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En route to Claremont, Cal.
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My dear Garside:

You have doubtless already been informed of the plans by which I was given leave of absence from Yenching for the spring semester to conduct classes at The Claremont Colleges, Claremont, Cal. Here we are on our way to carry out that plan. We have had a comfortable voyage and look forward to an interesting semester at Claremont.

I shall be glad to have you put my name on your mailing list for whatever bulletins you issue summarizing new from Yenching. We already feel very eager for some word.

I expect to be busy with the work at Claremont and such extra speaking as can be put in, still you might let me know if a chance to help Yenching in southern California should turn up.

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I shall be glad to hear how the campaign is going and something of the plans for Arthur Rugh and Stephen Ts'ai.

I do not expect to get to New York on this trip. We are planning to be in the Middle West, near Beloit, Wis., during the summer with the return to China about August 14th.

With greetings to Mrs. Mc Millan and others in the office whom we may know,

Heartily yours,

Lucius Porter

Hotel Bellevue
Boston •

9 February 1938

Dear Lillian:

You will be interested to know that Stephen Ts'ai shared your letter to me,-- he having arrived at my hotel in Boston just as the letter did. He is hoping that personal letters to him will be following along soon, since he is rather behind in news from his family. He is throwing himself splendidly into our campaign, and will be here at the Bellevue until February 20th.

The motion picture material came through safely, and the really hard work so far has been done by Margaret Speer and a Ralph Young. The New York committee felt that I could give my criticism at long range, and that the fact of Marnie's having some free time was a good reason for her doing the job. When the last copy of the proposed sequence and captions came up to me here, it seemed to me to promise an interesting and valuable film. Allow me to bow deeply in thanks to you for your part in it.

I shall try to keep in touch with your plans for a stop in Rochester. Since my official trail lies through that city, and, in fact, includes it as a part of my responsibility, I am likely to be able to see you when you are there.

We are having modest success in the money-raising this year. Of course there is a heavy inertia to be overcome, as oppressed Americans face so many calls upon the purse, and as they find themselves lacking in any consuming desire to give to a work across the Pacific. On the other hand, there is the goodly number of those whose imagination and generosity do not fail. We have now completed the amount of the sum which was sought for the current normal budget before the present difficulties arose. This means that we still have \$150,000 to go in order to cover the revised emergency askings. Since the local work in California, Chicago, and two or three eastern cities is just now gaining its first definite momentum, it may be that the goal will be reached before June 30th.

I count on you and Lucius as being able -- as always -- to radiate optimism and faith in the future. We are meeting here and there groups of people who are radiating the opposite colors of feeling concerning carrying on Christian work in China, and it needs all our combined efforts to overcome the lag in these quarters. I wrote rather strenuously to Grace Boynton the other day, because I have heard from a good many friends

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of her brothers and sisters that her recent confidential letters have not helped the family to look hopefully upon Yenching's future. Of course Grace did not intend to have this effect; she was probably seeking a little intimate family sympathy in her own distress of mind, but we all have to remember that a situation like the present pretty nearly denies us the luxury of weeping on anybody's shoulder if we are to do our job with any sort of success.

Thank you so much for letting me hear so soon after you set foot in this country. It is cheering just to think that you are actually in the United States.

Affectionately yours,

Mrs. Lucius C. Porter
Pomona College
Claremont, California

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February 12, 1938

Dear Dr. Porter:

Welcome to Mei-kuo! Glad to get your letter of the sixth. Trust this will find you comfortably settled in Claremont.

The most recent news we have had from Yenching has been a cable reading "SNC NS TERM AUSPICIOUS OPENING. ENROLLMENT MAY REACH 600." All the news that has reached us by regular mail is already known to you. We all rejoice that Yenching was able to carry on so splendidly during the first term, and trust that it will be able to do the same during the term just now beginning. Dr. Stuart has certainly been a magnificent leader. And the news during recent months has many times mentioned the fine work which you yourself have been doing.

I hope that even before this reaches you, you will have established contact with Arthur Rugh and with the other members of the group carrying on promotional work there in California on behalf of the China Colleges. The executive from our New York office in charge of the Pacific Coast activities is Roy E. Bendell. His headquarters are the Hotel Stowell, 416 South Spring Street, Los Angeles. Mr. Rugh has been doing excellent work since he arrived in America, and we are hoping that substantial results will be achieved both in the weeks just ahead and also in the longer future. While Rugh has been the dynamo and the mainspring and the major attraction of the group, some others have helped at one time or another, such as H. P. Lair of Cheeloo. Bendell can give you the present location of all the staff members of the Colleges with whom he has been in touch.

Several prominent men on the West Coast have taken a very active interest in the China Colleges campaign. As you will see from this letterhead, Dr. Robert A. Milliken is chairman on the Pacific Coast. Dr. C. K. Edmunds, Mr. Ralph Lloyd, Mr. George W. Marston, and several other men who know personally or by reputation have been giving active and valuable assistance.

I know that Bendell and the other men in the group would welcome all the assistance you can give. We realize that you will be busy with your work at the Claremont Colleges, but possibly you can squeeze in a few other activities as well.

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Dr. Porter

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You ask as to the progress we are making in our campaign. From the enclosed progress bulletin for this week, you will see that up to February 7th we had in hand \$132,910. (If we include dependable verbal pledges and funds now in process of transmittal through gifts made to cooperating boards, the total would be around \$150,000.)

As we have gone through with Stephen Tsai our revised Yenching budget figures for 1937-38, we have found that Yenching's emergency needs for this fiscal year are slightly less than U.S. \$30,000. We have already secured a little more than \$17,000 of this, and I am reasonably confident that we will obtain the remainder during the coming weeks. The total needed by the entire group of colleges is about \$300,000, so we are about half through with the job we ought to do.

Sorry that you aren't likely to get to New York this trip. But in any event we will keep in touch with you by letter - and perhaps some happy turn of events will bring you east of the Appalachians before you start back to China.

All the group here in the New York office join me in sending greetings and good wishes.

Dr. Lucius C. Porter,
The Claremont Colleges,
Claremont, Cal.

Cordially,

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CLAREMONT COLLEGES
CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA

The Graduate School

Feb. 17, 1938

Dear Garside:

Your rich letter of Feb 12th was most welcome. I rejoice at the news of the 600 Yenchinians registered for the second semester; that means 100 former students have returned, which will encourage everyone

I am glad to know about the personnel of the group carrying on here on the Coast for the China Colleges and will be glad to help as my schedule here allows. I shall not be too pressed with class work and hope to be able to share a little in the campaigning. I am writing Mr. Bendell at once. I am already in touch with Arthur Rugh and hope to see him before long.

It is encouraging to know of the progress of the campaign as a whole. You have certainly done valiant service. I have written Stephen Ts'ai and hope to hear directly from him soon.

Have the Harvard-Yenching Institute people understood Mr. Beddoes latest communications regarding the "publication funds"? I think there must be some lack of coordination between the treasurer, auditor and Prof. S. Elisseeff. The latter knew about the matter on the field last summer and the trustees had taken action twice on the basis that they had authority to decide on the questions I asked regarding proposed use of some of the funds received from sales. The treasurer and auditor could easily have answered their own questions by referring to the minutes of trustee meetings. I hope it is all cleared up now on everybody's books.

Thanks for the Bulletin. I look forward to future issues.

I have been very cordially welcomed here and find the work interesting. We are very comfortably housed and anticipate a very happy semester.

With greetings to all the group,

Very heartily yours,

Lucius C. Porter

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March 18, 1938.

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Dear Mr. Garside,

I have not yet received from your office copies of communications sent to you from President Stuart which were quoted and criticised by Stephen Tsai and Eva Macmillan. Both of them promised me that these communications would be sent to me since I agreed, after looking them over, to communicate with Stuart regarding the points which those two criticised. I should be very glad if it is possible, according to your rules, to have these communications sent to me.

I infer that absence of information from the field means that you have received no news to be circulated in the general bulletin. I am wondering if it would not be wise for the Yenching office in New York to do what the Ginling College office is doing, namely, to mimeograph communications from various members of the Ginling staff at the two or three centers where work is being conducted. I happen to be in touch with two persons here in Claremont who receive these copies regularly and have gleaned from my reading many items that are of distinct value as source material for use in the numerous speeches regarding the China situation which I have been asked to make. I should like very much to have fuller information from Yenching, especially the views of President Stuart and other members of the staff regarding the development of Japanese control in North China and the resistance or lack of it evident in country districts of North China.

I am in touch with Arthur Ruh and am planning with him something in the way of follow-up work with the persons in whom he has found a friendly interest in Yenching which he thinks might well be cultivated.

I shall write you shortly regarding two or three possibilities of help for Yenching which I am following up myself.

Very sincerely yours,

Lucius C. Porter
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Mr. B. A. Garside
Yenching University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

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Mr. B. A. Garside
Yenching University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Garside,

I am enclosing herewith for your information copies of the HYI Peking Office budget for 1938-39, together with my covering memorandum sent direct to the Director, Professor Serge Elisseeff.

If Dr. Eric North or other Trustees of the HYI from the Yenching side wish to see the budget before the Annual Meeting they are, of course, privileged to do so. Care should be taken to see that the formal presentation of the budget to the Trustees is only through the Director.

Very sincerely yours,

Lucius C. Porter
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Executive Secretary

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Budget for 1938-39

	Granted 1937-38		Asked for 1938-39	
	L.C.	U.S.G.	L.C.	U.S.G.
Y-1 Library (Book purchase only)	\$10,000.	\$2,000.	\$10,000.	\$2,000.
Y-2 Archaeological laboratory	1,000.		1,000.	
Y-3 Teaching and research staff	\$20,400.	660.	\$24,700.	660.
Y-4 Rent of residences	3,000.		3,000.	
Y-5 Scholarships	4,000.		4,000.	
Y-6 Journal of Chinese Studies	7,000.		7,000.	
Y-7 Office expenses	2,000.		2,000.	
Y-8 Clerical assistants	1,200.		1,200.	
Y-9 Office secretaries	2,940.	300.	3,060.	300.
Y-10 Contingent fund	2,000.		2,000.	
Y-11 Sino-Indian Institute	14,000.			
Y-12 Sinological Index Series	\$16,000.		16,000.	
Accounting & auditing	2,820.	350.	2,820.	350.
Emergency grant	\$4,500.			
	\$80,660.	\$3,310.	\$76,780.	\$3,310.
★Y-3 Teaching & Research staff	20,400.			
Emergency grant	4,500.			
	\$24,700.			

★★Y-12 Sinological Index Series: to this sum of \$6,000. the Trustees added \$10,000. taken from the Index Sales Fund.

HARVARD YENCHING INSTITUTE PEKING OFFICE

Budget for 1938-39

PERSONNEL LISTS

<u>Teaching and Research Staff</u>	<u>Granted 1937-38</u>		<u>Asked for 1938-39</u>	
	<u>L.C.</u>	<u>U.S.G.</u>	<u>L.C.</u>	<u>U.S.G.</u>
Chang Hsing-lang	\$1,000.		\$1,000.	
William Hung	4,320.		4,320.	
Jung Keng	4,320.		4,320.	
Ku Chieh-kang	4,320.		4,320.	
Teng Chih-ch'eng	4,320.		4,320.	
Toward Annuity Fund		660.		660.
Toward Medical Fund	420.		420.	
<u>Administrative Staff</u>				
L. C. Porter	6,000.		6,000.	
	\$24,700.	\$660.	\$24,700.	\$660.
<u>Office Secretaries</u>				
Hilda L. Mague	1,860.	300.	1,860.	300.
Jung Yuan	1,080.		1,200.	
	\$2,940.	\$300.	\$3,060.	\$300.

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Budget for 1933-34

Estimated 1933		Estimated 1934		Actual for 1933-34	
Books	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Periodicals	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Manuscripts	500	500	500	500	500
Reference	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Travel	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Salaries	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Operating	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Depreciation	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Gifts	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Unexpended	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Total	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000

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Memorandum Accompanying Budget
for 1938-39

To The Director and Trustees
Harvard-Yenching Institute
Cambridge, Massachusetts

The accompanying budget for 1938-39 was prepared by the Executive Secretary in consultation with Professor William Hung and President J. L. Stuart of Yenching University. In view of the upset conditions in China this year, the only members of the Advisory Committee for Graduate Studies who could be reached were President Stuart and Professor C. W. Luh. The budget thus prepared and approved was presented to the Administrative Committee of Yenching University and was duly passed by them. It is hoped the Trustees will appreciate the impossibility of consulting other members of the Advisory Committee under the circumstances.

It will be noted that there are four items on the budget asked for 1938-39 which differ from the amounts granted by the Trustees for the year 1937-38. These items are:

- Y-3 Teaching and Research Staff
- Y-9 Office Secretaries
- Y-11 Sino-Indian Institute
- Y-12 Sinological Index Series

Explanation of the changes involved will be made in the order given.

Y-3 Teaching and Research Staff. The item named for 1938, L.C. \$24,700., is the same amount asked for 1937-38 and is equal to the amount granted by the Trustees for 1937-38, namely, L.C. \$ 20,400., plus the amount granted by the Trustees as an emergency grant, namely, L.C. \$4,300. In other words, the amount asked for 1938-39 is the same as the total granted by the Trustees for Teaching and Research Staff for 1937-38, although the Trustees preferred to indicate that a part of the sum should be considered as an emergency grant not available regularly. In view of the numerous emergency expenditures required of the Yenching University funds because of the Sino-Japanese War, it seemed impossible to make any reduction in the amount asked for next year for Teaching and Research Staff. It is hoped that the Trustees will, therefore, be willing to continue the emergency grant, keeping the total available for Teaching and Research Staff for 1938-39 the same as the sum of the two items granted for that purpose for 1937-38. It should be noted that the item of U.S.G. \$660. to cover the Annuity Fund payments by Yenching University is the same for 1938-39 and 1937-38.

Y-9 Office Secretaries. A study of the personnel lists accompanying the budget will show that the increase of L.C. \$120. in the request for 1938-39 is due to an advance in the salary of Miss Jung Yuan from L.C. \$90. to L.C. \$100. per month.

Y-11 Sino-Indian Institute. In view of the sad death of Baron Stael-Holstein, uncertainty regarding the future of the Sino-Indian Institute, no item is proposed by the field under this head. It is understood that the Trustees have already appointed a special sub-committee to canvas the situation and make some recommendation

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regarding the future of the Sino-Indian Institute.

Y-12 Sinological Index Series. The item of L.C. \$16,000. is retained in the budget for 1938-39, this being the sum which the Trustees have regularly granted for the Sinological Index Series for the past few years. It should be noted that this sum is equivalent to the sum made available for the Sinological Index Series for 1937-38, since the Trustees authorized the use of L.C. \$10,000. from the funds accumulated by sale of Sinological Index Series publications to supplement the direct grant of L.C. \$6,000. made from Harvard-Yenching Institute funds in America. As the transfer of L.C. \$10,000. from the sales of Index Series publications has practically reduced the saving fund to only a few hundred dollars, it will not be possible for the year 1938-39 to use the sales fund. A few years will be required before any considerable sum will be available from that fund.

In addition to the above explanation a word should be said regarding the item Y-1 Library (Book purchase only). It is greatly hoped on the field that the Trustees will continue the grants of L.C. \$10,000. and U.S.G. \$ 2,000. since the demands made by scholars on the HYI books in the library of Yenching University are already greater and will be increased in the future because other important libraries in Peiping--both the National Peiping Library and the libraries of Tsing Hua University and Peking National University--have been in part removed from Peiping and the further development of those libraries has been stopped. The HYI can contribute very effectively to Sinological scholarship in Peiping and North China by continuing to make possible the development of the Yenching University Library for research in Sinology. The events of the past year which have made impossible the development of other libraries increases the responsibility of Yenching University Library and its reputation as a source of research material, a reputation which was already very high.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucius C. Porter
Executive Secretary

concerning the future of the American Institute.

The American Institute has been established for the purpose of promoting the study of the history and culture of the United States. It is a non-profit organization and its funds are derived from the sale of its publications. The Institute has been successful in its efforts to promote the study of the history and culture of the United States. It has published many books and pamphlets which are of great value to the student and the general reader. The Institute has also been successful in its efforts to promote the study of the history and culture of the United States. It has been able to secure the services of many of the best scholars in the field and has been able to publish their works in a series of books and pamphlets which are of great value to the student and the general reader.

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March 21, 1938

Dr. Lucius C. Porter
Yenching University
Peking, China

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Dear Dr. Porter:

I have your letter of March 18th with which you enclosed a copy of the proposed Yenching section of the Harvard-Yenching Institute budget for 1938-39, together with your covering memorandum to Dr. Elisseeff.

We recognize the importance of your comment that the formal presentation of the budget to the Trustees should be made only through the Director. I think, therefore, it would be wise for our office merely to keep this material in our files for reference. Should Dr. North or Mr. Barber or Dr. Hume ask for any information with reference to this material we will, of course, be happy to supply them.

Very sincerely yours,

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March 26, 1938

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Mr. Lucius C. Porter
140 West Ninth St.
Claremont, Cal.

Dear Mr. Porter:

Sorry that at the time you wrote us on March 18th you had not received from us copies of the communications from Dr. Stuart, to which Mr. Tsai and Mrs. Macmillan referred. I am checking with our Yenching office, and I find that at least some of these letters have been sent you within recent days, but in order to insure that you have a complete set, I am enclosing a complete file of the communications beginning with the one Dr. Stuart wrote in July right after the arrival of "the little brown brothers".

The question of how wisely this material can wisely be circulated in one that has been frequently discussed by our Yenching trustees and executives in the office here in New York. These letters from Dr. Stuart are of such confidential nature, that we have thought it wise to control their distribution with great care. Dr. Stuart has warned us with increasing frequency and solemnity that it would be highly dangerous for Yenching University as well as for him personally if any of these communications from him fell into the hands of the Japanese.

Of course the situation of Yenching, is somewhat different from that of Ginling, since Yenching is still carrying on within territory occupied by the Japanese, while Ginling has moved its work and its staff to centers which are not Japanese controlled.

We should, however, get out to all Yenching constituents fuller information than we have as yet provided. Perhaps this should be issued in the form of our news bulletin "Yenching News". Possibly some mimeographed material would suffice. We are taking these matters up with the Yenching Committee on Promotion, and will try to see that some prompt action is secured.

We are awaiting with interest future word of as to the good work you are doing, both on your own initiative, and with Mr. Rugh, in scouting out possibilities of help for the Yenching work.

Very cordially yours

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CLAREMONT COLLEGES
CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA

The Graduate School

March 30, 1938.

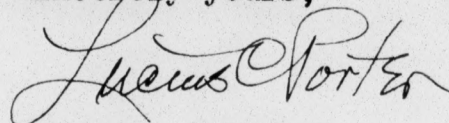
Dear Eva,

Garside has just sent me a big package giving all the mimeographed copies of reports from J.L.S. since the summer. I have looked them through rather carefully and do not find in them any expression which indicate "That at any moment Yenching's position may become unendurable from J.L.S.'s standpoint and from the standpoint of other members of the faculty". Probably the statements you referred to were to be found in private letters, but if so I do not quite understand how the word got around among those whom you were trying to interest in making contributions.

I do not for a moment doubt that you were quite right in the feeling you had that J.L.S. was rendering untenable the money-raising campaign and I am glad I wrote to him as I did after receiving your letters, but I am as yet unable to say that I have seen the statements on which your criticisms are based. It may be Garside does not wish to send them to me; if so, all right, but I am quite sure I could be of more help to your campaign if I could know exactly how ~~he~~ said what you feel has been harmful.

We are rather planning to be in Rochester with Dudley and his wife the end of June or early in July and hope very much that you can run up to see us there. We will not have time to go to New York for there are so many there that we would want to see if we ever reached the city that we dare not risk even a glimpse.

Sincerely yours,



Lucius C. Porter

Miss Eva Macmillan
Hotel Bellevue
Boston, Massachusetts

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CLAREMONT COLLEGES
CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA

The Graduate School

March 30, 1938.

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Dear Garside,

Thank you very much for your letter of March 26th together with copies of the communications from Dr. Stuart received at our office since the summer of 1937. I shall take great care of the material, remembering that it is of a confidential nature. I am particularly glad to have the whole set as a historical record.

I think your suggestion that you get out ^{for} Yen-ching constituents fuller information than has yet been provided is a good one. Whether it should be in the "Yenching News" or in the form of mimeographed material would be determined, I should think, by the matter of expense. I think it is of real importance to have all our supporters and interested friends realize how effectively Yen-ching is carrying on in the midst of puzzling and difficult conditions.

I saw Mr. C. R. Crane last week and found him as actively interested in China as ever. I made no direct appeal to him, but have one or two proposals to make later on which will, I think, interest him, whether or not to the extent of generous financial support I cannot tell.

Arthur ~~Rush~~ and I are trying to work out a plan for a continuation committee for friends of China and Yen-ching in this region. I am also working with the Chinese Consul at Los Angeles, Mr. T. K. Chang, for the organization of a somewhat similar committee to spread general interest in and support for the Chinese cause. Probably many of the members of these two committees will be the same persons. With the organization of two such committees, we ought to be able to follow up the various leads that Mr. ~~Rush~~ has opened up with more effectiveness.

Do you know of individuals in this region, ^{likely to be helpful but} not yet met by ~~Rush~~ or any of his collaborators in recent months? It might be well to send us a list of all possible "prospects".

Sincerely yours,

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April 7, 1938

Dr. Lucius C. Porter
140 West 9th Street
Claremont, California

Dear Dr. Porter:

Thanks for your letter of March 30th. We must try to see to it that some effective Yenching publicity is produced and distributed in the near future.

We appreciate the fine way in which you are helping Mr. Rugh and the others working on behalf of Yenching and the other China Colleges there in California. We trust that you will be able not only to get some immediate returns but what is still more important, will be able to lay solid foundations there for the continued interest in and support of this important work on the other side of the Pacific.

I do not at the moment know of any other individuals in Southern California not yet contacted by those working on behalf of the China Colleges there who should be likely prospects for us. But we will pass along to you all names and suggestions along this line which may occur to us from time to time.

With all good wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

BAG:MP

CLAREMONT COLLEGES
CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA

The Graduate School

April 9, 1938

Dear Stephen:

Hoorah for the Chinese army at Tai'erhchwang ! I have been explaining the battle front in my many recent speeches and have pointed out that every Jap thrust in the last three weeks has been repulsed and pushed back, for example first in the northwest corner of Shansi, then up the valley of the Fen river, before that at Szu Chou, where the Japs had crossed the Hwang Ho but were pushed back and inland, and now in the ts'ao Hsien - Tai'erhchwang Linyi sector. I believe the big push BACK has begun. With the man-power developed I don't believe the Japs can hold out and when the Jap army is convinced that it is not invincible something big in the way of debacle will take place. The Japs have no psychology for coming up from behind. Once defeated they will go wild and run.

As to the Nashes I believe we need to make every effort to get them back on a permanent basis. Don't mention anything temporary or conditional. China needs every experienced friend and helper, and Vernon and Mary are both. They'll do a lot for China and Yenching and we mustn't lose them to any American department of journalism. I have two good leads in this region, the best is the great Harry Chandler, of the Los Angeles Times. HE is deeply interested in China and ready to be converted to Yenching. I think I can get him to support Vernon for a five year period at least to develop Chinese journalism that can help the rural reconstruction work, such as J.Y.C.Yen's - in which Chandler is an active supporter - and become a source for "background" news service for the Los Angeles Times. C.R.Crane is another possibility. I'll keep you informed. Had a grand interview with Chandler two days ago. Work on Garside and the trustees, convincing them of the great value of Vernon's and our journalism work to China, as seen by RESULTS in the trained men already placed in key positions. Yenching gains in reputation and in publicity by what these lads and ladies are doing.

Is it not fine the JLS went to Hankow ! Just what P.C.Chang was most insistent on. I believe it was a very significant move.

Let me know your sailing dates so I can fill you up with uncensorable reports to take directly back.

Ever yours,

Lucius

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April 12, 1938

Dear Lucius:

I have yours of the 9th. I am glad that you too are so optimistic about the war. We can all be very proud of the wonderful achievements in Shantung. I hope we can run them up before too much reinforcements arrive.

I agree with you thoroughly regarding the Nashes. We must get them back on the campus by hook or by crook. Vernon is so stimulating. We need him to provoke some of us who would otherwise go to sleep. I know there are one or two people on the campus who feel Vernon is too stimulating. To them he is really sometimes provocative. I think it will do those people the world of good to have him around. I am very happy that the Chandler case looks so hopeful. I really think that if you can get Chandler for the next five years, something will surely develop in the meanwhile to carry on after the five year period.

I have tried to have an interview with Donald M. Brodia, Manager of the Friendship Fund, but he is out of town. I will try to see him as soon as he returns. In the meanwhile can't you pull the wire at your end with Mr. Crane? If both Chandler and the Friendship Fund fail, I am thinking of trying Henry Luce as the final resort. We must work quickly as Vernon has been approached by Indiana University.

Did I tell you that I saw Dudley and his wife in Rochester some time ago? Both of them were invited to a dinner at the home of Mrs. Van Voorhis, where I was present. They took me to see their new home which I thought was beautiful and of course very modern. I may see them again next week when I go to Rochester for the third time.

My plans for returning to Peking are very indefinite. I must get back by August 1st, in order to relieve Cookie and Dr. Galt. I would like to go by way of Siberia. Do you think it is safe having to go through Manchuria? Mr. Garside suggested that I may try the Clipper from Honolulu to Hong Kong. It will cost about \$400 more than by the trans-pacific steamer. This is a big factor to consider these days. I think I will ask the trustees to send me this way when I have raised a million dollars and you know the probability of that. What are your plans? The Sailors are leaving on the Coolidge, sailing from San Francisco on July 29th. With best wishes to you and Lillian.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Lucius C. Porter
Claremont College
Claremont, California

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May 6, 1938

Dear Lucius:

I saw Mr. Brodie of the Friendship Fund yesterday regarding Vernon Nash. He was very cordial but regretted that there is not the slightest possibility of getting the support from the Friendship Fund. Mr. Brodie said that they have made so many commitments and the income has dwindled to twenty thousand a year. He told me that he had a very good letter from you on the same subject. I am afraid we can't do very much there.

Marnie and I recommended to Dr. Stuart to take the Nashes on the regular university budget. This message is incorporated in a cable which the office is sending. Marnie and I worked out the text on Wednesday. I have just checked up with Mr. Garside's secretary and the cable has not yet been sent. But I am going to put a little pressure on the matter and I hope it will go today. Our friends at Yenching could chew over the matter over the weekend. Probably we will have a reply early next week. I saw the Nashes yesterday afternoon. They are quite restive. They are very good indeed. If I were in their shoes I probably would have gone crazy. Nothing from Indiana yet I understand.

The board meetings are over thank heavens. I have a lot of sympathizers but they don't seem to be able to do very much. Any way I am grateful for their moral support. I am sailing from San Francisco on June 9th on the Matson Line, S. S. Lurline for Honolulu. I will be there for two weeks trying to kick up a little dust on the Island. Kenneth Chen will be on hand to help.

I will sail from Honolulu on July 1st, on the Empress of Japan. Our friend, Mr. Earl H. Cressey has booked a passage on the Empress and so has Mrs. Houghton I understand. I do not know whether my American friends will be an asset or a liability to me when passing through Japan. Here's hoping they will not be in the red. I am leaving New York on the 24th and will make stops at Washington, Cleveland, perhaps Pittsburgh, Chicago and St. Louis. Best wishes to you and Lillian.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Lucius Porter
Claremont, California

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P.S. Vernon has just been in. I will be in Chicago for three or four days. It occurred to us that Mrs. Walter A. Strong may be a worthwhile person for me to see. Would it be the proper thing for you to write Mrs. Strong a note telling her something about me.

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CLAREMONT COLLEGES
CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA

The Graduate School

April 13, 1938.

Recd 4/14/38

Dear Garside,

Thanks for your letter of April 7th.

Arthur Rugh has probably informed you of the institute we are planning for the Los Angeles region early in May at which a carefully selected group of men and women will meet together to hear a discussion of the educational situation in China and the particular relation of the Associated Christian Colleges to that situation. We hope very much for good results from this institute. An effective committee has already been organized for conducting the institute and as a permanent group for continuing effort on behalf of the Associated Christian Colleges. I am very much pleased to have a little share in this work and to feel that real constructive progress is at last being made along lines of a united appeal for the group of Christian colleges and more cooperative relationships between the institutions themselves on the field.

When the officers of the Associated Board become able to determine the points at which overlapping in the work of the institutions can be avoided, some of the objectives set forth by the Burton commission as far back as 1921 will be on the way to fulfillment.

In connection with our institute, we are planning to have a display of literature relating to the different Associated Colleges together with photographs of the campuses and, as far as possible, moving picture films. Will you kindly assemble material along these lines which can be sent to us in time for our institute which will be held on either the 7th or 14th of May.

These are not essential

Heartily yours,

Lucius C. Porter

Lucius C. Porter

Mr. B. A. Garside
Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

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April 22, 1938

Dr. Lucius C. Porter
140 West 9th Street
Claremont, California

Dear Dr. Porter:

Thank you for your letter of April 13th. We are grateful for all that you and Mr. Rugh are doing there on the west coast on behalf of the China Colleges. We hope that the institute you are planning for the Los Angeles region early in May will prove to be a very successful one.

We are at this time mailing to you under separate cover samples of various types of publicity material issued by the Colleges individually and as a group. If you will let us know how many copies you desire of each of these pieces, we will send you a supply immediately.

We can supply you with a copy both of the *Allen & the Yearling* film for your use at the institute. Please let us know the exact date on which you wish the films to arrive, and when you will be able to return them.

We do not at the present time have any very satisfactory set of photographs representing all the campuses of the Colleges. This is one of the publicity tasks still to be worked out. We can send you a small selection of photographs showing a few of the campuses if you would care to have us do so.

I wish that the development of a unified program of Christian higher education in China could be worked out as simply as is indicated in one of the sentences in your letter, "When the officers of the Associated Boards become able to determine the points at which overlapping in the work of the institutions can be avoided, some of the objectives set forth by the Burton Commission as far back as 1921 will be on the way to fulfillment."!! Did you ever give a little study to just what happens in China to plans and proposals formulated in New York without thorough consultation with the field, and without the hearty approval of the administrative officers and Boards of Directors of the Colleges? I doubt whether we are quite ready for that type of fascist regime in the field of Christian

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higher education in China. We hope that one of the results of the present upheaval in China will be that, working unitedly, we can bring about a closer coordination of all the forces of Christian higher education in China. But if and when such a result is brought about, it will not be effected merely because a group of the "officers of the Associated Boards" in New York thought up some brilliant scheme to accomplish that end.

With all good wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

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CLAREMONT COLLEGES
CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA

The Graduate School

May 4, 1938.
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Dear Garside,

Thanks for your letter of April 22nd. We are now planning to have the institute on behalf of the Chinese Christian Colleges for the San Francisco Bay Region held on May 14th and the one for the Los Angeles district on May 21st. Will you kindly send the Ginling and Yenching films for use at these institutes first to Arthur Rugh, 99 Ardmore Road, Berkeley. He will bring the films to our Los Angeles meeting. The films can be returned immediately after the use at Los Angeles on May 21st.

Will you send also to Rugh your selection of photographs illustrating the campuses of the China Christian Colleges, together with the supply of publicity material. It is difficult to say how many copies of each of these peices we desire. We will display on a board in an attractive form copies of all the material showing both front and back sheets. In addition to this material for permanent display, I should think about thirty copies of each piece would be adequate since very few will want a copy of everything offered. People interested in special institutions will take what they want. You might write Arthur Rugh to see if his opinion agrees with mind. We are much obliged to you for your help in these matters.

I may be a little optimistic about the degree to which the unified program for higher education in China is being worked out. As you know, Leighton Stuart and I have from the beginning felt that progress needs to be made by determined efforts from both sides of the ocean. We have done about all we can on the field without persistent pressure from some united organization in America. Of course, I do not believe in dictatorship pure and simple, but pressure in the direction of closer coordination is necessary both on the field and from the home office.

Very sincerely yours,


Lucius C. Porter

Mr. B. A. Garside
National Emergency Committee
for Christian Colleges in China
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

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May 14, 1938

Dear Dr. Porter:

At the moment I write, you are probably just finishing off the last-minute preparations for the Institute in Berkeley. This is a new experiment in our China Colleges publicity program, and we will eagerly await further word as to how it worked out. I'm asking Rugh to give us a paragraph about it to put in our next Progress Bulletin (published May 23rd).

Mr. McBrier took with him, and we forwarded by mail, most of the publicity material described in your letter. Were not able to get the Ginling film into your hands for your Institute today, but a copy is being sent you which should arrive in time for use in Los Angeles on the 21st. It is being sent to you at Claremont Colleges, since we do not know just when Rugh will reach Los Angeles, or where he may be staying this time. We will also send you a supply of other publicity for use in Los Angeles, addressing it direct to you.

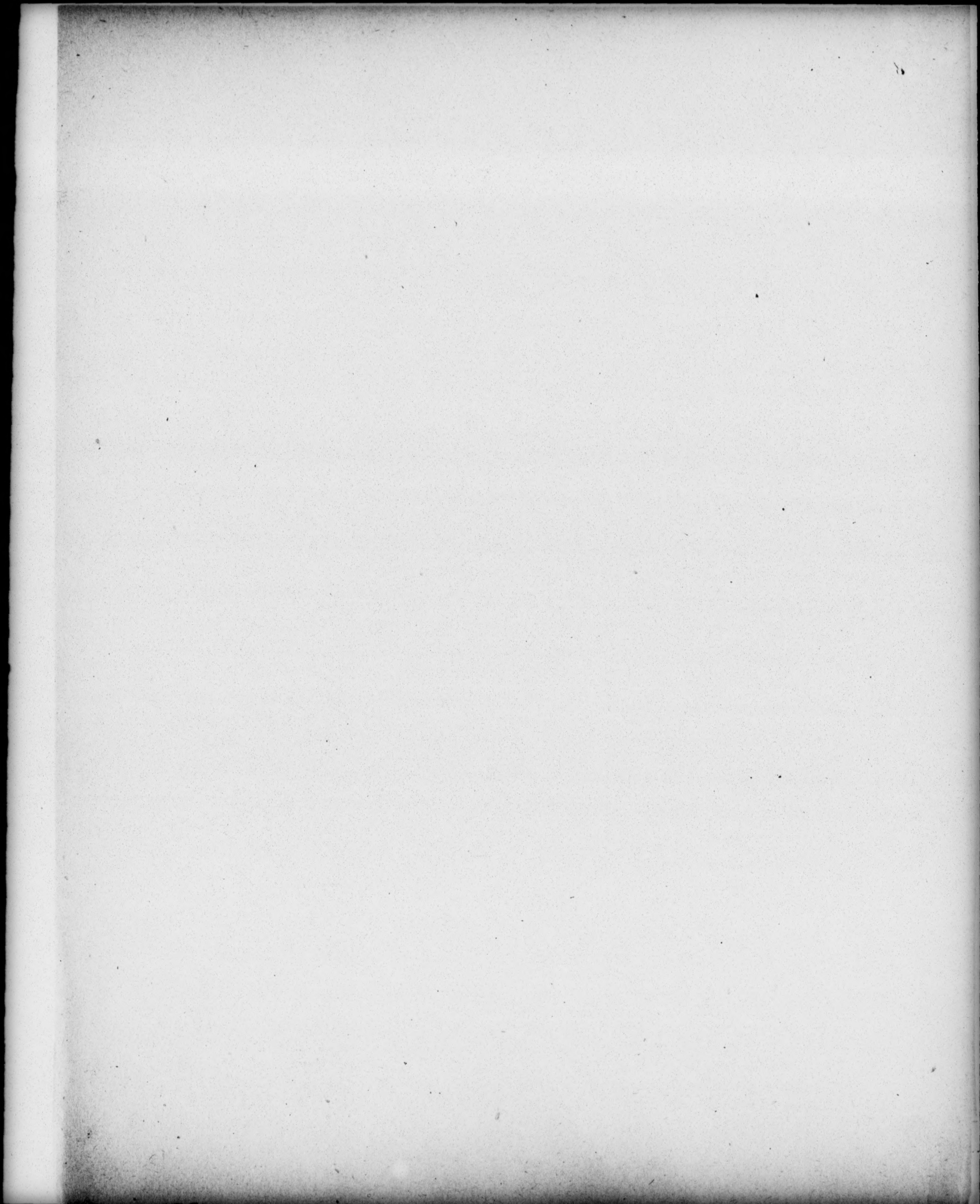
Miss Griest has kindly prepared the attached memorandum of former Ginling Staff and Students who are now in California. Most of them are, as you will note, in and around Los Angeles. Mr. Rugh should have most or all of these names, but sometimes we slip up on giving him full information, so we send the enclosed. We trust that you will draw in all these friends wherever they can be of help.

Of course we are in complete agreement as to the necessity for continued pressure both in China and in America in the direction of closer coordination. I am sure, too, that we are in general agreement as to just what further coordination we consider to be desirable. I have never yet discovered any two leaders from China who would agree exactly on just what closer coordination is ideally to be desired, or as to the most practical steps to attain the goal they have in view. Most folks, when one attempts to bring them down to concrete proposals, begin to get very vague and hazy, and to take refuge in the general position that they and their institution are substantially right, and that the coordinating must be done somewhere else. - But these practical difficulties do not slow us up on the main job of bringing these Colleges closer together. I think I know the direction in which the answer must lie, and am pushing in that direction as fast I can - but it would break the charm if I told the secret!

Cordially,

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CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA

May 26, 1938.

My dear Garside,

You have probably heard from Arthur Rugh regarding the institute in Berkeley on May 14th and also by now a report from the one held in Los Angeles on the 21st. The material which you so kindly sent arrived in time for the Los Angeles institute and was very useful. Unfortunately, the arrangements of rooms at the University Club where the institute was held was such as to make it impossible for us finally to put in the two moving films. We had expected to run them just following the tea, but our quarters were so cramped that it was impossible to have the proper set-up.

Very likely Rugh will write you suggestions which grow out of these institutes that might be used in other places. I will give you just a few of my own. The next time pictures are shown I think it would be advisable to have slides from several of the other colleges with only a selection of the slides from Yenching University. Mr. McBrier made a very good impression with his slides and speech at the Berkeley institute, but I had the feeling there, which was reinforced by the experience at Los Angeles, that it would have been much better to have slides representing three or four of the other institutions and that, in addition to slides showing the beauty of the campuses and buildings, there should be more student action exhibited. Selections could be made showing students on the campus, at sports, in class and library work and also in social service such as classes for poor children and lecturing to the populace.

A committee meeting is being held this afternoon in Los Angeles at which we hold a sort of post-mortem on the Los Angeles institute. The suggestions which come from this meeting will be sent to you later. The point which seems to me most needing attention is the audience. We had a very good program with considerably impressiveness, particularly in the evening session, but there were not enough of the people we want to be impressed present. A local committee would take responsibility for ensuring a larger audience of possible helpers. With the organization of a permanent committee in these regions, this point would undoubtedly be covered for an institute in succeeding years.

Mrs. Porter and I start East on May 31st. You can reach me hereafter during the summer at 717 Chapin Street, Beloit, Wisconsin. We expect to be there by June 11th.

I think I am not breaking any confidence, and probably not telling you anything new, when I say that Mr. O. D. Wannamaker, just back from a visit to Lingnan, is not at all enthusiastic about the Associated Boards. He feels that it

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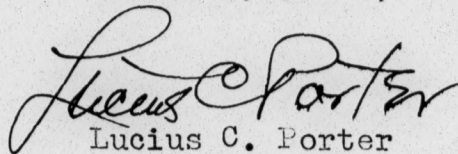
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would be far better for Lingnan and Yenching to combine together and disregard others. I am inclined to think that he does not see the total situation and that even from the limited point of view of the two institutions named there is an advantage in the associated effort.

With warm regards,

Sincerely yours,


Lucius C. Porter

Mr. B. A. Garside
Executive Secretary
Associated Boards for
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150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

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July 8, 1938

Dr. Lucius Porter
717 Chapin Street
Deloit, Wis.

Dear Dr. Porter:

Vernon Nash has placed before us a request which has been presented to some members of the Finance Committee, but upon which definite action is not deemed advisable until your reaction is secured.

To bring the situation up to date, you will recall that you, Mrs. Porter, together with Dr. Stuart approved the use of such balances as were necessary in the Porter Memorial Fund to permit Mr. Nash securing the Degree of Doctor of Education. The action taken by the Executive Committee of Yenching University in conference with the Promotional Committee is as follows:-

"EP-3550 - VOTED that the Executive and Promotion Committee of the Yenching Trustees approve, subject to agreement by President Stuart and Dr. and Mrs. Lucius C. Porter, a program of about three years for Professor Vernon Nash, as follows:-

- (1) That for the next year Professor Nash devote himself primarily to study at Columbia University, looking forward to securing the degree of Doctor of Education, but giving such time as he can spare to promotional work in the interests of the Yenching Department of Journalism.
- (2) That we look forward to including in our promotional plans a year hence active efforts to secure during the two-year period thereafter with the assistance of Mr. Nash, an endowment fund of \$100,000 for the Department of Journalism.
- (3) That the support for Mr. Nash during this three-year period be provided, as far as it cannot be covered from funds secured for journalistic activities, by the use first of the income from the James W. Porter Fund and second of whatever may be required from the principal of that fund."

The above action was taken May 24, 1937 and subsequently was approved by Dr. Stuart, Mrs. Porter and yourself.

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Mr. Nash has found it impossible to complete his studies and secure the Doctor's Degree, and a very careful analysis of the situation shows that it will require another six months to do this. He has made application to the Finance Committee that \$2,500.00 be appropriated from the Porter Fund to carry him on until December 31st.

This last year, \$5,000.00 was appropriated of which \$1,305.95 was taken from accrued income on this account. The balance of \$3,684.05 was charged against principal. Considering that around \$250.00 will be received from the income during the coming year, there will be a total available of \$9,500. Approving the use of \$2,500 therefor, there will be a balance on account December 31st of \$7,000.00.

The Finance Committee apparently has the power to approve this expenditure in view of authorizations in the file. But, as you are in the United States at the present time, it was felt more advisable to consult you before proceeding.

With sincerest personal regards, I am

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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July 12, 1938

Dear Lucius:

When your letter of March 30th reached me, I had in my mind a perfectly good response to your comments on the letters from Yenching, but decided not to record them. There is no way of understanding the bearing of information upon money gifts unless one is actively and daily involved in money raising. Even auxiliary activities in this field do not qualify one to give such judgments, and by auxiliary activities I mean such pleasant and valuable help as you have recently given in the Pacific Coast program. When one gathers audiences such as those as have been listening to you, it is inevitable that one should be impressed and pleased by the interest which they show, but a project must have certain qualities of unquestioned endurance and stability to bring forth gifts in this day, when serious minded citizens of the United States are carrying upon their hearts so many needs close at hand.

You will already have received from the mails of the last few days copies of the letters from J.L.S. and Dr. Galt, presenting well balanced opposite opinions on the immediate future. If it were not for Dr. Galt's contribution, we should now again be plunged in despair as we face our task on Yenching's behalf for next year, but we do believe that Yenching will continue to be wisely led (in the words of a recent message from Grace Boynton) through the poise which comes from the meeting of several well trained minds.

Mr. Garside tells me that he is writing you today concerning an important conference of executives and members of the Associated Boards. This is to be held at Silver Bay on July 29 to 30 inclusive, and it would be an important addition to its personnel if you and Lillian could be there. If you are anywhere east of the Mississippi, will you not put this on your schedule. I am asking Mr. Garside to let you know whether Yenching is prepared to bear your expenses. Personally, as well as officially, I covet your presence for this three day gathering.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Lucius C. Porter
c/o Mr. H. Dudley Porter
243 Walzford Road
Rochester, New York

Mrs. T. D. Macmillan

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CLAREMONT COLLEGES
CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA

From
649 Liberty Street,
Burlington, Wis.

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July 16, 1938

Dear Mr. Evans:

I have your letter of July 8th regarding the grant to the Nashes for salary up to Dec. 31st from the James W. Porter Fund.

Thank you for sending the text of the Yenchiing Trustees vote EP- 3550, taken May 24 1937.

Mrs. Porter and myself are glad to approve the additional grant to enable Mr. Nash to conclude the work for the Ph. D. degree, although we would raise a question as to the amount needed. I suppose Mr. Nash has submitted figures to show in detail just why so large an amount is needed. To allow the equivalent of \$5,000.00 per year seems to us somewhat over generous. For our own expenses during the half-year at Claremont less than \$2,000.00 has been needed. However, I imagine that fees for education are considerable, and expenses in New York somewhat higher than in California. But in 1922-24 we found the Columbia University full-professor's salary of \$6,000.00 more than ample for our needs. And a grant to meet an emergency should not be so nearly equal to a generous full-time salary. As you say the Finance Committee has authority to make the grant as it sees fit, and can probably justify the amount proposed.

What plans do the trustees have for Mr. Nash after the degree work is over? He is far too valuable a man for Yenchiing to let go. The work in journalism at Yenchiing, which is very largely Mr. Nash's achievement, has resulted in the training of a considerable number of men and women who have made a significant contribution to the life of New China. In addition to the service rendered to their profession and to Chinese life their work has given to the university a prestige and publicity hardly equalled by the graduates of any other single department. In these days of crisis in China the press and publicity work is of the greatest value in spreading information to inspire the common folk of China with loyalty to the national cause and determination to resist aggression. A man of such successful experience is greatly needed in China now, or in work in America for China's cause. The trustees might well sacrifice somewhere in order to make possible the continuance of the Nashes on the Yenchiing staff.

I venture to enclose a memorandum which I prepared in making an appeal for Mr. Nash's support to three or four wealthy friends interested in journalism and its development. I should like to have Mr. McBrier see it and other trustees if they care to read the memorandum. Will you kindly return this copy when it has served its purpose, or have a copy made for me, as I may find other opportunities to present it to friends who might help.

In this connection let me say that the American Board has determined to give generous support to the China Relief campaign conducted by the Federal Council. Secretary Dr. Wynn Fairfield has been allocated to that work as director for one year. Five of our missionaries have given up return to China in order

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to take part in the campaign. And Mrs. Porter and I have been urged to delay our return to China for a six months period of work in the same campaign. The need at Yenching, in view of the reduction in the staff of the department of philosophy caused by the departure of Dr. Y.P. Mei for work in China's Northwest, and the desire of Prof. T.S. Chang to do patriotic work, seemed to require my return. However, the American Board cabled directly to President Stuart asking his judgment on the question of such a delay in my return. His answer was relayed to me by telegram yesterday as follows; "Porter delay approved, Stuart "

I am quite ready to do this service for China in America if Prof. Elisseeff and the Harvard-Yenching Institute have no objection, and have written to secretary Robert E. Chandler, suggesting that he and Dr. Fairfield themselves approach the Harvard-Yenching Institute requesting an extension of my time in America in order to campaign for China Relief. I suggested that Dr. Fairfield, whose office is 297 Fourth Avenue, New York City, see Mr. Garside, who is in close touch with the H.Y.I. trustees, for suggestions about dealing with them. I am very anxious not to jeopardize the satisfactory relations that I now have with Prof. Elisseeff, director of the H.Y.I., by doing anything that does not have his approval. If he has no objection I shall enter into the campaign for China Relief with great eagerness. But I wish to be sure of his approval, and feel that it will much better for the American Board and Relief Committee to make the request for my release than for me to present the case myself. You, as representing Yenching, can assure him, or the HYI, that the proposal has President Stuart's approval, and that arrangements can be made for Prof. William Hung and a committee at Yenching to handle the work I would carry were I on the field.

However it occurs to me that Mr. Nash would be a excellent member of the China Relief team. If the trustees could arrange for Mr. Nash's salary as an emergency measure to help China he could do all and more than I could in America and I could be sent back to Yenching, where there is also a very real need for strengthening the team at the "front."

Will you undertake to get in touch with Dr. Fairfield, and also with Dr. E. H. Hume, and Dr. Eric North, who are on the HYI board and know the situation at Yenching and in China, and see what seems to them the best solution of the problem of meeting the need both in America and in China?

Very cordially yours,

Lucius C. Porter
Lucius C. Porter

Mr. C. A. Evans,
Associated Boards for the Christian Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, N.Y.

P.S. Please note the Burlington address. I expect to be here until the end of July.

L.C.P.

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649 Liberty Street,
Burlington, Wis.

July 21st 1938

Dear Mr. Evans :

After reading with care President Stuart's memorandum to the Yenching Trustees and Dr. Galt's " Footnote " I am anxious to have you send the following cable to Yenching

" YENTA, PEIPING, CHINA

PREFER RETURN YENCHING SUPPORTING GALTS FOOTNOTE

AND HARYEN INTERESTS CABLE DECISION

PORTER "

The issue raised by Stuart and Galt is of the first importance to the university and I feel strongly that I am needed at the Peiping end rather than in America. I want this viewpoint of mine to be considered in deciding on the field where they prefer me to work.

I have written Secretary Chandler of the American Board of my desire for a reply to the cable as above written, but suggest that he continue negotiations with the Harvard Yenching Institute so that any decision I reach will be understood by them.

You may be able to include this message in a cable containing other questions you may wish to ask. I hope the cable for me can be sent promptly.

Please hand to Mrs. Macmillan the enclosed letter to her.

I am still holding my sailing for China which has been changed to the S.S. Empress of Japan leaving Vancouver Aug. 20th.

Sincerely yours,

Lucius C. Porter
Lucius C. Porter

Mr. C.A. Evans,
Yenching University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

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Amur letter from the President will remain open.



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649 Liberty Street,
Burlington, Wis.

July 21, 1938

Dear Eva:

Thanks for your letter of July 12th. With your main position I entirely agree. I will not stop now to give my views but will send you soon a copy of my rebuttal to Stuart's memorandum of June 4th. I agree fully with Dr. Galt's position and have an effective argument against Stuart.

We do need stability in presenting Yenching interests in America and can find it in maintaining a truly Christian position, as Galt does, and showing that "Yenching spirit" demands faith and courage to continue the struggle for freedom even under difficult conditions. Stuart has let his personal feelings run away with him. If he can't work under Japanese overlordship he should resign. I respect his feelings but not his wisdom. Anyone unable to face the Japanese music in North China should go elsewhere.

You will see the cable I am asking Mr. Evans to send at once to Yenching to help me in answering the appeal of the American Board that I remain six months more in America to help in China Relief. That work is important but others can do it as well or better than I. As one of the "old guard" at Yenching I am needed on the field.

As to the Silver Bay meeting I should be glad to attend if it is important enough to cut off some of the days of our family vacation. We have Elizabeth and her family and Dudley and his wife with us. The men have two weeks only and we treasure every day with them. They stay until July 31st, and I don't wish to lose the last four days with them unless it is a matter of prime importance. Let me know after you have seen my reply to Stuart.

Always heartily yours,


Lucius C. Porter,

Mrs. T.D. Macmillan,
Associated Board of Colleges in China,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

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For Mrs Macmillan

Courtesy of Mr Evans

NOTE: See correspondence with J. W. MacNair, July 28, 1938 to MacNair, Aug. 1, 1938 from MacNair Aug. 15, 1938- from MacNair, reply from MacNair Aug. 15, 1938.

July 22, 1938

Dr. Lucius Porter
649 Liberty Street
Burlington, Wisconsin

Dear Dr. Porter:

Mr. Garside has asked me to write to you about the pictures that we sent you last May to be used at the Los Angeles Institute.

Our records show that there were 59 of these pictures. Some of them were quite valuable and many of them the only copies that we have. If they are not in use at the present time, we would like very much to have them returned. Can you give us the name of the person in Los Angeles to whom we should write to have them returned?

Sincerely yours,

James A. Cameron

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July 22, 1938

Dr. Lucius C. Porter
649 Liberty Street
Burlington, Wis.

Dear Dr. Porter:

We had a meeting of the Executive Committee of Yenching Trustees yesterday noon. I tried to write you after the meeting but it was impossible.

First of all, approval was given for the expenditure of \$2,500 over the next six months, with the hope that Mr. Nash will secure his Doctor's Degree in Education by that time. Of course, the trustees have endorsed an endowment fund for Journalism with the hope that Mr. Nash could raise a larger portion of same. Under prevailing conditions, however, asking for endowment seems to be out of the question, emergency relief being the important consideration.

The Executive Committee did not feel it advisable for Mr. Nash to set aside his studies during the Fall, especially if the Porter Fund is to provide his expenses during that period.

All along the trustees have constantly maintained that they had no responsibility for individuals hired outside of the budget. It was undertaken in one instance, which has not turned out satisfactorily. There is not much sentiment, therefore, among the trustees for underwriting Mr. Nash from year to year.

Regarding your own position, and the attitude of the Harvard-Yenching Institute, your letter received this afternoon somewhat changes the situation. The Executive Committee, while giving thought to your proposal, did not feel it was a matter for them to decide, and it was understood no request had been made for their decision. It was my desire, however, to secure their judgment. I have talked with Dr. Hume, also Eric North, and the former felt that his judgement would be that you should return to the field if all of the information contained in your letter represented the whole story. Dr. North felt it was a matter to be decided between yourself and the Harvard-Yenching Institute. As Dr. Elisseeff is in Europe and Dean Donham is on his vacation, there seemed to be little chance of getting any final word. Your letter of the 21st seems to present an answer to the situation, and we will forward the cable to the field.

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Dr. Lucius C. Porter

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Your letter to Mrs. Macmillan has been forwarded to her, and we wish to thank you for the sailing date that you are reserving for your trip to China.

It is possible that I shall write you again within the next few days.

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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150 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

26 July 1938

Dear Lucius:

It may be that in the rush of things no definite response has been sent you in regard to Silver Bay. When I referred your note of July 21st to Mr. Carside yesterday, he was certain that we ought not to urge you to be present at the cost of lost days in the family vacation. No one of us who has sat with you in meetings, East or West, is unaware of what you would bring to our forthcoming gathering. If you return up there, you will be greeted most thankfully.

I am grateful for the confidence which you have placed in me in the frank comments contained in your recent note. May Yenching sturdily carry on!

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. Lucius Porter
649 Liberty Street
Burlington
Wisconsin

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August 1, 1938

DR. LUCIUS C. PORTER
646 LIBERTY STREET
BURLINGTON, WISCONSIN

FOLLOWING CABLE RECEIVED FROM YENCHING THIS MORNING, "ADVISE PORTER USE OWN DISCRETION
UNIVERSITY WILLING RELEASE IF OTHER CLAIMS SEEM SUFFICIENT STUART" LETTER FOLLOWS.

G. A. EVANS

WESTERN UNION GIFT ORDERS SOLVE THE PERPLEXING QUESTION OF WHAT TO GIVE.

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Delevan, Wis.

Aug. 1, 1938

Dear Mr. Cameron:

The pictures referred to in your letter of July 22nd were taken care of at Los Angeles by Mr. Arthur Hugh and Mr. E.M. Mc Brier; I simply delivered the package to them for use at the China Colleges Institute. I have no knowledge of what was done with them after the institute. I am sorry not to be of help to you in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Lucius Porter

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Copy Memo & return

August 5, 1938

Dr. Lucius C. Porter
407 Highland Avenue
Elgin, Ill.

Dear Dr. Porter:

Your letter of August 3rd brings to light the fact that I did not write you a covering letter as I promised. These days in the office when we are working under stress of circumstances outside of the weather which is enough in itself, has simply disorganized our whole outfit.

What I intended to say was that you and the field, plus the Harvard-Yenching Institute must be the ones to decide the issue involved. Leighton Stuart's letter of June 16th is not very reassuring, although it speaks of a very definite determination to carry on.

We had too short a time with Mr. and Mrs. Shadick, although we did manage to have several luncheons.

In view of the fact that you have made a decision to stay on, it is quite possible we will see you later on in the year.

With cordial good wishes, I remain

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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(air mail)

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407 Highland Avenue,
Elgin, Ills.

Aug. 3, 1938

Dear Mr. Evans:

Your telegram reporting the cabled answer from Dr. Stuart to my cable, sent from your office, was relayed to me by telephone. Thank you. I shall soon receive your covering letter.

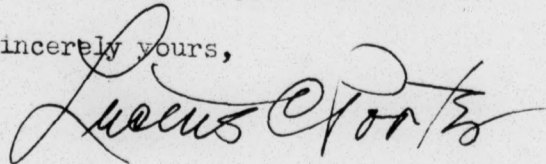
In view of the fact that the American Board had already received the approval of the Harvard-Yenching Institute for my extension of leave for China Relief work, and in view of Stuart's willingness to have me make the decision in the light of the importance of other claims I have decided to remain in America through December 1938 to engage in China Relief work.

I am in communication with Dr. Wynn Fairfield, the director of the work, and will report as soon as I know the district to which I am to be assigned. It may be the Eastern District.

For the remainder of this month the above address may be used to reach me.

By a curious set of coincidences I was able to see Mr. Shaddick for a couple of hours at Madison, Wis., and could send by his hand my letter to Stuart on the whole matter of my remaining. I shall also send by him my reaction to the Stuart-Galt memorandum of June 4th to Yenching trustees. I support Dr. Galt's view that Yenching should not consider any move away from Peiping, but remain to press its struggle for freedom of thought and life, and its ideals of truth and service whatever the difficulties placed in its way by despotic overlords.

Very sincerely yours,



Mr. C.A. Evans,
Yenching University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

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West Salem, Wis.

August 7th 1938

Dear Mr. Evans:

I enclose a copy of a statement sent to President Stuart, by the safe hand of Mr. Harold Shadwick, which gives a part of my reaction to the Stuart Memorandum and Galt "footnote" of June 4th. You may use it as you like in the discussion of the problem of Yenching's future raised by President Stuart.

We are to be here visiting Mrs. Porter's brother for six days. For a mail address, however, you better keep to the Elgin, Ills, address, - 407 Highland Ave. -

Very truly yours,

Lucius C. Porter

Mr. C. A. Evans,
Yenching University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

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COMMENTS ON THE STUART-GALT MEMORANDUM
OF JUNE 4, 1938

by
L.C. Porter

After reading with care the memorandum and the "footnote" and thinking over the problem which those documents present for Yenching University I wish to record a few points that lead me to the view that the university plan to remain permanently in Peiping, whatever the future may develop, in loyalty to the spirit expressed in the university motto "Freedom through Truth for Service."

1. President Stuart is to be commended for making clear again the place that "Freedom" has in the Yenching ideal, and in the work and achievement of the past twenty years. Yenching is what it is today because of loyalty to freedom and determination to struggle for freedom in every phase of thought and activity. Yenching cannot remain Yenching except by maintaining loyalty to the ideal of personal and social freedom. But Yenching will remain most truly Yenching, not by withdrawing to some asylum elsewhere in China where the obstacles in the way of expressing freedom will be fewer than in North China, but by remaining where the difficulties are great and may be increased; remaining in order to maintain the struggle in the face of difficulty and obstacles, heartening the Chinese youth who will have no way of escape, encouraging them to remain Chinese in spirit and culture, training them for the continuous struggle for free opportunity for living the abundant life of unfettered development; remaining to become a bulwark and stay for the mature Chinese population of the region upon whom the pressure to submit in spirit as well as in external ways will be heaviest; remaining to be an observer of what is done by the overlords, and a reporter to the world of what they do; remaining because Yenching is fired by the spirit of Christ and must "bear witness to the truth", which includes freedom, in the land to which we have been sent as Christ was sent into the world.

In the long history of mankind's struggle for freedom, there are instances where the combatants for freedom and truth have been obliged to leave their own place and have been forced into exile because of their loyalty to ideals, but such withdrawal has come only as a last resort. The determined and effective struggle for freedom has been conducted in the very region of difficulty and danger, and maintained until even conquerors and despots have been moved, modified or converted. Yenching must remain in North China.

It is possible that there are individuals, both westerners and Chinese, to whom the conditions of living under Japanese overlordship will seem so intolerable, and will have such effect upon their sensibilities and psychology as to make necessary withdrawal from North China. Such persons, whether on the teaching staff or among administrators, should leave North China and find such opportunities for carrying on the struggle for freedom as their consciences determine for them. But the institution as such is committed to the area in which it is established and should be continued by those who can heartily maintain loyalty to freedom, truth and service even under adverse conditions.

2. The experience of institutions elsewhere in China indicates the difficulty and often disaster of moving. Yenching, itself, is an example of the advantage of enduring the first storm of war and remaining to continue its work behind enemy lines.

The testimony of some of the Yenching trustees indicates that a stronger appeal for maintenance funds can be made to Americans just because of remaining behind the lines and continuing work.

3. Dr. Galt in his "footnote" speaks of his meditations over the experience of Jesus who developed his teaching when his native land was under Roman domination. I have thought much on this experience of Jesus and of the teaching which grew out of his experience. I have come to feel that Jesus' rejection of the temptation to establish the Kingdom of God, the rule of righteousness among men, by means of political influence and military power, and his choice of the way of personal influence and conversion, the way of overcoming evil with good, should have larger influence in Christian teaching than it has had. Jesus resisted the temptation to establish a dictatorship of righteousness in the world. Many men have wondered why God should not have established his own dictatorship over human life and planned them or forced them into righteous ways. Jesus rejected all political schemes for the liberation of his own people, he turned away from the path of violent revolution, or attempt at revolution. And the marvel of human history is that his way of winning freedom has been in such large measure successful against the "kingdoms of the world". In numerous respects these very "kingdoms" now approximate methods that involve consideration for persons and their development. The world is still very far from the ideal Jesus upheld. But human history presents evidence for the success of Jesus' way, even when measured in terms of cold realism.

The temptation before Yenching is to identify itself too closely with political influences, and partisanship. If we are to be followers of Jesus and defenders of his cause we must turn from this temptation as he did. We must put truth and service before us as well as freedom, and find in non-political ways the opportunities to develop the loyalty to freedom and truth that will inspire our students in their own practical ways of life, and impress those who differ from or object to us with our sincere devotion to all truth and our determination to struggle for freedom for all men.

One thinks of the testimony that the Friends have given through many centuries to their view of Christian truth, and of the incalculable influence for good which that testimony has had. May not Yenching be called to bear testimony at "such a time as this" in this region under an alien control to the real spirit of Christ and his teaching, holding firmly to the faith that righteousness, and love, freedom and truth, are enduring and undefeatable values, because they are a part of God's will for men?

I do not send these notes as a complete statement of the case, but as points that particularly move me, and as my contribution to the discussion of the problem on the field. I would not consider moving even a part of Yenching elsewhere. If some persons cannot abide the Japanese rule let them join the numerous institutions already in action on the Chinese side in the southwest and west of China. To talk of moving Yenching elsewhere is to talk of adding a rival among the many institutions struggling to maintain themselves. It would be far better to advocate winding up Yenching and turning its personnel and financial resources over to some other Christian and private institution. That would be in line with the support of full cooperation in Chinese Christian education which Yenching leaders have maintained for many years.

But North China will not cease being North China whatever Japan does. And many millions of Chinese must live here. Are they not a part of the China which Christian education is trying to serve? And who should remain among them or try to help them but the institution established at the Northern capital? It may cost us our dream of a national Christian institution. But we should not let our own dream stand in the way of a Christian service that must be maintained by someone.

As for me and my house I can see no reason for considering removal and there are no emotional appeals except to continued effort toward maintaining the "Yenching Spirit" in the region where it was born and where it has grown.

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August 10, 1938

Dr. Lucius C. Porter
407 Highland Avenue
Elgin, Illinois

Dear Dr. Porter:

Thank you for your letter of August 7th enclosing copy of a communication sent to Dr. Stuart through Harold Chadick.

We will keep this communication in hand for consideration when the subject is discussed by our committee later on.

You may be interested in knowing that Mrs. McBrier passed away yesterday very suddenly and the funeral is to be held Friday afternoon from the home - 203 South Mountain Avenue, Montclair, New Jersey. She has been a wonderful companion for Mr. McBrier, and he is completely broken up.

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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West Salem, Wis. Aug. 11th 1938

Dear Mr. Evans:

Two days ago I received a letter from Dr. Wynn C. Fairfield, of the American Board relaying the following message from North China which came through the State Department in Washington;

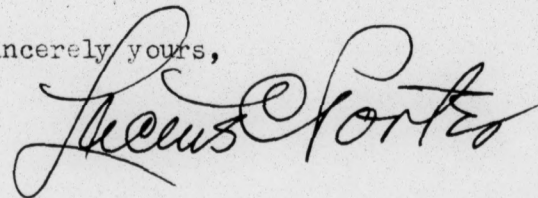
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This message evidently comes after Stuart and Ballou, who is secretary of the Kung Li Hui, the American Board organization in North China, had received letters from Fairfield explaining the work which he desired me to do in this country.

Mrs. Porter and I decided at once to return to China and hope for a sailing early in September, to be secured through the American Board.

Our plans have certainly been changed and rechanged this summer. We hope this is the last change.

Sincerely yours,



Mr. C.A. Evans,
Yenching University
Peiping 150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

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August 15, 1938

Dr. Lucius C. Porter
West Salem
Wisconsin

Dear Dr. Porter:

We are enclosing herewith a statement by Mr. Vernon Nash
regarding the future of journalism at Yenching University.

Very truly yours,

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DEVELOPING JOURNALISM TO HELP RURAL RECONSTRUCTION
IN CHINA WITH ADVANTAGEOUS CONNECTIONS
WITH AMERICAN JOURNALISM

The whole movement for the reconstruction of the life of the masses of the Chinese people can be greatly aided by intelligent, well-trained journalists, themselves imbued with a keen sense of service for the common folk of their nation. The mass education movement headed by Dr. James Y. C. Yen has already made notable progress. The leadership of Dr. Yen and his forward-reaching ideas is already being made use of by central government agencies, but the entire movement can be greatly aided by a service which the press of China can render provided that editors and reporters have themselves caught something of the vision of social service which inspires such men as Dr. Yen.

One of the few centers in China for careful technical training for the profession of journalism combined with emphasis on the ideals of service for the people and national reconstruction is found in the Department of Journalism of Yenching University. This department was established first as an experiment in 1924 when President J. Leighton Stuart secured from special sources interested in journalism funds for the support of Mr. Roswell Britton, trained at the Pulitzer School of Journalism of Columbia University, and Mr. Vernon Nash, trained in journalism under Dr. Walter Williams of the University of Missouri, for the limited period. The work offered proved attractive to students from the beginning, a number of the best qualified university students electing to major in the department. Additional funds to continue the work were secured in a special campaign conducted by Mr. Vernon Nash in which generous contributions were made by a number of the leading newspaper publishers and editors of the United States. It was hoped that before the funds so secured were exhausted, it would be possible to secure from Chinese sources funds to ensure the continuance of the work in journalism at Yenching University. These hopes were in part realized and funds secured from Chinese friends interested in the improvement of journalism in their own country to support Chinese members of the staff, but the uncertainties and difficulties in the China situation since 1931 prevented the securing of endowment funds adequate to establish the work on a permanent basis for a long future. The record made by students, both men and women, who during the fourteen years of its existence have specialized in the department of journalism, has been gratifying to all those interested in the project. Twenty graduates are now in Hankow serving in various news agencies and newspapers. Two graduates, one of whom had post-graduate training in journalism in the United States, are in the English section of the Central News Service at Hongkong. Norman Sung was on the U. S. S. Panay and contributed to the stories published in the New York Times to the service of which he is related.

The most brilliant and widely-known journalism alumnus among Chinese readers is at Hankow as literary editor of the Ta Kung

Pao, one of the foremost newspapers of China, formerly edited at Tsientsin, but now at Hankow. Hsiao went directly to the service of this great newspaper upon graduation and within eighteen months had been advanced to his present position. Three other Yenching University journalists are on the staff of this journal. Two other Yenching journalism alumni are now in Hongkong as part of the advance staff to inaugurate a Hongkong edition of this great paper to replace the former Shanghai edition. One of the recent women graduates, who has been news head of a successful news agency in Canton, is also joining the Ta Kung Pao staff in Hongkong. Another graduate is foreign news editor of the Central Daily Press.

These are but a few examples to indicate the important influence which men and women with technical journalism training and the ideals expressed in the Yenching University motto "freedom through truth for service" are having on Chinese journalism. All of the agencies with which these men are connected are committed to the program of unification, organization and defense which dominates the thought of the national leaders today. Of the leading positions suggested, there are held by men who came to Missouri University Department of Journalism after graduation at Yenching and received the M.A. degree in journalism there. There has been for several years a very close connection between Missouri and Yenching, and three Yenching graduates are now there working for advanced degrees. There is thus a very close connection already between journalism at Yenching and the United States.

It is evident that the men and women whose successful work has been mentioned above are in key positions to be of service in promoting every progressive movement in China. The need for better intra-China news services for such promotion is evident. It should be clear also that Chinese such as these can in addition be of great service to Western correspondents since they can secure the news and explanatory background material at first hand and through their knowledge of English and of American journalistic habits make the same available for use in the United States.

It is with particular emphasis on this possibility that this memorandum is being written. Any newspaper publisher in the United States at all interested in the world situation in Eastern Asia and its news value for the people of the United States can secure unusual help in the development of that interest by entering into a cooperative arrangement with the Department of Journalism of Yenching University. An arrangement could be easily worked out by which Yenching journalism students from all over China can relay their news in part to the headquarters of the department with a technically trained journalism man there well qualified to understand the newspaper habits and interest of the American public who would prepare the material for use in the American press. Thus at a very small expense a service of incalculable value could be secured.

At the present time, in view of the difficulties which have been mentioned in securing from Chinese sources adequate endowment funds for the permanent maintenance of the Department of Journalism at Yenching, the future of the undertaking is jeopardized. Journalism work is being conducted at Yenching by a Chinese with a long successful record

of practical newspaper work, but there is not as yet permanent provision for the salary of the American needed to stimulate future development of the work and to be key man in the organizing of the relationship between the department of journalism at Yenching and its graduates, and American newspapers which has been outlined above. The ideal man for this position and development is Mr. Vernon Nash who has already given a dozen years of energetic service to the cause. By making permanent provision for his annual salary, the whole scheme can be put into effect. Friends of China and of the progressive movements represented by such men as James Yen and many others can find no more significant way of helping than to make possible the return of Mr. Nash and his family to service at Yenching University in the Department of Journalism. The provision of an annual sum so small as \$3,000. would make the whole plan possible.

As one looks into the future beyond the Sino-Japanese warfare, one sees a time when China's resources will be again available for providing the endowments needed for maintenance and development of the Department of Journalism at Yenching. Are there not men of vision in the field of journalism in the United States to take advantage of this opportunity to help China through journalism and at the same time secure for their own newspaper an unusual foreign news service to increase its distinction and prestige?

August 15, 1938

Dr. Lucius C. Porter
West Salem, Wis.

Dear Dr. Porter:

Yours of the 11th is at hand. Seemingly the signals are all off and we start over again from scratch. We will note for the information of inquiring friends and interested parties that you are hoping to sail early in September.

May I extend to you my very best wishes for a satisfactory voyage and great satisfaction in the work you are returning to resume.

With cordial good wishes, I am

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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August 19, 1938

Dr. Lucius Porter
407 Highland Avenue
Elgin, Ill.

Dear Dr. Porter:

Thank you for your letter with the latest word about your sailing on the Empress of Asia on September 3rd. The letter for Mr. Becker I have forwarded as requested, and we have sent you a card giving his address.

It is in one respect unfortunate that you are returning so soon as we would have liked to have seen you personally. However, we wish you all kinds of satisfaction in the work you are going out to carry on, and trust that you will find conditions will be better than anticipated.

Most cordially yours

CAE:CB

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407 Highland Ave.
Elgin, Ills.

August 19th 1938

Dear Mr. Evans:

Thanks for your notes of August 15th with the copy of my memorandum on journalism.

We have been fortunate in securing reservations for the return to China and are booked on the S.S. Empress of Asia of the Canadian Pacific Line, sailing from Vancouver on Sept. 3rd. This will complete your information on our whereabouts for inquiring friends. We plan to leave Elgin on August 23 and auto across the country to Seattle, taking in the Black Hills, Big Horn Rockies, Yellowstone, and Columbia River Highway en route.

I am anxious to get in touch with Mr. L.W. Bocker of Seattle; he was formerly the treasurer of Yenching University. As I do not have any address later than 1930 I will ask you to forward the enclosed letter, adding the latest address in your files. We have frequently called on him to help in business matters for Yenching that require attention at Seattle. I will be greatly obliged to you for helping in making the connection with Bocker.

Give my greetings to friends in the office. Had I remained in the U.S. for relief work I should undoubtedly have had a chance to see you all.

Very truly yours,

Lucius C. Porter
Lucius C. Porter,

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Mr. C. A. Evans,
Yenching University
150 Fifth Ave.
New York City.

P.S. Will you kindly send me a card
with Bocker's latest address?
Thank you LCP.

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NOTE: See the following correspondence with Wm. S. Ament- Sept. 21, 1938- from Mr. Ament, Sept. 27, 1938- to Mr. Ament- Oct. 8, 1938 from Ament and Oct. 14, 1938 to Ament. "AM" miscellaneous folder.

September 27, 1938

*Ack by Cockingham
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Dr. Lucius Porter
Yenching University
Peking, China

Dear Dr. Porter:

We were somewhat surprised to receive a letter from a Mr. William S. Ament asking for various information regarding travel to China, and stating that he has been given a grant of \$1,000 from the Porter Foundation.

Does our office figure in making any advance payments to him and to what extent, also to what account would such advances be charged?

It is quite possible that there is a letter enroute, but it would not seem to be out of order to make an inquiry anyway.

With sincerest personal regards, I remain

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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