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系學聞新
Department of Journalism

200 Edgewood,
Columbia, Mo.,
January 12, 1932.

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

Sent Eastern Clergy - 1-15-32

My Dear Garside:-

Miss Cookingham has sent me a copy of her letter to your of Dec. 18. I assume that she must have simply assumed that I would receive a furlough salary and rent allowance, since that is what her statement calls for.

This is a mistake. When the question of my return for this exchange arose, I stated to Dr. Stuart that, out of my experience in this city before, I would not be willing to attempt fitting into the University community without a salary commensurate with that paid to university professors here. We agreed upon a flat \$300 a month, we to make our own arrangements concerning housing, etc. You will note in the budget of the Journalism Department for 1931-32 that it calls for a salary and children's allowance of \$2,600 and a special exchange allowance of \$1,000, making the total of \$3,600 for the year.

It needs to be borne in mind that I am not on furlough. I should greatly have preferred to stay on the job in Yenching.

In the minutes of the University Council of Nov. 2, 1931, I note the statement that the Council feels that "it would not be possible for us to secure recognition for the B.J. degree." While it seems clear from a reading of your correspondence that the New York State authorities do not look with favor upon a Bachelor of Journalism degree, I did not gather that the prospects were so hopeless for obtaining some form of professional degree. Am I right or wrong in that impression? I should be glad for your understanding of the present situation. That proposition is sufficiently vital to justify my making a trip to New York for a conference with the authorities at some favorable time. I believe when they understand all the factors, we can secure approval for some type of professional degree.

Herewith an expense account for my Minn. trip and our applications for clergy permits.

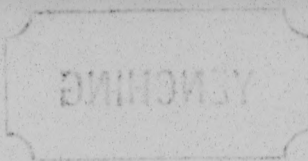
(Teachers of Journalism)

Cordially,

Copy to M.C.

(Vernon Nash)

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YENCHING UNIVERSITY
YEN-CHING UNIVERSITY

200 Bldg.
Yenching University
January 12, 1932

My dear Sir:

I have received your letter of Dec. 18. I assume that the money was sent to you and I will receive it soon. I am sorry that I cannot give you a more definite answer at this time.

This is a mistake. When the question of the exchange of this money was raised to me, I stated to Mr. [Name] that I had no experience in this city before. I was not willing to attempt anything into the university domain without a salary guarantee which that part of university professors here. I agreed upon a \$1000 a month. We have our own arrangements for the money, etc. I will not be in the position of the Department for 1932-33 that it will pay a salary and college a salary of \$1000 and a special expense allowance of \$500, making the total at \$1500 for the year.

It needs to be borne in mind that I am not on my own. I should greatly have preferred to stay on the job in Yenching.

In the minutes of the University Council of Nov. 24, 1931, I note the statement that the Council felt that it was not possible for us to secure a position for the P. T. degree. While it seems clear from a reading of your correspondence that the New York authorities do not look with favor upon a Bachelor of Journalism degree, I did not gather that the proposals were so hopeless for obtaining some form of professional degree. As I right or wrong in that impression, I should be glad for your understanding of the present situation. That proposition is sufficiently vital to justify my making a trip to New York for a conference with the authorities at some favorable time. I believe when they understand all the factors, we can secure approval for some type of professional degree.

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A personal P.S.:-

That salary arrangement was completed before it was known that we would trade homes with the Martins and thus have no rental item here. The carrying out of the original schedule, as approved by the Board of Managers and by the Trustees in the annual budget, however, will make it possible without special authorization for us to carry out a scheme worked out between Dr. Stuart and me for settling the old question of my 1929-30 salary difference.

As I wrote you in the last paragraph of my letter of April 20, 1931, Dr. Stuart agreed to approve a proposition that I make a good purchase of a car suitable for us to take back with us to serve the department under some form of joint ownership and control. By the time I return, some such departmental bus will be a virtual necessity. It is also fitting since a great deal of my travel in this country will be on University business.

When we start back The proposal was that I seek a special appropriation of \$500 on my return home to apply on the purchase of a car, and that Dr. Stuart would second the request. *But* We feel that the payment of \$300 a month this year when we will not have rent would compensate sufficiently for the injustice which we felt was done us in that first year back on the field. We would therefore buy a car ourselves and seek approval for the payment by the university of the costs of shipping it back with us on condition that it be a jointly owned car under conditions to be worked out between me and the authorities on the field.

On the confident assumption that the salary matter had all been settled on the \$300 basis before we left China, we have already bought a car on conditions that will create difficulties if we are to receive \$266.66 a month instead of the \$300. I therefore hope that it will be possible for you to pay the \$300 a month (on an advance-ment basis) while the matter is being cleared with the field. You can imagine how earnestly I hope that we are not in for another prolonged exchange on a salary matter.

V.N.

YENCHING

Yenching University

January 15, 1932.

Mr. Vernon Nash,
200 Edgewood Street,
Columbia, Mo.

My dear Mr. Nash:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 12th. It arrived in the same mail with Miss Cookingham's letter of January 18th. We have mailed your Western Clergy application forms to Chicago, and have requested the Clergy Bureau there to send your Clergy Certificates to you direct. We are enclosing herewith your Eastern Clergy Certificate.

Too bad about the confusion over the amount of your monthly salary checks. In accordance with your request we will remit at the rate of G \$500 per month for the time being with the understanding that the G \$33.34 above the figure given by Miss Cookingham is advanced subject to later adjustment if necessary.

As to the Bachelor of Journalism degree:- The situation seems to be that the Regents of the University of the State of New York are averse to the granting of a large number of specialized baccalaureate degrees, and are strongly in favor of the policy of using the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science accompanied by a parenthetical notation as to the specialized field in which the degree is secured. In accordance with this policy they suggest that the degree in journalism should be "Bachelor of Arts (Journalism)". Possibly you might be more successful than ourselves in convincing them that they should grant Yenching the right to issue a Bachelor of Journalism degree. If you are to be here in New York perhaps you may wish to take up the matter with them. One must keep in mind however, that it is well to proceed rather carefully in such matters, since we must call on the Regents many times during the year for services to five of our Union Universities, and we cannot afford to get in their ill graces by driving too hard on any proposition to which they are not favorably inclined.

We enclose herewith a check to your order for \$112.54 in clearance of the expense account attached to your letter.

With all good wishes, I am,

Enc.

Very cordially yours,

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CC; Accounting Department.

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UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI
COLUMBIA

YENCHING

SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM

January 31, 1932.

Dear Leighton:-

It is hard to realize that we have actually been in America six weeks. My apologies for having delayed so long in writing. The days have been packed full from the time the Wills met us in San Francisco. He has doubtless written you of the work we did in Southern California. The proximity to the Christmas season made it difficult for us to find folks in. Had a long visit with Mr. Warner, and with two newspapermen in Pasadena, Mr. Prisk and Mr. and Mrs. Kellogg.

After three days with my parents, I went to the Twin Cities for the meeting of the Association of Schools and Departments of Journalism. Stopped in Chicago for two days with a sister and visited with several interested friends there. Then a week-end back home with Mary and children there and we came on to Columbia Jan. 6. It has been a dead run ever since with speeches, hospitality, and work. The school is short-handed, so I went right to work. It has been chiefly work on the Missourian. We register for the second semester tomorrow and will start regular class work the day after.

David had dinner and spent the evening with us last night. He extended greetings from you and reported that there was a possibility that you would be in this country in March, perhaps. So this may not reach you before you start. Our thoughts have been very much with you all in these trying days.

It seems to be a mistake to let us leave China. The Nanking incident followed hard upon our arrival the previous time, and now Shanghai. I get weary of answering the query, "Well, I guess that you are glad to be out of China just now"; but it does make for a great deal more interest in one's talks and conversations on China. I hope if any published reports of these addresses get back to Yenching that Chinese friends will make allowance for incomplete and inadequate reporting. Some sentences attributed to me, with the qualifying clauses omitted, make me say some strange things.

Several weeks ago, I received from Miss Cookingham a copy of a letter of instructions to Mr. Garside that we should be paid a regular furlough salary plus a rent allowance. I wrote Mr. Garside informing him of the arrangement that I should receive \$300 a month while in the U.S.A., pointing out to him that he would find a special exchange allowance of \$1,000 in the budget of the department of journalism as approved for 1931-32 which with the regular salary of \$2,600 would make the agreed upon amount. He has written back that he would pay the \$300 a month, pending further advices from the field on the understanding that the balance above the \$266.66 should be treated as an advance until corrected instructions were received. I would appreciate your good offices with the treasurer's office in the matter. I'm sending a copy of this letter to Miss Cookingham.

Cordially,

Vernon (Nash)

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P.S.-

In my letter to Garside, I pointed out that this was not a furlough for us. We should have preferred, all things considered, to have remained on the job in Yenching. Despite decreases in the cost of living generally, Columbia is an expensive place in which to live with the obligations of a member of the faculty. Even with no rent, due to the exchange with the Martins, our salary at \$300 will be less than journalism teachers of professorial rank, according to a report at the meeting of Teachers of Journalism at Minneapolis.

It is true that the arrangement between us was made on the assumption that we would have rent to pay. For that reason, we are ready to forget the past, and not to carry out the plan verbally agreed upon between us that we should seek a special appropriation of \$500 from the trustees to apply toward the purchase price of a car which I would use while here and bring back for joint ownership and use. We have already bought a Dodge 1st series 1932 at \$200 off the list price because the second series is out. It is my thought that we leave the matter of our possible bringing it back with us until we are ready to return. The matter can then be raised in the light of the then existing situation.

There was no expectation on my part that the salary arrangement as set out in the budget was likely to be altered in any way, and we have therefore made commitments, especially in the installment purchases on the car, which will make it difficult for us, if the letter from Miss Cookingham indicates a considered decision, and not merely an assumption on her part that we were to have the ordinary furlough arrangement. I earnestly hope that it is merely such an assumption for we can hardly endure the prospect of another disagreement on the salary question.

V.N.

學大京燕
YENCHING UNIVERSITY
Peiping China

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Department of Journalism

February 27, 1932.

Dear Mr. Garside:-

Herewith the voucher for refund
on travel from the treasurer's office. Thanks very much.

Will you please send to us all
the insurance statements received this year, and we
will settle them from here. We are seriously considering
a major change in our insurance arrangements. We have
been carrying a maximum of protection in life, rather than
terminal policies. The children are now getting to an
age where we begin to feel that we need for old-age
savings. We plan therefore to convert existing
policies into paid-up or extended insurance, except one
large one and make it a twenty-pay life with endowment
features. I would appreciate any comments which you or
Mr. Evans would have to make on such an arrangement.

Several of our policies are now
convertable into extended insurance which would provide
protection to their full amount until both children are
past 25 years old. Moreover, Mrs. Nash does have a
profession--teaching--and they are at such an age that
she could take it up without too great injustice to them,
if I should pass on.

When I come East this summer, I
shall be interested to talk with you concerning the Sun
Life and our retirement funds. I've never hit an
insurance man who was willing to say much for them,
though they are always very guarded because of their
insurance instructions that knocking one company simply
hurts the whole business.

The degree situation is very
discouraging. It hits us at a very vital spot if we
are not able to grant something different from the two
degrees--B.A. and B.S.--since a growing group of students
want to come to us for work in journalism after their
graduation from a four-year course. But I have just seen
where Columbia is planning to change from a B. Litt. to a
B.S. even for a five-year course. I predict that will hurt
them severely. I shall of course do nothing except after
full consultation with you, and shall always bear in mind
the other delicate relations involved.

Depression (in the temperamental, rather than the commercial sense) sits heavily upon me. I left Peiping with a quite clear understanding that there was no point in my planning to ~~return~~ return until after some further financing is done. In this present defeatist atmosphere, the prospects for getting ~~with~~ the permanent endowment or even an extension of the temporary fund that would enable us to carry on for a sufficiently long time to justify the expenses of our return seems rather poor.

It was possible for me in good conscience, therefore, to reply to the examiners in seeking the kind of an insurance policy that I would like to carry hereafter that "there is only the possibility that I may return to China" and that "any subsequent trips which I may make will doubtless be of short duration."

The latter part of the statement can be made because of the plans for us to seek financing via a Walter Williams Memorial Foundation. I assume that if we could put this over, I would find myself increasingly involved in a promotional and administrative relationship to that, which means that I become a Pacific commuter for good, as I have been in the past.

It seems hard to be forced to a ~~realization~~ realization that permanence on that most beautiful of campuses is only a remote hope, but if the Foundation could be established, it will require someone to carry on a supervisory relationship like that performed by N. Gist Gee for the Rockefeller Foundation. As I wrote you, I think, I should hope that it might be possible for me to spend one semester a year at Yenching and the other in travel.

Things get no easier here, as regards time. My nights and Sundays are so full that I have at last simply taken a morning off and am pounding away on the machine in the hope of getting a bunch of letters written which I prefer to write myself rather than dictate.

Cordially,

Nash

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Depression (in the temperamental, rather than the commercial sense) after heavily upon me. I left feeling with a quite clear understanding that there was no point in my planning to know where I was going to be in the future. In this present business situation, the prospects for getting out of the present predicament or even an extension of it are very dim, and I would not like to carry on for a sufficiently long time to justify the expense of my return here, which is poor.

It was possible for me to find consolation, therefore, in the knowledge that I was in the kind of an emergency policy that I would like to carry out. That there is only the possibility that I may return to China, and that my return there which I may make will be of short duration.

The latter part of the statement can be made because of the plan for us to seek financing via a Rockefeller Memorial Foundation. I assume that it will be over, I would find myself in a position involved in a promotional and administrative relationship to that, which means that I become a Rockefeller Foundation man, and I have been in the past.

It seems hard to be forced to a situation in which one is not permitted to be a part of the Rockefeller Foundation, but if the Foundation could be established, it will require someone to carry on a supervisory relationship like that performed by Mr. Pitt for the Rockefeller Foundation. As I wrote you, I think I should be able to be responsible for the operation of the Foundation and the other in general.

Things are not so simple here, as you see. The rights and duties are so full that I have at last simply taken a running off and am pouring away on the machine in the hope of getting a word or two. With which I prefer to write rather than to dictate.

Cordially,

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UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI
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SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM

March 16, 1932

Mr. O.D. Wanamaker
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Wanamaker:

Thank you for your letter of March 8th, enclosing a copy of your letter to Mr. Morelock in regard to the Missouri-Yenching Association and also a copy of Mr. Haddad's letter regarding the Strong gift.

It is a great relief and gratification to me to learn that the Strong gift is now almost certain. I feel that the securing of that money is due to your tireless and tactful handling of the situation.

I am at work with the Missouri-Yenching Association. It is difficult this year not only because of the general condition of depression, but because the response here depends to a great extent on the interest in the ^{next} ~~present~~ incumbent of the Missouri-Yenching Fellowship. Few of the student leaders here now know Sam Groff. If we were sending out a new fellow and they felt their contributions were going towards his budget, there would be much more interest. I hope that the Strong gift will mean that the usual allowance may be made for our gold budget, making it possible to send another Missouri-Yenching fellow.

If the fellowship can be continued next year, I feel strongly that a new appointee should be sent for the sake of interest here. Mr. Hin Wong writes me that they may want to keep Mr. Groff on as business manager of their new city edition of the Yenching Gazette. He hopes for some possible help from the gold allowance towards the establishment of such a paper. It is my feeling that such a project is peculiarly the kind of thing that ought to be locally financed and that if Groff is kept it ought to be on some financial arrangement outside of the regular budget.

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I am more convinced than ever that further financing in this country depends upon some such financial achievement in China. That would give tangible proof to givers here that the Chinese really desire professional training in Journalism.

If Dr. Stuart is in New York, will you please give him our regards. I would greatly appreciate hearing both from you and from him concerning your feelings concerning the relationship of the Strong gift to our next year's budget. Also, I would much appreciate a copy of the tentative budget. Dr. Stuart, in writing about some of the items on the budget, forgot to enclose a copy of the important document.

Cordially yours,

Vernon Nash.

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Copy to Mr. Hin Wong

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COLUMBIA

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YENCHING

April 2, 1932

Dr. J.L. Stuart
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City:

Dear Leighton:

We have your letter of March 16th from the steamer and very earnestly hope that it may prove possible for you to stop in Columbia on your way west. If this pleasure for us is out of the question and you think it is desirable for us to spend some time together, I will be glad to meet you at some convenient point on your way out where we can confer between trains.

Mr. Hin Wong and Mr. Martin have written me very fully not only concerning the ordinary budget problems but also concerning their hopes for the Peiping edition of the Yenching Gazette. I find it difficult to say very much about the budget until I have an answer from the New York office concerning the present status of our finances and a copy of the estimated journalism budget for next year. You will, I trust, the letters I wrote to Mr. Garside and Mr. Wanamaker recently about the Missouri-Yenching campaign on this campus. It seems to me to be as true to say that the holding of a financial effort depends upon the sending out of a new man this year as it is to say that the sending out of a man depends upon the securing of funds here. The amount which can possibly be secured will not equal, of course, the cost of such a person. However, under existing economic conditions it may be more true than ever that our success in continuing our journalism work depends upon a fresh, vital connection with Missouri. Moreover, we can scarcely expect to send a Chinese student from Yenching here without reciprocating.

It seems even more difficult for me to comment upon the needs for the city paper. I have been very keen upon the establishing of a publication for laboratory purposes but ~~but~~ I am not sure how deeply we should become involved financially before the permanence of the journalism work is assured. The future of the Leader is also an uncertain factor in the situation. There is hardly room in Peiping for two English language papers.

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Another factor as you know continues to loom large in my thinking. Before we do anything further toward additional financing in this country it is simply imperative that we have some substantial, tangible evidence that the work is approved and desired by the Chinese. Such a project as a laboratory publication should seem to me to be an ideal one for local financing. Do you think there is any possibility that the government might be willing to turn over the Leader plant and goodwill to us?

for this purpose Just a word on the paragraph in your letter concerning my remuneration in this country. I should have thought that the treasurer's office on the field would have authority to approve a special payment to me since the item was set down in the budget which was approved. My only concern is that I shall not be caught between the field and home treasurers. I trust you will be able to make arrangements for the additional amounts from a promotional account in New York since you feel that direct trustee's action is the way to handle it.

Everything is going very nicely here and many plans are being made for the annual Journalism Week in May.

Mary asks me to say for her that she joins me in hoping that you will be our guest in our home on your way back to Yenching.

Very cordially yours,

Vernon.

VN/MRN

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YENCHING

April 16, 1932

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Dr. J.L. Stuart
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

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Dear Leighton:

Before you leave New York I hope that it will be possible for you to give some attention to the following matters so that we may be able to arrive at some decision them if I see you on your way west. President Williams was very sorry that he could not find it possible to go to St. Louis or Kansas City on or near the date you mentioned. As you probably have heard from Mr. Martin or some one else here, the University of Missouri is in the midst of a very difficult financial situation.

seems hopeless

(1) I should like your judgment on the wisdom of pressing any further the question of a Journalism degree of some kind. It seems to me to be very vital to the success of our work in China but I do not care to expend any more time or energy on further presentations to the state authorities of New York if the prospect appears hopeless. If you desire to refresh your memory on our reasons concerning the extraordinary need of such a degree, letters concerning it should be available in Mr. Garside's files.

(2) We need to know very soon whether a man is to be appointed from here or not. We should appreciate an air mail letter or telegram on this point as soon as possible. Two unusually good men are interested but for obvious reasons must have something definite soon. Also as I wrote Mr. Wanamaker certainty on this matter will have a bearing on the character of the annual financial campaign of the Missouri-Yenching Association here.

(3) I trust you will clear up with Mr. Garside the question of the proper handling of the salary matter.

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While we continue to hope that you will find it possible to spend at least a day in Columbia, I will plan if necessary to meet you at any convenient point as you go west. If you can come here I should like to meet you with the car in St. Louis and then take you on to Kansas City so that we may have the maximum time together. I am committed however to the state convention of the Disciples Church for an address on the afternoon of April 28th here. If your trip west should for any reason be delayed as much as a week we should be glad to have you bear in mind that the dates of the annual Journalism Week are May 1 to seventh. It would be fine if you could be here on one of those days.

Cordially yours

(Vernon Nash)

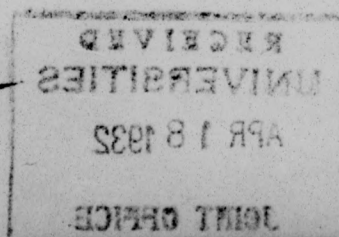
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for M-y Follow
P.S.- One of the candidates came up from St. Louis to see me yesterday. He was graduated last year, and has since been an assistant editor of a Luberman's journal at Memphis, Tenn. He is an orphan who has been seen through school by a wealthy aunt. He says she is only "well off" now. But he feels fairly sure that she would be willing to help him get to China and back, and give him a supplementary allowance, if he got the appointment with a nominal honorarium of some amount per month. I mention this, because it might be worth our while to see Mr. Keaton and his aunt for a short time while you are in St. Louis.

V.N.

*Copy sent J.L.S.
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While we continue to hope that you
will find it possible to spend at least a day in
St. Louis, I will plan it necessary to meet you at
the Convention Center as you go west. If you can
come, please let me know as soon as you can. The car
will be waiting for you on the Kansas City
side. We may have the maximum time together.
The Convention Center is the state convention of
the American Medical Association on the afternoon
of April 18-19. If you wish, you should
come. We may have a dinner at a hotel. We should
be able to have you here in time for the day of
the Convention. I will be glad to see you.
I will be glad to see you on one of these

Sincerely yours

The purpose of this organization is to
provide a place for the exchange of
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YENCHING

Mr. B.A. Garside
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Garside:

Enclosed is a small expense account which we have incurred in recent months.

It has been definitely decided here that I shall not teach in the summer session but have charge of the Daily Missourian during the inter-session. We are therefore considering what we should do during June and July other than a reasonable vacation time. There are a number of things, as I have written before, about which I should like to talk to you and the others there. Do you feel that they are of sufficient importance to justify expense money for such a trip? I can hardly trust myself to make such a decision since there are so many purely personal reasons why we all would like to come east.

By expense money I mean, of course, only the usual travel costs for me individually. We would plan to drive through but will probably not feel able to do this entirely at our own expense. I should appreciate your judgment in this matter.

It would be helpful also to know what time you and the others expect to take your vacations. If we come we would doubtless prefer to do so during the first part of June.

Cordially yours,

VN/MRN

Vernon Nash.

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Yenching University

April 23, 1932.

Mr. Vernon Nash,
200 Edgewood Street,
Columbia, Mo.

My dear Mr. Nash:

Our hectic succession of meetings during the last month has delayed our correspondence with you in regard to a number of matters. I will try at this time to bring all of them together as far as I am able to do so.

Salary. I have talked with President Stuart in regard to the amount of your salary and he has agreed that we should make payments to you on the basis of \$300 monthly as you requested. We will, therefore, consider the disbursements already made as having been regular, and will continue payments on the same basis. I believe this clears the matter up satisfactorily. Please let me know if there is any additional question on this topic which we have not yet cleared.

Journalism Degree My own conviction is that it would be extremely difficult, and probably impossible to secure the approval of the New York State Department of Education to offer a degree of Bachelor of Journalism. I have not had an opportunity to talk this matter over with Dr. Stuart - he may write you further on the item in response to your letter of April 18th.

1932-33 Budget. As far as I am able to discover no copy of the Journalism Budget for 1932 has come to our hands. Dr. Stuart was under the impression that he brought a copy of this budget with him, but we were not able to locate it when we searched. During recent weeks we have received a great mass of material from Yenching, and because of the confusion which our correspondence and filing usually gets into for a while at the time of the annual meetings, it is quite possible that a copy of these budget estimates may have been received and mislaid. Within a few days now we will have things put to rights again, and if a copy of this budget is here in New York we will discover it. Meantime, I have cabled a request to Yenching that they supply us with further copies of these budget estimates.

I note that in the summary of the 1932-33 budget for the entire University the contemplated expenditures for journalism are given as G. \$5,079 plus L.C.\$10,000. I have no information whatever as to what items are included in these totals.

At the present time our cash situation in the Journalism account is quite satisfactory. For 1932 we budgeted an expenditure of G. \$7,936. Of this

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Mr. Vernon Nash

April 23, 1932.

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amount we have already disbursed G \$6,965.13, leaving a balance still to be provided of G \$970.87.

At the present moment we have G. \$8,490.53 cash actually in hand in our Journalism account. Deducting G.\$970.87 still to be expended in 1931-32 leaves a net surplus of G. \$7,519.66. We have already taken from Journalism funds the entire cost of your residence, so there will be no further charges against Journalism on this account.

I believe we have received practically all the Journalism pledges we are counting on for 1931-32, except that we hope to receive Mr. Strong's \$5,000 during the next month or so. Miss McCoy tells me that according to their records they should receive during 1932-33 somewhere around \$8,000.00.

It seems obvious, therefore, that ^{with} resources already in hand, or reasonably assumed we will have ample funds to take care of the budget estimates for 1932-33. The most important consideration, therefore, is our plans beyond June, 1933. That is a matter on which you are in the best position to pass judgment.

We did not have an opportunity to go over your letter of April 16th with Dr. Stuart before he left the office yesterday, but we are now giving him a copy of this letter with a request that he add anything further he may wish to say on any of the matters I have discussed in this letter, or that you wrote about in your letter of April 16th.

With all good wishes, I am,

Very cordially yours,

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Letter to Miss McCoy 4/26/32

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Copy to Mr. Hin Wong

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Copy to Dr. Stuart 5-17-32

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YENCHING

200 Edgewood
Columbia, Mo.
April 30, 1932

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TRANSFER

Mr. B.A. Garside
China Union Universities
New York City

Dear Garside:

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Mr. Hin Wong has written that he would like to have David Lu in the department of journalism next year. It has always been the expectation of Dr. Stuart that David would return to our faculty after his work in America. The latter wrote to David saying that such was his hope but leaving the definite arrangements to me. I feel sure that it will be much more satisfactory if these arrangements are made directly by the field with Mr. Lu upon his arrival back in China.

The immediate problem we face is how to get David home. He has exhausted all possible efforts to get a loan from Chinese friends of his father in this country. President Williams and I have done all that we could to obtain some temporary practice work until his M.A. degree is conferred in June. He has succeeded in selling enough free lance material to keep him here and to save a little.

NOTE:

* This amount
to be advanced, is
changed to \$30.00
as stated in
Mr. Nash's letter
of May 13.

P.C.

Even if there were not personal feelings involved I think it would be detrimental to our Missouri-Yenching relations to leave him stranded. I therefore write to ask if you would feel it desirable and permissible to advance him \$250 from the Journalism funds, the same to be refunded by him within two years through the taking by the field treasurer of a certain amount pro rata from his salary each month. If there is no technical bar to such action I would strongly recommend that this be done. If your decision is favorable it would help him greatly in making his travel arrangements to have a check from you as soon as may be convenient. He plans to go back to China with the Upton Close party.

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It has been exceedingly embarrassing to me this last month not to have definite instructions concerning the status of the Missouri-Yenching fellowship. The folks on the field, and later Dr. Stuart, intimated that they might have to leave this item out of next year's budget. My reply was that the success of further financial efforts in this country, as in the past instance, depends upon evidences of a genuine association of Missouri in our undertaking. I do not see how we can with any good grace send a man from China here unless we reciprocate. I do not feel that I am empowered to make such a decision personally but we should know as soon as possible one way or the other. If necessary I would appreciate your querying the field by cable.

Cordially yours,

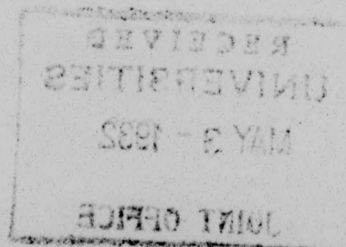
Vernon Nash.

VN/MRN

P.S.-- Mrs. Nash just now told me that the dentist says that Ann and Hugh both must have some corrective work done during the next six months- or at any rate before we return to China. He says that if not corrected soon it will be much more difficult to do later. Neither has perfect occlusion, and Ann especially will more and more suffer from it, both in difficulty of chewing properly but in looks. I believe that one is expected to get authorization before proceeding to order dental work of any magnitude. He could not tell the cost exactly-probably between one hundred dollars and one-twenty. What is your judgment on this matter?

I believe the paying of half dental bills requires previous arrangements on amounts of any size.

V.N.



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May 5, 1932.

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

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TRANSFER

Dear Garside:-

Concerning the appointment of a second Missouri-Yenching Fellow, Dr. Stuart has wired me from California:

USE YOUR JUDGMENT IN VIEW BUDGET REQUIREMENTS
CAMPUS INTEREST AND PROBABLE HELP KEETON'S AUNT
SECURE CONFIRMATION THROUGH TRUSTEES ACTION RATHER
THAN FROM CHINA.

The "Keeton" has reference to an applicant whose aunt has supported him and who was willing to consider going for a nominal fellowship sum. The aunt lives in St. Louis, and I had suggested to Leighton that we might see her together if he came via that city. That possibility is out, however, as the faculty committee here was not willing to recommend him for the appointment. He did only mediocre work, is entirely without any Christian interest and experience, and in the judgment of those who had him in their classes would be otherwise unsuitable.

In addition to other considerations I have previously mentioned, I feel the need for someone qualified to handle worth-while courses in advertising. Otherwise we cannot truly say that we have a well-rounded curriculum. It is possible to get men from the vernacular press who can do a fair job on business management, the mechanics of publishing, etc., but there is no one available to us in Peiping who knows modern advertising. I therefore am convinced for this and the other reasons of cultivation and future interest that a man should be sent.

The one uneasiness I have is the cordiality of his welcome by Hin Wong if his budget makes impossible other things on which Mr. Wong has set his heart for next year. Not yet having seen a detailed budget, I have no way of comparing relative worths, but that judgment of mine would not affect H.W.'s feelings in the matter, of course, if he is convinced that other things would be more valuable.

The solution I suggest for the problem is that \$1,000 of the amount allocated for my salary and expenses in the 1932-33 budget be applied to the M-Y Fellowship fund, and the home-side take on that much more of my cost. This would seem to me to be reasonable in that I will enter upon cultivation and solicitation work the first of February, 1933, and will be engaged upon such work during the last five months of the budget year. Such an arrangement would make it possible for a man to go without any dislocation of the budgetary plans which they may have made for next year on the assumption that no successor to Groff would be sent.

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It was the general feeling here that the best and most natural way we could get the Missouri-Yenching association into the Journalism week news was the public announcement of the man recommended by the faculty for the appointment as M-Y Fellow for 1932-34. Hence the inclosed clipping. I do not want thereby to seem to force anyone's hand, but there has been so long delay in the matter this spring that it has been imperative that we act rapidly. All that is said is that he has been recommended for the appointment.

White is an excellent prospect in every respect. He comes from an ordinary farm home, however, and has worked his way all the way through school, so that the matter of his passage is out of the question for him. He has agreed to the following proposition:

1. The fellowship to pay G\$1000 per year, plus furnished quarters (furniture already purchased and owned by the department) plus usual medical arrangements. Payments to be due from date of sailing.

2. In order for it to be possible for him to get to Peiping, we shall advance him G\$360, to be taken from his salary at the rate of \$15 a month for the two years. He understands that it is necessary for him to save or to earn a sufficient amount to get his passage back.

Assuming that the exchange rate stays about as it is now, this would make his salary (or fellowship payment, I prefer to call it) almost exactly the same as the maximum instructors' rate on the standard schedule adopted by the board of managers in 1931. (in Chinese Currency.)

Dr. Stuart and I have talked this matter through many times and he agreed that our M-Y men were to be considered in a similar category with the Harvard-Yenching and Princeton men. It was obvious that we must pay them in gold at approximately the prevailing missionary rate for single people—
we are

The local committee plans the annual tag-day financial campaign next week. If it is feasible for a decision to be reached and his official appointment made, it would help greatly to be apprized of that fact by wire at the earliest possible time. And, as in the case of Lu, it will be helpful for him to have the travel advance as soon as convenient so he can make final arrangements. He plans to join the Upton Close party in the "dormitory class." That means that they must get away from here soon after commencement.

Cordially yours,

Vernon Nash

It's a great Journalism Week..

Scale
adopted
in June '30
called
for \$950
a year plus
\$50 outfit
allowance
for
short
term
people.

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TO THE HONORABLE SENATE
OF THE UNITED STATES
FROM THE
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OF THE
COMMISSIONERS OF THE
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AND
THE
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J. D. WHITE IS NAMED FELLOW AT YENCHING U.

M. U. Journalism Senior to Succeed Groff
at Peiping

TO BE IN CHINA 2 YEARS

Will Be Working Under
Dean Martin, Exchange
Professor There

J. D. White, a senior in the School of Journalism of the University, has been recommended by the faculty to the authorities of Yenching University, Peiping, China, for appointment to the Missouri-Yenching Fellowship for 1932-34. He will succeed Samuel D. Groff, B. J. '29. Groff who received the first appointment to the fellowship in 1929, received his M. A. degree from Yenching last year.

Mr. White is from Appleton City. After majoring in news, and rural journalism, he remained in school in order to complete the further requirements for a major in advertising. He is president of Kappa Tau Alpha, honorary journalism fraternity, and is vice-president of Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic fraternity. He has done all of his college work in the University, and has been active in musical circles on the campus, as a member of the University Men's Glee Club for three years, and one year with the Varsity quartet. For the past three school years he has worked part of his way by singing and announcing with Radio Station KFRU, and at present is assistant announcer with the station.

The fellowship is one phase in the association between the school of Journalism of the University and Yenching University for the development of education for the profession of journalism in China. The arrangement is reciprocal. David C. H. Lu, who will be graduated with the degree of M. A. in journalism in June, will return to China in the summer to join the department of journalism in Yenching as an instructor. Another Chinese student will enroll in the University next fall as the second Yenching-Missouri Fellow.

The plan of association between the schools also provides for an exchange professorship whenever such a transfer is possible and mutually agreeable. Frank L. Martin, associate dean of the School of Journalism of the University, is spending the calendar year as exchange professor of journalism in Yenching. Vernon Nash, formerly chairman of the department of journalism in Yenching, is serving in a similar capacity here.

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Yenching University

May 5, 1932.

Mr. Vernon Nash,
200 Edgewood Street,
Columbia, Mo.

My dear Mr. Nash:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 23rd and April 30th.

Letter of April 23rd. I am attaching herewith a check for \$35.00 covering your travel and medical expense statement. You will note that I have made one change in the figure requested. In your statement was an item of \$8.00 for oculist services. Our Yenching regulations do not make any specific reference to oculist services in connection with our medical and dental allowances. This leaves open the question of whether such expenses should be considered medical, and paid for in full, or should be thought of as outside medical expenses, and therefore, not paid for at all by the University. Most of our China colleges, and most of the Mission Boards cooperating at Yenching allow 50% on necessary oculist expenses, in the same way that 50% is allowed for dental expenses. I have, therefore, allowed \$4.00 on the oculist bill in accordance with this principle. This reduces the total from \$39.00 as shown on your expense statement to \$35.00.

In your letter you also mention the possibility of your coming East this summer and ask for my judgment in the matter. I am afraid that my judgment is not worth much in this case, for I am not sufficiently familiar with the various considerations involved. We would be very happy indeed to see you here in New York; and there are many things that we would advantageously talk over together, but of course one must have very definite and urgent reasons for undertaking the expense of travel in these days when individuals and organizations are feeling the pinch of hard times. So far as the administrative end of journalism is concerned, I do not know of anything that we cannot handle about as well by correspondence as by personal conference. On matters of budget and finance, we can undoubtedly put down our estimates and conclusions on paper, and adjust any differences by letter. You mentioned the possibility of consulting with the Regents in Albany regarding authorization for granting the degree of Bachelor of Journalism. Undoubtedly a conference with the men in the department at Albany would be very much worth while, though personally I doubt whether it would produce any constructive results just at this time.

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Mr. Vernon Nash

May 5, 1932.

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In the promotional field our Yenching Office is now concentrating every possible energy on trying to meet the conditions of the first Rockefeller Foundation gift before the axe falls on June 30th, so there is probably not much to be done just now in your journalism promotional work aside from following up some outstanding pledges and other leads that you yourself may have.

As to my own plans I will probably be here in the office during all of June and July, but may get away for a while in August. Mr. Evans will probably take his vacation before I do, though this is not definitely settled. I do not know what are the vacation plans of Mr. Wannamaker and the young ladies in the promotional office.

Letter of April 30th. You tell first of the efforts being made to get Mr. David Lu back to China for work in the Department of Journalism, and ask as to the desirability and possibility of advancing \$250 from journalism funds for this purpose, this amount to be refunded by him within two years through checkages on his salary.

Here again I do not have either the necessary facts or authority to give any fair judgment. We are still laboring under the disadvantage of not having seen the journalism budget estimates for 1932-33. Through some amazing ~~series~~ of misfortunes, none of the copies of these estimates which should have been sent us have ever arrived. A letter from Dr. Stuart dealing with the journalism budget was supposed to have a copy of this budget enclosed, but it was omitted. Dr. Stuart himself said he thought he brought a copy with him, but we were never able to find it. I hoped that you yourself ^{could} supply us with a copy, but I believe that you are also without information.

I do not even know, therefore, whether Mr. Lu's support is included in your budget estimates for 1932-33. If it is included we might possibly advance \$250 on his salary account subject to adjustment on the field. This would be irregular and might lead to complication later, but if you consider it necessary in order to secure Mr. Lu's services ^{and} to keep his good will, we would be willing to make the advance. If you will let me know whether Mr. Lu is included in next year's budget, and will give me your judgment on ^{the} other considerations I have just mentioned, I will take up the matter of the \$250 at once.

I am sorry to say that I have no definite information as to the status of the Missouri-Yenching relationship. I hope that Dr. Stuart found an opportunity to write you, or will do so before he sails for China on Saturday of this week. However, we have pressed him so hard with innumerable responsibilities that it is physically impossible for him to do all the things we had demanded.

In the postscript to your April 30th letter you tell of the dental work needed for Ann and Hugh. There seems no question that if this work is necessary both from the standpoint of health and personal appearance, it should be performed as promptly as possible. We will, therefore, take care of one-half the dental bills in accordance with the University regulations. We know that you will make whatever arrangements will best combine economy with satisfactory work.

I warmly appreciate the difficulties and perplexities you have encountered during recent years, and particularly during recent months, in connection with your journalism program and finances. It has frequently been

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Mr. Vernon Nash

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difficult or impossible for you to get authoritative pronouncements on questions which are constantly arising. Sometime you have probably felt that you are being forced to carry the whole load alone, and that the rest of the people interested in Yenching, both on the field and here at home, have been indifferent or even hostile. The primary difficulty seems to have been that thus far journalism has been something of a maverick department, running loose on the educational range ~~that out mark your brand.~~ It seems to me that it would mean a great advantage to the work of the department, and would relieve you of a great many burdens, if we could find some way in which to tie up journalism more closely with the rest of the University. This might be done in either of two ways:-

1. Make journalism one of the regular departments of the University, including the journalism budget as an integral part of the University budget and treating all the affairs of the department in just the same way that English and History would be handled. While it might continue to be true that journalism had special sources of income, and that expenditures were limited to available resources, this fact alone would ~~not~~ necessarily prevent the department from being integrated with the regular work of the University. Personally, I believe this would be a step in the right direction, both for the sake of the department itself, and also as a movement in the direction of making Yenching a cohesive University rather than allowing it to degenerate into a hodge-podge of independent or semi-independent departments, each going its own separate way.
2. The creation of a special Committee of Journalism on the field, and another special Committee of Journalism within the Board of Trustees. If such committees should be established, the Committee on the field should be directly related to the Board of Managers, and should be in close relationship with the University administration. The Committee in the Board of Trustees might operate in much the same way as the Committee on the McBrier Foundation is now functioning. Such a committee system for journalism would give more definiteness and permanency to the work, and would make it possible to secure more satisfactory authorization for policies and expenditures. The main defect of such a system would be that it would add further diversification, and mean additional work and responsibilities for the members of the two committees.

The above comments are merely my own thinking on the subject.
What is your judgment?

With warmest good wishes, I am,

Very cordially yours,

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Enc. \$35.00 Check

CC - Op. Stuart 5-17-32.

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Copy to Dr. Stewart 5-17-32

YENCHING

200 Edgewood
Columbia, Mo.
May 13, 1932

ack 5-17-32

Mr. B.A. Garside
China Union Universities
New York City

TRANSFER

Dear Mr. Garside:

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Thanks for your good long letter of the fifth. The arrangement concerning the expense statement is quite satisfactory.

We appreciate your full and frank statement concerning the possibility of a trip to New York this summer. Unless we hear differently from you or Mr. Wannamaker we shall not come.

*Excerpt
Dr. Galt.*

Concerning David Lu I can only say again that Him Wong wrote me that they wanted him next year and asked me to arrange the matter. I have simply talked the matter through with David, ascertained that he wanted to join our staff, and reached an agreement that the specific financial arrangements would await his arrival in China. I should therefore feel that we are justified in proceeding upon that understanding. Since I wrote he has found that it is desirable for him to secure a new United States passport together with visas and some kind of head tax to which he is subject. He has therefore asked that we make the sum three hundred dollars instead of two hundred and fifty dollars.

Regarding your third page, I appreciate your kind words. I do not at all feel that the authorities either here or in China have been indifferent or hostile to our journalism undertaking. I have felt that it was essentially impracticable to treat journalism as being in a special category in the securing of funds while insisting that it conform meticulously to university regulations in the expenditure of them. In other words your (1) of page three is the situation at present on the field.

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We have been treated in all respects as one of the regular departments of the university with the possible exception that our budget is not open to quite as much comparative scrutiny and adjustment as have the others.

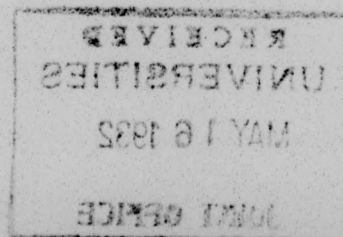
I strongly favor your (2). I believe your files will show that Dr. Stuart also favors such an arrangement. Certainly clarity and precision in journalism arrangements must be worked out or I shall be unwilling to return to China. Neither Mrs. Nash nor I are prepared to go through another such distressing and embarrassing time as we had on the field in 1929-31. If the trustees feel that journalism must be integrated, then I shall be willing to continue only upon a contract legally drawn and mutually acceptable which would not be subject to revision during the period specified.

With kindest personal regards,

Cordially yours,

Vernon Nash.

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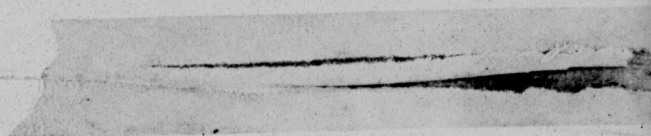
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I am very glad to hear that you are well and hope
that you will continue to be so. I am sure that you
will find the work very interesting and I hope that
you will be able to do it to the best of your ability.
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you will be able to do it to the best of your ability.

With kindest personal regards,
Sincerely yours,

Wm. L. ...



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Yenching University

May 17, 1932.

Mr. Vernon Nash,
200 Edgewood Street,
Columbia, Mo.

TRANSFER

Dear Nash:

I have for acknowledgment your letters of May 5th and May 13th.

Letter of May 5th. This deals with the problem of the appointment of a second Missouri-Yenching Fellow. I should have replied to you more promptly, but I have been quite frankly unable to write anything at all constructive. I have gone over your letter with various other people here in the office, but everyone feels as I do, that we have so little acquaintance with the details of your Journalism plans, and are so lacking in information as to contemplated expenditures during the next year or two, that we simply cannot reach an intelligent decision as to the merits of the suggestions you make.

We all recognize too, that the Finance Committee of our Yenching Trustees would be even more ignorant than are we here in the office, in regard to these Journalism problems. For us to ask the Finance Committee to reach decisions, would be simply to ask them to serve as a rubber stamp for approving some recommendation made to them. Even if they were willing to be a rubber stamp, we do not know what to recommend.

If you feel that it is desirable to appoint a second Missouri-Yenching Fellow, and Mr. White seems to be the man you need, the field is likely to welcome such an appointment, and you can figure out the financial requirements, then it would seem to be in order for you to go ahead with arrangements for Mr. White's appointment. If you would like a cablegram sent to Yenching asking for confirmation or approval of arrangements, we will be glad to send any message you may request. We will also, be glad to do anything else we can to assist. But, we are unwilling here in the office either to say that we approve or disapprove something we know nothing about, or to ask the Finance Committee to take action on matters where we are absolutely unable to furnish the information on which any intelligent action would have to be based.

Letter of May 13th. In this letter you take up first a continuation of our discussion regarding arrangements for David Lu's return to China. As I stated in my letter of May 5th I feel that we do not have any very clear authority to advance \$300. to Mr. Lu, but since it appears that the field is desirous of having

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Mr. Vernon Nash

May 17, 1932.

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him come out this fall, and is looking to us to make the necessary arrangements, I am enclosing herewith a check to his order in the amount of \$500. I am writing Dr. Galt reporting that this advance is being made and asking the field to make the necessary adjustments with Mr. Lu in line with your letter of April 30th.

I am very glad indeed to have your comments on the thoughts expressed in my letter of May 5th as to possible courses for simplifying the administration of the work in Journalism. I am glad that the field has already taken some steps in the direction of clarifying the status of the department, though I believe this process has not been anywhere nearly completed as yet. The failure of the field to keep us supplied with copies of the Journalism Budget, and to give us adequate information on which to act on questions arising at the home base are indications that the administration of Journalism is still in a state of flux. I hope, however, that within the next year we can get these matters clarified so as to relieve you of much of the burden of uncertainty under which you have been laboring for a long time, and also to simplify administrative processes both in Peiping and here in New York. I am supplying Dr. Stuart with copies of our correspondence so as to keep him informed of these matters.

Very cordially yours,

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Enc. Check-David Lu \$300.

CC: Dr. Stuart

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Yenching University

June 2, 1932.

Mr. Vernon Nash,
200 Edgewood Street,
Columbia, Mo.

My dear Mr. Nash:

I am attaching hereto a copy of a letter I have just received from Miss Cookingham, together with a copy of the proposed budget for the Department of Journalism for the year 1932-33. I am also enclosing a copy of my reply to her and of the two statements accompanying it.

I would be glad to have your comments on the Journalism budget as set up for next year. Does this budget of G. \$6,500 cover all the expenditures on the field which you think it is essential that the department make during the coming year? Apparently there is no provision for Mr. David Lu, and the Missouri-Yenching Fellow is put in a supplementary budget to be included only if funds are available.

You will note from the attached statement of accounts and forecasts for the future, that at the present time we are in a fairly satisfactory cash situation. However, less and less will be coming in during the next two years, and if the present economic trend continues we are almost certain to have a growing amount of unpaid pledges. So far as we can ascertain the payment of Mr. Strong's obligation of G. \$5,000 seems to be fairly well assured, but one hesitates to begin appropriating funds from such an uncertain source as this until they are actually in hand. If that \$5,000 comes in, the department should be able to carry on fairly well during the next two years, but if the amount is not received, the situation will be much more difficult.

Please give us in detail any suggestions and recommendations you have for changes in the budget estimates for 1932-33, so that we may lay the whole matter before the Trustees Finance Committee at the earliest opportunity. We should either include within the regular budget, or set forth clearly in a supplementary budget dealt with at the same time, any expenses beyond your salary which will be incurred during the coming year, either from promotional activities or any other way.

With warmest regards, I am,

Very cordially yours,

BAG:PC
Enc.

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UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI
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SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM
OFFICE OF THE DEAN

YENCHING

June 3, 1932.

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

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Dear Mr. Garside:-

Dr. Stuart has written me another letter from Honolulu, saying that he had written you along the lines of his previous letter to me concerning the appointment of the Missouri-Yenching Fellow. It is his desire that the matter be settled in this country without reference to China.

Under the situation outlined in your letter some weeks ago about the present status of the Journalism work, that seems essentially to put the matter up to me and you. Even if the adjustment had to be made in the field budget, I should still feel that Mr. White should be sent. With the news from many sources from the Yenching end, I should be quite apprehensive about the practical projects next year after Martin leaves without some such help *added*.

J. D. White is making all his plans to go along with David Lu in the Upton Close party leaving Vancouver July 2. The time is getting short for his taking up of his reservation, etc. I write in the hope, therefore, that it will be possible for you or the finance committee to make a favorable decision ^{soon} and to send him a check (through me, if desired) along the lines of my previous letter. The matter of how the costs should be allocated may be deferred for further conference, if necessary.

P.S. This may pass a letter from you coming this way. If so, ignore this.

Cordially,

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MR. VERNON NASH
200 EDGEWOOD STREET
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PROGRAM ORDER IMPRESS PRESENT PROSPECTIVE SUPPORTERS IF MY
PROMOTIONAL EFFORTS SUCCESSFUL NEW FUNDS WILL BE OBTAINED IF
UNSUCCESSFUL WORK MUST CEASE YEAR LATER ANYWAY COULD BE
REDUCED LAST YEAR MUCH AS NECESSARY STOP THEREFORE RECOMMEND
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SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM
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YENCHING

June 7, 1932.

Ack 6/10/32

Mr. B. A. Garside,
New York City.
(with copies to Hin Wong
and Miss Cookingham)

Dear Mr. Garside:-

In response to your wire that no decision on the Missouri-Yenching Fellowship could be made until you had received an answer from me to yours of the 2nd (which arrived just as your telegram did), it seemed justifiable to me to comment on the 1932-33 budget by night letter since the time is getting so short. Consequently, I wired you last night as follows:

SPECIALLY DESIRABLE THIS JUNCTURE
HAVE SATISFACTORY FIELD PROGRAM ORDER IMPRESS PRESENT
PROSPECTIVE ~~STIVERS~~ SUPPORTERS IF MY PROMOTIONAL EFFORTS
SUCCESSFUL NEW FUNDS WILL BE OBTAINED IF UNSUCCESSFUL
WORK MUST CEASE YEAR LATER ANYWAY STOP COULD BE
REDUCED LAST YEAR MUCH AS NECESSARY STOP THEREFORE
RECOMMEND APPROVAL ENTIRE PROPOSED BUDGET INCLUDING
SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS EXCEPT NASH RETURN TRAVEL WHICH
NOT REQUIRED NEXT BUDGET YEAR NOR EVER UNLESS
ADDITIONAL FUNDS RAISED STOP URGE TWO THOUSAND MY
SALARY BE REMOVED FIELD BUDGET PLACED UNDER PROMOTION
THUS WITHIN USUAL APPROPRIATION PROVIDING AMOUNTS
NECESSARY WHITE MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS STOP SUGGEST
AGAIN UNNECESSARY SAVE FOR NORMAL FIFTH YEAR IF FUTURE
HOPELESS STOP SUGGEST TENTATIVE ITEM ONE THOUSAND TRAVEL
PROMOTION EXPENSE SELF NEXT BUDGET YEAR STOP LU WOULD
TAKE ASSISTANT'S PLACE BUDGET WONG ALSO EXPECTS PORTION
HIS SALARY EARNINGS YENCHING GAZETTE. NASH

The original plan of attempting to maintain a somewhat level program through five years was on the assumption that I would not return to this country for further solicitation work until some time in the fifth year. Since I will start promotion work again in the middle of the fourth year, we should know by the beginning of the last year what the prospects are. If they are decidedly unfavorable, I should recommend that no junior majors be accepted in September, 1933, and that the funds available be used exclusively for class work and laboratory exercises on the campus sufficient to carry the senior majors through to graduation.

If promotion gets results, we should get at least enough new funds to balance poor collections for the last year; ~~provided~~ prospects are such that we feel justified in recommending to the field that they continue a program on the assumption that the work is to be continued beyond the fifth year. The fact that I shall be starting promotional work in the middle of the ~~fourth~~ fourth year also seems to me to justify an acceleration of the tempo on the field at the start of this year to provide "talking points."

we should therefore have enough funds for same even if

*Please excuse this mess.
It's the habit of a copy reader on a news desk.*

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While certain of the items in the field budget may differ from the program I should learn to if chairman of the department (I have nothing specific in mind in saying this), I should in any case feel that the present chairman and his associates should be the judges of the undertakings which it will be their responsibility to carry out. Hence my recommendation that the budget be approved as proposed.

Concerning Lu's salary, a number of additional things can be said beyond the suggestion in the letter. Tang Te-chen whose name is listed as assistant is the one most prominently thought of as the next Missouri-Yenching fellow here. They have hesitated about the appointment because of uncertainty concerning the funds available for this purpose here. I hope to be able to write you in a few days concerning this with a request that you cable the essential facts to the field.

Wong has definitely written that he wants David. It will be necessary for him to rearrange his expenditures so as to take care of him, if Tang should also be retained as assistant. It is my urgent recommendation, however, that for the sake of Lu's future he find part-time work on the Chinese press either with Mr. Kuang of the Shih Pao or with Mr. Hu Lin of the Ta Kung Pao and Kuo Wen News Agencies. He has an assurance of such connection from both.

Concerning the allocation of my salary from field to promotion, this proportion of \$1,600 on field and \$2,000 on promotion seems reasonable. While I'll be teaching here until the end of January (seven-twelfths of budget year), Mr. Martin will be leaving Peiping about the 1st of Dec. so that charging my salary to the field to the extent of four-ninths would seem equitable.

My suggestion of \$1,000 for promotion expense is a guess, and no more. The amount depends so much on what kind of work I do. Dr. Stuart and Wills think that it may be well to spend some months in Southern California on prospects there. If the Williams Memorial Foundation Idea comes through, however, it may be well for me first to visit the men whom we want for trustees, which would mean more travel. In either case, however, I should feel that it would be within a thousand-dollar limit.

Cordially yours,

Vernon Nash

Ps. I think I've not acknowledged specifically yours of May 17. The foregoing seems to comment sufficiently on it, taken with my hurried note of June 3.

(signed) Vernon Nash.

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YENCHING

Yenching University

June 8, 1932.

Mr. Vernon Nash,
200 Edgewood Street,
Columbia, Mo.

Dear Nash:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 3rd, and of your night letter of June 7th.

We are trying to arrange for a meeting of the Finance Committee on Monday of next week, or as soon thereafter as possible. This is the worse time of the year to secure any kind of meetings, for everyone is crowded with business that must be cleared before summer vacation begins. Also it happened that just at this time a number of the most important members of our Finance Committee are away from the city.

I am sorry that we are not able to get any decision on Mr. White's fellowship by today, as you requested in your telegram of June 6th. But it is absolutely impossible to expect a group of Trustees to get together instantly, and to reach any intelligent decision on important matters of policy, where the first concrete facts have been in hand less than a week, and your own comments on the proposed expenditures for the next two years have just arrived in the form of a night letter. We have already driven our Yenching Trustees so hard this year that they are at the point of rebellion, and for us to make such an unreasonable request as this would be merely to invite resignations. It is extremely unfortunate that the field spent more than five months getting this information in our hands, but we must now make the best we can of the matter.

I hope that a letter from you will be arriving during the next few days to supplement your night letter. It will be difficult at best for our Finance Committee, even with all the information we can collect in this country, to get a sufficient grasp of the Department of Journalism plans and finances to enable them to reach any intelligent judgment. And the Committee has usually followed the very wise policy of refusing to make any decision whatever until they have a fair insight of the matters on which they are asked to pass judgment.

Very cordially yours,

BAG:PC

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YENCHING

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Yenching University

June 15, 1932.

Mr. Vernon Nash,
200 Edgewood Street,
Columbia, Mo.

Dear Nash:

This is to report on the meeting of our Yenching Trustees Finance Committees on Monday afternoon of this week.

I am attaching an excerpt quoting the action taken by the Committees in regard to the Journalism Budget for next year. By approving all the revisions which you suggested, the Committees have given such approval as seems to be within their province with regard to Mr. White's fellowship, and Mr. Lu's appointment as an assistant in the Journalism Department next year. The allocation of your own salary and promotional expenses was also made as you recommended.

We are today sending a wire to Mr. White at Appleton City, Missouri, and are transmitting G. \$360, the amount stated in your letter of May 5th.

I trust that this clears up these Journalism matters as far as it is possible for the Trustees and our New York Office to deal with them. If there is anything more we can do please let me know.

We are sending copies of these Minutes to Dr. Stuart, and as soon as the Minutes have been mimeographed I will send you two copies so that you may forward a copy to Hin Wong for his information if you so desire.

In accordance with a request in your letter of June 10th, I am enclosing herewith your June salary, check for \$292.50. The cablegram to Hin Wong is going out today. I am enclosing a copy for your information.

Very cordially yours,

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June 20, 1932

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200 EDGEWOOD STREET
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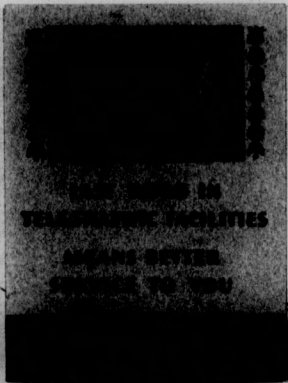
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MR VERNON NASH
HOLT MISSOURI

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YENCHING

Yenching University

June 22, 1952 #1

Mr. Vernon Nash
Holt
Missouri

Dear Nash:

I am addressing this to you at Holt, though perhaps it may pursue you further before catching up.

We attach confirmation copy of telegram sent you yesterday. This morning we have received your reply, as follows:

"Appreciate decision stop address White Rock Creek
Ranch Klamathfalls Oregon."

We are today instructing the Western Union to forward to Mr. White at this new address the telegram and telegraphic money order for \$860. which have been awaiting him at Appleton City, Missouri. I am also sending White an air mail letter today, and am writing Dr. Stuart. Copies of these letters are enclosed.

Sorry that these Journalism affairs are so tangled up, but we hope that the situation will right itself before the end of the summer.

Very cordially yours,

BAG:W
Encls.

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UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI
COLUMBIA

SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM

YENCHING

Aug. 4, 1932

Mr. C.A. Evans
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Evans:

We have received from the Home Life Insurance Company the policy which you sent them, properly endorsed. My thanks for your help in the matter.

I acknowledge also the receipt from you and Mr. Garside of copies of telegrams and letters concerning Mr. White, also copies of the minutes of the joint meeting of June 13th. I am sending one of these on to Hin Wong.

I regret the telegraphic mix-up on White, and I am still puzzled by it. Appleton City is his boyhood home and his parents are still there. He also intimated to me that he had left forwarding arrangements with his people there.

I have just received a delightful letter from him mailed at Yokohama. Also have two letters from Hin Wong, both expressing gratification that we were able to send a man. So I am also at a loss to understand the cables advising against his coming.

Tomorrow I am to take charge of the news and editorial direction of the Daily Missourian and the three weeklies which the school of journalism published. This is my responsibility while the rest of the faculty of the school of journalism go off for vacations between the end of summer school and the beginning of the fall term.

Cordially yours,

Vernon Nash.

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YENCHING

Mr. B.A Garside
Yenching University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

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Dear Garside:

It was good news to hear through Miss McCoy that the \$5000.00 from the Strong estate is in the bank. I will not repeat what I have said heretofore concerning my regret at the trouble you all had had in this matter.

Concerning yours of August 3rd, it was the strong feeling here that it was useless to attempt a campaign unless it was definitely announced that a Missouri student was being sent out. We finally pushed over an effort primarily for the sake of the publicity and to keep the matter alive. Several students seemed to work quite hard, but the total of the "buy a tag" effort throughout one week was \$25.00. The Y.M.C.A. and the Y.W.C.A. each gave \$2.50. I enclose my check for \$30.00. Acknowledgement for the \$25.00 should be sent to the Secretary of the Journalism Students Association, care of Dean T.C. Morelock. Acknowledgement of the \$5.00 should be sent to Earl R. Gordon, Bible College, Columbia, Missouri. Gordon gave me the money for both associations, so both contributions may be acknowledged through him.

Enclosed also herewith is a statement of miscellaneous expenses incurred in recent months.

Dean Martin writes that the new Missouri-Yenching fellow will arrive here in time for the opening of school. He also writes that he has discussed the journalism situation very fully with Mr. N. Gist Gee. I shall hope to see him before many months. Miss McCoy writes that Mr. Hedrick thinks I should certainly come to New York for a conference when I am through here.

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Dr. Stuart raises the question, according to Mr. Martin, whether journalism efforts should be handled separately or included in the general program of Pierce and Hedrick. That would seem a question for consideration and decision some time this fall.

I have now been busy for a week at the task of producing the Daily Missourian and the three weekly newspapers handled by the school of journalism. Only two of the staff are here—one for the business and advertising, and myself on the news and editorial side. Since I have forty students, the work is exactly like the regular term time only without the formal classroom work.

Cordially yours,

Vernon Nash.

VN/MRN

P.S. That Miss Dickman who wrote about wanting to get in touch with a Chinese correspondent has written me but has no address on letter or envelope. I had sent on to Hin Wong your copy of her letter. If you can turn up her address, will you please forward the inclosed — Sent @ 8/17/30
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YENCHING

200 Edgewood St.
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Mr. B.A. Garside
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Garside:

For the last two months my salary check has come to Holt, Missouri. I would appreciate it if you would notify the person concerned that these until further notice should be sent to 200 Edgewood, Columbia, Mo.

Our school year starts tomorrow. The exigencies of the present situation here make it necessary or at least desirable that I take over the City Editorship of the Daily Missourian and have no formal class work. While this is hardly what I should have desired, it will mean that I will have been privileged to get a very varied experience during my year here.

Miss McCoy wrote me August 5th that she had talked with Mr. Hedrick and he felt that it was desirable for me to come to New York over the Christmas holidays in order to make final plans for my program after I am through here. Unless I hear to the contrary I shall plan to do this.

Cordially yours,

Vernon Nash

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Dear Sir:
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours very truly,
[Signature]

Very truly yours,
[Signature]

Very truly yours,

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Oct. 28, 1932

Statement Concerning Present Status and Prospects of
THE MISSOURI-YENCHING JOURNALISM PROJECT

For the Consideration of President Williams and Mr. Gee.

1. Collections. Unless there is an unforeseen, serious difficulty among the subscribers to the Five-Year Fund, we shall have enough money to make possible a continuance to June, 1934 of our Journalism Work in Yenching. Whether the work can be as extensive as it should be depends upon full payment of pledges before that time by all the larger contributors, and probably also upon the securing of some additional gifts before the fifth year's budget is drawn.
2. New Elements. The unexpected opportunity to start a daily laboratory newspaper, and the doubling of the enrollment *of majors* in the department this year, present new fiscal problems. Certain appropriations for publication needs in the 1932-33 budget were approved by the trustees, but the provision for teaching personnel was made upon the assumption that there would be no substantial increase in the number of Journalism majors.
It is hard to see what Hin Wong will find it possible to do after the departure of Dean Martin next week. This makes the writer very eager to leave at the earliest possible moment for Peiping. It has been the feeling of the University authorities, however, that travel expenditures for the Nash family back to China will not be justifiable until an extension of the work beyond June 1934 is assured.
3. What Can Be Done. It is obviously not right to assume the obligation for round-trip expenses for the Nash family when we might have to return within 18 months, but if as much as \$15,000 in additional gifts or pledges were obtained in the near future, I should feel that it would be preferable for me to get back on the job out there for at least another two- (or two and a half years) year period. It would mean better staff arrangements on the field at a crucial time, and there would always be the possibility and hope that permanent endowment for the work might be obtained by the promotional forces in the interim, and we could remain on for a full term of work.
Such an extension of our "pioneering" period would at least defer the efforts for permanent endowment to a more favorable time, or make it possible to wait if no large gifts were obtainable in the near future. I am also somewhat concerned over the pledge made to Robert P. Scripps (less specifically to some others) that the work would remain under the direction of Americans from Missouri during the life of his subscription.

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4. To Whom Can We Look? I should hope that some of the contributors have become sufficiently interested that they would find it possible to extend their subscriptions for at least another two years. Then there are a number of publishers (such as Jesse Jones of Houston, Huntress of San Antonio, the publisher of the Westchester group at White Plains, and so on) who were cordially inclined before but failed to act; such men would seem to be the next most likely prospects. Finally, in each city we could try any person of means who was accessible.

*Chandler
Los Angeles Times
Joe Pulitzer
Leasing Ray*

The figure \$15,000, mentioned in the foregoing, is named as an absolute minimum. It is based upon the fact that we have been able to operate the department each year (apart from travel and other exceptional expenditures) on less than \$7,500. Such a sum would doubtless of course be pretty inadequate if enrollment and the demands of the work otherwise should increase normally. \$25,000 would be a much more desirable and satisfactory figure.

There are now considerable grounds for hope that some funds may be obtained in China. Such funds would make the raising of money easier in this country, as well as reducing the amount required for a minimum program. But the trustees would doubtless feel that a sum somewhere in excess of \$15,000 should be in sight (additional to present pledges) before sending me out again for another short period.

5. Permanent Endowment. The undertaking is far enough advanced and sufficiently beyond the experimental stage that it ought to commend itself to some giver or givers of large means. Every effort will be made, of course, along with other efforts to find and convince such persons.

\$250,000 would doubtless be an adequate sum for a considerable period (assuming that it produced at least \$12,500 annually). If a Journalism Foundation were created which would give grants-in-aid, this capital sum would be adequate for a much longer period. If not, the opportunities in the work would, within a decade at least, make a half million endowment desirable. Exclusive of possible buildings or publication projects, that amount (producing \$25,000 a year) ought to be sufficiently large to take care of current operating expenses permanently.

6. Williams Journalism Foundation. Plans in mind for this are set forth in a separate memorandum to come later.

Oct. 28, 1932.

Vernon Nash.

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COLUMBIA

SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM

Nov. 18, 1932.

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

YENCHING

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Dear Mr. Evans:-

The N. Y. Life desire that my name appear the same on both of my policies with them. As I prefer the form "Vernon Nash", they ask that I have sent to them the policy 4980 919-A9 which is in your vaults. I will appreciate it if you will send this to them in the inclosed envelope, together with the attached form.

With the possibility arising that we return to China around the first of the year, we have much the feeling of a ship under full stream but "standing by" while awaiting further orders. We are going ahead with preparations, however, to come to New York, leaving here about the middle of December.

Even if we go back, it would seem desirable that we have some sessions with your office and with Messrs. Gee and Hedrick. We should also like to take a Dollar boat from N.Y. via Panama instead of crossing the continent. Consequently, we plan to have everything here arranged so that we can have our trunks sent on to us there for sailing. This assumes that we shall not know definitely before we have to leave here.

Cordially yours,

Vernon Nash.

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SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM

Nov. 29, 1932.

YENCHING

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

Dear Mr. Garside:-

Thanks for your good detailed letter of the 23rd. It is a disappointment not to be able to go via Panama; since we must do such much "gadding about" we like to get the maximum out of it in new places and scenes. But we knew that it would be sheer luck if the sailings happened to fit. We were also surprised to know that it took so long from N. Y. to San Francisco; they must make long stops at ports, or have a slower schedule in winter. We recall that a woman who stayed on our boat coming over expected to dock in N.Y. eleven days after Los Angeles.

Rather than go into a lot of detail as to other possibilities, it may be well for you to send us some sailing schedules of the various lines including the Canadian Pacific from Vancouver. We'd appreciate it also if you would ascertain if the other lines meet the Japanese rate on the transportation of the car and have a combination with the Jap. line from Kobe to Tientsin.

Our experience on Japanese ^{ships} has been such that we would not anticipate very happily more than two weeks on one, even first class. Moreover, we question the expediency of sailing by a Japanese line in view of the continued strained relations. It might not sit very well with the students and our associates. Have you had this question raised before? Have any Yenching people in the last year taken a Japanese boat?

There would not be that feeling so strongly, I presume, for the Kobe-Tientsin run since nothing else is available on regular sailings. We'd hope to get something which would make possible the catching of that steamer from Kobe on the 30th January.

While we should prefer the southern crossing at that time of the year, we would be willing (with Panama out of the picture) to go from Seattle on the President boats. If a steamer with special class is not available at the right time, we might go second on an Empress, or be forced to take a first on a Dollar boat. Would like, of course, to save that difference but with cost of car's transportation as low as it is, we could save that amount in the difference between the travel expense of all of us to the coast by rail and the cost by motor car.

We'll probably keep our original plan of driving to N.Y., as the whole family is looking forward to same so much and the trip can be made for about what it would ~~cost~~ cost me alone by rail. We expect to get there the 20th and leave the day after Christmas so that it would be quite possible to make the coast for any sailing from around the 8th January on by a bit of hurrying. I presume that the bookings are light enough that we can still get reservations even if we should have to wait for a final decision until we reach N.Y.

It's going to be difficult to plan wisely, however, on some other things on such short notice. My passport with its permitted renewal has expired so that we shall need a new one. I hesitate to obligate us for that \$10 until we have certainty. So I think it will be worth the cost for you to wire us as soon as you hear from Dr. Stuart. It would be helpful also to know their attitude on the question of my bringing the car. It was virtually taken for granted when I left there so we are perhaps justified in going ahead on the assumption that I should take it.

There is also the question of getting things which are difficult to obtain there or much more expensive. Until a little more than a fortnight ago, we had no thought to returning and therefore had not planned our family budget on that basis. Furthermore our largest insurance policy is due early in February. I should like to raise the question whether you feel that we would be entitled to a re-fit allowance. All the various adopted salary schedules read "re-fit allowances for families \$250 on each return to the field."

The last half of that, of course, assumes a return from furlough. Nevertheless, it will have been almost four years since we left the last time, and there are certain inevitable extra personal expenses involved in pulling oneself up by the roots no matter how frequently (such as, for instance, wear and tear on luggage) that would seem to me to justify such a payment. If you should concur in this, it would be helpful to receive the check at your convenience, after it is certain we are to go.

The unexpected possibility of an early return also brings to the fore the problem of the conditions under which I am willing to return. You will have seen, I hope, the copy of my letter to Dr. Stuart which I sent to Mr. Gee. If the G.F.E. want me to come, we still have the question to settle at this end of the financial and other arrangements. My major concern is that whatever form of contract is agreed upon shall not be subject to revision except by mutual consent while I am on the field.

Even if this were agreed to by the finance committee, we should still have the question, what schedule? Adherence to the "missionary basis" worked out soon after I got out there last time may be thought too liberal in view of general salary reductions all round, especially by the chief cooperating boards. I do not see how we could take much of a cut from that schedule and be able to "cut even", however, with the unalterable commitments we have.

That last, of course, means chiefly insurance. We may be a bit "warped" on this subject, but cannot find it possible after much earnest consideration to change. As I may previously have said to you or have written, Mrs. Nash and I are both children of men who gave more than a third of a century to the ministry; their retirement payments, even after receiving disgraceful salaries for over thirty years, would scarcely meet a year's grocery bills. We simply are incapable of letting ourselves be placed in such a position.

It is difficult to see what we can do about the matter and still go ahead with this task, if the trustees are unwilling to consider us in a special category of some sort. I have just run through our correspondence in the past and feel that the crux of the matter is contained in Dr. Stuetgen's letter to you dated Oct. 28, 1930 and in yours to me of March 14, 1931. I feel as strongly as ever that the solution of all these issues would be best found in making us Westerners come under the home rather than the field budget.

Do you think there is any possibility that the finance committee would hold the matter in abeyance until such time as we get on a permanent basis (at which time we should doubtless become a "school" of journalism), and take into account that we go out again on even more of a "shoe-string" than ever? What I have in mind, principally, is that I should be considered by the trustees as essentially a promotion worker (which is what I am until the permanent endowment is found or the work is abandoned), and should "give" my services to the field again for a short and inherently indefinite period.

In that way, my entire budget item might be removed from the field budget, or (2) the N.Y. office might take care of my insurance payments and only the balance of salary appear on the field budget. This could technically be done, I should think, if the trustees would consider me as primarily a worker on the promotional end. The possible working out of a special committee on journalism at both ends could then wait until we see whether such is required or not by the permanent form of the endowment funds. In any case, the item I would stress with both the trustees and the G.F.E. is that it is not feasible to insist upon treating us as in a special category for the raising of funds but strictly regular in the form or conditions under which they are expended. I write thus fully again that there may be no feeling of capriciousness if everything should be set up for my return and then I would feel unable to go.

Cordially, *Vernon Nash*

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December 8, 1932

Mr. N. Gist Gee
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Gee:

You will have received the cabled reply regarding the return of Vernon Nash the second semester. The Faculty Executive Committee discussed the matter at the meeting immediately following receipt of his letter, and unanimously felt that it would be desirable to have him come if the amount mentioned by him (Gold \$10,000) could be assured before the time of his departure.

In addition to the considerations mentioned by him in favor of this, I am strongly influenced by the fact that President Williams recommends this. The success or failure of this project depends so largely on his cooperation that a proposal like this from him is a strong presumption in its favor. Furthermore, he has already started in to raise this money, judging by a copy of a sample letter enclosed by Nash. The presence of Nash here would also enable Hin Wong to give more of his personal attention to the effort being started to raise money among Chinese.

We have followed the stipulation that \$10,000 Gold be raised. This is because of the actual need of some such amount, but we leave it to the discretion of yourself and the Trustees to authorize his coming here, if, as the time approaches, most of this has been secured, and efforts are to be continued for the whole fund. In this connection Mr. Liang, if still in the country, might be utilized in so far as this can be scheduled so as not to conflict with his other duties.

There is one very important issue dealt with by Nash in his letter, but which I did not bring before the Faculty Executive Committee, except as a personal opinion in answer to a question from one of the members. This is the basis for his own salary. As you know, all new foreign members of the faculty are supposed to go on the single schedule worked out a year ago, but this is not made retroactive for those who are already on the staff, unless voluntarily accepted by the person concerned. Almost all of the foreign staff have gone on this basis, however. There are therefore two possibilities in the case of the Nashes.

1. They may hold to the schedule fixed by the Trustees for foreign staff members. It should be pointed out that the Trustees fixed the exchange at 2.50, which

in view of present rates would be a manifest hardship. This rate could, of course, be altered, if desired by the Trustees, or it could be referred to us out here.

2. A suggestion that seems to me on the whole preferable is that in connection with the renewal of the Journalism fund, a permanent committee or board be erected in America for its administration analogous to the Princeton-Yenching Foundation. President Williams would naturally be chairman, and the more active newspaper publishers be members. This committee could contribute Mr. Nash as the permanent American representative and fix his salary and expenses according to their own judgment, which I should hope would be in consultation with you. He would then be in a relation to our budget analogous to that of those on the mission boards, and there would be no criticisms or complications far from Chinese or others. It seems to me quite unlikely that there will be any more permanent foreign members, so that it is virtually a question concerning only this family. The whole matter, ought, however, to be settled and we have specific instructions before the departure of the Nashes.

He raised the question regarding David Lu's salary and treatment. My strong conviction is that no Chinese should have any special treatment whatever the sources of support. I might add that we are endeavoring to alter the schedule so as to give relief to cases such as his. In fact, it was the experience gathered from the attempt to apply the schedule to his case which largely led to the recognition that the present schedule involves some injustice.

It would be well to cable us when the decision is finally reached regarding Mr. Nash's return.

Very sincerely yours,

/s/ J. LEIGHTON STUART

YENCHING

Yenching University

TRANSFER

December 10, 1932

Mr. Vernon Nash
School of Journalism
University of Missouri
Columbia, Mo.

My dear Mr. Nash:

I am sorry to have delayed so long in replying to your letter of November 29th. The fundamental obstacle has been our uncertainty as to the status of your return to the field.

Dr. Gee has already written you quoting the cablegram we received on December 8th, in which the field agrees to your return next semester "provided additional appropriation of Gold \$10,000. can be secured." It is this proviso that obviously creates a rather difficult problem.

Dr. Gee states that from the conferences he had with Dr. Stuart just before he left Peiping, he is quite certain this cablegram can only be interpreted to mean that Dr. Stuart feels this additional \$10,000. of support to carry the work in journalism until June 30, 1935, should be actually secured in cash or valid pledges before your return journey to China begins. The task of getting \$10,000. just at this time is apt to prove a pretty difficult one, so it is probably wiser to hold any definite sailing arrangements in abeyance until we see a little more clearly where we are coming out.

The immediate question confronting us is that of your trip East. There have been a number of conferences of those responsible for our Yenching promotion with regard to whether there are promotional matters of sufficient urgency here in New York to justify your making a trip East primarily from the promotional angle. It has now been agreed that in view of all the factors in the present situation which call for conference with you as to the formulation of plans and procedure, such a trip is justifiable even in these days when we are all trying to save our pennies. I understand that you will probably be coming East in any event for the Christmas holidays, on account of other considerations aside from these purely promotional ones. But if you have been holding up any decision as to such a trip until you should hear from us more definitely, we hope that you will plan to come on East, as you have suggested. Please let us know definitely just when you will be here, so we can make suitable arrangements for conferences with you.

The questions raised in your letter as to salary and status, CC: Dr. Gee we can probably defer until we have a chance to talk together.
Mr. Hedrick

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Very cordially yours,

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

YENCHING

TRANSFER

Dear Mr. Garside:-

A representative of the Dollar lines who makes Columbia regularly was in the other day, and I talked with him about sailings. I inclose his card. Any idea of possible going via Panama was removed when he revealed that (by a conference rate agreement) they get \$145 for a car from N. Y. to San Francisco *alone*

Assuming the possibility of our going early in the year, our preference would be special class from Seattle on the "Jefferson" Jan. 21. The total cost with the car Seattle to Kobe would be \$663 in two rooms with a connecting bath. It reaches Kobe Feb. 4 so we would hope to make that sailing on the 4th, reaching Tientsin the 8th.

On the off chance that we may be sent, I took the liberty of asking him to get reservations if possible for such space. These will be held for us until at least Jan. 1 by which time we should have been able to reach a final decision. The basic rate for that special class Seattle to Kobe is \$165 without any missionary reduction, as you doubtless know.

If we are to take the car, it would not be possible to catch an earlier sailing as it would be necessary to drive to the coast by the southern route. The triple AAA offices do not even recommend the route through Western Kansas and Eastern Colorado to Albuquerque because of possible blizzards. It is 3530 miles from Columbia to Seattle by the recommended route which means we should allow not less than twelve days therefor, and if I planned any cultivation visits en route it should be at least a two-weeks jaunt.

I've thought of a way by which we could virtually deliver the car to Peking without additional cost, or at least with very little further obligation above the first class passage to which we are entitled. At the rate of \$550 each from middle west to Peking, we should draw \$1650. The sum should be sufficient to pay all expenses for family and car, and have enough left over to go a long way toward the purchase price of the car, since the new Dodge prices are down \$200, thereby knocking that much off of used car prices. I shall be interested to talk with you about the possibility of such an arrangement when we get to New York.

to the dept. of journalism

In this same mail, I've written Mr. Gee in full why I have decided to come on to N.Y. despite Mr. Hedrick's judgment that there is no need for the trip from a strictly promotional point of view.

Cordially, *Vernon Nash*

P.S.;* Ann Nash will be 12 years old Jan. 26. If we are to go anytime soon, it will save at least \$100 to sail before that date so that she can still travel half-fare. V.N.

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