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Mr. W. H. Schuelte
1305 Arnot Building
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. Schuelte:

When I had the pleasure of talking with you last, just before I left for China, you were so kind as to suggest that I write you about this time, recalling to you the hope that you expressed that perhaps you might share with us in our work even more extensively than you have done heretofore. It would not be as easy for me to overstate the joy I have had since returning here of finding the work developing upon such thoroughly fine and solid lines. If I spoke with a good deal of conviction about this wonderful bit of work before I returned to China, all the facts that I have gathered and all my observation of the situation, together with many conversations with men who know the facts, have but re-inforced that conviction. I still think that so far as I know the world, there is not a single spot where this sum of money could be invested that would have greater returns from the point of view of meeting the needs of humanity and of advancing Christianity. I find that on return here we are gradually developing a fine group of men and women, both westerners and Chinese, who are fired with a great esprit-de-corps, devoting their lives (some of them with no little sacrifice) in their eagerness to advance the cause of humanity and Christianity (which indeed are one). In spite of applying the highest entrance standards we ever used, we have 540 students coming to us from every province in China; and I think I have never seen a finer body of students since I have been in China. So far as we know, this is the largest group of students of full college grade ever gathered together in China. The reputation of the University is now spread abroad throughout the land and I think it would not be easy to overstate the opportunity that lies ahead of the University in both the near and ultimate future.

The site in its own natural beauty is quite beyond anything I expected to find and the buildings in their strength, usefulness, and beauty exceed anything I had dared to hope. These buildings represent a new and successful creation in architecture. There is nothing like them in China, for that matter in the world at the present time. A Methodist Bishop of India has recently been travelling in China and he gave expression in a similar way as to the uniqueness of Peking University now in process of developing.

All through the difficulties that have been going on here, our work has gone along quietly and without interruption and as far as I can see it is likely to do so. Certainly the changes here are remarkable, and if the Christian General Fong, who has been taking the lead in all these changes, is strong enough to win out without getting

This man asked me to
write to him at his home.
He is a fine man carrying a
big load in a bumper church.
He has given us \$100 two or three times
& when I saw him last he said that
if church members did not find
it to be heavy for them to give
more - \$500. - it might
be \$1000. -

Schuelte
Pgh
November 3, 1924.

singed in the fire it may mean a good deal for the advancement of Christianity. You know that General Feng was won to Christianity by one of our graduates. He has some 30,000 soldiers under him. At the present time about one half of them are Christian men and it is a wonderful site to see them passing along singing "Onward Christian Soldiers" and other Christian hymns. All other soldiers are always feared by the Chinese populace, but Feng's soldiers are so well trained and have such a fine spirit they arouse no fear. Of course we are likely to be subject to these changes from time to time out here, and no one could get discouraged over the situation if they have a long enough view. I perfectly marvel at the progress which has taken place in China in twenty seven years that I have been here, both in national attitude and in the progress of our Christian work. Without doubt it is a matter of first importance to stand back of the work in China in a very special way for the next few years because in all probability the trend of the Christian movement in China will depend upon our adequately handling the situation now and especially in our strengthening such a Christian University as this in raising up Christian leaders for China.

If at any time you wish to get quickly immediate information you can always do so by writing to our Executive Secretary, Mr. J. H. Lewis, Peking University, 156 Fifth Avenue.

Hoping that you may co-operate with us as fully as possible in our heavy and inspiring task, believe me

Yours very sincerely,

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February 17th 1926

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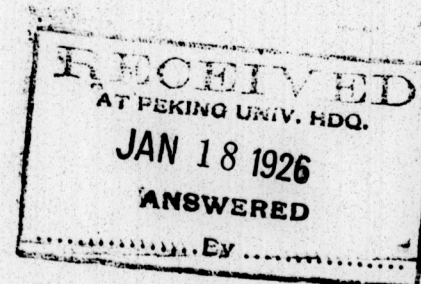
Dr.H.W.Luce has forwarded to me your letter of January 22nd in reference to my subscription which was to have been paid on or before January 1926, and am sorry that you did not notify me before the year was out as not having kept any particular memorandum I depended upon further notice from you.

Attached hereto you will find check to cover.

Yours very truly,

WHS*GV

M. V. Schneider

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July 1, 1926.

Mr. William H. Schuetto,
1405 Arrott Building,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Schuetto:

I am enclosing a formal receipt for your gift to Peking University. I need not tell you how deeply I appreciate your cooperation with us in this inspiring task at Peking.

I had hoped to drop in again before I left Pittsburgh to tell you of some of the remarkably fine things that have been happening to the University, but I had to leave the city earlier than I expected. I have just today returned here to the office and I find that friends here confirm my very strong impression that the University has taken advantage of the strong rising tide of national aspiration on the part of the Chinese and has been carried to a place of national significance and influence which I thought would take us several more years to gain. With each passing year I am more and more confident that the investment which you are making in Peking is gilt edged.

You will be interested to know that this very month the University is moving out to the new site. Some of the buildings are not entirely completed and the formal dedication of the buildings will not take place until October 1926. Even now we do not have enough dormitories and residences to cover the whole body of students and the faculty and it now seems clear to me that I must stay in America permanently in the hope of raising up a growing group of friends who will help us complete the last fifth of the foundations of the University and then put on the super-structure worthy of the cause we represent in the great capital city of China, which is also its great student and literary center.

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Thanking you again for your fellowship and
warm interest in this what seems to be an
exceptionally fine piece of work. Believe me,

Very sincerely yours,

HWL
Enclosure

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Santa Barbara, California
December 27, 1926

My dear Mr. Schuette:

I had intended to write to you before I left New York and thought I had done so but our office secretary thinks not. I am now writing from Santa Barbara where I am resting a few days preparatory to starting out again in the eternal "trek" for the great University arising there at Peking. On December 2nd I met Mrs. Luce at San Francisco whom I left two years ago in Peking. You can imagine that in a very special way this has been a very happy Christmas for me. I wish the raising up of the Christian University at the capital at a quarter of human race did not "cost" so much but I suppose that it is the way of the world that things most worth while cost the most.

I am sending you a pamphlet just received from Dr. Stuart which tells in an admirable way something of the opening days on the new site. I think you will read it with no little interest.

I want to share with you a thought that has come to me more than once of late. I feel that we are on such happy relationships that I can frankly state it to you knowing that as you turn it over in your mind you will be led to do the right thing.

One of our most serious needs is to properly house these missionary teachers who are giving their lives in great devotion and with no little sacrifice to raising up these Christian leaders for China. The type of house which we are now most in need of costs \$5000 and I was wondering if without making any definite pledge you would like to take as an ultimate objective one of these residences paying in \$500 a year during a period of ten years or even longer if conditions arose which in your judgment made it require a longer time. It could be so arranged with the University that it could be regarded not as a definite pledge but as the expression of an earnest hope which you might like to make in due time a reality. I know of no square half mile in the world where an "investment" of this nature would give greater

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finer and more satisfactory returns.

Assured that the matter will have your most careful consideration as you consider your share in the great Christian movement as it presses through the world today and with deep appreciation of your fellowship and cooperation in the inspiring task there at Peking, I am

Every sincerely yours,

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January 5th 1927

Dr. Henry W Luce,
Santa Barbara, Cal.

Dear Dr. Luce:

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I am in receipt of yours of the 27th ult. and am pleased to learn that you have had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Luce on her return from Pekin, and I am sure that your Christmas joy was greatly increased by having her with you.

* I have received and read with very great interest the pamphlet that you have sent me, and am glad to know that things are opening up for the University in such a wonderful way.

I am very much interested in your suggestion about the Missionary Teachers' houses, and I will think it over for a little while. At present we are being so heavily campaigned here in Pittsburgh that it is hard to see clearly ahead for any length of time, because of the five year pledges which are being requested for the Pension Fund, as well as a new Presbyterian Hospital to cost six million dollars.

The situation is also somewhat complicated by the fact that business was not very good last year, and the outlook is not very promising, all of which however will no doubt settle itself in due course. In the meantime I am attaching hereto a check for \$200.00 as a present contribution, and we can hope for better things later.

WHS*GV

Yours very truly,

* The one from China - "Progress at Yenching"



⊕ To give a residence of 500 yards or less
Ten years. This would be a maximum limit of money
for him. NWL

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January 24, 1928

My dear Mr. Schuette:

I was glad indeed to meet you for a brief moment some two weeks ago and to say just one word for Peking University that has in times past received your support and claims, I trust, some part of your interest and Christian purpose.

I left with you a pledge card. Knowing just how busy a busy business man is, I thought perchance you might mislay it and I am with this letter enclosing another with a brief summary of the objectives of the campaign now going on for Peking University in China as it appeals to the generosity of its American friends. It would indeed be a very gracious and generous thing for you to do if you could see it in your way to make a contribution at this time. It would help and cheer us greatly.

With highest personal regards, I am

Most sincerely yours,

Mr. W.H. Schuette
1408 Arrott Bldg.
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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August 17, 1928

My dear Mr. Schuette:

When we receive a contribution in this office from an old friend of Yenching University toward the work at Peking, we feel keen gratitude, not only for the gift, but for this expression of your continued interest and faith. We are happy in being permitted to have a part in continuing the vital connection established between the generous friends in America and the faculty giving their lives to this work in China. We count it a great privilege to be in position to keep you informed about the University and to do our utmost to see that your help counts for the maximum benefit with the Chinese with whom we are co-operating.

For your own records, we are enclosing herewith a copy of your pledge to the University in the amount of \$100.00.

With sincerest thanks for your gift, we remain

Cordially yours,

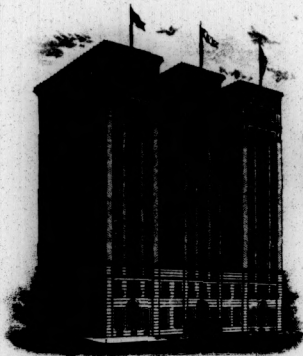
YENCHING UNIVERSITY

Assistant to the President

Mr. Wm. H. Schuette
223 - 4th Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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William Penn Hotel

Pittsburgh

My dear Harman. Thursday eve.

Enclosed is subscription for \$100.

Thank Mrs. Torrance and your

residence. Am not sure will

be in Pittsburgh Thursday Nov 22 - Thank

you in Pittsburgh that day -

Can go to Cincinnati Friday night

get back to meet you here

Wednesday morning - as per wire -

Ever yours as in Pittsburgh

Sincerely yours

Charles E. Jones.

November 24, 1928

My dear Mr. Schmette:

Dr. Jenney has turned over to us your pledge of \$100 toward the work at Yenching University. Thank you very much for this additional gift.

We enclose herewith a copy of your pledge. We note that it is made payable the latter part of December, this year, which is practically the same time your former pledge is due. If it was not your intention to make both pledges fall due at the same time, will you please let us know.

Assuring you of the officers' appreciation of your generous aid to the University, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Campaign Office Secretary

Mr. William H. Schmette
223 Fourth Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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Pittsburgh, Pa. November 26th, 1928.

Yenching University,
150 5th Ave.,
New York City, N.Y.

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Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of yours of the 24th inst. in reference to the pledge for \$100.00 which Dr. Jenney turned into you a few days ago and which was made payable the latter part of December.

I note also you now call my attention to another pledge which was made in August, payable about this same time, and I entirely overlooked the fact that a pledge for this amount had been made.

What I intended to do was to send Yenching University a check for \$100.00 sometime in December, and did not realize that in signing this second pledge that I was doubling up on the amount. Now of course if this obligates me I will have to take care of it, but if under the circumstances it does not, kindly let me know and I will arrange to have check go forward to you sometime next month.

Yours very truly,

WHS*GV



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May 9, 1932

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Dear Mr. Schuette:

It distresses me to tell you that a crisis amounting to a real financial disaster threatens Yenching University. Only such a crucial danger to the University would justify me in adding its troubles at this time to the emergency facing such friends as you in our own country.

Let me explain. Since the natural sciences must play a major role in bettering human life in China, we consider it of the greatest importance that some leading scientists shall be educated at Yenching University, a Christian university fostered by the Presbyterian, Methodist, and Congregational Churches. We have, therefore, developed a College of Natural Sciences superior, probably, to any other in China. But this achievement has been possible only through the help of two Foundations in America. After June 30th we lose a large portion of that support unless we can meet a certain condition attaching to it.

Two years ago, one of the Foundations offered us \$250,000 toward endowment of the natural sciences if we could match this gift by June 30th of the present year. The depression has so hindered us that we have available only \$175,000. The Foundation feels obliged, not only to decline to extend the time, but even to cut off its annual appropriation of \$12,500 if we fail to meet the condition.

Such a loss would tragically disable the whole College of Natural Sciences.

The Trustees at the recent annual meeting instructed a small committee to present the matter to those friends of Yenching who have shown deepest interest in the University. It is for this reason that I am stating our situation to you. Please give the matter your most earnest and friendly thought.

Sincerely yours,

E. M. McBrier
Treasurer

Mr. Wm. H. Schuette
1408 Arrott Building
Pittsburgh, Pa.

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June 20, 1936

Dear Mr. Schmutte:

On their return from Pittsburgh, some weeks ago, Dr. S. P. Young and Mr. Aydelott told me of the visit they had had with you regarding Yenching and of your continued interest in the school, although you at that time were unable to participate financially.

I have just finished going over the record of your previous gifts and I assure you that it is a matter of profound satisfaction to know how generous and consistent you have been in your support of this mission school. It, today, is one of the outstanding universities in the Orient.

The following quotation taken from a letter just received from Dr. Stuart, will interest you: I am happy to assure you that despite the uncertainties of the political situation, internal conditions within the institution have never been more full of promise than at the present."

Also one from Mr. Arthur Rugh, honorary lecturer in the School of Religion, as follows:

"Yesterday I asked a fine freshman girl from Honolulu whether her experience here had helped her religiously. She said 'Yes, very much. I was never in any place where there is so much real warm, Christian spirit. I came here all confused in my religion and I've had a wonderful year.' No special interest was taken in her. What she got came from the regular normal life here.

"Of course any campus which inherits Leighton Stuart, Margaret Speer and Dean Chao will make a real impression for Christ on the student body."

It is very gratifying in these times of disturbance to know that Yenching is proceeding normally about its work. While at times there have been slight apprehensions as to what might happen if Japan were to adopt strong measures in northern China it now seems that any policy which concerns one part of the country will affect it all. We, therefore, are confident that no step will be taken by Japan which will involve her in difficulties with foreign powers, especially America. It is quite natural that in the evolution of so vast and intricate a civilization as China there should be periods of disturbance but if we have learned anything in history, it is to the effect that schools survive and supply the leadership required in any cultural development.

We are going steadily forward in our plans to raise a \$3,000,000 endowment for Yenching within the next three to five years and thus remove the

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Mr. William H. Schette

June 20, 1936

financial distress through which the school is repeatedly passing.

I don't know whether your situation has changed since Dr. Young and Mr. Aydelett recently saw you but if it has and you could forward a check or commitment in some amount, even though it may not be as large as you usually give, I assure you that it will come at a time when sorely needed. We are today facing a great emergency in which we need \$10,000 on July 1st to meet current obligations and at the moment I frankly don't know where it is coming from. If you can help us I know you will.

Thank you for all you have done.

Sincerely yours,

Treasurer

Mr. William H. Schette
Benodum Trees Building
223 Fourth Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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June 8, 1937

Mr. William H. Schuette
223 Fourth Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Schuette:

I recall with great pleasure the friendly interview you granted Dr. Sherman P. Young and me slightly more than a year ago. The interest and cordial good will you have in Yenching is fully justified with the achievements of that great university, which is unsurpassed in all China.

In an attempt to keep the enrollment more within bounds, the entrance requirements were made increasingly difficult until we only accepted about one out of six qualified applicants during the past year. Notwithstanding all this, the enrollment was 826, which is more than we shall attempt to accommodate next year. You have had such a large part in the financial support of Yenching through the years that I am sure the news of the steady increase in size and prominence will be interesting to you.

China is responding very nobly in the support of the university, until now about 40% comes from this source. The financial difficulties which have confronted you in recent years have been true with many of our best friends, with the result that a really difficult time has been experienced. As we approach the close of our fiscal year, we find ourselves in an embarrassing position, with our budget sadly out of balance.

We have never felt that you were a man who needed to be urged to do your duty. If your business has improved - which I hope it has - I know you will be as liberal as possible. In the copy of the YENCHING NEWS sent you a few days ago, you probably noticed that we were in need of \$13,191.00. Since that time, support has come from friends which has reduced this amount somewhat, but the emergency is still very acute. You have given all the way from \$100 to \$500, but if you cannot respond in that amount, please do not hesitate to send whatever you can. It will all help us to close our books on June 30th without a deficit.

Cery cordially yours,

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September 28, 1937

My dear Mr. Schuette:

Under such tragic conditions as those now facing our Christian educational enterprise in North China, I am sure you will pardon this second letter, because of the great emergency that prompts it, though it does come so soon after my first letter. Since that time, President Stuart has written to us as follows: "Foreigners will be more than ever needed these next few years - and pathetically wanted. The only pleasing feature of these recent weeks has been the touching proof of this."

We must therefore turn aside from the great objectives already placed before you and grimly face the tragic emergency into which the war has plunged our University and all North China. To meet the crisis upon us, to replace losses from government grants and student fees, and to meet many calls for help, now unseen but certain, means that Yenching will need hundreds of thousands of dollars for this emergency, to meet tragic needs which we cannot evade or abandon without proving hopelessly false to our friends in China, many of whom are now giving their lives in defense of the ideals of democracy and Christianity which we have taught them.

The University is now open, with about 400 students. We do not doubt the permanence of Yenching, or that it will continue to be the inspiration and hope of the New China in her fight for democracy and against poverty, ignorance and crime, because Yenching is an American institution and its endowments are invested in America. Many of our students and professors and Christian supporters in China have in their veins the blood of martyrs and they will continue to hold high the torch of Christian civilization even in the face of famine, persecution and death. It will be a sickening blow to all that the friends of democracy and Christianity hold dear in this and other countries if we fail China and our Chinese fellow Christians who love and trust us as no other people in the world.

Your last gift to Yenching was \$100.00. Other urgent claims are upon you, but is it asking too much to suggest that you let this great emergency take precedence over other things that might possibly wait, and give as much as formerly, with a special emergency subscription.

May we hear from you, favorably if possible, unfavorably if it must be so?

Cordially yours,

Executive Secretary

Mr. William H. Schuette
5363 Northumberland
Pittsburgh, Pa.

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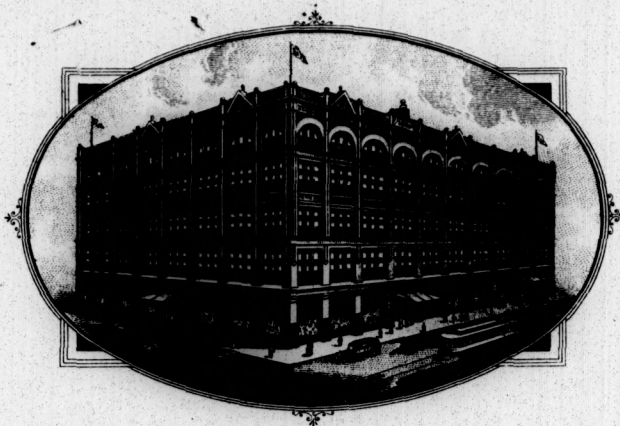
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January 17, 1931.

IN REPLY REFER TO

Mr. H. W. Luce,
Peking University,
156-5th Avenue,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Luce:

I received your letter of January 1st with statement also the pamphlet. Mrs. Schuneman and I have become quite interested in the good work you have undertaken in China. We want to do what we can in a limited way as the demands for last year were quite large and have already made a number of pledges for this year. You may put me down for \$1,000.00--half July 1st this year, the balance 1932. With kind regards from us both, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

Charles Schuneman

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January 6th, 1922.

Mr. Charles Schuneman,
Sixth and Kabasha Streets,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Mr. Schuneman:-

Last January you were so kind as to plan to give \$1,000 to Peking University, half to be paid last July and the balance in 1922.

Owing to the fact that our office was in the process of reorganization with change of office secretaries, we failed to bring this to your attention last July as we should have done.

I hope that copies of our quarterly "Peking News" has been reaching you so that you may keep informed in regard to the University. I had hoped to go to St. Paul before this but one thing or another has delayed me. I am now starting for the Pacific Coast with a very brilliant Chinese, Mr. Hung, at which time we plan to present Peking University and the great and unparalleled opportunity which is before it.

We have now in the press a new illustrated pamphlet which will show the beautiful new and final bird's-eye view of the University as it will appear on the new site. A copy of this will reach you in due time. The work is hard and sometimes requires much faith, but nearly every day finds some new men and women realizing the great strategic importance of the Christian University at Peking and I think before long Peking University will be widely known. Those of you who have early seen its importance and shared in its development, have a quiet joy that always comes from those who, prophets, have the vision, while others are waiting for the vision to come.

It is possible on my return from the Pacific Coast in March that I may be able to stop at St. Paul.

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Mr. Schumacher.
January 6th, 1922.

With warmest greetings to both Mrs. Schumacher and
yourself, believe me,

Very sincerely yours,

Vice-President.

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July 18, 1924

Charles Schuneman
Sixth & Wabasha Streets
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Mr. Schuneman:

You will be interested to learn that upon his arrival in Peking, Dr. Luce wrote me as follows:

"I am more than satisfied with the prospects at the new site. It will be wonderful. I never expected the ideal I have had in my heart could be so well realized. In the midst of (apparent) chaotic building materials, something very solid and very beautiful is emerging. The site itself is better than I had thought it could be. We have just passed plans for the building of fourteen residences."

It is interesting to see this response in a new arrival, in spite of the fact that he has been associated with the University for so long in this country.

A recent letter from President Stuart says that the building construction is going ahead with as much dispatch as possible, and he has real hopes that the students will be able to move out into the new buildings a year from this coming fall. It will be really a chapter in human history when the new campus buildings are opened for use, and it will mean much for the growth of relationships between the Chinese and their Christian friends in America.

In going over our records, I find that you wished to make a payment of \$500.00 on your total subscription of \$1000.00 on the first day of January of this year. It is quite probable that you do not have at hand your record of this, and I am assuming that you expect us to write you of this date. It is for this reason that I am taking the liberty of doing so at this time. We are exceedingly grateful for this generous help upon your part, without which it would not have been possible to have gone ahead as we have.

Very sincerely yours

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J. PRESIDENT.

ALBERT SCHUNEMAN, VICE PRESIDENT.

WALTER L. MAYO, SECRETARY.



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July 21, 1924

In reply refer to

Mr. James H. Lewis
156 Fifth Ave.
New York City

Dear Mr. Lewis:-

I have read your letter of the 18th inst. with a great deal of interest, especially the quotation from Dr. Luce's letter. I am very much gratified that he is so well pleased with the new site and the large building program which he now sees his way clear to carry out. Dr. Luce is so thoroughly wrapped up in this work that all his friends here are glad that he has succeeded so well.

In regard to my subscription of \$1000, will say that I expected to make it in two payments but when in January 1922 I found that I could pay the whole amount I sent you a personal check for \$1000 January 14th, 1922.

Yours very truly,

CS:S

Charles Schuneman

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July 24, 1924

Charles Schuneman
275 Summit Avenue
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Mr. Schuneman:

Thank you for your letter of the 21st. It is surely gratifying that the buildings are going up so rapidly. You will enjoy the August number of the "Peking News" because it will have a considerable number of pictures showing the building operations, facts about the campus, etc. It will give you a better idea of what is being done with the money which you have contributed to the University support.

In regard to the matter of your subscription I think the best thing for me to do is to send you the only original record we have. Unfortunately I have been absent from any connection with the University for several years until the first of March last. I have no other data than that which I enclose and will therefore naturally abide by your reply. It occurs to me that in view of the fact that you sent in a thousand dollars on January 14, 1922 and this subscription blank is dated March 3, 1923, you may have made an additional subscription for a thousand dollars and did not keep a record of it in your own books. That is the only reason why we have mentioned the money matter at all.

May I say perfectly frankly that we much prefer to keep the friendship of our friends and their continued interest rather than to make any condition on our part of any sort. We realize perfectly that the support of the University is dependent wholly upon its friends, their continued interest and goodwill. In return for this we hope not only to make careful use of such funds in our educational work in China, but also in a small way to help bring the facts and interpret the life of China and its vast people to our friends in America.

Very sincerely yours

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SAINT PAUL, MINN.
September 3, 1924.

Dr. James H. Lewis
156 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Lewis:

I found your letter dated July 24th on my return after a month's absence from St. Paul. The pledge in the letter I had entirely forgotten about at the time. I only remembered sending check for \$1,000.00. When I saw the pledge card dated May 3rd, 1923, with my signature I remembered making an additional pledge to Dr. Luce before he left for Peking. I am enclosing a check for \$500.00 for this year, the balance I will remit January 1925. I hope you will forgive me for this oversight.

I had a letter from Dr. Luce after his return to Peking. He expressed himself very much pleased with the outlook and progress made during his absence.

Sincerely yours

Charles Schuneman

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SAINT PAUL, MINN.

January 10, 1925.

Dr. James H. Lewis
156 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.

My dear Doctor Lewis:

Enclosed find my check for \$500.00
the balance of pledge made to Dr. Luce two
years ago.

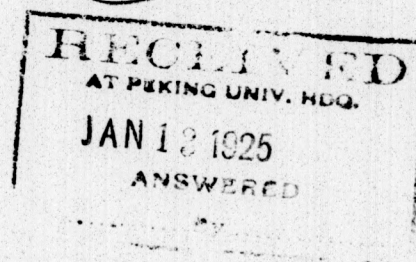
I have received several copies of
the Peking News and have noticed with in-
terest the progress made in erecting the
buildings, the architecture of which I
think is very beautiful and commensurate
with the country.

Hoping you will have the means to
go right ahead with the buildings, I remain

Sincerely yours

Charles Schuneman

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November 27, 1925

Replied to Lion 1011
Oct. 28, 1925 - Gave

Mr. Charles Schuneman
Schuneman & Evans
Saint Paul, Minn.

Dear Mr. Schuneman:

Thank you sincerely for your note and check for \$25.00. It is surely generous of you to join in this gift.

I do not know whether your newspapers have copies of the morning's N. Y. Times dispatch from Peking, but our dispatch here indicates that "The Christian General" Feng seems to be getting hold of the military power in China. From the confidential information we have, we believe that the present revolt against General Chang of Manchuria is a very serious one and we rather look for power to be gotten into the hands of General Feng rather than General Hu. Of course time alone will tell about this.

With warm appreciation,

Very sincerely yours

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December 31, 1926

Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. SchunXeran
Summit Avenue
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Friends:

A recent letter from President Stuart speaks of a very pressing need which bears very close relations with the very heart of our work. Most of the residences which have gone up so far have cost about \$7,500. In order to get our faculty completely under cover in adequate residences it is our plan to put up some which will cost \$5000.00 each. The earlier houses meet the needs of the larger families but we have found by experience, in one or two residences, that this smaller type very beautifully and adequately meets a very special need.

I have been wondering if you would not like to cooperate with us in this very important part of the work of building up the great University there at Peking even if it took you a series of years to accomplish this objective. On this mail I am sending you the new ground plan and some of the pictures which you saw recently although one of them is just received from China showing the beautiful lake and one of the dormitories. As you look at the ground plan you will see where, at the top and at the right, we are developing the two Faculty Residence Communities.

I do not wish to over-state anything or go a single bit beyond the facts but I feel confident that it would be difficult to find in all the world a square half mile in which an "investment" of this kind could be made which would give finer and more vital return. It would mean that you are cooperating with a very small group of individuals, in one of its more important and urgent items, in the development of "the only Christian University at the literary and student center at a quarter of the human race". One's imagination fairly breaks down when we quietly and thoughtfully reflect what the meaning of cooperation in such a tremendous and inspiring task may be.

As you ponder your relations with the Christian movement as it presses on through the world today I am sure this matter will have your most careful consideration and I am hoping that you will be able to give yourself this joy and us the encouragement of this fine bit of cooperation.

With all best wishes for the New Year and a happy and restful journey in the sunny Southland, believe me,

Ever sincerely yours,

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Schuneman, Mr. Charles

Pres., Schuneman & Evans, Mdse.,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dec. 29, 1928

Pledge \$500 for 1928 Camp.-Undesig.

Received	12-31-28
Entered	✓
General P. L. card	609 ✓
Pledge attached	✓
X file card	
Letter ack. sent	12-31-28
Checked for O. L.	✓
" " class card	✓
" " stencil	✓

Pledged by telegram as follows:

"Will contribute \$ five hundred
in five annual installments if
pledge is fulfilled.

Charles Schuneman
Hotel Constance
(Pasadena, Cal.)"

Pledge wire in safe

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December 31, 1928

My dear Mr. Schuneman:

When we receive a contribution in this office from an old friend of Yenching University toward the work at Peking, we feel keen gratitude, not only for the gift, but also for this expression of continued interest and faith. We are happy to have a part in continuing the vital connection established between the generous friends in America and the faculty giving their lives to this work in China. We count it a privilege to be in position to keep you informed about the University and to do our utmost to see that your help counts for the maximum benefit with the Chinese with whom we are co-operating.

Enclosed herewith are duplicate pledge cards made up as nearly as we could from your telegram. Will you kindly indicate the time when you will begin making annual payments and return one copy to us for our files? The other copy is for your own records. This is the last day of our campaign and we are glad to be able to report that we have reached the goal of \$500,000.00, with a few hundred dollars over the top.

With sincerest thanks for your gift, we remain

Cordially yours,

Assistant to the President

Mr. Charles Schuneman
President, Schuneman & Evans, Mdse.
St. Paul, Minn.

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April 26, 1937

My dear Mr. Schuneman:

I enclose a photograph showing a group of students from the School of Religion at Yenching University, starting on a mission to outlying villages. I also enclose a booklet which we are sending to a small group of our friends. I think you will find this interesting.

Yenching University, with an enrollment of 826 students this year, and with 2,137 graduates, is a dramatic example of what Christian education can accomplish. So deeply has the University touched the life of its young men and women students that a tremendous elemental force has been released. This force is completely revolutionizing the thought of all China on matters of rural reconstruction, politics health, religion, education, and social standards. Such a powerful factor in shaping Christian thought in China must be perpetuated.

You well know the devotion, prayers and sacrifice that have gone into this Christian university, because your gifts, together with hundreds of others, brought it into being and have enabled it to continue. Formerly, the support came almost entirely from American sources. More recently, however, the Chinese themselves have responded most generously, and they will eventually provide the major portion of the budget. But until that time, it is essential to continue American support. To withdraw would be fatal to all we have accomplished up to the present time.

Even with salaries reduced, expenses cut to bare necessities, and tuitions raised to increase revenue, we are still in great need of \$190,485 to meet our immediately pressing obligations. This includes \$14,759 to balance our current operating budget; \$77,485 toward general endowment; \$48,241 toward the Women's College endowment; \$25,000 toward the School of Religion endowment; \$25,000 for the Department of Physical Education endowment.

In the past you have proved your loyalty and friendship through your gifts, all of which have been deeply appreciated. Your last gift was \$500 in July 1929. Can you help again at this time by sending either a cash contribution or a subscription payable at some future date? Please send what you can - it will all help.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Charles Schuneman
275 Summit Avenue
St. Paul, Minnesota

Treasurer

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