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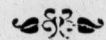
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Annual Meeting and Luncheon

of

The Trustees of Yenching University

Peiping, China



MAYFAIR HOUSE,

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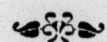
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Trustees Meeting

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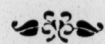
AGENDA

1. Prayer.
2. Review of the work of the past year.
3. Review of the work of Committees.
4. Discussion of Promotional Matters.
5. Matters submitted by the Associated Boards.
6. Budget for 1936-37.

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LUNCHEON

Toastmaster - - - Mr. Arthur V. Davis
Invocation - - The Rev. Dr. Frank D. Gamewell
Guest of Honor - - - Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer
Address - - - John Finley, LL.D.
Associate Editor of The New York Times



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VIRGINIA HAM

CREAMED SPINACH

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Let us now sing the praises of women of piety.

*"Their memory abideth forever,
And their righteousness shall not be forgotten."
Ecclesiasticus XLIV: 13.*

Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer

Creator of The Pfeiffer Endowment Emergency Fund,
Yenching University, Peiping, China.

Freely she has received,
Widely she has observed,
Judiciously she has discriminated,
Generously she has given.

Patroness of Higher Education in China. Outstanding
Example of the Christian Woman in Philanthropy.

*"Many daughters have done valiantly, but thou
excellest them all." Proverbs XXXI: 29.*

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YENCHING UNIVERSITY

May 19, 1937

Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer
370 Riverside Drive
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

Knowing how terribly you must be pressed for time to accomplish the many things you are doing for Christian civilization and the building up of Christian character, both in this country and in foreign lands, I have hesitated a long time before venturing to ask you even for a few minutes of your time. However, Mr. McBrier, our Treasurer - who, is one of China's greatest benefactors, has invested in that country more than \$450,000 himself - has expressed several times to me the hope that I might have the privilege of a conference with you some time soon concerning what we are thinking about for the future of Christian education in China.

You have been one of the real benefactors of China and, although you may never feel like doing very much for that country again, at the same time, your counsel we feel is of great value.

It is reported here that Mr. Pfeiffer is not so well and that your time is very much needed at home. However, I am going to take the liberty of ringing you up on Monday with the hope that you might be able to name some time and place where we could have a little conference about some of these matters in which we are both so interested.

Yours sincerely,

Executive Secretary.

SPY/B

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June 16, 1937

Mrs. Henry S. Pfeiffer
360 Riverside Drive
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

Knowing how great the pressure upon your time and strength must be, I hesitated very much to risk adding to the problem you are trying to solve by requesting the interview which we discussed over the telephone yesterday. I rang you up at the urgent request of Mr. McBrier who has just sailed for Europe, because, like yourself, he has profoundly at heart the interest of our Christian activities in China of which he is one of America's greatest benefactors, and we naturally want to comply with his desires whenever we can.

I believe in our last phone talk, it was the understanding that I give you a ring next Monday to see if we could fix a time for getting together, unless you should find that you could conveniently see me sooner. I may not be in the office here on Monday until the afternoon, but if not, I will have one of the secretaries ring you up, because, as I understand it, you thought you might be able to arrange then a time when we could meet. If, however, you find on Monday that you could not see me now, except at great inconvenience, please feel free to defer our meeting to a later date, although I hope it might be some time before June 26th.

Desiring, as everyone in this office does, to make your heavy duties as easy for you as possible, and with warm personal regards in which Dr. Diffendorfer and other officials of this organization all would be happy to unite, let me remain

Yours cordially,

Executive Secretary.

SPY/B

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June 23, 1937

Mrs. Henry S. Pfeiffer
370 Riverside Drive
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

This is in confirmation of our conversation over the telephone. The tea will be held in the Carpenter Suite at the Waldorf-Astoria on Friday at 5 o'clock. It is in honor of Dr. H. H. Kung, Minister of Finance of China. It will be a very small and select group, but we think it will be quite an honor to meet such a distinguished man in this informal and friendly way.

It is very nice of you to say that you can be present, and we anticipate with great pleasure seeing you again.

Yours sincerely,

George C. Aydelott, Secretary.

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November 11, 1937

Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer
370 Riverside Drive
New York City

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

Now that we have completed the first stage of organizing our National Emergency Committee for Christian Colleges in China I am writing to express our appreciation for your willingness to join with us in this undertaking and to outline briefly our plans for the immediate future.

Invitations have now been sent out to a select group of American friends of the China Colleges, as our next step in increasing the membership of the National Emergency Committee to approximately one hundred men and women. Acceptances are coming in with gratifying promptness.

Activities on behalf of the emergency needs of the Colleges are being organized in each of the three regional divisions of the United States, and local committees are being set up in a number of cities across the country. An appeal by letter will go out within the next few days to most of our friends who cannot be seen in person, and approaches to individuals who can be seen personally are now being begun. The dates and details of our efforts in different localities will vary in accordance with local conditions and wishes.

About once each week we will send a brief news bulletin to each member of the National Emergency Committee, to keep you informed of the progress being made.

We are grateful for your interest and cooperation, and will at all times welcome your assistance.

Very truly yours,

Paul D. Cravath,
National Chairman

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November 22, 1937.

Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer,
370 Riverside Drive,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

At Dr. Young's suggestion, I am sending to you a copy of a biography, published this year, which I wrote of Dr. John E. Williams, Vice President of the University of Nanking, who lost his life in the Nanking Incident of 1927.

Dr. C. T. Wang, Chinese Ambassador to America, whom you heard speak last Friday, was a warm friend of Dr. Williams' and in 1929 erected a monument to him in Nanking and wrote the inscription in Chinese which is on that monument. You will find Dr. Wang's picture in the book I am sending you, facing page 206; a translation of the inscription in Chinese on pages 207 and 208; and on pages 208 and 209, two beautiful letters that Dr. Wang wrote to Mrs. Williams after her husband's death. In those letters, Dr. Wang expressed his Christian spirit and faith.

Dr. Young thought that you would be interested in the statements from Dr. Wang that help to supplement the remarks he made last Friday on the general situation in China.

Since 1927, Dr. Wang has been a member of the Board of Directors of the University of Nanking and has been most helpful in his work. I have known Dr. Wang since his college days, when we were both undergraduates at Yale, and I wanted you to have these facts so you could appreciate some of his true interest in the work of the Christian Colleges.

If you will have time to glance through the book, especially Chapter I and the last three chapters, you will see how that particular Christian University went through an attack which threatened its very existence, but has survived to a richer and fuller service than ever. When we look back upon the past and all that has been accomplished amidst trials and difficulties, we have no fears as to the future. The

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Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer

Nov. 22, 1937.

service of the Christian Colleges in China will continue, and I
am sure that they are worthy of any support that American Christians
see their way clear to give them.

Sincerely yours,

W. Reginald Wheeler

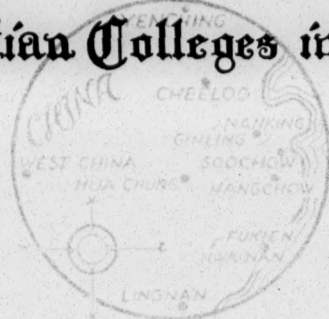
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150 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

January 19, 1938

My dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

We are delighted to learn from Dr. Young that in his conference with you yesterday he had an opportunity to extend to you the invitation of the Associated Boards that you become a member of the group, and that you indicated your willingness to do so.

Formal action was taken by the Associated Boards some time ago inviting you to become a member, and arrangements were made for this invitation to be presented in person. For some reason the original arrangements were not carried through, and as soon as this was discovered Dr. Young was asked to present the matter to you. I fear that I myself am primarily responsible for the delay in getting this invitation to you. Because of the pressure of our emergency campaign for the \$250,000 required to keep the Colleges going ahead in this crisis, many matters have been neglected.

It will be a joy to all the members of the Associated Boards to have you as one of our group. Because of your wide experience in the business world as well as in the fields of education, philanthropy, and religion, you can render extremely valuable service to the China Colleges. We realize how numerous and how important are your other responsibilities, and we know that we must not make heavy demands upon your time for attendance at meetings or for dealing with minor matters. But we trust we may be privileged to have your assistance when questions of major importance are being considered.

We believe that these Christian Colleges in China are being called upon to render a service that is of greatest significance not only to China but also the future of the world at large. We esteem it a very happy privilege to be associated with you in this undertaking.

Very sincerely yours,

BAG:MP

Executive Secretary

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February 11, 1938

Mrs. Henry S. Pfeiffer
370 Riverside Drive
New York City

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

The dates for the annual meeting of our Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China have now been set for May 2nd and May 3rd. Usually the meeting lasts for one and a half days, with a dinner in the evening of the first day. Within a few weeks we will send you further details as to the plans for this year's meeting, which will be held here in New York City.

While we know that it would be very difficult for you to take the time to remain throughout all the sessions, we hope that you can at least plan to be present for part of the time, and that you will be able to attend the annual dinner.

Under separate cover we are sending you a copy of a pleasantly informal book which has just come off the press. It is "China Through A College Window" by Professor William G. Sewell of West China Union University. Life at West China, or Jen Dah as described by Professor Sewell is that of one of our colleges which is still in a fairly early and simple stage of its development. Some of our Colleges such as Yenching, Ginling, and Nanking, passed through this stage fifteen or twenty years ago. Life on the campus of several of the Colleges continues to go on in much the fashion described in Professor Sewell's book. We earnestly hope that before many months have passed, peaceful conditions will again prevail throughout China and all these institutions can once again carry on their full program of service without any interference because of military disturbances.

Very sincerely yours,

BAG:MP

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NEW YORK TIMES, SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 1938.

de luxe and chief of Jungle Bulls of the Itinerant Workers Union, Hoboes of America, telegraphed Davis to "hold everything" until his arrival.

Davis said Connolly and others sent complaints that the snowstorms were delaying travel.

MAKE GIFT FOR LIBRARY

New York Couple Act to Help MacMurray College

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

JACKSONVILLE, Ill., April 9.—President Clarence P. McClelland of MacMurray College announced today the gift of a library building to the college from Mrs. Annie and Henry Pfeiffer of New York City. The gift is made conditional on the obtaining of \$100,000 for endowment of the library.

The library building, it is understood, will cost at least \$100,000. It will be named in honor of the donors.

The gift is the realization of the first step in the campaign, recently launched, to raise \$1,850,000 for MacMurray College.

Mr. and Mrs. Pfeiffer have never been in Jacksonville. They are engaged in wholesale drug manufacturing.

For Mr. Garside

Compliments of

R. W. G.

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June 13, 1938

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

You will remember that when you consented to join the Associated Boards some months ago, we promised that we would not make continual demands upon your time for unimportant matters. We did express the wish, however, that when we were dealing with some matters of importance, where your counsel would be of special value, we might feel free to call upon you.

We believe that one of the matters to which the Associated Boards has been giving increasing attention during recent months is of such a nature that you can give us particularly valuable assistance. Briefly it is this:-

For more than a year, there has been a growing need for organizing a national council, or sponsoring group, for the Christian Colleges of China. This group should be composed of prominent men and women throughout the United States, many of whom are already actively interested in the work of the Colleges. Mr. Henry R. Luce, the President of Time, Inc., has now consented to serve as the president of such a council and has asked the Associated Boards to appoint a committee consult with him in working out plans for the organization and personnel of the council.

The Executive Committee of the Associated Boards has asked that you join with Dr. Ralph E. Diffendorfer and Mr. George Barber as a committee to consult with Mr. Luce.

This task is one which should not take up a great deal of your time, and you will at once see its importance.

I would like to have the privilege of going over with you at your convenience some of the questions which Mr. Luce and the committee will be discussing together. Mr. Luce is away from New York just now, but will be returning in about a fortnight. I will take the liberty of telephoning you a little later this week to ascertain your convenience..

Very truly yours,

BAG:MP

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June 22, 1938

Mrs. Henry S. Pfeiffer
370 Riverside Drive
New York City

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

In accordance with our telephone conversation, I am sending you herewith a copy of a memorandum concerning the proposal for a National Council for the Christian Colleges in China which I prepared last month following a conference with Mr. Henry R. Luce. Mr. Luce was at that time leaving for a trip to Europe, and stated that as soon as he returned to New York about the end of June he would like to go into these matters more fully with the Committee appointed by the Associated Boards to discuss these proposals with him. This committee, as I have written you, consists of yourself, Dr. Diffendorfer, and Mr. Barber.

You will notice that the first two pages of the memorandum deal with some important general questions which Mr. Luce wanted more clearly defined before we went into the question of the purpose and organization of the Council itself. I had included my notes on these general questions as well as the suggestions with regard to the setup of the Council, for I am sure you will be interested in Mr. Luce's thinking on these larger problems which are basic to the work of our China Colleges. I hope too that you will study critically these tentative suggestions with reference to the Council itself. The members of the committee should feel quite free to change any and all details of these proposals as they may find to be desirable.

I will telephone to you again on Monday morning of next week to find when it would be convenient for you to talk with us further along these lines.

We are sorry to learn that you are not feeling well this week but hope that within a day or two you will be quite well again.

Very sincerely yours,

BAG:MP
Encl.

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July 7, 1938

Mrs. Henry S. Pfeiffer
370 Riverside Drive
New York City

My dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

In accordance with our telephone conversation with you early this week, we have arranged for a meeting of the Associated Boards committee which is to discuss with Mr. Luce plans for organizing our National Council. The group is meeting for luncheon at one o'clock on Wednesday, July 13th in Room number Two of the Rockefeller Center Luncheon Club.

We look forward to seeing you at that time. I will send to you, to Mr. Luce, and to Mr. Barber, within the next day or so, a memorandum of suggestions to guide our discussion at the meeting.

Very truly yours

BAG:CS

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July 8, 1938

Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer
370 Riverside Drive
New York, New York

My dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

I am glad to learn that you have accepted an invitation to meet Mr. Henry Luce at luncheon next week Tuesday to consider the set-up of a National Council for Christian Colleges in China.

I shall personally appreciate very much your participation in this significant development of our work.

I am herewith enclosing the full list of members of the Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China, with the Methodist group underscored in red; also a sheet showing the eight colleges in which the Methodist Church is particularly interested, and the six that are predominantly Methodist.

Appreciating your interest, which I am sure will grow greater as you become more intimately acquainted with the magnificent work being accomplished by these universities, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

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October 27, 1938

My dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

Will you honor us by becoming a member of the Committee of Sponsors for the China Night at the Metropolitan Opera House on November eighteenth?

The event will be given under the joint auspices of the Christian Colleges in China and the Church Committee for China Relief, and will inaugurate the activities of these two organizations in New York on behalf of the Chinese people.

The program will be under the co-chairmanship of Mr. Paul D. Cravath and Mr. Harper Sibley. There will be brief addresses by a member of the President's cabinet and by an outstanding religious leader. Both Western and Chinese musical numbers will be given. The program will also include the first showing in America of the excellent Chinese motion picture, "Sable Cicada".

Proceeds will be sent to China for the relief of suffering and for the maintenance of constructive forms of service. That all friends of China may participate, the cost of tickets will be somewhat less than the usual Metropolitan scale of prices.

Since we must work under rather severe time limitations, I am asking one of our staff members to get in touch with you during the next day or two to ascertain whether you can accept this invitation.

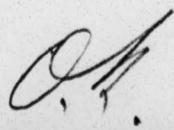
In the earnest hope that you can join us as a member of the Committee of Sponsors for this important event, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Chairman
Committee of Sponsors

Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer
370 Riverside Drive
New York City

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November 10, 1938

Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer
370 Riverside Drive
New York City

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

Owing to a number of unexpected circumstances, it has been necessary to postpone the China Night benefit which was to have been held at the Metropolitan Opera House on the evening of November 13th.

We hope to have this benefit for the China Colleges some time in December, however. We shall keep you informed of the final arrangements as to date and program as soon as they are completed.

Thanking you for your interest and kind cooperation,
I am,

Sincerely yours,

Oliver J. Caldwell
For the Committee

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YENCHING UNIVERSITY

PEIPING, CHINA

American Office

150 Fifth Avenue

New York

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November 25, 1936

Members of
Board of Trustees of
Yenching University

Dear Friends:

At the last meeting of the Trustees, a small committee was appointed to prepare a statement to be sent to Dr. Stuart in regard to the future work of the University. This statement was to be sent to all members of the Board for their vote so that it may be presented to Dr. Stuart as an official action of the Trustees.

The statement as prepared by the committee is enclosed herewith. This has been typed double spaced so that any corrections or suggestions which seem necessary may be made on it and returned to us with your vote.

It is hoped that this statement can get off to Dr. Stuart very soon. An early reply from you will be very much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph I. Parker
Assistant Secretary

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*Regarding the above matter, I approve
of the statement prepared for Dr. Stuart.
Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer.*

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A SUGGESTION FOR THE STATEMENT TO BE SENT TO DR. STUART

The Trustees of Yenching University desire to record their profound thankfulness that despite the disturbed conditions of the past sixteen months Yenching University has been able to go forward with its work of providing higher education under Christian auspices for the people of North China. They appreciate that this has been possible only through the wise and courageous leadership of President Stuart and the loyalty and devotion of his colleagues and of the student body. Above all, they acknowledge their gratitude to God for His protection of the personnel and property of the University in a period of grave disturbance.

The Trustees are aware that the crisis is still continuing, that it may be prolonged, and that conditions may grow even more difficult during the months and years just ahead. Yet as they remember how Yenching has gone forward with its work during the many crises encountered during the past sixty-eight years, they have every confidence that it will also be enabled to carry on throughout this present period of difficulty.

The Trustees recognize that at this particular time when almost all the other colleges and universities of North China have been compelled to close their doors, Yenching's opportunities for constructive service have been multiplied. It is making to the people of North China a vital contribution which no other institution is now able to give, and which could not be discontinued without grave losses.

The Trustees therefore reaffirm the convictions they have already expressed:-

- (1) that the University should continue in operation on its present campus so long as, and to the extent that, it is possible to fulfill the purpose for which the University exists;
- (2) that the Trustees have full confidence in the ability of the President and the Board of Managers to determine what readjustments may be called for in carrying forward the work of the University either in Peking or elsewhere;
- and (3) that the Trustees pledge their continuing cooperation with the field authorities in whatever program may be developed.

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March 6, 1939

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

Just as I was sending you the enclosed letter from Dr. Stuart, Mr. McBrier told me of your splendid pledge toward meeting the emergency needs of the Colleges.

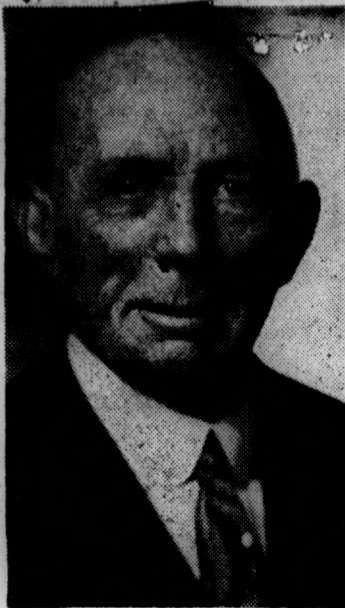
This generous gift comes at a time when it will accomplish the most, both in reassuring our leaders in the Colleges and in stimulating all those in America who are sharing in the task of securing support for the work in China.

Just a few days ago I received a letter from Dr. H. H. Kung, the Prime Minister of China, in which he expressed the profound gratitude of the Chinese government and people for the support which American friends are giving these Christian Colleges in this time of crisis. He closed by saying that our help at this time "is worth a hundred times as much as in days of peace." So we have good grounds for assuring you that this gift will be "multiplied an hundred fold".

Gratefully yours,

Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer,
370 Riverside Drive,
New York, N. Y.

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sister, Mrs. Emma F. Miller, mother
of San Mateo, Calif.

Wills in Probate

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EGAN, SIDNEY (April 17). Estate, less than \$5,000. To Phillip S. Egan, son, 400 E. 57th St., \$1,225; ten varying bequests; Margaret E. Butler, daughter, executrix, 42-23 159th St., \$25.

HARTIGAN, MARGARET (April 11). Estate, about \$1,110. To James Hartigan, son, 72-15 37th Ave., Jackson Heights; Marion H. Taggart, daughter, executrix, 37-35 77th St., Jackson Heights, N. Y., and Marguerite Hennessy, daughter, executrix, 72-15 37th Ave., Jackson Heights, residue equally.

LEVY, MEYER (April 22). Estate, less than \$1,000. To Marie Levy and Dora L. Morrison, 575 Park Ave.; Rosalie L. Abrams, 50 W. 96th St., sisters, and William Levy, brother, executor, 527 W. 110th St., residue equally; several specific bequests. Joseph Schultz, 40 E. 88th St., executor.

LEISER, CAMILLE (May 1). Estate, more than \$10,000. To Irving Leiser, son, executor, 86 Thayer St., residuary estate; 15 bequests of personality or cash provided estate exceeds \$25,000. Irving S. Ottenberg, 161 W. 86th St., executor.

PFEIFFER, HENRY (April 13). Estate, more than \$10,000. To trustees of North Central College, Naperville, Ill., and Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa, \$50,000 each; Woman's Home Mission Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Cincinnati, Ohio; New York Branch of the Woman's Mission Society of the Methodist Church, 150 5th Ave.; Methodist Episcopal Church Home of the City of New York; Western Old Peoples Home of the Evangelical Association, Cedar Falls, Iowa; Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, \$25,000 each; New York City Society of the Methodist Church, \$10,000; Board of Trustees of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church, \$5,000; residuary estate to executors and trustees, for religious, charitable, scientific, literary or educational purposes or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals in discretion of executors; Annie Merner Pfeiffer, widow, executrix, 370 Riverside Dr., household and personal effects;

Bequests of \$20,000 each to Emma P. Merner, San Mateo, Calif.; Paul M. Pfeiffer, Piggott, Ark.; Leonard J. Pfeiffer, Cedar Falls, Iowa; Ernest Pfeiffer, Pasadena, Calif.; William F. Pfeiffer, Fayette, Iowa, and Gustavus A. Pfeiffer; Henry M. Pfeiffer, nephew, 77 Park Ave., \$25,000; legacies of \$5,000 each to following nephews and nieces: Robert H. Pfeiffer, Cambridge, Mass.; Anna B. Pfeiffer, Bologna, Italy; Charles L. Pfeiffer, 29-58 Waldo Ave., Bayside, L. I.; Dora R. Pfeiffer, Milano, Italy; Leonard Pfeiffer, Cedar Falls, Iowa; Pauline P. Hemingway, Key West, Fla.; Karl C. Pfeiffer and Virginia Pfeiffer, both of Piggott, Ark.; Elizabeth Pfeiffer French, Pasadena, Calif.; Henry Pfeiffer, Randallia, Iowa; Ernest Pfeiffer, Fayette, Iowa; Phoebe Pfeiffer, Rochester, N. Y.; Ruth Pfeiffer and Gene Pfeiffer, both of Fayette, Iowa; Barbara Pfeiffer, Northville, Mich.; Garfield D. and Paul M. P. Merner.

Adella R. Pfeiffer, Solomon S. Merner, West Palm Beach, Fla.; Susan M. Noble, Portland, Ore.; Sarah M. Laurence, Portland, Ore.; William H. Merner, Cedar Falls, Iowa, and Daniel Merner, Beaverton, Ore., brothers and sisters-in-law, \$20,000 each.

Legacies of \$5,000 each to following: Garfield D. Merner, San Mateo, Calif.; Paul M. P. Merner, Palo Alto, Calif.; Doris M. Trowbridge, Marsilles, Ill.; Anna M. Trowbridge, Princeton, Ill.; Marie L. Chapman, Eugene, Ore.; Henryetta A.

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Laurence, Portland, Ore.; Roland F. Merner, Cedar Falls, Iowa; William H. Merner, Philadelphia, Pa.; Lillian Merner, Cedar Falls, Iowa; Frederick L. Merner, East Orange, N. J.
Following receive \$6,666 each: Jessie M. Burns and W. Edmund Noble, both of Cedar Falls, Iowa, and John M. Noble, Jackson, Mich. Bequests of \$3,333 to following: John W. Fry, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, and Chester Fry, Ontario, Canada; \$2,500 each to Arthur W. James, 370 Riverside Dr.; Arthur W. Merner, Marysville, Wash.; Iva M. Russell, and Etta M. Pell, Lake Side, Wash.; Stella M. Johnson, Seattle, Wash.; Carl J. Merner, 460 Riverside Dr.; Earle D. Merner, San Bernardino, Calif., and Henry B. Merner, Jacksonville, Fla., and Arthur R. Nadelhoffer, Chicago, Ill., \$1,000 each; several smaller bequests. Harry E. Edward Wallace, 370 Riverside Dr., Harry E. James, 370 Riverside Dr., and Gustavus A. Pfeiffer, 770 Park Ave., executors; Baldwin, Todd & Young, attorneys, 120 Broadway.

queens, treasurer.

INSTITUTIONS AIDED BY PFEIFFER WILL

Methodist Missions and Homes
Will Receive Bulk of the
Manufacturer's Estate

Henry Pfeiffer, president of William R. Warner & Co., manufacturing pharmacists, who died on April 13 at his home, 370 Riverside Drive, left most of his estate to Methodist Episcopal institutions, it became known yesterday when his will was filed in Surrogate's Court.

The will, drawn April 22, 1932, named ten institutions to which \$265,000 was left, and directed that the residuary estate of undetermined value be used for religious, charitable, scientific, literary or educational purposes. He also left about \$500,000 to relatives and friends.

Wide powers in the disposition of his residuary estate were given to the executors, including his widow, Mrs. Annie Merner Pfeiffer, and Harry E. James of 370 Riverside Drive and Gustavus A. Pfeiffer, a brother, of 770 Park Avenue. They were directed to distribute the money "in such ways or manner and at such times and in such proportions as my trustees may, in the exercise of their sole and uncontrolled judgment, deem to be wise and best."

His will provides \$50,000 for North Central College, Naperville, Ill., which he attended, and a similar sum for Cornell College at Mount Vernon, Iowa. The New York City Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, 150 Fifth Avenue, receives \$10,000, and St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church, West End Avenue and Eighty-sixth Street, \$5,000.

Requests of \$25,000 each were left to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Cincinnati, Ohio; New York Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, the M. E. Church Home in the City of New York, the Western Old People's Home of the Evangelical Association of Cedar Falls, Iowa; Board of Foreign Missions of the M. E. Church, and the Board of Home Missions of the M. E. Church of Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. Pfeiffer was 82 years old and had been active in Methodist Episcopal philanthropic work for many years. He contributed large sums to women's colleges under their direction both here and abroad.

Henry Pfeiffer, Pharmaceutical Firm Head, Dies

**Leading Methodist Layman
Contributed Liberally to
Church Organizations**

Henry Pfeiffer, one of the outstanding laymen of the Methodist Church, president of William R. Warner & Co., 113 West Eighteenth Street, manufacturing pharmaceutical firm, died yesterday at his home at 370 Riverside Drive. He was eighty-two years old. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Annie Merner Pfeiffer; a sister, Mrs. Emma P. Merner, of San Mateo, Calif., and five brothers, L. J. Pfeiffer, of Cedar Falls, Iowa; Paul M. Pfeiffer, of Piggott, Ark.; Ernest Pfeiffer, of Pasadena, Calif.; Gustavus A. Pfeiffer, of New York, president of Richard Hudnut, and William F. Pfeiffer, of Fayette, Iowa.

Mr. Pfeiffer built up the pharmaceutical business which he founded in 1901 into an international concern with branches in almost every country in the world and fifteen foreign factory branches. In recent years he had been a generous contributor to the Methodist Church, its foreign missions and to educational institutions in the United States, Korea, Argentina, India and China.

Mr. Pfeiffer was born March 3, 1857, in Lewiston, Pa. His parents moved to Cedar Falls, Iowa, where he entered the retail drug business. He attended North Central College, Naperville, Ill., and in 1891 moved to St. Louis, where, ten years later, he founded the Pfeiffer Chemical Company. In 1908 he purchased the Warner concern, and moved to Philadelphia, where offices of the company were situated. In 1917 he moved his company headquarters to New York.

In 1930 Mr. Pfeiffer and his wife contributed \$100,000 to Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa, and \$50,000 to the Women's Christian College in Seoul, Korea; \$50,000 to the Ward American College in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and \$20,000 to Methodist Hospital in Brooklyn.

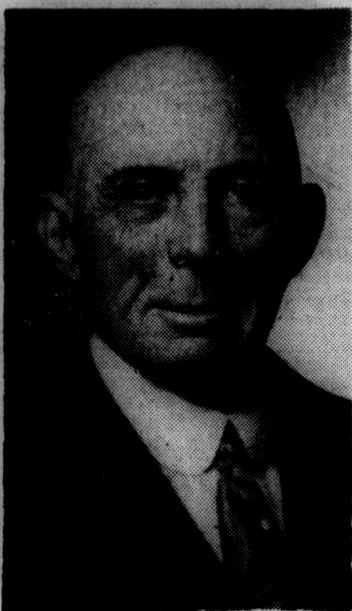
Among their other gifts were a gymnasium for North Central College; a library for the MacMurray College in Jacksonville, Ill.; a \$100,000 library endowment for Bennett College; a liberal college for Negro women in Greensboro, N. C.; \$25,000 to Iowa Wesleyan College, and donations to Pfeiffer Junior College near Charlotte, N. C.

Mr. Pfeiffer was active in the Methodist Church of St. Paul and St. Andrew, West End Avenue and Eighty-sixth Street. He was instrumental in the merger of St. Paul's Church and St. Andrew's Church, redecorated the present building and for many years was a trustee of St. Paul's Church and of the succeeding church.

At the time of his death Mr. Pfeiffer also was vice-president and a director of Richard Hudnut, perfumers, and a director of Warner International. He had been president of the Bauer Chemical Co., Inc., the Vince Laboratories, Inc., Mellier Company, Nonspi's Company and Sanitol Company, and vice-president of Hudnut Sales Company, Inc.

Mr. and Mrs. Pfeiffer were married in 1882. They celebrated their fifty-seventh wedding anniversary on March 7. Funeral services for Mr. Pfeiffer will be held at 1:30 p. m. tomorrow at the Church of St. Paul and St. Andrew. Burial will be in Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Pharmaceutical Head



Blank & Stoller
Henry Pfeiffer

RESOLVED, that the Trustees of Yenching University record their sense of sorrow and loss in the death of Mr. Henry Pfeiffer. As a Christian business man, as a church leader, and as a philanthropist, Mr. Pfeiffer made an outstanding contribution to the betterment of mankind and to the building of the Kingdom of Christ. The Trustees treasure the memory of the warm friendship for Yenching University which Mr. and Mrs. Pfeiffer have shown through the years, and gratefully recognize the important share they have had in making possible the service the University is rendering today. Individually, and as a board, the trustees unite in extending to their colleague, Mrs. Pfeiffer, their deepest sympathy at this time of bereavement.

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May 24, 1939

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

While we know that you are not at this time making many social engagements, we do most sincerely hope that you may be able to attend the Annual Dinner of the China Colleges on the evening of June 2nd.

As you will see from the enclosed invitation, we are to have two excellent speakers, and we believe that each will have a most interesting message for us. A particularly fine group of our friends are taking an active interest in the dinner, and we hope that the evening will be a pleasant one.

We hope, too, that you may be able to attend some of the sessions of the Associated Boards on June 2nd and 3rd, and the Annual Meeting of the Yenching Trustees on June 7th. If you cannot give time to attend all these meetings, I would be glad to suggest some of the hours when you would be particularly interested in the matters under discussion.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer,
370 Riverside Drive,
New York, N. Y.

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June 1, 1939

Dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

In accordance with our telephone conversation this morning, I am sending one of the programs for our China Colleges dinner tomorrow evening. While we wish very much that you could be with us, we appreciate all the factors which make it difficult for you to come just at this time. We hope that you will be with us in spirit tomorrow night. And if you should decide that you can come, we will have a place for you.

We will not urge your attendance at the meetings of the Associated Boards tomorrow and Saturday, but we do hope that you can be with us at the Annual Meeting of the Yenching Trustees on the morning of June 7th. I enclose herewith a copy of the docket. If you can not spend the entire morning with us, the last hour or two of the meeting will probably be the time when the most important actions will be taken. We hope that it will not be necessary for the Board to have a session in the afternoon, though that is a possibility.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer
370 Riverside Drive
New York, N. Y.

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MEMORIAL RESOLUTION ON THE DEATH OF
MRS. HENRY PFEIFFER

Adopted by the Yenching Woman's Committee
May 15, 1946

The Woman's Committee of Yenching College remembers with gratitude and affection Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer, our good friend for many years. By her generosity not only to Yenching but to many institutions and good causes all around the world, she had endeared herself to all who knew her. Her beautiful character was shown in her many generous and kindly deeds, and witnessed to her faith in God and her desire to help in the advancement of His kingdom on earth. We shall long feel the blessing and inspiration she brought to us, and we wish to express to her family our gratitude and admiration for her.

Mailed to
Mrs. Harry E. James (daughter)
180 Riverside Drive

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made
for
Mrs. Harry E. James
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180 Riverside Drive

New York 24, N.Y.

June 8, 1946.

To the Members of
the Yenching Woman's Committee:-

The family of Mrs. Harry Keiffer
are much appreciation of the
gracious tribute paid her by
your Committee and thank
the members for their ex-
pression to the family of
their gratitude and admiration
for her in their memorial
resolution.

Sincerely,
(Mrs. Harry E.) Blanche M. James.

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April 22, 1964

Mr. Carl Billman
Phi Beta Kappa
1811 Q Street, N. W.
Washington 9, D. C.

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UB files

Dear Mr. Billman:

Thank you very much for the carbon of the letter you have written Mr. Yo, telling about the North China Association of Phi Beta Kappa members. This is very informative and helpful as far as I am concerned and we will certainly keep this information on file in case some other questions should be raised again.

Yours very truly,

Abigail Hoffsonner
Associate Secretary

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