find a supply of letterheads I'd left at home at Holt. But I would like a bunch of envelopes both sizes to me at Las Cruces.

VND

Done 7/15/27

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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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Colo. Spgs.,
July 12, 1927.

Dear Miss McCoy:-

I've just heard from the Secretary of Dean Williams that train delays due to a washout caused him to miss his boat in San Francisco, and that he is therefore sailing July 19 from San Francisco on the Tenyo Maru.

This fact should, I feel sure, be cabled to Dr. Stuart. She writes that Dean Williams still hopes to find time to come to Peking. From the way he talked in Columbia, I am quite hopeful that he will considerably delay his return to America in order to have time with Dr. Stuart.

2-18-27
These few days here have been reasonably successful, and certainly pleasant. Miss Haines balled up the contacts which I suggested to her so that I do not have a hearing with the Lions Club but they had a picnic last night in the mountains at which I was a guest and deepened some interests and renewed some contacts. Yesterday morning we spent the better part of the forenoon with Miss MacLiesh who is carrying a third of Dean Hing's support and with Miss Norris whom they still hope will take the third third. I'm appointments this afternoon and evening with the pastors of the Methodist and Congregational churches. The Presby. pastor is out of the city.

Forty-eight hours from now I'll be home. The Rocky Ford club is setting up a night ladies meeting for tomorrow night to which members of all Lions Clubs in nearby towns are being invited.

*As ever
Vernon Nash*

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July 23, 1927

Mr. Vernon Nash
c/o Peking University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City.

Dear Lion Nash:

You will remember meeting me during the Lions Convention and you will probably remember my asking you about Mrs. Bartle's cousin, Mr. Malone, who is connected with one of the Universities near where you have your especial interest and you will also remember me as the man who introduced you to my friends, Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Dodge. They showed me your letter about the fishing trip and the final conclusion of the Convention in regard to your proposition. I am sorry that the Convention did not succeed in putting over your work as one of their major activities but if you will keep it up until next year I think we will be able to accomplish results.

In the meanwhile I want to tell you that we are planning to have a good write-up of your proposition in our local paper, namely, the Miami Riviera, which is published here in Coral Gables and when we get it accomplished we will send you two or three copies. Also, I am having this done, as I believe I mentioned that I would have done, in order to put the proposition to the extent of \$100.00 or more. If there is anything further that I can do which will help you to put this over in the right way, I shall be very glad to hear from you.

I also want to thank you for the little duplicate of a stone lion which was received the other day and very much appreciated. There was a little coincidence about this - the letter about it and the card reached me just a day or two before the Rev. Mr. Smith of the Christian Church invited all of the three Lions Clubs of this vicinity to hear his sermon last Sunday entitled "A Lion in Curl Papers" and he told us about a debate that Alfred Tennyson and Lor Byron had and how Tennyson got the best of Byron by calling him a "lion in curl papers" and then, of course, he told about what he thought were "lions in curl papers" at the present time and made quite a sermon out of it. Some day when I get a chance I am going to show him this lion and the story on the back of the postal card and see if he knew anything about it.

Thanking you for a reply at your earliest convenience, I am,

Heartily yours,

(Signed) A.H. Bartle
Pres. C.G. Lions Club.

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*Please
return to Miss McCoy
Peking Univ.*

Las Cruces, N.M., July 27, 1927.

Dear Mr. Evans:-

You will, I presume, have received through Mr. Warner a copy of a letter which I sent to Dr. Stuart about the trip of Dean Williams to the Orient this summer, and about his readiness to make the development of our school of journalism a joint undertaking of Yenching and Missouri. In this letter I also stated the considerations which led Dean Williams and me to think it desirable that I go to Missouri University this winter to seek an A.M. in Journalism. *June 28*

Assuming that you have this statement, I will not repeat the details. I am now writing to you as chairman of the finance committee of the Trustees formally to request permission to enroll for graduate work in Missouri U. during the winter of 1927-8. This will be possible for me, of course, only if continued on salary. I'm taking it for granted that this is not an unreasonable request in the light of the following factors involved:

(a) the scholastic work to be done is solely and altogether preparation for my work in Yenching. I should not personally plan for it, were it not for the prospects and hopes for the journalism work in Peking. I would expect to concentrate there on method~~ent~~ of teaching journalism and the administration of schools and departments of journalism.

(b) a considerable portion of my time would be given to consultations and work with Dean Williams in the laying of plans for a campaign among publishers and others, and in attendance with the Dean on national and section gatherings of newspaper men for purposes of cultivation and solicitation.

(c) I'll be near enough to develop the Kansas City situation both among the Lions and the Women's Inter-denominational Missionary Council. The former, as you will probably have seen if you are getting copies of the office correspondence, gave me checks for \$400 to complete original three years program, \$150 toward the various conventions expense accounts, and promised to raise \$750 for the next quarter awaiting Williams' return.

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(d) there is a clause in our instructors' "schedule of understandings and salaries" which says something about the trustees' ~~granting~~ ^{making} at their discretion special grants for study. The cost of living and general living expenses are quite high in Columbia, Mo., on account of the growth of the university and general business requirements keeping ahead of building and other developments.

(e) you will recall of course our conversations last spring concerning the present salary ~~scale~~ on the field. Because the schedule as yet makes no provision for any accidental or old-age retirement benefits, we have put every possible saving into life insurance (exactly 20 per cent of my cash salary). In addition we have helped to some extent in the support of our parents; my father and Mrs. Nash's father are both superannuated Methodist preachers and must have some help from us children. All this in explanation of the fact that I have no personal resources whatever for such a year's work.

(f) from the moment I got home I have sought to prepare the Kansas City men for such a possibility, since one of the objects of my coming home discussed with Dr. Stuart was the securing of an advanced degree and becoming more expert in the technique of my work. Journalism schools are still less than twenty years old and I was a member of the sixth class of the first one to be established. These considerations have been laid fully before the leaders of the Kansas City Lions, and they will not raise any objections, in my opinion, to continuing my support wherever I am. They wish to await the return of Dean Williams and his presentation of the undertaking in the belief that it will then be much easier to raise the amount on a permanent basis.

Last week My first Lions Club blood apart from K.C. was in the mails ~~in~~ in a check for \$100 from one of the past international presidents. Inclosed is a copy of excerpts from the letters of three leaders. *Just have another promise of \$100 from Coral Gables Lions; also extravagant letter from Ed Ellis of Wyoming.*

At Colorado Springs, I had two delightful hours with Miss MacLiesh and her friend, Miss Norris. Miss Haines and Miss MacL. hope that Miss Norris will take over the third third of Hung's salary. But before I left, I had the satisfaction of knowing that they had written Dr. Stuart that the renewal of \$2,400 for another year was to be counted upon. Miss Haines is one of these people who insists upon dealing "direct." This is of course accentuated upon her part since she was out there a semester.

Since it is only a little over six weeks until school opens at Missouri, I'll appreciate as early a decision as is possible and convenient with reference to my request made herein. Please write me at Holt, Mo., to which I expect to proceed shortly with Mrs. Nash and the children for a visit with my folks.

With kindest regards to you and Mrs. Evans, Sincerely, Vernon Nash

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Excerpts from letters from Lions Club International Leaders to Nash

"I have just been reappointed Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee and am referring the matter (of support for journalism work) on to one of the other members for consultation and advice, and it will also have the discussion of our committee at its first meeting."
From Mr. Ben A. Ruffin, First Vice President, 1105 Times Dispatch Bldg.,
Richmond, Va.

"It is useless to say that I was greatly impressed * * * * *
by your message to the Convention (at Miami) and by the opportunity to
serve the people who desire leadership with an unselfish motive * * * * *

"My own idea is that we must sell the principle of this opportunity to the individual members of the Club and the most convenient way to do this is through an article from time to time in the Lions Magazine, or by personal letters between the individual members of the association who are interested in the work, and to those who are not familiar with what you have in hand * * * * * You might let me have a number of your circulars as distributed in Miami and I will be very glad to assist you insofar as my ability will permit.

"The work * * * * * is of such a nature that it is service work of the highest order * * * * * If I can be of any service in this work I shall be glad to have you write me frequently and in the meantime I enclose herewith my check for \$100 which may assist in a small way toward the object which you have so well undertaken. The Braille Juvenile Magazine is also very dear to me, and I feel with your work that we have two very worthy objects to keep us going for some time, apart from and in addition to the underprivileged child."
From Harry A. Newman, past International President, 36 Toronto St., Toronto, Canada.

"Meanwhile I shall try to involve some scheme whereby I can be of more substantial service to you and your work."
From Norris C. Bakke, former District Governor for Colorado and member of the Advisory Council of the Board of Governors.

There are of course a considerable number of cordial but evasive ~~make~~ or delaying replies from others. V.N.

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Mr. Tiffany Blake, Chief Editorial Writer of the Chicago Tribune, writes: "If your Missouri plan does not develop you might take the matter up with the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University * * * * * I should be interested to hear from time to time in regard to the project as it develops. We may be able to make some comment that might be helpful."

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Peking University

August 1, 1927

Mr. Vernon Nash,
Holt, Mo.

My dear Mr. Nash:

I have three letters from you to which a reply is due.

First of all, your letter of June 28th addressed to Mr. Warner raised the question of your plans for next year. In Mr. Warner's letter you enclosed a copy of a longer letter to President Stuart in which you discussed the desirability of taking work in Journalism at the University of Missouri next winter. You also stated that your personal support from the Kansas City group is assured. On the basis of this correspondence the Finance Committee, at its meeting on July 20th, took the following action:

"F-2137 VOTED that, subject to the approval of President Stuart, the Committee approved Mr. Vernon Nash's proposal as outlined in his letter of June 28, 1927 that he spend the next year in study. This action is taken on Mr. Nash's written assurance that 'I am prepared to assume personal responsibility for the securing of my support in view of the continuance of my salary while in school'. It is suggested that the pledges made toward Mr. Nash's support should be filed in the New York office of the University."

The Committee thus approves your proposed plans, subject to President Stuart's acquiescence. The suggestion at the end of this minute that the pledges toward your support should be filed in the New York office is, I believe, one that has frequently been made before. It seems that in past years many pledges were never followed up because this office had no adequate information on which to proceed. Undoubtedly you are already working out with the Peking Campaign Office some system whereby all such pledges are to be recorded in this office.

In your letter of July 18th you ask whether we have had any reply from Peking concerning the surplus of insurance money due you. As far as I can find, no information or comment on the matter has been received. Since Mr. Wiant was requested to send the remittance direct to you you will unquestionably be receiving it sometime in the near future. I am sorry that your personal finances have been handicapped by a misunderstanding between yourself and the Finance Committee. Since Mr. Evans has this in charge I suppose he will give you some word as to what decision was reached.

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Mr.V.Nash-2

8/1/27

You mention that ^{Mr.}Mrs. Haynes and ^{Mrs.}Mrs. MacLiesh of Colorado Springs have written Dr. Stuart assuring him of another \$2400. for Dean Hung's support, to be sent direct to the field. Is this \$2400. gold or Mex.? It seems that in past years this item amounted to \$1200. gold so we assume the \$2400. to be Mex.

I am passing on to Mr. Hildreth the information you give in your letter of July 26th. It does seem to be quite a question whether it is more troublesome to send our belongings home by freight or express, or to bring them as excess baggage. It is certainly a grand nuisance however we attempt it.

Frederick Moore seems to be breaking into print less and less frequently. He is still playing on the same string as before, but both the string and the nerves of his readers are getting pretty well frayed.

I hope you are still meeting with success in your efforts and that it will be possible for you to arrange for a most valuable year of study out in Missouri.

Cordially yours,

Assistant Secretary
Peking University

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CHICAGO August 13, 1927.

copy to
Mr. Nash
+ Mr. Evans
8-15-25

Mr. Vernon Nash,
 c/o Peking University,
 150 Fifth Ave.,
 New York, N. Y.

My dear Vernon:-

The Board, at its meeting in Miami on June 18th, passed a resolution instructing me to get in touch with you and inform you of the conclusions reached by the members in relation to the School of Journalism in Peking, about which you spoke. The conclusions are as follows:

On proposition one, to wit: That Lions International make this one of its major activities and recommend it to the clubs -

Conclusion: In view of the report of the Major Activities Committee presented at the Miami convention, which covers some 18 major activities, the Board does not feel that it can recommend any activity to the clubs as a major activity other than those presented by that committee and adopted by the delegates in convention assembled.

On proposition two, to wit: That Lions International include this in its budget -

Conclusion: Entirely irrespective of the question of whether or not it is desirable thus to extend the scope of our activities, it is at this time wholly out of the question; there are no funds available.

On proposition three, to wit: That the matter be left to a group who would take it up with the individual clubs and Lions with a view of soliciting funds -

Conclusion: This, being a violation of a fundamental regulation of our organization, is absolutely prohibited.

The Board gave serious consideration to your plans but felt that in view of the constitution, precedents established, and the fact that there

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Mr. Vernon Nash, New York, N. Y.

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are no funds available at this time, they had no other option in the matter.

At the same time the Board wishes to express its full appreciation of the importance of the work you have been doing, and of the fine spirit of enthusiasm and devotion that you have put into it. While it cannot send you as its representative to the clubs, or do anything that could in any way be construed as forcing a hearing, it has no doubt that you will be able, without difficulty, to make arrangements with individual clubs to appear as noon-day speaker and tell your interesting and illuminating story, at the same time making plain your present problems and needs. This you can do in such a way as not to violate the irrefragible rule prohibiting solicitation of funds.

With best regards, and wishing you success in your efforts, I am

Sincerely yours,

M. B. Rutledge
INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR.

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NEW YORK OFFICE
150 FIFTH AVENUE

Sept. 5, 1927.

Mr. B. A. Garside,
New York City.

Dear Garside:-

The doctor recommended that I leave the typewriter off the farm and forget business as completely as possible, hence my delay in answering yours of Aug. 1. I was glad for the approval of the finance committee for my plan to attend M.U. this winter. Dr. Stuart has also written in approval so we went down a week ago and got a house. Rentals compare favorably with the Columbia U. section of New York.

Herewith my expense accounts which are self-explanatory. I do not know what the wishes of the finance committee are with reference to the return of all or part of the \$200 advance expense money at this time. I should be glad to be advised on this point. I am not able to anticipate what extent of travel will be desirable this winter in company with Dean Williams so cannot suggest how much it would be well to have. If return of the most of the sum is desired, I should prefer to await the receipt of the remittance from Peking of the insurance surplus due me; I have never heard from Bliss concerning it and, as mentioned in my letter of July 18, I am somewhat embarrassed thereby. If it has still not come by early October, I shall doubtless desire an advance of November check to help meet a note at my Kansas City bank to cover expense of a lease, etc., incident to moving to Columbia.

Concerning Miss Haines' use of the term "\$2,400", I overlooked the fact that she had been in China enough to use "Mex." and so assumed that she meant our money, but since you raise the question, I'm quite sure that it is only \$1,200.

My address in Columbia, Missouri will be 105 Willis avenue where I should be addressed hereafter. I'll appreciate if the office will have sent to me at that address my trunk there in the office and the box which Mr. Hildreth has. Please send the box by freight and the trunk by express unless you consider the latter prohibitively high in expense. I would appreciate it if Miss McCoy would pack into one of the empty drawers of the trunk the colored pictures of mine which were left in the office. After she has done so, the keys she has may be placed in the same drawer and the trunk snapped shut as we have duplicates.

With kindest remembrances to all,

Vernon Nash

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NEW YORK OFFICE
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105 Willis Ave.,
Columbia, Missouri,
September 30, 1927.

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart,
% The "President Lincoln",
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Leighton:-

It was good to have the acute disappointment at Dean Williams' failure to get to Peking modified so soon by the news that you are on your way to America. While we all regret the circumstances which bring you home (we've had a number of letters in recent days speaking of you in most compassionate terms), nevertheless since things are as they are I for one am quite grateful that affairs in North China have shaped up so that you feel able to get home for a period. As I've written you, the N.Y. situation seems to me to be one which only a ranking officer of the university executive can hope to remedy.

It was good to get yours of July 25 approving my decision to go to school this winter and thereby meeting the condition made by the finance committee in giving their approval. We have been here just three weeks tonight and are all very happily situated with all four of the family going to school. I'll leave Mary to tell you about that. We got back Monday morning the 19th from taking the children to school for the first time and found a wire awaiting us that Mary's mother had found release at last. It makes me very happy that she was privileged to have Mary and the children for five months so near the end of her life.

We were saved the suffering which you out there had with reference to uncertainty in the payment of the Hall estate income by having a footnote from Garside that it had since been paid. I've written Wee all my sentiments concerning the Hutchinson, Kans., situation and feel from my experience in Kansas City that he himself rather than a third person should initiate any approaches which are made. My, I'm glad that I came home when I did for the Kansas City situation was nearly "sunk." Considering the shape the fund was in when I got back, I'm gratified to say that less than \$250 is outstanding (in pledges of men who are slow but unquestionably good) on the original \$9,000 for three years. \$5,400 had been paid in when I got back. You will doubtless have had my letter (or a copy of the letter by the Lions Club president) in which they assume \$750 for the quarter Aug. 12 to Nov. 12. They wish to have a talk by Dean Williams before seeking the permanent commitments from the club or its members.

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The N.Y. office indicates that you may take several weeks getting across country. We would be happy if your plans enabled you to come here for an early interview with Dean Williams; it would be highly desirable if you and Dean Williams could be in Kansas City together for a Lions Club lunch at noon and for a meeting under the auspices of the Women's Interdenominational Council that afternoon or evening. I got there next Wednesday for a talk in their annual School of Missions. The Lions meet Tuesdays, but for such a function would be ready, I think, to set up a night meeting with their wives, any night that would suit your convenience.

At the close I'm appending a selected list of international Lions Club leaders upon whom a ~~call~~ call would be most helpful, if you happen to be in any of the cities in question. Since you will doubtless be getting down into Virginia as soon as possible to see your son, I hope especially that you will not miss the opportunity of a good interview with Mr. Ruffin in Richmond. He will be international president next year, and has been more cordial to the idea of the international association sponsoring our work than almost any other of the leaders.

Your analysis of the prevailing political situation as of Aug. 16 was most interesting and helpful. More than ever does it seem that friends of China must force themselves to be optimistic and patient. We also enjoyed to the full the long resume of conditions by Lucius. It makes us very eager at the thought of seeing you again soon face to face, and hearing all about things.

Sincerely,

Vernon

LOS ANGELES:

Dr. W. B. Wells, box 862, Riverside, Calif.
District Governor for California and Hawaii.
Max Ward, 56 East Holly street, Pasadena.
Pres. Pasadena Club, and Association Club Pres. of Calif.
Samuel L. Carpenter, Jr., 300 Pacific Finance Bldg., L.A.
Pres. Los Angeles Club.---ask him to take you to see
Charles Hutson in L.A.

SACRAMENTO.

Ray L. Riley, Controller of the State of Calif.
Second vice-president of Lions International.

Seattle.

Carl Croson, 900 Leary Bldg. An international director.

Salt Lake.

M.M. Nielson, M.D., Deseret Bank Bldg., ----ditto. ---

Richmond, Va.

Ben A. Ruffin, 1005 Times Dispatch Bldg. First Vice-pres.

Macon, Ga.

Tom H. Halliburton, 313 Poplar, an inter. director.

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Cleveland.

E. H. Baker, Publisher, The Plain-Dealer.

Johnstown, Penna.

Irving L. Camp, International Pres. this year.

Des Moines, Iowa.

Judge Utterback, chairman, Major Activities Committee of Lions International (Not friendly to the proposition at present.)

CHICAGO.

W. A. Strong, Publisher, The Chicago Daily News.

Melvin Jones, Secretary-General Lions International
the 3rd floor, McCormick bldg. 348 S. Mich.

J. C. Shaffer, Publisher, The Post.

Mr. Shaffer was quite friendly in first two interviews but extremely curt the last time seen. He once made a grandstand offer concerning a residence in connection with his church in Evanston. Is a brother in law of Pres. Scott of Northwestern.

Anderson, Ind. (just outside Indianapolis)

Arthur C. Call, an international director.

Omaha, Nebr.

Vincent C. Hascall, 1416 City National Bank Bldg.
(Chairman, Board of Governors, Lions International.)

Toronto.

Harry A. Newman, 36 Toronto street, Toronto, 2.
Former Inter. President. Gave \$100 personally.

Newark, N.J.

Judge Ben A. Jones, 784 Broad street. Former Int. Pres.

Denver, Colo.

Dr. C. C. Reid, 1550 Lincoln Street. Former Int. Pres.

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Peking University

October 11, 1927

Mr. Vernon Nash,
106 Willia Avenue,
Columbia, Mo.

My dear Mr. Nash:

We have your letter of October 9th and in accordance with your request are today sending to the Commerce Trust Company of Kansas City for deposit to your account the amount of \$250.00, representing your salary for the month of October.

If, in the meantime, we do not have any word from you indicating that Mr. Wiant has sent you gold \$506.40 due you, we will send you on November 1st your salary for the month of November and on December 1st will do the same for the month of December. We understand that just as soon as you receive from Mr. Wiant the money due you, you will let us know so that we can return to the usual procedure of paying salaries at the end of the month rather than advancing it at the beginning. I am sorry that you have had so much trouble and delay over this adjustment with Mr. Wiant's office and do not understand why he has been so slow in replying.

We are sending you herewith a check for \$8.31 in payment of travel expense account you submitted under date of October 8, 1927.

I believe I have not yet replied specifically to the inquiry in your letter of September 5th as to the disposition to be made of the \$200. expense money advanced you some months ago. It has been suggested by several members of the Finance Committee that you retain this advanced money until Mr. Wiant sends you the amount due you on insurance money. When you receive this remittance from the field this advanced expense money should be returned to our Campaign Account. Since you are to be in school this fall and winter you will probably not be undertaking any very long or expensive journeys and may be willing to meet any small travel expenses from your personal fund, sending us an expense statement for reimbursement. If this method gives you any inconvenience we could arrange a small travel advance to cover probable needs.

Our attention has been called to a paragraph in a letter to you from Dr. Stuart, dated July 25, 1927, in which he refers to the allowance being made to Mr. K.A. Wee. Dr. Stuart says that Mr. Wee has implied that the grant the Trustees have allowed him for study at Columbia is scarcely sufficient, yet because the field is going to have to cut all salary schedules to a very low figure it would be difficult for them to recommend anything more than the minimum necessary for Wee during this period of study. Dr. Stuart then sug-

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gested that it might be possible for you to secure Mr.Nee's support in Kansas or elsewhere and so eliminate him from the budget and ease up his own personal difficulties. Have you been able to make any progress along the line of such a suggestion?

We trust you are having a most profitable year of study in M.U. Dr.Stuart was due to arrive in Seattle yesterday and will be passing through the Middle West during the next fortnight, but since his nearest stop to Kansas City will probably be Chicago I suppose you will not have an opportunity to see him at this time. I am sure that later on he will be in the Middle West again and that you will have a chance to see him and to assist him in his work.

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Enc.

CC: Miss Lane

Gets that it might be possible for you to secure Mr.Nee's support in Kansas or elsewhere and so eliminate him from the budget and ease up his own personal difficulties. Have you been able to make any progress along the line of such a suggestion? We trust that you are having a most profitable year of study in M.U.

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PEKING, CHINA

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

150 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

Oct. 18, 1927.

Dear Leighton:-

Anytime which will best suit your convenience while in America will be all right for here and Kansas City. I'm agreed that it would probably be less advisable for us to see Dean Williams so soon after his return. I had made the suggestion that you come by this way in the apprehension that you might get tied up later and find it difficult to get out this far, or you might go back by way of Great Britain.

Was glad to hear that you were able to have lunch with Carl Croson. He's not among the flashy leaders of Lionism but he is solid and he seemed quite friendly to me.

The president of the Coral Gables Lions Club at Miami writes that they still propose making "a substantial contribution" and apologizes for their delay. It's hard to be patient with the delays but they seem inevitable. We're hoping that things may go well with you while home and that you may feel that the trip has been well worth while. We both were glad for your good letter off the steamer between Victoria and Seattle, and for your repeated assurance that you want to do anything you can to further our journalism project. We are most grateful for the circumstances which make it possible for us to be so comfortably situated here this winter, and are continuing to enjoy the work fully. The faculty are treating me as one of themselves, and I've been handling some of Dean Williams' classes pending his return.

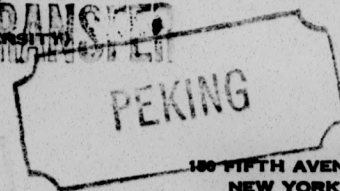
Cordially,

Vernon

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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY



Oct. 18, 1927.

Dear Garside:-

Our heartiest thanks for your prompt and kindly response to our latest request. From the letterheads, I trust that congratulations both to you and to ourselves is now in order on your assumption of the mantle of Eric the First. I've delayed such felicitations, never having heard with any certainty concerning your relationship.

The arrangements as suggested in yours of October 11 both with reference to salary payments and the refund of the travel advance are quite satisfactory with me, and I shall therefore act accordingly immediately upon receipt of a remittance from Wiant.

Concerning Dr. Stuart's suggestion in re Wee, I've written each of them my conviction that as things now stand Mr. Wee should make the next move at Hutchinson, Kan., but that if they two want me to do anything I shall be glad to do so. I also wrote and wired Dr. Stuart at Seattle offering my services to him and giving him full details about possible things he might do. He writes that he has had lunch with one of the Lions International directors in Seattle and expects to be here and in Kansas City with me some time before his return.

Cordially,

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Peking University

October 21, 1927

Mr. Vernon Nash,
105 Willis Ave.
Columbia, Mo.

Dear Nash:

Dr. Stuart arrived in New York yesterday and I took the first opportunity of discussing with him the suggestion in your letter of October 18th with regard to K.A. Wee. Dr. Stuart's feeling seems to be that, since he will probably be making a trip out into the Middle West sometime in the near future, it would be well to take Wee along with him to Hutchinson, Kansas and work out arrangements there when all of you can be on the ground. I suppose that Dr. Stuart has written or will be writing you on this same subject and will comment on the matter in more detail.

Glad to note that the arrangement suggested in our letter of October 11th will be satisfactory to you. I hope that Wiant will soon be clearing up your finances.

Thanks for your kindly felicitations though I sometimes seriously doubt whether they are in order either for the Universities operating in this office or myself. I am beginning to understand why so many of our New York board secretaries sooner or later develop a "hard boiled" attitude.

Very cordially yours,

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Nov. 8, 1927.

Dear Leighton:-

The international president of Lions Clubs was the guest of the Kansas City Club last Saturday night, so I went down to attend it. A few of us were the guests at lunch of a former director of the association, a Kansas City man, at which the president was also a guest. Toward the close of the meal, these Kansas City friends put to him very earnestly their reasons for hoping that the international association of Lions Clubs would sponsor our journalism project.

Mr. Camp replied that he agreed with them fully as to the desirability of our work being supported, but he saw the following difficulties:

(1) virtually all the "major activities" are projects which have spread from a local center into a district and then to national support; he therefore recommends that Missouri clubs first be approached, and expand out from there.

(2) Lions International rarely votes funds to an object; practically all the "major activities" sponsored by convention resolutions still have to find their funds by the voluntary subscriptions of clubs. Probably the most we could hope for, in his opinion, would be the O.K. of the association and the association's recommendation to the clubs.

(3) Objections which he has heard raised to even this step are (a) it's just another personal hobby on the part of an enthusiastic young fellow; (b) it is too far away from the clubs; (3) it is protestant and foreign-missionary, and Jews and Catholics would object to its support.

The President, who is Mr. Irving L. Camp, U.S. National Bank Bldg., Johnstown, Penna., says he would be glad to see you at any time. I urged him to call upon you in N.Y. but think the likelihood of his doing this might be increased by your also writing him an invitation to make an appointment with you on the next of

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his frequent trips to New York City. If he could be won, as we tried to do, to seeing the opportunities and possibilities in the project as well as the difficulties, it might go far toward winning an organization's support.

The governor of Missouri Lions' district was also present at the lunch and heard the statement. With reference to (1), he voluntarily suggested after the meal to the Kansas City men and myself that he would like to see cultivation made of the Missouri clubs and a definite proposal for Missouri support made to the clubs in the state convention next spring.

Dean Williams is about "out of the woods" now in the matter of his accumulated work, and it is probable that any time which suits your convenience to come this way will be acceptable to all concerned. I hope that you will have time not only to see him but also to interview all the Kansas City leaders---Lions, Y.M.C.A., and Women's Council.

Cordially,

Vernon.

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Peking University

November 9, 1927

Mr. Vernon Nash,
105 Willis Avenue,
Columbia, Mo.

My dear Mr. Nash:

Several days ago Miss McCoy passed on to me a letter from you in which you asked how the Journalism fund stands and how your expenditures have compared with the income for this department.

This is the situation as it stood at the beginning of this month: Of the original pledges amounting to \$8150.00 for the Vernon Nash Fund, \$7975.00 has now been paid, leaving \$175.00 yet to be collected. On the 1924-27 accounts there has been received outside of the amounts pledged, the sum of \$1034.17. On the 1927-32 accounts there have been received two gifts amounting to \$1100.00. Thus there has been received to date outside the original pledges on the Nash fund the total of \$2134.17. To October 31st there was paid for your salary and expenses (not including an advance of \$200.00 to be adjusted later) a total of \$2474.53.

Our method of handling your salary and other expenses has been to charge these items against all receipts for the Vernon Nash fund outside of payments on the original pledges amounting to \$8150.00. Thus to the beginning of this month your salary and expenses have exhausted all new money coming in on the Vernon Nash fund and have produced a deficit of around \$300.00. We hope that during the coming months sufficient new money will come in to not only cover your expenses but to provide some substantial aid for the Department of Journalism.

Very cordially yours,

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CC: Campaign Office

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Nov. 29, 1927.

Dear Leighton:-

Dean Williams and I go to Kansas City tomorrow for an informal preparatory lunch with a group of the leaders who have been most faithful in the promotion of the fund during the first three years. I earnestly hope that permanent decisions will grow out of that meeting, to take shape very soon, if they are not actually made by that group. I shall do my best to press the matter.

Meanwhile, as it looks now, you can still suit your own convenience in the matter of when to come here. I'm distressed to hear that you've been unwell and hope you'll let nothing interfere with whatever may be considered necessary for complete and speedy recovery. With the matter of health cared for, it would seem desirable to get out for the conference with Dean W. as soon as convenient since it is obvious that he is more or less letting the matter ride (in the press of other things), awaiting the conferences with you.

He suggested again the other day that you feel free to come at any time a trip brought you this direction, except that it would be wise to wire us as far in advance as possible to make sure that he does not have conflicting engagements. Because of the time which it takes for plans to mature, I'm getting eager for some preliminaries looking toward finalities to be passed over with Dean Williams.

During the last ten days, I've opened two rather promising financial contacts that are new. Nothing may come of them so I prefer to leave it thus indefinite for a while. Judge Ben F. Jones, 784 Broad street, Newark, N.J., president of Lions International year before last, writes me in a letter of Nov. 18: "The next time I'm in N.Y. I will try to run in and see Dr. Stuart. I would like very much to meet him and discuss with him the situation from the standpoint of increasing the interest of Lions generally in your splendid work." It might be well for you to second the invitation by phone or to offer to run over to Newark for a conference with him. He has wide influence, but also is known as more affable than actionable.

Sincerely, Vernon

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"waste of time" says J. N. 3-18-29

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(Copy of a letter to Vernon Nash from the Rev. Francis L. Bouquet)

Presbyterian Church
Francis L. Bouquet, Pastor
Parkville, Missouri.

Dec. 12, 1927

Dear Vernon:

I was delighted to hear from you. The weeks do roll by but they do not erase the joy or inspiration of Christian contacts and fellowships. I hope that in your busy year here at home, you may believe you are helping a lot of us by your testimony and example.

In response to your request I have mailed you today several of the papers with notes of your presence here.

Ecclesiastical organizations are, next to the army, most hopeless in their red tape. The matter of your support was duly brought to the session and the long road has begun---I was instructed to find out from you and our board in N. Y. just how much would care for your salary each year and to ascertain if our denomination would credit such aid to you. There was not and has not been any opposition to the proposition, just that cursed devil's tool-indifference. But at that there was more enthusiasm for you than for anyone who has ever been proposed. Please let me know the salary matter which we may be able to assume in whole or in part. When in Detroit at the S.V. Convention, I shall see about the other. You will hear from me bye and bye.

Lovingly

(Signed) Francis

(Note by V. N. in explanation of the above)

On November 19th, I spoke to a special assembly of Park College, Parkville, Mo. After chapel, the pastor asked me if I would return the next day for the regular Sunday morning service which I was eager to do after he explained why he wished me to do so.

For the first time this year, the students of Park College were asked to contribute to the church budget, part of the fund to be used for local church expenses and the rest for some foreign mission project. After my assembly talk, he was eager to recommend that our journalism work be accepted

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as the foreign enterprise to be supported. The students had heard me, but he wished the church membership generally to hear me also so that the session would be familiar with me and the project when he made his formal proposition.

The above letter is his first communication following his meeting with the session of his church.

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PEKING UNIVERSITY

Leighton Samuelson Brown
Walter
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York
Dec. 13, 1927.

Dear Leighton:

In a previous letter, I intimated that I hoped to have some information soon on some projects which might run into considerable money. The enclosed will give the details. It may be desirable for you to read the fourth page first in order for you to understand my letter to Mr. Bouquet. There is an extra copy of this letter from him and an explanatory statement either for you or office files.

The matter is being sent to you or the office in such detail for reasons obvious in the reading of it. I fear the possibility of a repetition of the Rochester affair. Within this letter is mention of the second large possibility, the hope that the M. U. student religious council may undertake some support.

We are delighted that you can plan to come January 11. I've taken your letter to Dean Williams and he has put his final O. K. on our having the 11th here together, then going into Kansas City together on the 12th for a night meeting there. If it seems desirable for me to go out to Hutchinson, I'll be glad to do so. I shall be tied up during the week between Christmas and New Years. It is almost a 24-hour run from here to Hutchinson, then a day there and another day back so I would need to plan for a whole half week off.

Cordially

Vernon

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105 Willis, Columbia, Mo.
December 13, 1927.

The Rev. Francis L. Bouquet,
Parkville, Missouri.

Dear Francis:

It was good to have your letter of yesterday and to know that things are progressing hopefully in the matter of the Park College students through your church having a share in the support of our work. I hasten to reply to your questions.

The university seeks an annual subscription budget of \$3,000 for the maintenance of each married member of the faculty. This includes basic salary rate on the missionary scale (\$1,440 at my present age and length of service) plus house rent or maintenance, children's allowances, medical allowances, travel expense to and from the field for each period of service, etc.

Our problem--mine personally and the university's in reference to possible future maintenance of a department or school of journalism--involves much more, however, than my personal support. As I indicated in your pulpit that Sunday morning, both the university authorities and myself are agreed that we do not feel justified in going ahead with the undertaking unless we have sufficient in hand and in sight to give promise of the possible early establishment of a full-fledged school of journalism offering comprehensive training in its field. This involves a minimum "starting" budget of \$10,000 which should grow within ten years to \$25,000 annual income.

To forestall any possible future misunderstandings, I know you would like me to speak as fully and as frankly as I know how. A large group of friends in Kansas City have been and will, I feel sure, continue to give to my support. The Student Religious Council of the University of Missouri have never undertaken to raise funds for any foreign-missionary enterprise, and have been feeling the need for some such project. Several of the leaders have talked with me concerning my work, and there is good reason to hope that a "Vernon Nash Fund" will be started here this year. Dean Williams believes that it will be possible to secure some funds for the support of our work among various newspaper publishers. And so on. Now we do not want to seem guilty in any quarter of raising a fund several times over for the same individual's support. Hence my desire that in all cases the contributors understand the funds to be given for the support of Vernon Nash and his work. It would be still better to leave me out, but I realize the great value of having a personality to be supported rather than merely a cause to be advanced. It is quite likely that the Kansas City group who came in on the ground floor are going to feel that they have first call on my individual personal support. For this reason, let me make this further suggestion for you and your group to consider.

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One of the most serious problems which confronts the university is the proper housing of its faculty members. The trustees have therefore very wisely provided that no future extension of the university's activities will be approved unless within the budget is a provision for residences for the new members of the faculty who are recruited for the new or growing departments. No factor is more vital to the well-being of the success of his work than that he have adequate, healthy, comfortable home conditions.

It would therefore seem possible that the proposition might appeal that the Park College students undertake to provide for the erection of a "Park College Home" on our residence compound, designated for the use of myself or some other teacher of journalism. Our average homes have been costing about \$7,500 in recent years. This sum builds a nice, modest dwelling under modern conditions in north China where all woodwork, plumbing, electrical and other features have to come from overseas. The fund could be built up over as many years as you would find necessary; building operations, however, could begin as soon as a reasonable proportion of the funds are in hand.

If this does not appeal or seem feasible, you will find on page 4 of the enclosed a statement of certain other possible specific enterprise vital to the success of my work which you might like to undertake. I regret that the necessity of attending the annual meeting of the American Teachers of Journalism in Iowa City, held at the same time as the S.V. Convention, will make it impossible for me to be with you in Detroit. I hope you will write me fully again before that time, if you need any further light on any point.

For I very much fear possible complications at another point. I mentioned what follows to you that Sunday in quick outline; let me re-state it somewhat more fully. Your Presbyterian board is one of a group of mission boards which provide the bulk of our university's support through the allocation of missionaries to our staff and through cash grants to the annual operating budget. Some years ago a Presbyterian church in N. Y. State decided that it would like to carry the support of our President, Dr. J. Leighton Stuart, himself a Presbyterian. They very naturally decided that they wished the funds to clear through their board so that the church would get credit therefor. The board accepted the additional fund annually from the church but insisted that it be credited by the university toward the annual Presbyterian cash grant. Consequently the board had help to that amount in the raising of its Presbyterian budget, but the university was and is not one whit better off than before. It is quite proper that your funds clear through your board for credit purposes but, if the board should again insist upon crediting this on their regular annual cash grant to our university but designated for me and journalism work instead of treating it as an additional fund from Presbyterian sources, then the university would be worse off than before since it would be compelled to go find that amount somewhere to replace the budget allocation from the regular (Arts college) funds to the journalism funds. The trustees hold and rightly that the Arts college must come first in all considerations as the trunk of the university tree without which life in the branches would not be possible.

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Rev. Bouquet

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This latter point has been elaborated thus fully in the hope that you will insist in whatever consultations or communications you have with the Presbyterian board secretaries that your Park College student fund, being a new and additional bunch of money, shall be treated as an additional gift to Yenching University and shall not be used by them to apply on the annual regular cash grant already being made by the Presbyterian Board as their share in the maintenance of the greatest of the union missionary universities.

Dr. Stuart, our president, plans to be here January 11 and then he, Dean Williams and I will come on to Kansas City on the 12th for a meeting of those interested in the support of our work there. I am hopeful that you and other Parkville leaders who are most interested may find it possible to come to the city for the evening meeting when the whole journalism project will be gone into thoroughly from our three angles.

Thanks again and again for your kind words of appreciation and cheer. Believe me, it is mutual.

Sincerely

(Signed)

Vernon Nash

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105 Willis,
Columbia, Mo.,
Dec. 26, 1927.

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart,
New York City.

Dear Leighton:-

Mary and I are beginning to count the days until we shall have the pleasure of having you with us. We hope that we can have a good visit with you even if it has to be at breakfast only. That may prove our only chance as Dean Williams speaks of wanting to have you meet a group of faculty and community leaders here who may be most helpful later in getting a bunch of support for our journalism enterprise. Then I've had another long talk with the secretary of the Student Religious Council and he plans definitely now to make our journalism work the foreign work undertaking of his organization, the raising of a fund to be a part of the activities of World Friendship Week early in March. So he wants you to have lunch or supper with a group of student leaders.

The Kansas City Lions have planned an evening inauguration of their new president the week before you come, so prefer to have you and Dean Williams at a regular noon luncheon. That means a start from here before daylight in order to get to Kansas City the following noon. In talking with railroad offices about getting into Columbia, be sure they have the latest Wabash tables as considerable changes have been made on this Columbia branch. This is a most difficult town to get into and out of. The present incoming trains arrive in the early morning, then at 2, 7 and 11:45 in the p.m.

It will be possible to be more specific if necessary when I know where you will be coming from to here. By night from St. Louis or Chicago means that you get to the junction north of here (Centralia) around 3 or 3:30 a.m. and then have a three-hour wait. By leaving St. Louis at 2 p.m. you can be here for an evening dinner with us, or by leaving there at 7:30, you can get here by midnight. The Wabash have a good train from Detroit (10:30 p.m.) to Kansas City which reaches Moberly, Mo., (near Here) at 5:40 p.m. I could meet you at Moberly in my car. We have a room available in our home and will be happy to have you as our guest but will understand if you prefer the greater quiet and freedom of a hotel room. If the latter, I should know in advance. The Tavern is excellent but is not as large as the demands of this city have grown to require.

Cordially, Vernon.

If in Chicago on this trip, hope you can see Mr. W. G. Strong, publisher, The News. If in Cleveland, Mr. C. H. Baker, publisher, The Plain Dealer. I had delightful interviews with both of them.

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Dec. 26, 1927.

Mr. B. A. Garside,
New York City.

Dear Garside:-

\$10.

Herewith a check from C. P. Fletcher, the General Secretary of the Y. M.C.A., Benton Harbor, Mich., to apply toward our journalism work. Although the amount is small, it represents a real sacrifice as he is opening up a new "Y" field on a salary which must cut him pretty close with a family of four. He was a member of the staff in Kansas City when I went out and did more than any other one person toward getting my support in the first instance. Miss McCoy will know about him. I've gone into this much detail because I hope you or someone there will write him an unusually good appreciative letter.

If it is not already being done as a matter of office routine, blanks for clergy permits for the three areas ought to be sent me soon, especially the Western. I don't know that I'll have any immediate use for Eastern or Southeastern, but would use one or the other if anything took me east of St. Louis so it should be a good thing for us to have them. A Western only will suffice for Mrs. Nash.

Letterheads and envelopes have been received for which my thanks. Early last week, I made a trip to K.C. to make the necessary preliminary arrangements for the Williams-Stuart meeting. Didn't get as far as I would have liked as everyone was full of holiday plans, so may feel it best to run down again for a day about a week before Dr. S. gets here.

Concerning the office ~~work~~ handling of the insurance payments, I appreciate your full frank advice. Do I read between the lines that you would rather not have this responsibility? If I were permanently settled here, I would of course want to take over myself along the lines you suggest but would certainly hope to have the office resume upon my return to China. Hence it simply entails a lot of correspondence and would lead to possible confusion to make any change for a single year. Is the bookkeeping appreciably different under the present plan of deducting in the months paid ~~xx~~ from a set amount deducted each month? that of having

It is a real accommodation to have the office do this, but I do not want to be asking any special favor.

Cordially, *Nash*

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