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AVENUE HOTEL

AT THE CIVIC CENTER

419 GOLDEN GATE AVENUE

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SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

November 20, 1942

Yenching University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Friends:

AS I was part-time Secretary to Dr. Stuart for two semesters (1931-32) I am naturally more or less concerned about the Faculty as well as Dr. Stuart.

I shall appreciate any information you may have with regard to the safety of one and all. Mr. C. C. Chang (Yung Nien Rug Company) was a graduate of one of the "subsidiaries" of Yenching University. I sold rugs for him in the different Ports and therefore interested in his condition.

I owe him a little money for goods shipped over and should like an opportunity to get it to him. The same is the case with Terza Bullington, 2 Tung Fu Chia Tao, Peking. But there probably is no way to get money to them, much as they may need it. I have tried through the Red Cross here without success.

Enclosed find a few postage stamps for reports you may send out.

Yours very truly,

Eleonore Petersen

Eleonore Petersen

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AVENUE HOTEL

AT THE BIRD CENTER
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November 30, 1942

Miss Eleonore Petersen
Avenue Hotel
419 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, California

Dear Miss Petersen:

Your letter of November 20th is before me.

The last news we have regarding the faculty at Yenching is that they were interned in the American Embassy grounds in Peking. Dr. Stuart is interned in Peking with Dr. Houghton and Mr. Bowen of the P. U. M. C. in cramped quarters where they were under constant watching. Great pressure has been exerted to get them on the next ship.

There is no knowledge or news at hand regarding the people whom you mention in your letter.

Some communications have leaked through to free China and been transmitted to America, but because of government restrictions we have made no effort to establish such connections.

If any other news is received, we will let you know.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Pfeiffer, Mrs. Timothy D.
(Eleanor)
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May 19, 1920.

Mr. George M. Fowles, Treasurer,
Interchurch World Movement,
45 West 18th Street,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a pledge of \$1,000 from
Mrs. Eleanor W. Pfeiffer, 39 Washington Square, New York,
toward the work of this University, to be given during
the next five years through the Interchurch World Move-
ment. Enclosed also is a check for \$200 in payment for
the first year's pledge.

Sincerely yours,

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The Waldorf-Astoria
New York

April 9th
1923

My Dear Dr. Luce

I am not
to me in Jan was rec'd
and I am enclosing check
for one thousand ^{\$1000} dollars for
the work at Reking University
I have it in mind and
may be adding something
more later. How is Dr. Steward
getting along raising the money
Yours very truly

Rockville N.Y.

Wm M. E. Wheeler

Hotel Waldorf-Astoria
New York City

THE BELLEVUE - STRATFORD, PHILADELPHIA, UNDER SAME MANAGEMENT

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May 4th 1923.

Dear Doctor Stuart

You will recall that Mrs. W. E. Wheeler of Portville subscribed \$1000 recently. You will also recall that Mrs. T. N. Pfeiffer told you at the Colony Club luncheon that she would give \$1000. I wonder if you know that Mrs. Pfeiffer is a daughter of Mrs. Wheeler. Mrs. Pfeiffer called at the office the other day, bringing in her pledge blank filled out for \$1000, which she expects to pay sometime during the summer. She said she had been in touch with her mother and had practically persuaded her to give \$5000 additional. This, with her first \$1000 and the \$1000 from Mrs. Pfeiffer could count for a residence.

Mrs. Pfeiffer asked to have you for dinner on Thursday evening, 10th, at about 6.30 or 7 o'clock, and you can doubtless secure from her then information as to the best way of clinching this additional \$5000 from Mrs. Wheeler.

Cordially yours,

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TIMOTHY NEWELL PFEIFFER
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

120 BROADWAY
NEW YORK

PEKING

April 19, 1924

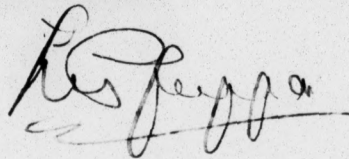
Dr. Leighton Stuart,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Stuart:

At Mrs. Pfeiffer's request I am
writing to confirm our understanding of last night.

Mrs. Pfeiffer agrees to contribute
to the Trustees of Peking University the sum of
\$50,000.00, for the erection of a dormitory for the
University in Peking, in memory of her father and
mother -- William Egbert Wheeler and Almira Mersereau
Wheeler. Payments totaling \$7,000.00 have already
been made, and a further payment of \$18,000.00 will
be made on or before June 1st, 1924, the remaining
\$25,000.00 will be paid on or before April 1st, 1925.

Very truly yours,



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Wheeler New Dormitory

PEKING

April 24, 1924

Mr. T. N. Pfeiffer
120 Broadway
New York City

Dear Mr. Pfeiffer:

On my return to the office this morning, I find your letter stating that "Mrs. Pfeiffer agrees to contribute to the Trustees of Peking University the sum of \$50,000.00 for the erection of a dormitory for the University in Peking, in memory of her father and mother — William Egbert Wheeler and Almira Mersereau Wheeler." The payments totaling \$7,000.00 already made will be credited to this account, and I note that \$18,000.00 more will be paid on or before June 1, 1924 and the remaining \$25,000.00 on or before April 1, 1925. This will enable us to go ahead with the construction of this building so as to have it completed by the time we hope to occupy it — September 1925.

It is scarcely necessary to express again the deep appreciation I feel in this generous gift.

Very sincerely yours

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TIMOTHY NEWELL PFEIFFER
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

120 BROADWAY
NEW YORK

June 2, 1924

Peking University,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Gentlemen:

In fulfillment of Mrs. Pfeiffer's recent pledge, I am enclosing cheque for \$18,000.00, to be credited to the gift of \$50,000.00. As explained to Dr. Stuart, it is understood that this gift is for the purpose of building a dormitory as a memorial to Mrs. Pfeiffer's mother and father, and that it is not to be made public.

Will you kindly acknowledge receipt of the enclosure.

Very truly yours,



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June 3, 1924

Mr. T. M. Pfeiffer
120 Broadway
New York City

Dear Mr. Pfeiffer:

I have just returned to the office and find your check for \$18,000, completing the first payment of \$25,000 on the dormitory, to be erected at Peking University in memory of Mrs. Pfeiffer's mother and father.

I am very much worried over what Miss Sillman tells me of your telephone call, and also the last phrase in your letter, requesting that the announcement of the gift not be made public. I do not think it has gone beyond the Board of Trustees, but it was announced to them and by me. I assure you this was done in perfectly good faith. The only word I had about the gift of any sort was the letter which you wrote to the University office here on April 19, and addressed to Dr. Stuart. and I talked over many things and he told me many things which were, of course, confidential and which confidence I, of course, honor and respect. I do not recall that he mentioned to me anything in connection with the dormitory so generously provided for by Mrs. Pfeiffer and yourself.

I will do the best I can to prevent the word going any farther, and I am writing a personal note to each member of the Board of Trustees, similar to the copy which I enclose.

Very sincerely yours

Wm. Wheeler
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TIMOTHY NEWELL PFEIFFER
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

120 BROADWAY
NEW YORK

June 12, 1924

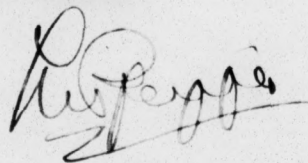
James H. Lewis, Esq.,
Peking University,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York.

My dear Mr. Lewis:

I trust you will pardon my failure to acknowledge, before this, your letter of June 3rd. Mrs. Pfeiffer had communicated to Dr. Stuart her desire that her gift to the University be not made public, and it was our understanding that he had so informed you. For this reason I did not mention the matter in my letter of April 19th addressed to Dr. Stuart. I quite understand how confusion arose, and appreciate your writing to the members of the Board of Trustees requesting them not to disclose the gift.

With kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,



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TIMOTHY NEWELL PFEIFFER
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

120 BROADWAY
NEW YORK

March 30, 1925.

Peking University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

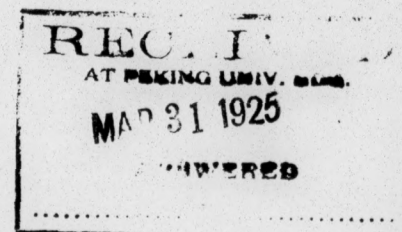
Gentlemen:

I enclose Mrs. Pfeiffer's check for five
thousand dollars (\$5,000) in part payment of her
pledge toward the construction of a dormitory.
Will you please acknowledge receipt.

Sincerely yours,

Timothy Newell Pfeiffer

(Enclosure)



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April 1, 1925

Mr. T. M. Pfeiffer
120 Broadway
New York City

Dear Mr. Pfeiffer:

We are very much indebted to you for Mrs. Pfeiffer's check, in the amount of \$5,000., received yesterday and a part payment on her pledge toward the construction of the dormitory.

I am enclosing Dr. Stuart's Annual Report to the Board of Trustees. It is packed full of the kind of information which cannot be made public but which I know you and Mrs. Pfeiffer will be eager to receive.

As word comes to us of the progress of construction of the dormitory, you may be sure we will send it along to you.

Sincerely yours

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TIMOTHY NEWELL PFEIFFER
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

120 BROADWAY
NEW YORK

July 15, 1925.

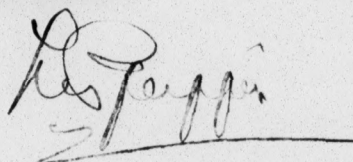
Peking University
150 Fifth Ave.
New York City.

Gentlemen:

I enclose herewith a check for \$5,000.00 in further
payment of that amount on the pledge of Mrs. Pfeiffer for a
dormitory in memory of her mother. This brings the total payments
to date to \$35,000.00.

Will you kindly acknowledge receipt to me.

Very truly yours,



Wheeler Memorial Dormitory

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Received	July 18, 1985
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Cash receipt made	✓
Pledge card	✓
Follow up card	✓
Checked on list	✓
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TIMOTHY NEWELL PFEIFFER
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

120 BROADWAY
NEW YORK

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\$ 5,000

August 13, 1925.

Peking University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City.

Gentlemen:

I enclose check for five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in
further payment of Mrs. Pfeiffer's pledge toward a memorial dormitory.

Will you please acknowledge receipt.

Very truly yours,

T. Newell Pfeiffer
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COUNSELLOR AT LAW

120 BROADWAY
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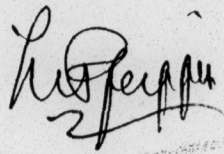
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Peking University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

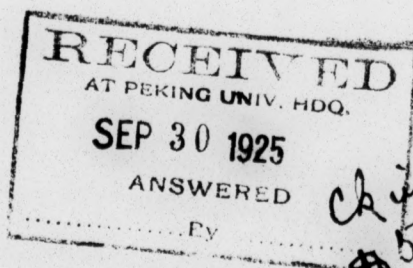
Gentlemen:

I enclose check for five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in further payment of Mrs. Pfeiffer's pledge for a dormitory in memory of her mother, Mrs. Wheeler.

Very truly yours,



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TIMOTHY NEWELL PFEIFFER
COUNSELLOR AT LAW

120 BROADWAY
NEW YORK

November 5, 1925.

Peking University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Gentlemen:

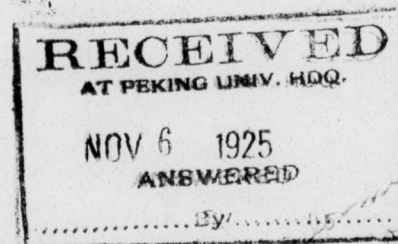
I enclose herewith check for five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in final payment of Mrs. Pfeiffer's pledge toward the cost of a dormitory at Peking University in China. Will you please acknowledge receipt.

Very truly yours,

Timothy Newell Pfeiffer

(Enclosure)

*receipt made
checked
entered
pledge
dormitory*



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November 6, 1925

Mr. T. M. Pfeiffer
120 Broadway
New York City

Dear Mr. Pfeiffer:

It is a rare privilege which you have given us at different times during this past year to acknowledge receipt of \$5,000.00 payments toward the construction of one of the dormitories at Peking University. With this final payment of November 5, I want to tell you again that without it we would not be able to house the number of students whom we will be called upon to provide for next fall.

The news which comes from China is hopeful. I believe that China will work herself out of her muddle within the next ten years. It may not take that long. Certainly, however, institutions like Peking will be of the greatest help in showing the way.

Very sincerely yours

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Wheeler Memorial Dormitory

February 24, 1928

Mrs. T. N. Pfeiffer,
4600 Palisade Ave.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

We are planning to have prepared in the near future a number of bronze memorial tablets to be placed in various buildings on the Yenching University campus. One of the most important of these tablets is that which is to be placed in the Wheeler Memorial Dormitory.

We would very much appreciate it if you and Mr. Pfeiffer would suggest the wording which you consider would be most appropriate for this tablet.

Very sincerely yours,

W. G. G. G.

Assistant Secretary

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CC: Campaign Office ✓

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February 19, 1935

Mrs. Timothy M. Pfeiffer
4600 Palisade Avenue
Riverdale, New York

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

Yesterday morning and again today we called at your home hoping that we might have the pleasure of meeting you personally and discussing with you some of Yenching University's problems. You have been such a loyal supporter of the institution that I have craved the privilege of knowing you since I know that your heart is entirely with us and that you will be glad to do what you can to help the University.

Your butler informed us that your son was undergoing an operation and that you were at the hospital. I hope very much that it was not a serious operation and that your son is recovering as rapidly as can be expected and that he may soon be about his normal life again.

We are not planning any expansion at Yenching University since we are conscious of the serious financial situation. We are glad to say, however, that there is only a very small indebtedness upon our entire plant and that our burdens in interest on debt are not heavy. We do need, however, to raise each year about thirty-eight percent of our budget in America, and for this we are dependent upon the continued interest and loyalty of those who have made the institution possible, and who are still desirous of seeing us carry on.

Naturally, our resources have shrunk as have those of practically every institution of this type and therefore our income is smaller than it has been in the past. Also, the rate of exchange has dropped and this has severely cut down our receipts from American funds.

We know of your interest in Yenching University and we hope it will be possible for you to make us a gift to help meet our regular annual budget. For your convenience, I am enclosing a pledge card and stamped envelope.

Assuring you of our appreciation of anything you may be able to do for Yenching, and hoping I may have the pleasure of seeing you before long, I am,

Very sincerely,

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H. Gist Gee

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MRS. TIMOTHY N. PFEIFFER
PALISADE AVENUE
RIVERDALE
NEW YORK CITY

March 24.
1935

My dear Mr. Gee:

I am very sorry to have been so long in answering your letter of more than a month ago and was sorry also to miss you when you called.

As you know I have been busy with our son who has been ill in a hospital with an operation. He is coming on well and is at home but has not been able to return to college.

We are much interested

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in the work at Yenching
and regret so much
that for years now we
have ~~not~~ been able to help
at all. One of the things
for which I am most
thankful is that before
things hit us we did give
a substantial gift to this
splendid work.

Dr. Stuart is a dear friend
of ours. I hate to think that
you are all having such
difficulty raising money
now.

Sincerely
Eleanor Pfiffer.

March 26th, 1935

Mrs Timothy H. Pfeiffer,
Palisade Avenue,
Riverdale,
New York City.

Dear Mrs Pfeiffer:-

Thank you for your letter of March 24 which came this morning. You have been a most generous contributor to Yenching and I know your heart is there in the work. I am sending you with this a copy of the Yenching News which tells of the plans to begin the erection of the Wheeler Memorial Chapel. We are all so glad that this can now be erected.

I am very glad to hear of the recovery of your son after his operation. I hope that he may be well enough to be able to go back to college after the spring holidays.

Dr Stuart writes most encouragingly of the academic work which is being done even under the severe financial handicaps. The entire staff and student body are carrying on in a most splendid manner. Severe cuts in all the work have been necessitated but standards have been maintained and fine work is being done. It is increasingly difficult to secure funds and we welcome even small gifts now where larger ones were available in past years.

Thanking you for your continued interest, I am

Very sincerely,

H. Gist Gee.

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January 4, 1937

My dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

On the occasion of attaining "the honorable age of sixty years" last summer, Dr. Stuart took advantage of the opportunity afforded by celebration of this significant Chinese cycle of years to express the hope that the scholastic year ahead might be one of the most significant in Yenching's history.

Enrolment and the spirit of her faculty indicate that in so far as campus activities are concerned, his hope is to be realized.

At the same time the financial situation of the University requires that we redouble our efforts to secure the \$221,500 which represents her immediately pressing needs.

This includes \$21,500 required to balance the Operating Budget; \$100,000 toward General Endowment; \$50,000 for Women's College Endowment; \$25,000 toward the School of Religion Endowment, and \$25,000 for the Department of Physical Education Endowment.

All of this must be secured without delay if the work is to go forward effectively.

Just about a year ago you made a contribution of \$10.00 for the budget of the Women's College of Yenching University.

Owing to the urgency of the present need, I hope that you will again respond to our appeal at this time, and, if possible, increase your gift for this work.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. John H. Finley
Chairman

Mrs. Timothy N. Pfeiffer
4600 Palisade Avenue
New York, N. Y.

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Hotel Bellevue
Boston

29 October 1937

My dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

After considerable thought, it has seemed best to plan Miss Speer's program so that she will be available in the greater New York area during the month of January -- that is, the time which remains available after the Christmas break and up to the end of the first semester of the school year. As you already know, she has been promised the second semester for college work.

Mrs. Slade has wired me that she considers January "probably better" than the time immediately before Christmas. She also says "delighted to do anything I can, but unfortunately have very little time." I feel certain she will be of help in suggesting groups and individuals whom Miss Speer should see. Since I shall not be in New York for more than a few hours within the next month, will you not plan to see Mrs. Slade and to make such arrangements as will tie Miss Speer's schedule to the programs of certain significant organizations? Mrs. Slade will help particularly with Bryn Mawr and other contacts which we should not neglect to include.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. T. D. Macmillan)

Mrs. Timothy N. Pfeiffer
4600 Palisade Avenue
New York City

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April 24, 1937

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

We are sorry that you were not able to attend Mr. McBrier's luncheon at the Bankers Club on Wednesday. It was a very enjoyable affair attended by over thirty members of the Boards of Trustees and the Advisory Councils of the Colleges constituting the Associated Boards.

The discussion at the luncheon dealt chiefly with the plans of the Associated Boards for the appeal on behalf of the China Colleges which is to be made in the New York Metropolitan area in May and June. Those present constituted themselves a Metropolitan Committee to sponsor this appeal and requested all members of the several Boards and of the Advisory Councils to join them in membership on this special Committee.

I was asked to invite you to serve as a member of the Metropolitan Committee of Sponsors, and also to ask that you indicate on the enclosed card your willingness to join with the other members of the Committee in the various ways indicated. All trustees and councillors in this area are considered ex-officio members of the Metropolitan Committee of Sponsors, so we will assume that you are willing to serve unless we hear from you to the contrary.

You will be receiving at about this same time the formal invitation for the Annual Dinner of the Associated Boards on May 10th. This promises to be a very pleasant occasion, and we look forward to the privilege of seeing you.

Sincerely yours,

Executive Secretary

Mrs. Timothy N. Pfeiffer
4600 Palisade Avenue
New York, N. Y.

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August 31, 1937.

Mrs. Timothy N. Pfeiffer,
4600 Palisade Avenue,
New York, New York.

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

You will remember that in June our Associated Boards' Committee on Promotion began to make plans for a conference and retreat to be held during the week after Labor Day, for the planning of our promotional work during the coming year. The developments which have taken place in China during recent weeks make this conference even more important than it would otherwise have been.

We enclose herewith a preliminary announcement of the plans for the retreat, which will be held in Poughkeepsie on the evening of September 10 and the morning of September 11. We sincerely hope that you can attend, and that you will be ready to take part in all our discussion, meditation, and prayer.

If you wish to go up from New York by train, you can leave the Grand Central Station at 4 P. M. Daylight Saving Time and arrive at Poughkeepsie at 5:50 P. M. D. S. T. This will make it possible to get to the Vassar Alumnae House in time for dinner at 6:30.

With the hope that you can be with us,
I am

Sincerely yours,

BAG/am

(Copy for Miss VanSciver)

Hotel Bellevue
Boston

3 November 1937

My dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

I am now able to give you the information in regard to the cost of producing Grace Boynton's manuscript. Before putting it into any kind of permanent form, Margaret Speer would do some more cutting, eliminating something of the unnecessary portions of the godchild-godmother story, the story told by the women who had been abused by soldiers toward the end of the manuscript, and cutting the opening pages up to the actual beginning of the Lukouchiac incident, in order to have a really dramatic introduction.

(1) In printed form, comparable to the booklet "Yenching Goes to the Country", $5\frac{1}{4} \times 7\frac{1}{2}$, no cover, four half-tone illustrations, \$112 for the first thousand copies and \$35 for each thousand additional copies.

(2) By the offset process, which was used in producing Margaret Speer's recent letter, 1,000 copies would be approximately \$55, and this would include any number of illustrations, since these are a part of the original process. The apparent saving between printing and offset would be considerably decreased by the cost of the typing necessary to set up the pages. Each additional thousand by this process would be \$30. This would be done in booklet form, with saddle wire binding. The size ($8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$) is, of course, not as neat and easy to handle as the printed booklet suggested in size $5\frac{1}{4} \times 7\frac{1}{2}$.

(3) We can have it done in a straight mimeograph process, without illustrations, for about \$60 a thousand.

Whatever the decision is, probably it would be regrettable not to have the illustrations, since the family has been able to give us some rather attractive pictures of Miss Boynton's home and its surroundings.

Will you let me know at the first possible moment, whether the committee can authorize the production of this manuscript, and, if so, by what method. This piece of publicity, if produced immediately, could be of real help in our Yenching program. As a second bit of information to the Wellesley women who received Miss

Mrs. Pfeiffer

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3 November 1937

Speer's letter, it would quicken and consolidate interest, and I have no doubt that enlarged lists would be readily supplied to us from the Wellesley Alumnae office, because Miss Boynton is one of their graduates, which Miss Speer -- with all her virtues -- is not. As a matter of fact, the Wellesley people have already shown a very lively enthusiasm about this essay-diary, and it is through them that we have received much of our encouragement to get it into print.

Cordially yours,

E. B. Macmillan
(Mrs. T. D. Macmillan)

Mrs. Timothy N. Pfeiffer
4600 Palisade Avenue
New York City

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(Copy for Miss Van Sciver)

Hotel Bellevue
Boston

3 November 1937

My dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

Miss Van Sciver has in her office, the Wellesley College Alumnae names for the Pacific Coast. These were very kindly supplied to her from the office at Wellesley when Mr. Hedrick thought he was going to have an active Pacific Coast campaign this autumn, attached to President Stuart's presence in this country. I believe there are only about two hundred of these, but this fact you would need to check with Miss Van Sciver.

*Miss Sciver
letter of Oct 21 - "Yenching
Behind the
Lens"*

Miss Risley, the Executive Alumnae Secretary, and President McAfee have now given their permission to have ~~this letter~~ mailed (without a pledge card) to all these Wellesley women. It is suggested that there be clipped to the letter, a small sticker in contrasting color, with the wording as enclosed. If you and Mrs. Finley agree that this should be done, will you not let Miss VanSciver know?

Of course, these installments of the war history of Yenching are of somewhat passing value, and will need to be used without too great delay. As means of awakening and conserving vital interest, we probably have not had their equal in recent years.

Sincerely yours,

E. B. Macmillan
(Mrs. T. D. Macmillan)

Mrs. Timothy N. Pfeiffer
4600 Palisade Avenue
New York City

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Hotel Bellevue
Boston Mass.

3 November 1937

My dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

It is not easy always to decide to whom one's communication should go in affairs of the Yenching Women's College. Suppose we say that I will address you in promotional matters, sending carbon copies to Mrs. Finley and to Miss VanSciver. I feel certain, ~~however~~, that initiative will be looked for from you, as chairman of the committee on promotion.

Somewhat later today, I shall be prepared to write to you in regard to the Grace Boynton manuscript. A copy of this diary, almost uncut and uncensored, went to Mrs. Finley several days ago. I then promised that I would make an early report in regard to Margaret Speer's final recommendations as to getting this into print. Margaret has had very unusual opportunities for talking to people whose experience and skill in such matters are of very high quality. She has now come to the conclusion that there are definite disadvantages in pushing for its publication either through the conservative magazines, or through the mass publications such as the Saturday Evening Post. She is recommending that we get it into print immediately in booklet form, and if the Yenching authorities approve this suggestion, we can put it through the press here in Boston somewhat more easily than in New York, partly because we are close to the Boynton family here and are in the process of gathering some interesting photographic material.

This note is particularly to tell you about our experience with the bits of colored motion picture which came to this country several weeks ago, in the care of Professor Elisseff and Miss Veghte. These were in eight or nine different strips of varying lengths, which Margaret and I went over several times, and finally arrived at an order of splicing which gives us about 400 ft. of interesting glimpses. These were intended for tail-pieces to the black and white motion picture drama which Yenching began to take last year. If this larger motion picture project is completed, we may then cut up the 400 ft. in a different way, in order to produce a colored flash at the end of each copy of the black and white. For the present, however, Miss Speer is finding this one small reel very useful. We have shown it once at Wellesley, and once at a large

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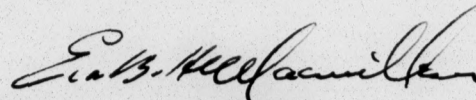
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private school in Boston, and tomorrow night it is to be shown to the Wellesley freshmen. There will be two or three other occasions for its appearance in Boston before Miss Speer leaves here. She has very quickly made herself an expert in annotating the somewhat dull progression of pictures, so that she is able to give a really good fifteen-minute lecture on Yenching, a very painless way of interesting the public. As you know, colored motion pictures cannot at present be copied, so there will be only the one edition of these pictures available.

Sincerely yours,



(Mrs. T. D. Macmillan)

Mrs. Timothy N. Pfeiffer
4600 Palisade Avenue
New York City

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MRS. TIMOTHY N. PFEIFFER
PALISADE AVENUE
RIVERDALE
NEW YORK CITY

Nov. 11

My dear Mrs. MacMillan:

I am sorry not to
have written to you before
this but I have been
swamped with the Y. W.
and United Methodist drive.
All those letters are now
written and I am relieved.

Miss Van Sciver has
helped you posted so that
you know that we have
been attending to a few
necessary things. I had
a conference with Mrs.
Finley at her house and

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2 We sent a wire to Miss Steer.
I intended to send it to you
but Mrs. Finley had had a
letter from Miss Steer so
that the telegram should
go to her. We both think
Miss Boynton's letter is
excellent and well worth
publishing. The difference
in the price between one &
two was so little that we
left the choice for you to
decide.

We called Miss VanSciver
to tell her to get busy
with the letter for the
Pacific coast. She says
the letter has brought in
small checks from several
new people which is

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NEW YORK CITY

cheering.
Yesterday Mrs. Finley, Mrs.
Parlan and I had lunch
at the Princeton Club with
Dean Milam. Mrs. F. had
said we could come to her
house but I insisted that
they come to the P. Club.
Mrs. Slade & Mrs. Rags were
both unable to be there.
I was sorry for we wanted
to discuss Germany plans
for Miss Steer with ~~her~~
Mrs. Slade. We are going
to see if Mrs. Morrow would
open her house in Englewood.

4 Mrs. F. thinks she will gladly
do so. Mrs. Parson will help
run that meeting. Mrs. Slade
will gladly arrange some-
thing with a Bryn Mawr
group. We wondered whether
we could ask Mrs. James
Cushman to have quite
a large meeting at her
house. I am looking
forward to an evening
meeting with Miss Spier
here at our house. This
would be a beginning at
least. Have you any more
ideas?

Best of luck to you
during these weeks

Sincerely
Eleanor Plaffer

November 12, 1937

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

I talked to Miss Tyler this morning about the matter of having a luncheon for Dean Milam on the 18th. Miss Tyler will be in Toronto at that time and while she felt sorry to miss the chance of having Dr. Milam tell her story to a group of women interested in her work, she thought it would be just about impossible to put through the plan by the 18th. Therefore, when Dr. Milam telephoned me later this morning, I gave her Miss Tyler's message, and she agreed that it would be wiser not to attempt it at this time, sorry as she is not to give Yenching and the other colleges this additional help while she is in the East.

I am enclosing herewith our formal receipt covering your gift of \$25.00 for the Women's College emergency campaign. I will make up early next week a list of the contributions received in response to Miss Speer's letter, and will send you a copy for your information. It is not a large list, but I think the responses were quite gratifying.

Sincerely yours,

Elvena Van Sciver

Hotel Bellevue
Boston Mass.

15 November 1937

My dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

You have, indeed, started an excellent January program for Miss Speer. I was ever so glad to have your note telling of the proposals for a gathering in Mrs. Morrox's home, in which Mrs. Parlin will help, a Bryn Mawr group with Mrs. Slade's leadership, and possibly a meeting in Mrs. Cushman's home, in addition to the one you plan for an evening at your home.

I have no comment to make, except that there will be certain important individuals to whom you will wish to offer an opportunity to have Miss Speer alone in their own homes. Miss Candace Stimson met Miss Speer on the Wellesley campus during the meeting of alumnae officials in October, during which Miss McAfee made it possible for Miss Speer to come into close touch with the three alumnae trustees. Miss Stimson showed very cordial interest in Miss Speer, and, I believe, asked her to come to see her in New York. There will be others who will occur to you, Mrs. Finley, and Mrs. Slade, as being best reached without any fanfare of trumpets, merely quiet hospitality.

Miss Speer is delightful to work with; she takes all kinds of difficulties and demands in her stride with good poise, and carries through to the end in any promotional contact, so that we have dependable records with which to carry on through subsequent steps. I have seen her in all sorts of situations here in Boston, and am filled with admiration for the qualities which she brings to every human relationship. She has developed a fine fifteen-minute annotation of the four hundred feet of colored Yenching motion pictures, and you will have these in mind in making your plans. They are now with us here in Boston, where I may have occasion to use them within the next month, but of course Miss Speer will always have first claim. They are not valuable without a running comment, and the comment which Miss Speer has evolved is, in effect, a short lecture on Yenching which she gives as an audience watches these campus glimpses on the screen. It would be useless to have the pictures shown to a critical audience without expert annotation.

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Miss Speer has given a certain number of school and college talks here in Greater Boston, and most of these have been worth her while, particularly the one she gave to the Sargent College students, who are already contributing to Yenching, and her chapel talk at the College of Liberal Arts at Boston University, which had a very fine effect on both students and faculty. I do not know how she herself felt about two or three assembly hours when she talked to private school students. Of course, she gave dozens of talks during her month at Wellesley, to small gatherings of students and faculty on the Wellesley campus. I was with her on two of these occasions, once when she showed the film to the students and faculty interested in the Service Fund, and the other time when the freshmen got together in one of their dormitories. On both of these occasions, the film and Miss Speer roused definite enthusiasm.

If I think of any definite suggestions for January, I will let you know promptly. Miss Speer will wish very soon to clear with you certain dates which she has already promised within easy reach of New York.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. T. D. Macmillan)

Mrs. Timothy N. Pfeiffer
Palisade Avenue
New York City

(Copies to Mrs. Finley
and to Miss Van Sciver)

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MRS. TIMOTHY N. PFEIFFER
PALISADE AVENUE
RIVERDALE
NEW YORK CITY

Jan. 22.
1938

Dear Mrs. Macmillan:

I am indeed
sorry not to have answered
your note of early January
but moments at my desk
seem to be few and far
between.

I talked to Mr. Darside
about your being in New
York part of the time
during January but he
felt that it would be
most unwise to take you

2 away from Boston. With
Mrs Van Sinder ill it has
made it a little more
difficult to do as much
as we should do.

Miss Spear has had quite
a full schedule. I have
heard her speak three
times to very different
groups. She never spoke
better than to a large group
at our Madison Ave. Church
on Thursday. The women
were deeply moved and
I hope by seeing two or
three people that we have in
mind we may land some
help next week. I have

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told one friend, Miss Walker,
that we are desperate about
the China situation and
that Miss Spear & I are coming
to see her in a few days. Miss
Walker is most generous and
I hope may give us something
worth while. You never know.

I was most worried last
Monday when a blizzard
began and felt that our
Tuesday evening might be
a complete failure. Tuesday
evening was very cold but
clear so that our friends

4 got down our mean bills
safely & we had almost
fifty people here. The office
is to have this list and send
letters.

We had a child in bed
two on Mon. & Tues. but her
cold was better rather than
~~worse~~ on Tuesday so that
I was not worried.

I do hope that Mrs. Morrow's
meeting will be successful
and that the weather will
be kind to us.

Mrs. Slade got away before
doing anything with a
Bryn Mawr group. They are
finding out about how long

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she plans to be away.

A friend of mine heard Miss
Spencer at the Spence school
and said she was most excellent
with the students there.

We are having a meeting at
the office with Miss Spencer on
Monday at two to discuss
further plans.

Best of luck to you.

Sincerely

Eleanor Pfeiffer.

We saw the Towers on New
Years day in Portville.

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Hotel Bellevue
Boston

24 January 1938

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

Thank you very much for your kindness in sending me such good news of Miss Speer's activities. It is clear that she has had -- under your guidance -- a profitable month, and that there ought to be valuable gleanings as a result. It is a loss to me that I have not had the pleasure of working through this with you, but the strength which your committee has shown is evidence that you did not need me.

I am especially glad to know that your own personal hospitality for Miss Speer did not encounter impossible weather conditions or serious family illness. The winter always gives us certain hurdles to leap in such matters as this.

You will let me know whenever there is any way in which I can fit into your future program; and whenever I see in prospect a few days in New York I will let you know in order that we may talk together.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. T. D. Macmillan)

Mrs. Timothy N. Pfeiffer
Palisade Avenue
Riverdale
New York City

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November 21, 1938

Mrs. Timothy N. Pfeiffer
4600 Palisade Avenue
Riverdale, New York

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

You have been one of our most loyal friends in our China Night enterprise. I am sorry that we have not been able to carry the plans through to a successful conclusion. However, we have been fighting against considerable odds in the matter of time and we find it impossible to secure any suitable auditorium at the time when we need it.

Furthermore, we have a feeling that the attention of the United States is now more or less exclusively centered upon the European situation, so that it might be unwise for us to attempt a large affair at the present time. We would rather send all of the money available directly to China for the relief of human suffering.

Please permit me to thank you again for your kind interest.

Sincerely yours,

Oliver J. Caldwell
For the Committee

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Mrs. C. C. Parlin
28 DePeyster Avenue
Tenafly, N. Y.

Mrs. Timothy N. Pfeiffer
4600 Palisade Avenue
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Parlin and Mrs. Pfeiffer:

There have been frequent discussions of late as to just where we stand on the membership of the Yenching College Committee, particularly with reference to the possibility of appointing additional members in the coopted group.

According to the Constitution of Yenching University the membership of the Yenching College Committee is made up as follows:-

First, the President, Secretary, and all women members of the Board of Trustees, together with one additional Trustee elected by the Trustees to membership on the Committee for a term of three years.

Second, additional members of the Committee appointed for three years by cooperating mission boards or colleges as follows:-

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|--|---|---------------------|
| a. Boards contributing maximum support | - | 3 members |
| b. Boards contributing medium support | - | 2 members |
| c. Boards or colleges contributing a small amount of support | - | 1 affiliated member |

Third, three coopted members, one elected each year for a three year term.

At the present time the membership of the Committee is full, except for one vacancy among the representatives from the Presbyterian Board.

Since there seems to have been a rather constant need for additional places in the coopted membership of the Committee, I am wondering whether the Committee may not wish to propose to the Yenching Trustees that the Constitution be so amended as to increase the coopted membership to six members, or possibly even nine members. This could be done by amending article V, section 1, paragraph C, to read:- "The Committee thus constituted may elect each year at its annual meeting two persons (or if desired this might read three persons) to serve on the Committee for three years."

The procedure in amending article V of the Constitution would be for

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Mrs. Parlin
Mrs. Pfeiffer

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the Yenching College Committee at its meeting on January 4th to recommend to the Board of Trustees that such an amendment be made. Action could then be taken at the next regular or special meeting of the Yenching Board of Trustees.

In connection with the matter of the vacancy in the Presbyterian representation, an informal inquiry has just come from the Presbyterian Board as to whether the Yenching College Committee would be favorable to the appointment of Miss Margaret Mead. He promised that we would pass this inquiry along to you unofficially for your informal opinion.

Very sincerely yours,

BAG:MP

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Hotel Bellevue
Boston Massachusetts
22 December 1938

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

Certainly no words from me are necessary to put upon your mind and heart the preparations for our meeting on January 4. I am assuming that communication with Mrs. Moore has confirmed that date.

There are three points on which we wish to be clear in preparing for the actions on January 4. The first is the decisions which will best carry forward the primary responsibility of the Yenching Women's College Committee, which is the safe-guarding of the special contribution of the Women's College to the University. As I see it, that contribution has a two-fold significance: first, the highest good of the women students of the University, and second, the coordination of the Women's College with the other departments of the University.

The second consideration, which is presumably identical with the first, is the carrying forward of those suggestions which Miss Speer left with us. We must remember that she made the record of these suggestions after a long period of service on the field, supplemented by a year of promotional activity in this country. You already have a copy of her final memorandum in which she states clearly the need of further funds for faculty appointments on the Budget of the Women's College, and greater strength through increased endowment.

The third consideration is uppermost in our minds at this time, and that is the leadership of Mrs. Maurice Moore in the promotional program. Does this not mean that Mrs. Moore should have a part in the creation of the Agenda for January 4, after she has become thoroughly acquainted with the background of the issues to be considered there? Unless the Agenda is created by the officers of the Women's Committee in consultation with Mrs. Moore, I have the gravest doubts of the subsequent success of our efforts.

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Just one further comment, and that is a suggestion that we discover whether Mr. McBrier's deep interest in the repayment of the loan made by the Women's College funds so long ago to the University is based upon a desire on his part to make an investment in that repayment. Is this not a question which can be put directly to Mr. McBrier either by you or by Mrs. Parlin? If we do not have the question answered before the meeting, we are certain to be groping about in a vain attempt to understand the pressure which Mr. McBrier seems inclined to put upon the Women's Committee to make this repayment the object of their first capital efforts. It would seem to me not a question which should be put in a group conference, but could be raised by any one of the women sitting alone with Mr. McBrier. If I were in the office, I should be very glad to do it but it seems now very unlikely that I can be in New York at all before the day of the meeting.

I am very eager to know that you are finding it possible to carry through on this matter of the Agenda. Certainly your days are full of family Christmas plans, but I hope that a beginning has already been made on this matter of drawing up the document, and that there will be no difficulty in completing it in good season. Please let me know if there is any way in which I can help.

Sincerely yours,

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Mrs. T. D. Macmillan

Mrs. Timothy N. Pfeiffer
4600 Palisade Avenue
New York New York

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150 Fifth Avenue
New York New York
30 December 1938

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

Just one more comment in regard to the approaching decision on endowment gifts. Is it not important that we take into consideration the means used in the recent past to reduce from \$66,916.50 to \$47,596.50 the amount of the loan or contribution from Women's College funds to the \$500,000 sought in 1932? If this \$19,320 has been raised through the activities of the Women's College Committee during the last six years, it may seem an added reason why the gifts to endowment secured this year—should be applied first to the \$14,803.50 balance needed to reach the endowment goal rather than to the item of \$47,596.50.

You will already have noted that the unsigned Appendix A attached to Mrs. Parlin's note of December 21 raises the question of the original conditions under which the Women's College Funds gave the \$66,916.50 in 1932. My own mind is not reconciled to the statement that this sum was "an outright gift", but that it was to draw, until replaced in the Women's College Endowment Fund, a five per cent income per annum from the University to the Women's College.

I believe you agree that this whole matter represents a ghost which needs to be laid, and that this is the time to do the laying. Perhaps the solution I have already suggested, namely, that endowment gifts secured in the immediate future should apply first to the \$14,803.50, is the only decision necessary to set us happily on our way. In my own mind, there is no doubt that the Committee will wish to go on raising capital funds, but there may seem to be unjust duress in a decision to continue to assist in replacing the larger sum before applying endowment gifts to the smaller unraised balance.

Sincerely yours,

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Mrs. Timothy N. Pfeiffer
4600 Palisade Avenue
New York New York

Mrs. T. D. Macmillan

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January 4, 1938⁹

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

During the discussion at the meeting today about the tea Miss Rathbone is to sponsor on January 19th, I was asked to send a note to you at once, requesting that you send us the names of any of your friends, particularly those in Riverdale, to whom it would be well to send invitations for the tea. We have of course various lists from which we can take names, but the main point of the tea is to bring in a new group who might eventually become interested in Yenching, and the members of the committee were asked to submit such lists. Riverdale is one of the neighborhoods from which Columbia is quite easily accessible, so they all thought you might be able to suggest some possibilities.

A full report of the meeting will reach you later, but I send this advance note because the invitations for the tea must go out within the next few days - not later than Monday and sooner if possible. Miss Rathbone is to be considered the hostess, but if you would like this group suggested by you, to receive a personal note from you along with her invitation, that could be arranged.

I hope you are feeling better this afternoon. We were all sorry not to have you there for the meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Elvena Van Sciver

Mrs. T. N. Pfeiffer
4600 Palisade Avenue
Riverdale, New York City

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March 24, 1939

Mrs. Timothy M. Pfeiffer
4600 Palisade Avenue
Riverdale, New York

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

We are sending you the enclosed card of information concerning Miss Emily S. Perkins for your approach to her for a contribution to the China Colleges.

Sincerely yours,

Oliver J. Caldwell

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Enc.1

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1 November 1939

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

The meeting of the Women's College Committee at Mrs. Finley's on Thursday, October 26, received with deep appreciation the report of the preliminary appraisal of the donors' list. A copy of the form in which it was presented is attached hereto.

After discussion, it was decided to refer this list back to Committee, with the request that it be restudied on the basis of what might be called abstract potentiality rather than merely its past Yenching giving. It is hoped that you will continue to direct this study, and all of us are eager to be of any possible help. Mrs. Diefendorf is deeply interested, and helped with the final names of the list which were left after your recent long session.

A report on this restudy is asked for the next meeting of the Committee on Tuesday, November 21st. It is a very serious business to change the basis of the appraisal from the one of proved Yenching interest, on which we have already worked, to one of actual financial ability to give in larger dimensions. It will be interesting to make an appraisal on this other basis, and we have - particularly in the experience of the Mr. Ramseur who is now in our office - valuable experience to assist us, but once that higher estimate is arrived at, it will remain for our Committee to consider seriously whether it is in a position to deal with those names on the basis of these larger figures. It would be splendid if we were ready to do so, and I believe the Committee is in every way capable of making a success in the higher brackets, but it would represent a realignment of the Committee forces and would necessitate conducting a campaign which would prove more exacting than anything we have done within the last five years. Fortunately this ultimate decision would not rest with any part of the Committee, but would be made by the entire group, on the basis of Mrs. Moore's own enthusiasm and conviction.

I leave the office at 3 o'clock, day after tomorrow, Friday, November 3, to be gone a week. Within the week following the 13th, I shall be in the office for Monday and Tuesday, and then shall be away again for three days. I plan no other substantial absences from New York in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. T. D. Macmillan

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Enc.

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March 29, 1940

Mrs. Timothy M. Pfeiffer
4600 Palisade Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer,

Enclosed herewith is a copy of a letter we have just received from Mrs. George W. Perkins, together with a copy of the reply I am sending her.

Apparently everything now seems to be happily clarified as to Mrs. Perkins's understanding concerning her pledge. It seems to me that we can properly count this \$1500 which she considers as still due on her pledge as counting toward the sum which the Women's College Committee is seeking to raise for an Endowment Fund. If we correctly understand the conditions in Mr. McBrier's, Mrs. Pfeiffer's, and Mrs. Parlin's pledges, they desired that the entire amount needed be pledged before June 30, 1940, not necessarily completely paid up by that time. But of course, as a margin of safety, we should try to secure a little more than the \$100,000 which we are setting as a goal, to guard against the possibility that some outstanding pledge might remain partially unpaid because of death or misfortune.

Very sincerely yours,

BAG:MS
Enclosure

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June 5, 1940

Mrs. Timothy H. Pfeiffer
4800 Palisade Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

Miss Van Seiver has called my attention to gifts made by you and other members of the Yonkers Women's College Board to the Endowment Fund, and she has questioned whether, in our records, all members of the Board participating in the Sustaining Fund campaign will be given credit.

Of course, we recognize that most of the gifts made to the Endowment Fund have been sacrificial, and we have given credit in our records for all such contributions. Some of the members, however, in addition to their Endowment Fund gift, have made small token contributions to the Sustaining Fund, and we are very hopeful that others of the Board will feel constrained to do likewise. We are still \$28,000 short of our goal, and in view of the increasingly serious European outlook it is becoming more difficult every day to secure the balance.

May I take this opportunity to express the admiration of an onlooker for the devoted manner in which you have tackled your task. Only a group with supreme faith would have dared undertake the raising of an endowment fund under prevailing conditions, and I congratulate you all.

Very cordially,

Vernon B. Ramsour

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

June 29, 1940

MRS. TIMOTHY N. PFEIFFER
PORTVILLE
NEW YORK

ENDOWMENT HAS GONE OVER THE TOP MISTER GAMBLE ONE THOUSAND PARENTHESIS
CHEERS AND FIREWORKS END PARENTHESIS AND THOUSAND FROM MISS CONVERSE
PHILADELPHIA IN ADDITION TO SEVERAL RANGING FROM FIVE HUNDRED DOWNWARD.
ALL ARE AGREED YOUR FINE WORK HAS CONTRIBUTED IN MAJOR DEGREE TO FINAL
SUCCESS

EVA MACMILLAN

Charge to Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China
150 Fifth Avenue New York City

WESTERN UNION MESSENGERS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE DELIVERY OF NOTES AND PACKAGES.

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YENCHING WOMEN'S COLLEGE ENDOWMENT FUND

On deposit October 1, 1939			\$30,000.00
Pledges conditional upon completion of fund before July 1, 1940:	\$20,000.00		
	<u>15,000.00</u>	35,000.00	
Subscribed November 22, 1939		<u>12,000.00</u>	\$ 77,000.00
Balance to be raised			<u>23,000.00</u>
Total sought			\$100,000.00

As my part of the balance needed to secure the conditional pledges and to complete the minimum Endowment necessary to maintain the work of this significant College for Women, I hereby pledge to be paid as follows:

\$ 250.00

Sent herewith

To be paid:

before July 1, 1940

\$ 125.00

before December 31, 1940

125.00

Nov. 27

Date

Eleanor H. Pfiffer

Signature

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April 22, 1941

My dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

Through your efforts, Mrs. George W. Perkins has made generous contributions to Yenching. Her last gift was made just about a year ago, and she asked then that we remind her about May first of this year that another payment would be due.

Do you think that I, as a representative from the field, should call on her before I return to China? If so, will you be good enough to make an appointment with her for any time next Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday morning, at an hour when you yourself could go with me? Or do you think all that is necessary is for you to make the appointment without actually accompanying me yourself in the interview? Since Mrs. Perkins' interest in the University is through you, I leave to you to decide which is the better way of approaching her.

I have made tentative plans to sail on May 30th. I hope I will see you before I go, in any event.

With kindest regards to you and Mr. Pfeiffer, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Stephen Tsai

Mrs. Timothy N. Pfeiffer
4600 Palisade Avenue
Riverdale, New York City

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MILBANK, TWEED & HOPE

15 BROAD STREET

NEW YORK 5

September 26, 1945

Mrs. Plumer Mills,
Foreign Boards Associated
China Colleges,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

*Yenching
Rehabilitation
Fund*

Dear Mrs. Mills:

Mrs. Pfeiffer requests that I send you
the enclosed check for \$1,000, to the order of
Yenching University as a contribution by us to be
applied toward the expense of the rehabilitation of
the University in such manner as may be approved by
Dr. Leighton Stuart.

Sincerely,

Wm. L. H. H. H.

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September 28, 1945

Mrs. Timothy W. Pfeiffer
4600 Palisade Avenue
Riverdale, New York

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

Enclosed I am sending a receipt for the generous gift you and your husband have made toward the rehabilitation of Yenching. We have all been proud of the Yenching of the past, and we look forward to a still greater future for the University in the days of peace. There are difficult and expensive problems of restoration and rehabilitation ahead and we are grateful to you for your concern and your loyal and generous support.

Cordially yours,

CSM:gc
encl.

Mrs. W. Plumer Mills

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