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January 11, 1924

Rev. J. Walter Lowrie, D. D.
20 Museum Road
Shanghai, China

Dear Dr. Lowrie:

I have just been informed of your recommendation to the Presbyterian Board that it withdraw from Peking University and transfer this support to Hangchow College. The economic considerations upon which you pretend to base this suggestion are some of them not true in fact, and are obviously not ingenuous. If they were sincere you would not have arbitrarily selected one particular institution. I have no fear that the Board will act upon this proposal and repudiate its responsibilities toward an institution which it has helped to create, and regarding which no complaints that can be substantiated have been made by any one, including yourself. But I am amazed and pained that you should take advantage of your position as executive head of the whole Presbyterian mission work in China, to injure one of the interests committed to your care. You have never - so far as I know - inquired from any of those directly responsible for its administration as to policies or views which might justify such an opinion of us as you seem to hold, nor have you at any time advised or warned us on the subject - and yet, without even informing us of such action, you recommend a course which would do us incalculable harm.

I challenge you to give evidence, other than rumors and insinuations, that the authorized religious teaching in Peking University is essentially different from that now given in Hangchow College or any other college in which the Presbyterian Board is concerned, or out of harmony with the standards of the Church to which the individual in question belongs. You have apparently neither the courage nor the facts with which to make definite charges, so you use your present office to make vague insinuations. If you feel compelled to attack some of Christian effort with which you cannot sympathize, it would

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January 11, 1934

It seems that the only honorable course would be first to resign from your official position. Even as a private individual however, your course has been as cruel and un-Christian as it is cowardly. Your own theological convictions we can all thoroughly respect. But secretly to undermine the efforts of a group of fellow workers, who, according to their lights and up to the full measure of their strength, are striving to serve the same Master, is unworthy of any true disciple of His, whatever his religious convictions.

Very sincerely yours

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HOTEL BELLEVUE



TELEPHONE HAYMARKET 2981
CABLE ADDRESS "BELLEVUE" BOSTON

CHARLES A. WOOD
MANAGING DIRECTOR

BEACON STREET BEACON HILL

BOSTON

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July 20/14.

My dear Leslie

Ralph Ward has reported a statement in the China Press to the effect that I had advocated foreign intervention as the only hope for China. He can give you the exact details. If he & Eric approve, I should like you to send a cable to the China Press in whatever code they use, or to a mission agency to transmit to them, or a plain cable, denying that I have at any time advocated foreign intervention, that this is a misrepresentation or misunderstanding.

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I shall also write at greater length.
Hope Ward will also write to you.

Please also get together such
Trustee committees as I should attend
before I start on the trip to the
Southwest which will Wed. or
Thurs. (Jan. 30-31). I shall be in N.Y.
after Sunday next. There is the Budget
to deal with, Place's report, construc-
tion & architectural matters, possible
faculty matters, an executive or
promotional secretary &c. Strong will
know the exact date of my leaving.

Yours &c
J. L. Stewart

CHINA UNION UNIVERSITIES

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Executive Secretary
LESLIE B. MOSS

January 23, 1924.

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Stuart:

In response to your letter from Boston,
written on Sunday, I sent the following cablegram:

"CHINA PRESS, SHANGHAI (CHINA) - KINDLY PUBLISH
UNQUALIFIED DENIAL THAT I HAVE ADVOCATED FOREIGN
INTERVENTION."

(Signed) Leighton Stuart.

I hope that this will meet the needs of the situation.

I am planning to have a meeting of the Budget
Committee of the Trustees next Tuesday morning, January 29, and
a meeting of the Finance Committee in the afternoon, if I can get
the people together. The meeting of the trustees will be Wednes-
day morning January 30 at 9:30 A. M.

We have Place's report in hand. I have sent
a copy to Mr. Bennett and a copy to Mr. Kurrie, and am sending a
copy to the field, so that they may have it for information and
study. Any comments we wish to make can be sent later. With best
wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

Leslie B. Moss

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Attention
L.M.S. & W.F.S.
Please reply to
Mr. Ashcroft
after your return

SECRETARY.
REV. FRANK ASHCROFT, M.A.
Telegrams:-
FREE, EDINBURGH.
Telephone No. 638 Central.

The United Free Church of Scotland,
Foreign Mission Offices,
121 George Street.

Edinburgh 23rd Jan. 1924.

Dr. Leighton Stuart.

Dear Dr. Stuart,

We are looking forward to a visit from you to discuss Manchuria questions. I hear from the London Missionary Society that you are to be in this country in the second half of March. Our Asia Committee meets on the third Monday of March, i.e. the 17th. If you could conveniently be present, we should be glad to hear your views with regard to the higher education in Manchuria. The Committee as a whole meets the next day when we could give you a few minutes in what is always a crowded agenda. If the 17th or 18th March is not suitable for you, then our next Meetings will be on the 14th and 15th April, and we would be glad to have you then.

Looking forward to meeting you,

Yours sincerely,

Frank Ashcroft.

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February 1, 1924

Rev. J. Leighton Stuart, D. D.
1427 Broadway
New Orleans, La.

Dear Dr. Stuart:

I am glad to report to you that the Boston situation has been cleared I think in favor of Peking University. In conference with Bishop Hughes and Dr. Gage, we drafted a letter which received the consent of these two men, stating that they are willing that Peking University receive to the extent of \$25,000. to come from fifty percent of the excess of the individual churches paying this year more than last year, and also the excess above the five year pledge.

This letter from Bishop Hughes and Dr. Gage is to be sent to you, so if you receive it kindly inform the office at your first moment so that we can feel that the transaction has been completed.

I think under this agreement, you may feel sure that Peking University will receive \$25,000. We also signed up the man at Albany, which may mean for us the amount of twenty to twenty-five thousand dollars.

I am wishing very hard that the southern trip will be successful as well as pleasurable.

Very cordially yours

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February 7, 1924

Rev. J. Leighton Stuart, D. D.
c/o Dr. Young
City Temple
Dallas, Texas

Dear Dr. Stuart:

I am in receipt of your letter of February 4, but cannot give you Mr. Byrd's addresses or give him your message until we hear from him again. Miss Hugel of T & B gave me the following telegram from him yesterday:

Hope to leave Denver tomorrow. Trying to set up big men's lunch for 22nd. Have tentative dates Colorado Springs 24th and 25th. Should I join Stuart and leave out St. Louis or go on to St. Louis from Kansas City?"

Mr. Strong was out of town so Miss Hugel sent the telegram on to him at Springfield but it did not catch him as it was returned today. As we have no other address of Mr. Byrd's than Denver and he is leaving there today we shall have to wait until we hear from him again. Miss Hugel sent a letter with the information to Mr. Strong to Chicago, which he will receive when he arrives there tomorrow. If you do happen to see Mr. Byrd, please ask him to keep us advised in advance where we can reach him at all times, either by wire or letter.

Mrs. Dogood of the Presbyterian Board would like to have a young Chinese (preferably a woman) speak, in native costume, at a large women's meeting on April 1. Professor Porter advised me to have her write to Ruth Ingram who could probably put her in touch with someone. Have you any suggestions? What about Sui-fong? And do you remember her address? I can't seem to find it in the files.

Mrs. Moorehead phoned to invite you to go to a dinner with her next week.

I am enclosing letters to you from Mr. Wheeler and Mr. Swartz, also copy of a letter to Professor Swann from Mr. [redacted]

Kindly let us know what your plans will be after Friday the 15th at Dallas.

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PEKING UNIVERSITY
156 FIFTH AVENUE
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of Gross R. Scroggs
3715 Turtle Creek Blvd.
Dallas Tex.

Feby. 9/24.

My dear Leslie,

Yesterday I had a long interview in Houston with Bransford Eubank and was very much pleased with him. I definitely accepted him. He feels he can scarcely get away to K.P. before Mch. 1, so I told him I would ask you to start correspondence on the animals without delay. Could you send out to Chamberlain's list of donors a letter explaining the delay and stating that at last we are ready to ship the stock, asking if their original offers still hold good, and promising in that case to write again giving further details. You have Chamberlain's memo. as to how many animals of each kind he wants. It would be well also to learn from the Dallas S.S. Co., San Francisco, how many animals can go at one time. It may also their sailings.

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help to send Eubank copies of this
correspondence for his guidance. He will
get to N.Y. about Mch. 1 and should move
on to S.F. soon after to receive the stock.
His medical examination is on file in the
Presbyterian candidate office, but he looks
hustly enough. He will go single. He
will ship his personal effects by rail
to S.F. Altogether I think he will prove to
be very well suited for our purposes.
I hope the Horticulture man is also emerging
from our various inquiries.

Now a very different matter. I have
letters from Gt. Britain which indicate
that while there would not be much
immediate money to hope for yet a stay
of two or three weeks there would be abundantly
worth while. My thought is to start
from N.Y. to London about Mch. 15, and
go on from there to Peking by Siberia.
I should like to have the Exec. Com. or

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NEW YORK

Finance Com. act on this, and shall ask you to engage the right sort of passage (if this plan is approved) on the earliest date after Feb. 15. If the Com. think there is any advantage in my being at the Annual Meeting, I could go over there and return, though this would perhaps be more expensive and would delay my return to Peking. It might be well to consult Strong, as to the campaign interests involved. Will you also write R. K. Evans of L.M.S., London, giving the steamer & date of arrival, as soon as these can be determined, as they want to begin arranging my schedule there well in advance. I think three weeks would not be too long as I should visit Belfast & Edinburgh, as well as the L.M.S. & Anglican headquarters in London and be free for such other

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conferences and interviews as may develop. My hope is to have the Irish Presby. agree to take Barke's salary (and house), and the Scotch do the same with Barbour, as two immediate gains, with various additional objectives in the future.

I hope progress is being made in the staff needs: English, Physics, etc. We are free to use Mrs. Torrance's \$10,000 for this purpose, though this is not "annual". Will you write R.M. Bartlett of Yale Divinity School, definitely accepting himself + wife under the University, either on the basis of A.S.C.F.M. approval of his papers or going through our own committee on candidates.

Newman has written asking me to urge that he be made advisory Engineer in stead of Mr. Place who would be too expensive for us. I am referring his letter to you. Perhaps Mr. Place + you will have an opinion.

J.H.S.

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

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February 16, 1924

Rev. J. Leighton Stuart, D. D.
Tulsa Hotel
Tulsa, Oklahoma

COMMITTEE NOT CONVINCED ENGLAND TRIP ADVISABLE BUT LEAVE TO YOUR
JUDGMENT AND DECISION AS TO PROBABLE VALUES TO BE SECURED STOP
IF YOU GO THEY ADVISE RETURN HERE BY EARLY APRIL STOP THEY DO NOT
SANCTION LEAVING FINALLY UNTIL CAMPAIGN OBJECTIVES MORE NEARLY
SECURED LET US KNOW YOUR DECISION

Leslie B. Moss

Charge to Peking University

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February 18th
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Dear Doctor Stuart:-

I have just wired you and trust that by the time you receive this letter you will have come to a decision about the trip to England. Mr. Warner told me he would pay the difference in travel costs personally rather than let you run the risk of going to China by way of Siberia. We all agreed that if you go to England it might best be for March so as to put you in this vicinity during April when the largest number of rich people come back for the Easter activities.

I recognize that you do not want Doctor Luce to reach Peking before you get there but hope that he might be persuaded to again postpone his sailing a week or so, in order that you might be in the country at his important time. Byrd can doubtless date him in various cities so as to leave you a clear field around New York. (I am glad to realize Byrd is two thousand miles away when he hears about this.)

I enclose herewith copy of a letter received from Doctor Luce and copy of my reply. I believe most of the items concerned call for little comment. Doctor Luce will be reaching Chicago Friday, so if you do not want him to see any of the McCormackspeople, it doubtless will be necessary for you to wire him at the Hamilton Club, to that effect.

We are getting out Peking News this week, carrying on the front page Murphy's new sketch of the Bashford Memorial Building. I have not seen this sketch yet, but Warner is enthusiastic about it. We are also running the list of unprovided salaries and stressing the need for undesgi undesignated money.

Arnold has sent me a page from the bulletin of Doctor MacCallum's church, which I asked Miss Sillman to forward to you. According to this the church is within about \$75 of the full provision of a residence. This was the first news I had had. Arnold now tells me that Doctor MacCallum had received no word, though he had written to New York twice about the matter. I fancy he must have communicated with Trull, rather than with our office and will check the matter up. (Have since done this and he has heard nothing

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since last Spring.

We judge that you and Byrd have been hitting the trail so fast that you can touch only the high spots, but I believe it is very much worth while to have begun the development of a constituency in this scattered territory and have no doubt that sooner or later, if not immediately, we will cash in on it.

We have no record of any further appointments after Kansas City and should like to know by wire when you plan to reach New York and whether you are going to make the trip to England.

With very best wishes, as ever

Faithfully yours,

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart
Brown Palace Hotel
Denver, Colorado

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February 21, 1924

Rev. Frank Ashcroft, M. A.
121 George Street
Edinburgh, Scotland

My dear Mr. Ashcroft:

President Stuart of Peking University has requested me to write to you, saying that he will be happy to attend the meeting of your committee on March 17th or 18th. He is planning to sail from New York on the Berengaria, which is due at Southampton March 14th.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. R. K. Evans, (45 Broadway, Westminster, S. W. 1, London), who is making arrangements for Dr. Stuart's schedule. He will undoubtedly communicate with you immediately on receipt of this letter, confirming the engagement of Dr. Stuart.

I suppose it is barely possible that the boat might be delayed so that he could not reach Edinburgh before the 18th of March, but I judge from your letter that this would be as acceptable to you as the 17th.

With kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely yours

Secretary of Peking University

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COPY FOR MR. LESLIE B. MOSS, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, City.

PEKING

March 14, 1924

Dear Dr. Stuart:

Your letter of March 1 inquiring concerning the possibility of a continued fellowship for Mr. Y. W Hsieh was referred to me for reply. The matter is being referred to Mr. K. Gist Gee for recommendation.

It is ordinarily contrary to the policy of the China Medical Board to extend a fellowship beyond the original time, and it will be necessary to have specially good reasons in order to secure favorable action by the Board. Since Mr. Gee is acting as Adviser on all matters in connection with premedical education, we are asking him to present a recommendation, but in view of the general policy of the Board, and further, since the funds available for fellowships during the calendar year 1924, are practically exhausted, I think it doubtful whether any favorable action can be taken.

Sincerely yours,

MARGERY K. ECCLESTON
Assistant Secretary

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart,
Peking University,
Room 912, 156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

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*copy for
Pres. Stewart*

PEKING UNIVERSITY
(YENCHING TA HSUEH)
PEKING, CHINA

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

March 24, 1924.

Mr. Leslie B. Moss, Secretary,
Office of China Union Universities,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City,
U.S.A.

My dear Mr. Moss:

Our last mail brought your letter of February 19, inclosing the minutes of the Budget Committee of the Trustees held on January 29, and of the meeting of the Trustees held January 30. I thank you for these documents and have examined them with great interest. We are glad to know that you will be sending out to the field soon the plans for the Administration Building. The Construction Bureau and the Grounds and Buildings Committee are eager to see what these plans will contain.

We are also glad to know that your office is in search for the Physics teacher and the English teachers to be members of the P.U.M.C. pre-medical staff for the coming year. As I wrote you in an earlier letter the P.U.M.C. authorities are looking to us to supply these teachers and there is every reason why we should not fall short of their expectations in this matter. What you write about securing the teachers for the English Department and for the Department of Agriculture is also reassuring.

We note with great interest also what you say about President Stuart's return. We shall be greatly delighted to have him with us as soon as possible, but yet we realize how important is the work at that end, and we note that the Promotion Committee is unanimous in feeling that he should remain there longer.

Turning now to the Budget, there are some matters concerning which I wish to write. Let me say first, that we are glad that the financial resources of the University as indicated in these minutes show a more promising outlook than a year ago at this time; and we think we see our way

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to certain enlargements the coming year unless the resources which you mention should unexpectedly fail us.

I have gone over with some care the budget in the two forms in which we sent it home last December, trying to discover how you arrive at the figures mentioned in the first paragraph of the minutes of the Budget Committee of January 29th. In this paragraph there is a statement, "Board of Managers request from the Trustees the total of Mex. \$108,107.00". The sum which I find in the budget sent in is \$116,547.00. I am puzzled to discover the source of the discrepancy. The action of the committee, B 1614, suggested to me that possibly you went through our budget of expenditures and eliminated certain items for dining hall, dormitory and faculty residence repairs. By combining those items I can get the figure very close to your figure of \$108,107.00, but not exactly. We should be glad to have the details of your figures at this point.

The next item also which is mentioned in the first paragraph of the minutes, namely, Mex. \$64,020.00 requested for salaries, travel and outfit for new appointees, puzzles me somewhat. By going through the budget and adding up the sums for salaries, travel and outfit for all members of the staff marked "new appointee" with the exception of one for Economics and one for Sociology, the support of whom was to be secured from special sources, I get the sum coming to \$64,180.00, which is only \$160.00 more than the sum you have set down.

This discrepancy is perhaps not important under the circumstances, and if the method of securing this sum which I have just indicated is the same which you followed perhaps it is not necessary to try to reach exactly the same figures. I would be glad, however, for a word or two from you indicating how these two sums were arrived at.

Turning next to the matter of appointments in which we are greatly interested I have made out a statement to indicate our thinking here on this subject. I may tabulate the results as follows:-

Resources Presumably Available for New Appointments

	<u>Gold</u>	<u>Silver</u>
1. Balance of Budget already approved by the Board of Trustees		\$8,250
2. Methodist Board Extra Quota.....		3,000
3. A.C. James	\$2,000	
4. "A contribution"	10,000	
5. Hall Estate Income (Est. at 4½%).....	2,250	
Total	<u>14,250 @ 2</u>	<u>28,500</u>
	TOTAL	\$39,750

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Support Allocated to New Recruits in the Order Approved by the
Board of Managers meeting, Dec. 1, 1923

		Silver
English Department	A (Bartlett) <i>A</i>	\$3,340.00
English Department	B (Britton) <i>Journalism, Miss Styles</i>	6,680.00
History Department	C <i>Thos. Evans</i>	6,680.00
English Department	D (short term) <i>Miss. Plaing</i>	3,450.00
English Department	E (short term) <i>Miss. Murphy</i>	3,450.00
<i>Phys. Dir.</i> Medical Officer	G <i>Coole</i>	6,680.00
Theology	I (Timothy Jen) (est.)	3,000.00
Theology	M (T.C. Chao) (est.)	1,800.00
Mathematics Dept.	J (Dr. Sun Jung) (est.)	<u>3,000.00</u>
	TOTAL	38,080.00

Balance over \$1,670.00

The above calls for comments and explanations as follows:-

I have used the exchange rate 2/1 for the Gold items as the present figure here in Peking has almost reached that point.

The first appointee in the English Department I have set down at $\frac{1}{2}$ in as much as your letter indicates that $\frac{1}{2}$ can be carried by the American Board. I have placed the two theology appointees I and M together following G for it was our thought when we made out the list of recruits that item "I School of Theology" would presumably represent a foreigner, which with travel, outfit and so forth, would call for a sum of \$6,680. As against this we now have excellent prospects for two strong Chinese members of the staff whom we are anxious to secure. Mr. Timothy Jen is already here during this semester, and we are all highly pleased with him. President Stuart is, of course, fully informed regarding him at that end if you should need to make further inquiry. I am reflecting strongly Dean Lew's conviction that we want to provide for him in the budget this coming year, and I feel confident that all my colleagues here in the University administration would support this view. Dean Lew reports also that T.C. Chao, now in Soochow, whom we have been trying to secure for many months, now promises definitely to come to us for the second semester of the coming year, that is beginning in February, 1925. It is our strong conviction also that full provision should be made for his support as soon as he can come. Therefore, I have put into the budget \$1,800 to cover his salary for the last half of the coming academic year.

This covers the list of new recruits which we have sent to you through item J including also item M.

As I intimated above I am writing thus simply to indicate my individual opinion, although as I say, I am reflecting strongly Dean Lew's opinion about the necessity of getting support for Jen and Chao both incorporated in next year's budget. Dr. Stuart will have all of these details in mind and can make any further explanations which may be needed. He also will approve strongly the necessity of assuring the support of these strong Chinese we are so eager to secure for the staff. I should like to add further that in case

any large amount of the resources indicated above should not be available, personally I should be in favor of bringing Jen and Chao up in the priority list to any point below B, a second English teacher. This, however, is not official action from out here, but only my opinion. I feel sure, however, that President Stuart would support me in this. For strong Chinese of this type are so difficult to secure that prompt and positive action would seem to be necessary whenever opportunities to secure them present themselves.

Of course, I have noted the last action B 1617 in the minutes of the Budget Committee with regard to the use of the contribution of Gold \$10,000.00. Of course, I do not know the source of this gift or what conditions, if any, accompanied it, but I should certainly feel that if needed to supply support for men like Jen and Chao, there should not be any hesitation in straining a point if necessary in order to have these funds available for the coming year.

One other point I should mention, that in figuring up the amount asked for for salaries, travel, outfit for new recruits, according to the figures we have used above, it should not be overlooked that in the English Department some of the appointees set down as new in the budget are replacements of other people who are already on the field, so strictly speaking such items are not to be included in the sum set down as representing the expansion of our work.

Miss Hague reminds me that it would be well to request you, if possible, to send out at an early date to the field the blank forms required for our Annual Report to the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York. These blanks sometimes arrive in the early summer when it is almost impossible to give them the attention they deserve.

We will prepare an extra copy of this letter for President Stuart and address it to your office. It can be placed in his hands or sent to him if he is not in New York.

Very sincerely yours,

Howard Galt

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April 2, 1924.

President J. Leighton Stuart,
Peking University,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Stuart:

On March 27th we had a meeting of the Instruction Committee, at which time I presented the papers of as many candidates as I had been able to get together that seemed to be possibilities. I enclose a copy of the minutes in order that you may see which were approved and I give you this information on the following:

Mr. Frederick Swan

Finds that it will be impossible for them to go to China this year.

Mr. Thomas C. Blaisdell

Says that it will be impossible for him to serve the University as a teacher of English this next year.

Mr. Thomas Ennis

The Committee were not very favorably impressed with Mr. Ennis' papers. They are convinced they cannot appoint him unless he will first join some church. If he will join a church, they are prepared, with some hesitation, to appoint him, in view of the negotiations which you have already had regarding his support. Will you please take up with him the question of his uniting with some church, if you have not already done so?

Miss Elise Rushfeldt

Miss Rushfeldt is Swedish and the Committee fear that she is apt to be too temperamental for the work. However, in view of her experience and good recommendations, all of which appear to come from fellow-Scandinavians, they feel that, if after personal conference she should be found to be thoroughly satisfactory, she could be appointed. Her address is Mayville Normal School, Mayville, North Dakota.

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Miss Anna Kathryn Blair

If further correspondence reveals Miss Blair's fitness and readiness to undertake appointment to China, the Committee are favorably disposed toward the appointment for teaching English.

Athletic Instructor

No one has yet been found who appears to be entirely satisfactory for the place of athletic instructor. We are still seeking a competent man for this place.

Cordially yours,

Secretary, Peking University.

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Copy sent Rev. S. H. Chester, D.D.
P.O. Box 330
Nashville, Tenn.

M. J. O. S.
Nashville, Tenn.

April 11, 1924.

Rev. Russell Cecil, D.D.,
Second Presbyterian Church,
Richmond, Va.

Dear Doctor Cecil,

After all you have endured on my account I hesitate to trouble you further and had hoped that there would be no occasion again to do so. But since arriving here from England a few days ago my attention has been called to the January issue of The Princeton Theological Review which contains another attack on me based on translated quotations from a commentary of mine in Chinese on the Apocalypse.

In the event of the matter coming before Presbytery I should like to have this statement in your hands. I shall only be in the country for a short while, starting West in a week or so and sailing for China May 8, so that it would be impossible for me to attend Presbytery much as I should like to do.

This commentary was based on lectures given for several years to classes in Nanking Theological Seminary, and published in a series under the general editorship of Rev. D. McGillevray, U.D., and W.M. Hayes, D.D., both of whom passed upon the manuscript when it was submitted to them in 1919. The conservative position of these men is well known to all who are acquainted with China missionaries.

My attitude to the Bible as the inspired word of God has been stated in the letter I wrote to the Princeton Review upon the appearance of the article by Dr. Griffith Thomas, which the editor refused to publish. It was put somewhat more explicitly in a subsequent letter to Dr. Chester. You doubtless have copies of these. I also tried to make my position clear on the two occasions before Presbytery. I have no reason to alter these statements now, nor do I see anything in the quotations concerned which require any further explanation from me. The right of private interpretation of the Scriptures under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and with every aid from human learning is a principle that our Presbyterian forefathers suffered for.

Last month I visited the Greyfriars Church in Edinburgh where many covenanters were imprisoned in a graveyard under the open sky for five months, and was greatly stirred by the thought of why they suffered. The real issue seems to be individual freedom of interpretation and in this respect the point of view of my critics seems to me more

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ish than Protestant. The deductions from my book are not mine
to the editors. The method of historical study and such conclusions
I have reached have not only not disturbed but have enabled me to
tain as would otherwise have been impossible my belief in and love
of the Bible. That there has been evidence of my teaching having had
the same effect on many Chinese students is the greatest joy of my mis-
sionary service.

My position may be illogical or ignorant but it is intense-
sincere, and I feel it to be in full harmony with my ordination vows
and with the essential convictions of my respected and beloved brethren
of the Presbytery.

As to the petty behavior of the Editor in thus trying further
to discredit me, and the spirit of those who have been so diligently sup-
plying him with material for this purpose, I shall not speak. It would
have given a fairer impression of the commentary if the whole introduc-
tion had been quoted. But I do want to speak of the immense comfort it
has been to me to have had the painstaking and sympathetic interest of
the Presbytery and its endorsement of me in a persecution which has come
about because of an effort to help Chinese students to believe in the
Bible as I am honestly convinced would not otherwise be possible for them.

With affectionate regards,

Very sincerely yours,

RS LM

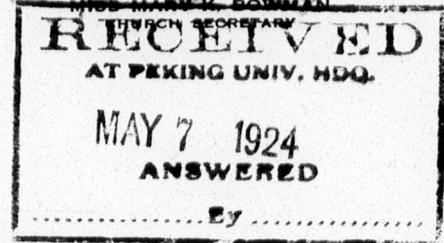
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REV. RUSSELL CECIL D. D.
PASTOR
912 PARK AVENUE

*Stuart
Criticism*

Second Presbyterian Church
Fifth and Main Streets
Richmond, Va.



Rev. J. Leighton Stuart, D.D., President Peking University,
#156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y.

Dear Doctor Stuart;-

Your letter of April 11th, touching the criticism of your Chinese Commentary on the Apocalypse, is received. I should have acknowledged receipt of your letter sooner, but Presbytery was just about to meet, and I had so many things on hand that I postponed writing longer than intended to. No one brought the matter up before Presbytery; but, as perhaps you know, Dr. McPheeters notified Presbytery that he would complain to the Synod of Virginia against the action of East Hanover Presbytery in receiving you upon examination. I have also received notice that the Executive Committee of Foreign Missions has referred the Criticism of your Commentary in the Princeton Review to East Hanover Presbytery; and it will be necessary, therefore, for us to take some notice of it. The Presbytery adjourned to meet again on the first Monday in June, June 2nd, here in Richmond, and the matter will probably then be up for consideration. If this reaches you before you sail for China, and you have access to the Criticism of your Book in the Princeton Review, I wish you would make a plain statement in answer to the remarks of the Editor upon your views, of such a character that it can be presented to Presbytery in vindication of your position.

With kind regards, and wishing for you a safe voyage home,
I am, -

Sincerely your friend,

May 3rd, 1924.

Russell Cecil

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would be through Dr. Helms
at Genl. Conference.

The Univ. of South Calif. raises
the question again of similar af-
filiations elsewhere. I mentioned
the matter to you, and Luce
has had it very much on his
mind. It has seemed to me
hitherto - that our need for ready
money in large amounts made
it impossible for us to take
the time necessary for such
efforts among colleges. Now,
however, we may be able to get
to it, especially with Miss
Frank's help. Denominational
colleges may be a source



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CALIFORNIA

H. J. TREMAIN, PRESIDENT

of salary units. I made a fling
at Cornell but U. of Woking
had beat us to it. A circular
letter to the presidents might be a way
to begin.

I wonder how the Carruthers
proposition is taking shape!

Yours for Yreaching,

J. L. S.

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with a succession of short-term single men to teach English and select men preferably who can take part in various student activities, these men staying two or three years. I pointed out that if a desirable man was specially qualified for and wanted to teach some other subject this could always be taken up by correspondence. These suggestions seemed quite acceptable to them.

If not already on our mailing list the following persons should

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be included for publicity:
President Associated Students
of Univ. of South. California
Harold J. Stonier, Exec. Secy. ditto
Secretary Y.M.C.A.

I shall confer with Harris
on arrival in Peking. He has
been doing effective letter
writing from his end.

On the whole it is an apparently
well-established relationship
with some possibility of enlargement.

H. J.

May 3, 1924

Reverend J. Leighton Stuart
The Cowman Hotel
Seattle, Washington

Dear Leighton:

Just a note of Bon Voyage as you leave. Surely the hours spent together at Albany and en route to Chicago were tremendously worthwhile.

It is rather lonesome here without you, and I confess to a feeling of very deep unworthiness in this task. It is really a staggering job but somehow we will accomplish it, through the help of the good Lord, and by our cooperation through much labor.

I find this Carruthers matter up for consideration on my return, and I am taking it up with Rex Wheeler and with Porter. We will handle it somehow and hope that the result is somewhere along the lines we talked.

We will think of you as you go across the Pacific, and as you jump in first-hand again to the problems in Peking. I pray that we may carry our share of the load here.

It is hard for a man to talk about his personal affection. It is one of the things he instinctively shields, but if you will destroy this letter, I will tell you that my loyalty to you is not simply the loyalty of a subaltern to his chief, but borders on affection not only for a friend, but also for a character which I can never reach but for which I have pledged myself ever to strive.

Sincerely yours

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May 7, 1924

Mrs. R. D. Van Name
22 Upper Mountain Avenue
Montclair, N. J.

Dear Mrs. Van Name:

In a telephone conversation with Mr. Ernest Evans yesterday, he asked me to write you about certain items in connection with Peking University, regarding which there seems to be a question in the minds of some people.

The name of Peking University has been the same from its date of incorporation a good many years ago. It was founded in 1870. I am enclosing herewith a little statement which will cover this better than a letter which I would write.

You will see from this statement that not only the original university, but the other colleges which in 1917 joined with the original university in creating the new Peking University, have always been Christian schools. On the other hand, the word "Christian" has never been used in the name of any of these institutions. In this regard, not only Peking University, but its constituent colleges have followed from the beginning the course pursued by the various denominational colleges throughout the United States. For example: Princeton University, Worcester College, Boston University, Oberlin, etc. Columbia University, you recall, was first Kings College and founded by the Episcopalians in New York.

I am aware that certain articles have been written, both in the "Sunday School Times" and in the "Princeton Theological Review", criticizing President Stuart because the writers of those articles interpreted writings of President Stuart in an unfriendly manner. When the first of these appeared, a year or two ago, President Stuart, who is a member of the Southern Presbyterian Church, paid little attention to the comments, but went about his Christian work quietly. However, as these attacks persisted, President Stuart went to the ~~Senate~~ through which he was originally admitted to the ministry and asked for trial. He had not been asked to come for trial. He asked for it himself in order that the facts

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might be brought out, and the facts made to face the rumours. His Church told him that they were not concerned about any views of his being un-Christian because they knew him. He was not content however and so on his own request applied again, de novo, to enter the ministry of his Church, and he went right through the whole process from beginning to end, answering all questions in order that there might be no doubt in the minds of any as to his loyalty to Christ as his Lord and Saviour.

The Bible is taught in both the Yenching Women's College and Peking University, which in China are both affiliated under the Chinese name "Yenching University", and it is taught by men and women whose faith has been tested literally times without number. In the Theological School, for example, there are four Chinese professors whose loyalty to Christ is so great that they have each of them many times declined invitations to go to other schools under government patronage at salaries three to five times that which they receive from us. They have declined these invitations because they have said they were called to the ministry and the teachings of Jesus Christ and they will not depart from this divine call.

I am enclosing in this letter a few reprints of an article printed in the current number of the International Review of Missions, and written by Dr. Stuart. It will speak for itself concerning his convictions about the place of the Christian College in China. I beg of you to read it and I am sure that knowing these facts and learning the spirit of this university, you will feel no anxiety, either in your mind or soul concerning the really divine mission and strategic influence of the University, or of the safe leadership of its faculty.

Sincerely yours

Executive Secretary

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Hotel Gowman

Seattle, Washington

T. H. GOWMAN, MANAGING DIRECTOR

May 7/14

My dear Sir,

The enclosed from Mr. Myers may be of interest. I have written to him asking that he make no other decision until he hear from you. I know nothing of him beyond the information in these enclosures, but you may be well acquainted. If he has the right qualities it occurs to me that he might be used temporarily for steady continuous work in towns where we have hitherto only made hurried efforts, or in a systematic combing of small towns &c in a given area. After we get further along he could go to another similar college or the joint campaign of the China colleges may by that time be ready to use him. One question would

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be whether he would care for such a temporary position with us. And of course there is the increased expense to our campaign. I am only thinking of the money that we should have and the amount of work necessary to get it. For the rest, you are in complete charge and will know whether or not you want this kind of help. I am merely passing on the chance. Imagine two Methodists thus working for P.C.C!

We can count on a Seattle residence with Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith as assuring it. He may not make any remittances until next spring, but definitely assumes responsibility for the full amount. He wants it to be for Timothy Hew.

Thanks for your good letter just received. The most reassuring event in our American efforts for P.U. has been your acceptance of this position. It has done more to cheer me up than everything else combined, and to make me hopeful for the future. And along with this confidence in you ~~there~~ has already developed a strong personal affection. We shall be comrades in a great task. Very sincerely yours,
Linsford

be satisfied with any decision reached by you three men, each with his special angle of interest and so telegraphed Carruthers.

Will you take up definitely for me with the Trustees the matter of an additional stenographer. I spoke with you and others about this but no formal action was taken. Whatever the precise nature of Luce's work, we ought to have one more American girl for this work.

It might be well from now on to try for residences for Chinese not foreign-trained in amounts

from \$2000. to \$3500. I shall try to have specific details sent from Peking promptly, but meanwhile suggest about ten such.

The matter of unpaid (or uncollected) pledges should be looked into. I don't know just who is handling this, but it may need checking up.

I had a good conference with Vincent. He is to be in Philadelphia (at the Walnut Str. Presby. Church) May 18 and before or after that will have a few days in N.Y. I want you & him to know each other, and thought it might be a good thing to have a few of our trustees get the inspiration of contact with one of our staff doing an original bit of work & fresh from Peking. He will write you when his movements are fixed.

Be sure to see old Capt. Dollen on the trip. I am sorry I failed to do so. His secretary or local agent may do as well.

So much for the present. The train is moving again -
Yours,
J.H.S.



Hotel Gowman

Seattle, Washington

T. H. GOWMAN, MANAGING DIRECTOR

May 8/24

My dear Jim,

In regard to the Dollar S.S. Co. and our formal opening I have a few comments. First, a lingering annoyance with myself for failing to speak with old Capt. Dollar when I had the chance.

Next an impression which Luce shares that we can furnish the Company with a lot of passengers to their advantage and ours. You can state to them that a preliminary canvass in various parts of the country has already awakened much interest and several definite decisions to make the trip.

Luce raises the pertinent question whether we should not postpone this opening to 1926. In favor of so doing, are of course such considerations as: the unfinished appearance of grounds and buildings; roadways, ponds, shrubberies &c undeveloped; inadequate time to work up

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the sort of people we want to have present &c. The P.M.C. deliberately postponed their opening on these grounds and had a beautiful affair in finished buildings. On the other hand, we — unlike the P.M.C. — are using this dedication trip for promotional reasons; the very incompleteness could properly be described as a help in securing further funds; we shall never be comfortably ready for such an event and can exert ourselves at both ends for 1925 about as easily as for 1926 if we know we have to; there is something to be said for a formal opening at the actual time of first occupation; if we postpone too long certain "projects" may lose interest. To sum it up, I should prefer to have you and the campaign committee decide. It is primarily a promotional issue and should be planned for on that basis. My own present feeling is that if the mechanical installations could be secured elsewhere (e.g. Mr. Gamble &c) and the proceeds from sale of old site to Methodist Board be available to draw upon for improvement of grounds, finishing off buildings otherwise held up, &c., we could get the grounds in sufficiently presentable shape to remove that difficulty. As a matter of fact, with \$10,000 to draw upon between next autumn and the following summer we could



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go a long way toward transforming those grounds. If the Trustees will authorize that amount from the undesignated funds (or deficits!) we can get to work, which is desirable apart from the particular question under discussion. It would also help to occupy Luce in the kind of thing he could do to best advantage and relieve others. We ought to have several Trustees present whenever this event takes place. We ought also to have the date settled in the early future as all sorts of local decisions will depend upon it. We should have careful plans to get the best Chinese official and alumni cooperation.

Would it not be well to start a mailing list of prospective visitors? I have certain names to put on it:

- Rev. C. J. Hawkins, D.D., Plymouth Church, Seattle
- " Edw. Lincoln Smith " 2570 Mt. Baker Drive "
- Mrs. David Gilmore, Laura Bell Apartments
1112 Broadway North "
- Mr. Warren H. M. Hyde, 712 Spruce St., San Francisco

There is a Mr. Chas. E. Gardner, 37 Wall Street, N.Y., evidently a very successful broker, thinking of retiring from business and taking up boys' work or something useful, a self-made man from Troy, N.Y., an Episcopalian, wife very eager to go to China. Miss Georgianna Green of this Hotel & city will be glad to have her name used in writing or interviewing Mr. & Mrs. Gardner. It may or may not be a lead of value.

I note from the morning paper that the two Methodist bodies have definitely united. The South. Methodists have only Soochow University, and it may be worth while for us to get our hooks in at the outset, especially as through J. C. Chow the two institutions will be related. Theological students can take pre-theological work and their first year of theology as Senior College class in Soochow coming to us for the two post-graduate years. Soochow University will thus parallel our own courses in this subject. The only individuals I know who could be interested on this basis are Mrs. Patten (Chattanooga), the Wilimots (New Orleans), Mrs. Munger and a few others in Dallas. All these are on our lists.

Time now both to let you alone and to start for the boat.

Yours +
J. L. C.

F. H. Warner has written me on the subject of advancing \$10,000 Gymnasium money for Athletic field, and

the Coney Board's undertaking of \$50,000.

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T. H. GOWMAN, MANAGING DIRECTOR

May 8/24

My dear Leslie,

Herewith the \$300.00 which I asked you to advance on my incidental account. I find my bank account will let me return it. If, however, this will confuse your record, credit this toward the amount I owe the University & advise me accordingly.

I enclose an application from Cornell. I am writing saying that the matter had been referred to you and that you will write if there is occasion.

Dr. Edw. Lincoln Smith will stand responsible for a Seattle Residence to be occupied at first by J. J. Lewis (\$7000.)

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Goodbye. It was good to have further fellowship with the man who is so efficiently handling your essential part of our task. I hope you realize how satisfying it is to have you on the job in that aspect of it which while escaping the hardships of the field campaigning and the burdens of the local administration is also apt to be overlooked by those interested in our progress. This is to assure you that one of us at any rate thoroughly appreciates the responsibilities of your position and the way you are meeting them.

Very cordially yours,
J.H.S.

Charge to the account of Peking University

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May 8, 1924

Rev. J. Leighton Stuart, D. D.
S. S. President Jackson
Admiral Oriental Line
Seattle, Washington

FINE RESPONSE COMING TO LAST ISSUE PEKING NEWS STOP YOU AND LUCE
GO WITH OUR GENUINE AFFECTION AND LOYALTY OUR BEST TO YOU BOTH

James H. Lewis

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May 15, 1924

Mrs. Raymond D. Van Name
22 Upper Mountain Avenue
Montclair, New Jersey

Dear Mrs. Van Name:

I appreciate your letter of the 12th and assure you that you need have no concern about the Christian character of Peking University or of its leadership.

Incidentally, I have just read in the China Educational Review a paper, written by T. T. Lew, the Chinese Dean of our Theological School, entitled "The Contribution of Christian Colleges and Universities to the Church in China". It is quite a long paper but rather easy to read. I am having copies made of it to send to a few of our friends, and I am making note to send one to you. It is so fine an expression by a Chinese that I think it will be of great interest to you.

After all, the best way to make a judgment concerning either an individual or an institution is by observing the product of its life. I am reminded that Jesus once applied this same test.

Very sincerely yours

Executive Secretary

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22 UPPER MOUNTAIN AVENUE
MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY
PHONE 7398

May 12th 1924

My dear Mr Lewis,

I thank you for
your letter and the material
enclosed, all of which I have
read with interest.

Not knowing about the
articles of a critical nature
of which you speak, it
did seem strange to me,
I confess, that the word
"Christian" was not looked

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in some way with the
incorporated name.
Especially is this lack emphasized
to me when in our speaking
and writing, as well as in
our thinking, one invariably
uses the word "Christian"
in speaking of these Colleges
and Universities by way of
distinction, because of the
Government schools and
the fact that China is not
as yet a Christian nation.
Therefore it hardly seems
comparable with the names
of Colleges and Universities in
a land that is called Christian.

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MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY
PHONE 7398

It surely is not for me however,
to ponder a 'ev, except that the
interests of the Kingdom are
very dear to me. Because
of this fact I could but
ponder if God's standards
were being sufficiently
guarded, now, to protect
them in that day when
China will have control.

I thank you for writing
me so fully, it was deeply
appreciated. Most sincerely,
(Mrs Raymond D) Elsie Mackey Van Name

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SS "President Jackson"

May 13/24

My dear Leslie,

You will of course keep me informed of all developments as they take definite shape. There are, however, several items which I should like to know of and shall list below to help us both:

(1) The decision regarding Ellis for the construction work. If there is no news on my arrival by cable I shall get the opinions of Gibb and the G. & B. Committee and let you hear by cable.

(2) The final actions regarding

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Misses Stryker & Murphy, Thos. Ellis, Coole, and any ^{other} new appointees.

(3) Results for the P.M.C. English & Physics men.

(4) Changes in Budget. As I understand it the balance in our favor was when I left Mex. \$2700., including all those named in (2) above, also ^{Bartlett, Britton, Eubank} Mess. Blumk and the Chinese specified in the Managers' Budget. Unless we hear that Leonard Hsü can be secured through negotiations being conducted by Mr. Galen Fisher we may engage him with this balance, though I hope that special fund will permit this.

(5) An additional stenographer will be a practical necessity from now on. It may be that the money we have covered best be used for her, though I hope Lewis can make this possible otherwise. In any case, try to find the girl.

(6) Lewis has in mind a possible New Testament man, who may have implications for the Budget. If the man accepts let us have him. His name is Craig and I know enough about him to approve. In this connection, let me know of any news regarding Evans. I feel much concerned about him.

(7) Get the Finance Committee to authorize a specific number of residences to start when Ellis is ready for business (if he comes) and to indicate the rate at which they can be begun. Also to authorize us to negotiate locally for a builder (e.g. Wolff) if Ellis is not to come.

⑧ I shall doubtless be getting word from more than one source of the Carruthers affair!

⑨ Was E.O. Wilson finally approved by the Presby. Board or not?

⑩ Let me have the news regarding that Oxford chap Widouson. As I said to you, if Stanley Wilson recommends him, I approve -- on the basis of an "honorary" member of the Staff.

These ten points are enough to trouble you with, from Mid. Decem.

Yours +
J.S.

May 13, 1924

Dear Feighton:

I have just been drawing a couple of ideas.

1. I think we will divide the mechanical installations into two thousand shares at \$100 each. I believe we can get these taken and I would absolutely limit one share to each person. In this way, we would give an opportunity for persons of small means to cooperate, and at the same time it would not effect a person of large means, as the amount would be so small. I am going to present this idea to the Campaign Committee as soon as I can get them together, and suggest the possibility of having made, and presenting to each donor, a small Chinese pagoda, made of bronze or some similar metal, in the form of a paper wiehgt. This would be novel and would give us a fine constituency. If we could get two hundred thousand out of them now, we might get two million out of them in the next couple of years. I would certainly expect to do so.

2. The other idea is to discontinue the "Peking News" during the summer, with the exception of August 1 number. This is the hottest season in the United States and I am thinking of getting out a pictorial number, with views of the western hills, the shade trees on our new campus, the lake on our campus, etc. If you approve the idea, will you not have the best photographer in Peking take some scenic views of the western hills and of our campus, including particularly the ponds, springs, streams, etc - beautiful pictures which suggest coolness. So far as possible, get the corner of one of our new buildings in somewhere, or a view of the campus showing the beginning of building operations etc. It would be better for us to have glossy prints rather than any other kind of finish. I

If these can be started from Peking not later than June 15, they will reach here in time, if marked "Rush". Also, this would give you an opportunity to take some fine commencement pictures and they could be included in the batch.

3. Gibb's pictures are fine, but they are fine but they are rarely sharpe enough for the best reproduction. Also, I should like to have the films of some of his pictures. Will you ask him to hereafter print his pictures on glossy paper rather than on the softer

Loyally yours

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May 13, 1924

Reverend J. Leighton Stuart, D. D.
Peking, China

Dear Leighton:

On all the items of business concerning which I write, I am going to number the items. In this way it may be easier for both of us to clear them. Personal letters, of course, will be written otherwise.

1. Concerning G. H. Myers: Greencastle, Indiana: I know Dr. Myers very well. I knew him in the Centenary Movement. He is a good speaker for the old-fashioned missionary address. Frankly, I do not believe he would make a good sort of an appeal to the progressive group or to a certain class of persons who are now interested in the University. I have just written him a personal note and asked him to drop in for a chat some time when he is in New York. He is especially good in life service appeals to young people of Christian Endeavor age. If we enlarge our work here some time next year to include addresses of the inspirational sort to church groups, we might be able to use Dr. Myers. On the other hand, I would like to see Yeaching do a distinctive thing in this regard, namely, do its cultivation of this type through English-speaking Chinese. It will be a little more difficult here at the office, but I believe the sum total will be for the advantage, not only of the permanent reputation of the University, but for the right sort of an impression made.

2. Seattle Residence: I am writing a note to Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith this morning, confirming the matter and opening the way for personal cooperation and contact at this end.

3. Date of Opening at Peking: I judge from your letter that the primary thing which stands in the way of an opening a year from this fall is \$10,000 for the general beautifying of the grounds. I will see what we can do about this. Personally it seems to me that if we can have the grounds in reasonably good shape and can have the two Science Buildings, Theological School, Bushford Memorial, Library, one or more Dormitories, at least one Central Hall completed, with other Dormitories actually under construction, with twenty or thirty Residences constructed

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with the Athletic Field in use or ready for it, and if possible the lakes dug out and filled with fresh clear water, nicely trimmed around, this will be as fine a basis for opening as we could get for our purposes. We do not look for a complete plant. We do need enough to show the guaranty of greatness. I would particularly emphasize the things that I have mentioned above, and certainly not the least of these would be getting the lakes cleared out and beautified. Would it not be possible also to sow alfalfa over much of the area at least next spring if not before, so that the grounds would be green? I wish that the leveling and sloping process might also be carried forward. I do not think I would touch the little island at all. If the water is clear around it and it is shown to be a lake and not a marsh, there will be some persons in the party with sufficient imagination to see its possibilities in the rough.

Personally, I should like to see the opening not later than September 15, 1925. I state this because there has been an intensive campaign for two years, there will be for another year, and the general campaign has been on for five years. We do not have an unlimited treasury like the P. U. M. C. We have to get our money and we've got to show ourselves after all this time. I think if the above items are cleared with regard to the buildings and grounds - which I assume can be cleared if we can scrape together \$10,000 for this general purpose - the opening can take place officially a year from this coming fall.

4. Will you see Harold Dollar in China? I will see Captain Dollar about passage and open the way for a definite approach on rates, etc. when we know where we are. I wish that Luce would write of 1925 in his letters instead of 1926. It would probably mean more work and worry to speed up things this way, but we must begin crystallizing on our constituency.

5. Thank you for the list of persons with whom to start. I am adding to these some persons whom I have in mind and will make primary approaches before fall.

I am writing a note to Mr. Gardner of 37 Wall Street, asking if I might call.

I think the unification of North and South Methodist Church is an assured fact so far as beginning is concerned. The present plan of unification is really simply a "How-do-you-do" proposition. However, it is a beginning and together they will grow much closer in their relationships. I mark what you say about this giving us a reason to get in our books and I am listing the persons you suggest and will look for others.

Cordially yours

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SS "President Jackson"

May 19/24

My dear Jim,

Following up what I wrote
you from Seattle about Chas. E. Gardner
I am enclosing a note of introduction
with an added one from me which
you may care to use.

This Miss Georgianna Green ^{-XV}
promised that if her affairs were
next year as she expects them to
be she will contribute the clock
for our new plant. She would not
pledge herself, nor was any sum

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of money mentioned, but she wants me to look into the kind of Chronometer wanted and let her know. Her name is Miss Georgianna Green, and at present she is living at the Hotel Gowman, Seattle. Let her have suitable publicity stuff.

I pretty well exhausted all the business items in my letters from Seattle. I shall soon after arrival get our people to express their opinion on the date for the Opening, also to prepare as early as we can the Budget for 1925-6, perhaps in two forms: (1) as we must have it; (2) as we should like to have it for really good work. I am recommending in my Annual Report that we start a Department of Russian, and shall await eagerly the developments in the matter of our Italian friend. The same is true of Craig (of whom I have written Moss, in case there are questions of my attitude), Carruthers &c. You can doubtless help in other matters of personnel if Moss gets in a tight place.

I have just written Mrs. Jenkins the nicest note I knew how.

For the rest, get some real rest this summer. As I said before my only anxiety about you is that you do not overwork. It is thrilling to look

forward to having a chance
to demonstrate what a Christian
college in China can achieve
when actually for once adequately
financed. But all the more because
of what is at stake, must you
take care of yourself. And I
find myself thinking on this subject
with personal affection as well
as for the other reason.

Yours in this exhilarating game,
Leighton