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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

January 2, 1925.

Dr. Eric M. North,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City,
U.S.A.

My dear Eric:

Replying to your letter of November 19:

Policy Concerning Residences

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The Grounds and Buildings Committee at its meeting December 29 took certain actions the reasons for which they asked me to explain in detail to you. The Finance Committee had evidently been misinformed regarding the procedure for allocating faculty residences or had drawn inferences based on intimations from the field which were needlessly alarming. There had been quite a little anxiety and dissatisfaction in the earlier stages of the discussion of this matter, but this was largely due to the way in which the chairman of the committee had been handling it, or to misapprehension among our people as to what was intended. Since Mr. Corbett became chairman of the sub-committee on faculty residences appointed by the Grounds and Buildings committee everything has been proceeding smoothly and satisfactorily. The Grounds and Buildings committee feels strongly that it would be wiser to continue on the basis already begun. One reason for this is that quite a number of houses have already been selected by various families and are in various stages of construction. Others have yielded their right to select houses on the assumption that they would be given the same opportunity later on. Underlying the reasons for using this method has been the consideration that our staff of splendidly loyal people are living on salaries which are constantly shrinking in purchasing value, and that one compensation within our power is to provide each one of them with as comfortable living conditions as our resources permit.

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to this end we have voted that a family having once selected a house will have the option of living in that same house as long as they are connected with the University, despite furloughs and other absences intervening, qualifying this, of course, as exigencies at any given time may make necessary. Assuming that the same family will continuously occupy a given house for a number of years it seems reasonable to allow such features as would not unfit the house for other occupancy, thus adding to the comfort and contentment of the original occupants, encouraging them to install or to alter at their own expense features approved by the committee and in general exercising the care that goes with proprietary interest. These houses are being selected not in the haphazard following of an alphabetical list as you have gathered from correspondence, but in the order of academic rank. A large number of those who had first choice passed up for various reasons and are taking their chances on having the opportunity later.

The matter is seriously complicated by the racial issue. The General Faculty Executive recommended early in the autumn and the Board of Managers have since unanimously approved that all teachers of professorial rank who are thought of as staying more or less permanently with the institution be supplied with a house rent free and that all salaries be fixed with this consideration in view. We are trying to express spiritual values in this whole problem of faculty housing and to indicate unmistakably that there is no race discrimination about which Chinese of all types are now abnormally sensitive. One effective way of demonstrating this is to have houses assigned to Chinese and foreigners on precisely the same basis of choice. It also means that Chinese of these grades should be paid salaries that are reduced because a house is also furnished, and are also sufficiently high to enable them to live with self-respect in houses of this type. This will seem to be a radical departure from established mission policy, and yet there is no internal issue before us now in which more is at stake as I see it than a wise handling of this question. Are cultured Chinese whose resources permit going to adopt the domestic conveniences of Western life? Or, is there something inherently different between the people of East and West which requires that we Western people have all of these, but makes it easy and natural for Chinese to go without them? All indications are

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that these mechanical installations of heat, light and plumbing will be adopted by Chinese and add neither more nor less to their health and enjoyment than in the case of ourselves. If so, a Christian College ought to be the first place to recognize this. Not only so, it is the only possible attitude to take if there is to be any hope of securing and keeping with us the finest Chinese personalities of the type which has already become the distinctive glory of Yen Ching. These men, of whom Wm. Hung is a typical instance, cannot be appealed to by any purely monetary advantages. But, on the other hand, they ask and expect equal treatment with their Western comrades. As long as they have this we can be indifferent to the alluring offers which come to them from the outside: Whereas, our failure to live up to this will undermine the loyalty and approval of our ideals which is the bond which now holds them to us. If we should pay salaries and leave them to rent either our own houses or others that they can find in the neighborhood it is fairly certain that very few, if any of them, would take the former course. Family economic pressure is so insistent that they would prefer to live with less comfort and save the money and all Chinese ethical ideas would sustain them. The result would be that our students and others would infer that as usual foreigners were given preferential treatment, and the Chinese relegated to inferior accommodations where they were left to shift for themselves. The moral gain in avoiding this is quite obvious. Even though we paid nominal salaries or which a percentage would be intended for rent, but fixed the rental of different houses according to size, location, etc. at different figures, we would still have various irritations and complexities which it would seem could be avoided by the present policy. In other words, since our policy is fixed in the case of certain individuals by that of Mission Boards in the matter of houses as of salaries it seems desirable to make this apply to all concerned. I very much hope that the Finance Committee will not press its actions on this subject, but will allow us to work out the problem as best we can on the field. I do not think that any money would be brought in to the current budget by another process, as we would perhaps be forced to pay substantive salaries, an arbitrary amount being allowed for rentals resulting only in these amounts, passing in and out on our books. This policy is merely an extension of the Mission Board principle requiring a heavier investment in capital and reduced annual expenditure. If approved, we shall work out, perhaps under the direction of a faculty committee, a careful system of regulations for occupancy

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and procedure for assignment, supplying these, of course, to the Trustees.

Mrs. Willard Straight

You ask whether any definite assignment has been made of the \$30,000 gift she made in the early stages of our campaign. Thus far, this has not been done, although in asking her to establish a School of Journalism, I suggested that this sum might count toward a building for this purpose. I think you would be quite justified in using the money for other purposes. If she should go into this Journalism project in a large way, we can easily make the necessary adjustments.

Survey of the Site

You will perhaps recall that Mr. Lund, when in New York, insisted on having this made, and that the Trustees took action approving. Gibb has strenuously opposed this expenditure as unnecessary and has written to New York one or more times setting forth his views. He claims that any survey for engineering purposes is covered by the contract and that no other use exists for it. Thus far, no reply has been received from you on this subject, and meanwhile it has been the cause of a great deal of heated argument and festering irritation between the two. Lund has been since his return to China very much discontented with the financial arrangements for his firm. He feels that they are losing money on our contract, and he knows that we are at his mercy so far as moving out next autumn is concerned. He is interested in this survey partly because he feels that the terms of the contract and the plans of his firm were all made with the assurance that this survey would be authorized at the figure which he has held to, \$5000 L.C. The matter recently came to the point when Lund in an angry mood debated throwing up the whole job. Gibb in this, as in all such matters, is so controlled by the desire to save every dollar that can be saved, and so assertive, that it would grieve him to approve this expenditure as much as it would offend Lund not to approve it. Lund is partly influenced by what he regards as engineering requirements, partly by the chance to recoup his firm for the loss they are incurring on our job in other respects. Meanwhile, he is going ahead and having the survey done whether we pay for it or not. I recommend that the Trustees take action on the matter that will be final, basing their decision upon the letters received from Gibb and the reasons that led to their original affirmative action in the light of developments since then.

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*The University Council voted yesterday
in favor of Yenching in stead of Yen Ching.*

English Name

In a recent communication I sent you a copy of the identical note sent by me on the instruction of the Board of Managers to each of our four constituent missions giving the reasons why I had recommended and the Managers had approved that the name of the University be changed from Peking to Yenching. You will be interested to know that the Methodist Mission has formally approved of this change. I have not yet had official action from one or two others, but there is no question of their endorsement. Could you not see to it that this matter is put through whatever process must be observed with the Mission Boards, the Trustees and the Legislature so that if the change is to be ratified at home this be done with the minimum of delay. It would be a very great advantage if we could start off on our new site with the official right to use our new name. We have never yet issued a catalogue and are delaying one now largely in order that it may record what we hope will hereafter be the name by which we shall be known. As soon as I get the official replies from all four missions I shall forward these to you. Dr. Augustus Downing of Albany told me that he would not recommend this change unless he had evidence that it was acceptable both to the Chinese Government and to the Methodist Board of Missions. The letter from the Acting President of the National University, a copy of which I sent you, ought to be sufficient evidence as to the desires of the former. Bishop Grose will not get back here until some time in March and I shall promptly ask him to write formally on the subject, but I am confident in view of a conversation with him before the matter was proposed to the Managers that he will support the action of his mission."

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Grant to Mr. and Mrs. Gibb

I note that the Trustees approved of an allowance of G\$300 for a vacation trip. It would take between \$900 and \$1000 L.C. for them to carry out the trip south that they have in mind, and Mr. Krause and I both feel strongly that it would be the wish of the Trustees to approve this amount if they knew of the circumstances. We are, therefore, urging Gibb to go ahead with a grant not to exceed \$1000 to be included in the overhead on construction. Gibb is very tired and with the strain of the work that will begin in the spring and continue on all through next summer and autumn we feel that this investment is abundantly worth while, even in dollars and cents, to say nothing of the recognition he deserves for all that he has saved us.

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Student Unrest

You are doubtless getting the reports of the Anti-Christian Education Movement and communistic agitation breaking out all over China, especially in student circles. I am inclosing a few clippings from the papers of the last few days that will add point. I have been planning for several weeks to write a

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memorandum to the Trustees on the whole situation and its bearing on our policy, and shall get to this as soon as the chance offers.

Mr. R.H. Ritter

I have a letter from Scott in which he assumes that this man can be counted as the sixth in the Presbyterian quota. Without going into detail here, I want to make it perfectly clear that whether Ritter joins our staff or not it will not have any bearing on our budget or the appointments under the Presbyterian quota. We absolutely cannot afford any such luxury in our present financial condition. Do not allow any such misconception to enter into the negotiations with that Board.

~~Write
Scott~~

Financial Outlook

May I close this long letter by giving expression to long restrained feelings of anxiety as to the progress of financial efforts in America. It has been eight months now since Luce and I sailed and in this period of eager hopes we have not had one single evidence of any progress in actual results, despite all the preliminary work we had done and the specific individuals or groups that were to be followed up. Not only so, but there has been no comment on the matter from anyone except for the information from Lewis that he was planning to raise \$300,000 from the "Lions". A recent letter indicates that he thinks this will be nearer \$200,000. If he really has any reasonable prospect of selling 2,000 "Lions" our Power Plant problems would all be solved, and the local arrangements we have made for a loan from the bank here could be turned to other scarcely less pressing needs. However, your ominous silence on the whole subject when reviewing the issues in this particular feature forces the conclusion that thus far there has been no tangible result. The Finance Committee seem chiefly preoccupied with the question of spending \$15,000 on a trip for Mr. Murphy and there is no indication in minutes or letters recording their meetings that they are in any way concerned over the apparently total lack of results. Meanwhile, in a year with decidedly more local strain both within the University and still more in the general situation in China, when we have been anxiously waiting for any encouragement from home, or even any comments, one foreign mail after another has come and been eagerly opened without learning anything on this to us vital issue, and the cables have all confirmed our fears. Your own letters are rightly occupied with the unpleasant realities of a bank account that cannot be trifled with, and other routine items of business. And yet, even from the standpoint of administration, it would seem that we might have some indication as to the interest, at least of our Trustees in the lack of results, and of measures to be taken in consequence.

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My own experiences have corrected any excess of optimism or tendency to criticize lightly in the matter of raising money, but to pass through the past eight months unrelieved by one single gleam at a time when it has seemed equally impossible to stay where we are or to move by next autumn, has been the most depressing experience that I have yet had. Forgive me for this outburst, but I feel about at the breaking point.

As ever yours,

J. Highton Stark

Your letter regarding measures for providing pensions, insurance etc, for members of our staff has been received. I am delighted that this matter is being taken up, but shall probably wait until Harris arrives before replying in detail. It ought by all means to apply to Chinese as well as to western teachers.

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TO THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

January 6, 1925.

Mr. James H. Lewis
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City,
U.S.A.

My dear Jim:

We have been eagerly waiting for some sort of news regarding the progress of the "Lions Campaign" and the situation in general. We are desperately interested in at least sufficient results to secure the minimum requirements for moving next autumn, with the necessity of starting such building operations sometime in March. I am inclosing the price of one "Lion" which, as in one or two previous instances has drifted out here. I note that you are planning to ship a thousand of these to China to be used in connection with the tourist parties of which you wrote. I cabled, as you requested, that we would be glad to look after these people, although if the country remains as disturbed as has been the case, it is doubtful whether any timid agency will allow its people to expose themselves to the risks of travel. If you really have got ground for thinking that 2,000 of these will be disposed of, it means that our greatest burden of the Power Plant can be entirely cared for. There are a few small matters which I shall clear off in this letter.

Wm. Hung thinks that the Cones will soon be here and he evidently is in touch with their movements. I shall do my best to win them when they arrive.

Eric
Mrs. Judd, who has been staying with us, and is much interested in the improvement of our grounds, has suggested that Lord and Burnham of New York City might be willing to present us with equipment for greenhouses, etc. which would add much to the attractiveness of our grounds. The use of her name would probably encourage them to do this, together with the advertising value. Sometime when you have a little leisure you might take

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the matter up.

We have many more pressing necessities, but an official car for my use and in connection with University guests and other business that would be handled more or less through me would be a very great help from next summer on. Several people have advised me that a Dodge car is the best low-priced one and that the difference in appearance and in the effect, especially upon visitors, or when used for public occasions, justified its use rather than a Ford. I wonder if the opportunity could come some time for securing this sort of gift.

A.H.!
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You have written asking about the Thousand Character Scheme of Mrs. Hsiung Hsi Lin. The essential facts are that James Yen, a very gifted returned student, conceived the idea of calculating by actual study of popular magazines and papers the thousand characters in most constant use. Once having determined these, he started a movement for popular education, and Mrs. Hsiung, a gifted and public-spirited woman, the wife of the first Prime Minister of the Republic and since then a leading figure in the better circles of Chinese political life, took up the movement with great zest and has been putting all the money she could into this one thing. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hsiung are very good friends of the University. A nephew has been one of our Chinese teachers and is now President of the University of Communications, and one or two nieces have studied at the Women's College. Mr. Yen is one of the sons-in-law of Pastor Huey of New York City, and himself an earnest Christian man.

P. News

Speaking of the Dodge car is a poignant reminder of the eagerness with which we wanted to read the letter from Mrs. Dodge and your reply to which you referred but which you failed to inclose. Such high hopes have been in suspense in this quarter that it is tantalizing not to know what our doom is.

I have your letter regarding the use of made-over machines. Ruby is extremely anxious to have several Underwoods, new or rebuilt, and I cannot resist the hope that if you could gain direct access to Mr. John Underwood in Brooklyn through his pastor who is already interested in us, it might result in a straight out gift. We have asked in our new budget for ten but must have at least five. If these cannot be secured as a gift, could we not hope to get a quotation that would make them cost no more than rebuilt machines. In any case if a special gift could be secured for this purpose and

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the machines shipped from New York it would be a big help towards providing our needs for next year.

With the best hopes in all the things in which we are depending upon you,

As ever yours,

J.H.S.

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Dr. Yew has agreed to entertain any of the tourists along the lines of your suggestion so we can do that up in great style.

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PEKING UNIVERSITY.

January 9, 1925

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart, resident,
Peking University,
Peking, China.

My dear Leighton:

You and Gibb and sundry other Peking folks are firing cables and letters at my defenceless head so fast that I am having great difficulty even to find out what is yet unanswered. At least, I can convey to you one piece of good news by reporting the following actions of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church and of the Board of Trustees:

Under date of December 20, 1924, Dr. F. D. Gamewell conveyed to us the following action of the Executive Committee of the Board:

"Under date of November 4th, Bishop Grose writes from Peking concerning the needs of the University for funds to complete its heating plant in order to move to the new site by the fall of 1925.

"It is suggested that the Board of Trustees of Peking University shall make a legal transfer to the Board of Foreign Missions of all the property now occupied, for which the Trustees had given the Board an option which was made definite by an advance payment in 1921 of \$25,000. by the Board. It is understood that the purchase is to be at the original cost of the property in gold dollars, amounting to a total of approximately \$223,000.

"When this legal transfer is made the Board of Foreign Missions shall borrow an amount not exceeding \$100,000. to be applied to the purchase price of the property. The annual rental will fully take care of the amount borrowed. If the sum of \$100,000. is made available to Peking University in quarterly installments of \$25,000. this will meet their present requirements.

"It is further understood if this proposed loan be authorized by the Board, charging same against this property, Mr. C. Bennett, Manager of the International Banking Corporation of Peking has agreed to bring the matter to his Directors for negotiating the loan at the current rate of interest. It is understood that the legal title of the

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property will be immediately placed in the hands of the Board of Foreign Missions. The property was conservatively valued at \$223,000. when the option was taken four years ago, and it has materially increased in value. Bishop Grose advances a strong argument that the Board accede to this request in order to meet our obligations to Peking University.

"ACTION TAKEN: That the Board of Foreign Missions take over the property as above proposed, and pay the sum of \$100,000. to Peking University, on the conditions above indicated. The balance due Peking University is to be a matter for later consideration.

"It is understood that this authorization is to be put into legal form by the Board's Counsel and considered and entered as a part of the Minutes of this meeting."

On January 7, 1925, the Board of Trustees took the following action:

VOTED that the Trustees of Peking University hereby authorize the Board of Managers, or its Executive Committee, or the President of the University and the Treasurer of the Board of Managers acting on their behalf, to transfer immediately the title of the land and buildings known as the City Site of the University, recorded on the University's books as parcels 1-36, 38-127 inclusive, to the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church or its duly accredited agents in Peking, with the following understandings:

- (1) That the sale price of the property shall be the original cost of the property in dollars Gold as shown by the records of the University, same to be subject to examination by the officers of the Board, and being stated to be Gold \$222,398.15, subject to minor corrections to be approved by the Finance Committee of the Trustees and such persons as the Board of Foreign Missions may designate.
- (2) That the Board of Foreign Missions has already paid upon this amount the sum of \$25,000. Gold.
- (3) That the Board of Foreign Missions will make to Peking University four quarterly payments of Gold \$25,000. each, beginning March 1, 1925, a total amount of Gold \$100,000. or that the Board of Foreign Missions will make to the University four quarterly payments of Local Currency \$50,000. each, beginning March 1, 1925, as may be agreeable to the Board of Foreign Missions, provided that if said quarterly payments are made in local currency, they shall be credited to the Board of Foreign Missions at the gold equivalent according to the rate of exchange on the day of payment.

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- (4) That the Board of Foreign Missions will place in the hands of the officers of the University an acknowledgment of the Board's liability for the balance of the purchase price due after aforesaid payments shall have been made, the time and method of payment of said liability to be subject to later agreement by the Board of Foreign Missions and the University.
- (5) That during the occupancy of the property by the University after it shall have been transferred to the Board of Foreign Missions, the University shall not be required to pay the Board rent for such occupancy nor shall the Board during this period pay interest upon any unpaid portion of the purchase price; it being understood that the University will use its best endeavors to vacate the property by the autumn of 1925 or as soon thereafter as possible.

It was also

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VOTED that the arrangements necessary as to the time and method of payment of the balance of the purchase price due be referred to the Committee on Finance, Property and Investment with power to represent the Board of Trustees in conference with the representatives of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The legal form of the action of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church is being worked out, but I do not presume that there is any point at which this will modify your procedure in Peking. Of course, the Methodist Mission will be informed by the Board on the matter.

As far as I can see, there is no reason, as soon as the Mission receives word from the Board, why you should not proceed with the transfer of the property, and they with the negotiation of the loan at the bank.

At one point a word of explanation is necessary. A word of explanation should be made with reference to the provision in paragraph 3 in the action of the Board of Trustees for paying in gold or local currency. The reason for this was that in the correspondence which came to the Trustees from you, the amounts referred to were \$200,000. local currency. It may be that the matter of local currency is one that is involved in making the loan at the bank. We have therefore taken our action in such form as to make it possible for the transaction to be made in either local currency or in gold, but if the transaction is made in local currency, the Board must be credited with payment in gold of an amount equivalent, at the day's rate of exchange, to the local currency furnished.

You will, of course, understand that the amounts received from this transaction must be held subject to the order of the Board of Trustees, as the last word on the financial situation has to come from us, although we sometimes long for some clarifying words from you.

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By this time, no doubt, you will have my letters covering the long cablegram regarding various overexpenditures and you will see the situation which gives us concern. I hope that full clearance on these items to which I referred then will be made so that we can find out just how far we can go without having to borrow at the bank which might easily be a matter of some difficulty, but probably not nearly so difficult as the long and sad process of repaying such loans.

In this connection, it is a pleasure to report that the Board of Foreign Missions at the meeting at which it approved the action referred to above, also took an action making available to us at once on this account, a credit of \$25,000. Gold, which we were able to us to advantage in arranging for the letters of credit for the power plant purchases. We can draw upon this credit if we do not receive the first payment on the transfer of the City Site in time to meet drafts on our European credits. This matter will no doubt be covered by correspondence sent to the Mission by the Board.

I have many other items waiting for letters to you, but I shall have to defer them to make sure that this letter makes the China mail.

Cordially yours,

Secretary, Peking University.

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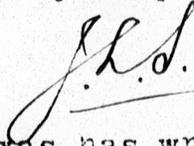
January 13, 1925.

My dear Harry:

I am sending this letter by Miss Dickinson who is starting for America in response to a cable from the Yenching College Committee to work especially on the budget of the Women's College for next year. While her primary responsibility will be in this connection yet there undoubtedly will be opportunities when she could help in our Men's College problems, and I feel sure that some adjustments can be made with the Yenching College Committee to this end. She herself is more than willing to do anything possible toward the necessities of the whole University. There are probably individuals whom you could suggest to whom she might make a more effective presentation than any man. I imagine this would be especially true in the case of some of our men prospects. For the rest, you and she might confer as to the extent to which it would be expedient to work together while you are both on the Pacific Coast. Meanwhile, you will both be having information from the office as to further plans.

With constant remembrance,

As ever yours,



P.S. Mrs. Preston of Texas has written that she will be delayed in China until March, so that you need not expect to hear anything from her. It may be better to let the Texas and South West situation wait until she returns or you hear from Jim Lewis.

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January 13, 1925

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart
Peking University
Peking, China

Dear Leighton:

Your letter of December 12th at hand and I have been searching the back of my mind for our verbal understanding as to my preliminary gift to the Athletic project and at the same time I must give you the results of our business for this last year. Both of these companies have come through in very good shape which means that one of them has paid the preferred stock dividends which it has never failed to do and the other one has come out even without paying any dividends and this, as far as the dividends, is its custom from the beginning. The prospects for this year, 1925, are very much better and unless something unforeseen should happen I feel quite confident that at least one of the companies can give me a larger income than they have been doing in the past. I have personally had to borrow and advance \$100,000. this last year to keep things going and I have used as security for this money some of my wife's securities and in order to protect these I have taken out a life insurance policy which is the first time I have ever done it. However, I was able this last year to spend less money as well as to receive less.

Of the \$25,000. which I hope my family will ultimately give towards this Athletic project I determined to carry \$10,000. of it myself and according to my best memory I agreed to dig up \$5,000. so that the Athletic Field could be put into shape for the Fall of 1925, it being agreed between you and me at the time that we would not make any effort to start the gymnasium but that the boys would use the dormitory rooms and the shower baths in the dormitories in place of the gymnasium. As an incentive to the trustees to purchase that northeast corner I suggested that I advance 1/3 of \$5,000. which was the price asked at first for this property, and this money I have already paid to Dr. North. If you think it wise I will be willing to put the whole of the \$5,000. into the purchase of that property if you can work out a way of putting in the Athletic Field from the sales of the building on that new property as you have suggested. My great wish is with yours in having the Athletic Field ready for the students at the time of moving. I won't say now that that will be all I can do before the end of 1925. You know I am anxious to give. It is merely a matter of getting the cash out of the business and that I feel is going to be more possible as the months go along. I hate terribly not to say yes to anything that you want to suggest but I think it best at the moment to stand by our original plan until I can liberate the money.

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I have talked this over with Dr. North and we are still a little troubled as to how to finance the entire power plant out of the \$100,000. gold that will come from the Methodist Board, for you state that it will not cost more than \$200,000. to build it. We can probably get \$50,000. from the women just as soon as the \$100,000 is available from the Methodist Board, and that will make \$150,000. of the \$200,000. needed for that job.

My other subject tonight will be that of raising money. We must not be too harsh on Lewis yet. He came to us as everybody left in April just before the dry summer months, followed by a very dull pessimistic time during the political campaign with a rosy sky with the election of Coolidge. Lewis has opened up a number of new sources that are distinctly hopeful. He has not made good on the old sources and that probably can be explained by the fact that the old sources were not of his making. I have not made good in getting money from Dr. Nichols but I am very hopeful of getting \$100,000. from the Hall Estate when I see Mr. Johnson Friday of this week.

I feel that Dr. Luce will be able to raise a good deal of money for Peking. I have one available lead for him in California - I am to see the secretary of this woman when in Cleveland, Friday.

There is work that he should complete in Scranton, the work which I hope to push along in Cleveland under Mr. Davis and other leads where he has the ear very much better than anyone else. We should give him a good trial in this country in raising money before resorting to any of the other things suggested in your letter to Dr. North, which I have just read.

We certainly are still handicapped with the \$75,000. hangover and accumulations of money spent for raising money in this country. I am afraid the "Lion" campaign will not even cover all of this, even though we hope to do so much more. It certainly has more than paid for itself in what it has already done.

I am sure you would be delighted with our Peking Headquarters with both Lewis and North in the same room. North is taking ahold of things wonderfully. I like him very much better than Moss because he not only looks facts in the face but he makes the trustees ~~see~~ them also.

If I have the appointing of the committees at the Annual Meeting there are changes I want to make. The Finance Committee is practically the only committee functioning now and it is too strongly Methodist. We are dropping the Promotion Committee and turning that over to the Finance Committee which I think is right.

The final drawings for details of the Memorial Building and the Library have gone forward. Mr. Gibb wrote wishing to put in six windows in place of four windows in the groups in the Administration building. The detailed drawings show these windows to be but 2'9" wide in place of over 3' as stated by Mr. Gibb, while if groups of six were put in each one would be but 23 in. wide. Not only Mr. Murphy, but draftsmen who have been making the drawings and studying Chinese architecture from the books on hand do not approve of this change as they find all groups of Chinese windows to be of four rather than six. Further, Mr. Murphy says 2'9" is not too wide for each

window and that the narrow windows would not look well.

You probably have heard of the death of Mrs. Schell's wife. Its suddenness and unexpectedness was a great shock.

I am sorry to hear of fighting again in China. There is no doubt but what that is affecting some of our prospective gifts.

Sincerely yours,

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

January 14, 1925.

Dr. Eric M. North,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City,
U.S.A.

My dear Eric:

The cablegram finally came regarding Luce the morning of the day before he would have had to start. We had all been in anxious suspense, although in expectation of the probable call to America we had been making preparations. Meanwhile, my mother was taken suddenly ill and went to the hospital on her eighty-third birthday, January 8, the day before your cable regarding Luce and other matters was received. She is very near the end now, and of course, these last few days I have been very much absorbed with the thought of her. I am writing now a few hurried words regarding Luce to send by Miss Dickinson who is also leaving here next Tuesday. I have written Jim Lewis suggesting that while her main responsibility will be to the Women's College, and while the Men's College ought not to take advantage of her presence in any way that interferes with the immediate duty of trying to meet the Women's College budget shortage for next year, yet she undoubtedly can be of advantage in the larger problems of the whole University to the interests of which she is entirely devoted. Her breezy, forceful and entirely fearless personality, combined with the fact that she is a woman, may enable her to secure large building gifts from the type of men to whom Luce or any professional solicitor would not appeal. Regarding Luce himself, his health is far from good and he is making the present trip at a very real

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sacrifice. He has nervous indigestion or some other ailment and ought not to take this journey unless he works at a very much less intensive rate than he has hitherto. My only justification for permitting his going in view of what the doctor advised is that he would get a good rest on the steamer and has promised to take things easily, confining himself to the small number of individuals whom he has cultivated in the past and from whom fairly large gifts might be secured. In view of the urgent need of money, both for construction and for the budget, my present suggestion would be that if his health permits and he seems to be making good progress in raising money, he be asked to continue into next session, at least until the immediate strain is somewhat relieved. Whether he should take a trip in the summer to China or not, would be for the Trustees to determine. If his health seems to require continued rest or permanent release from financial work in America, and unless he or others secure funds that alter our present situation, it would seem to me that the Presbyterian Board ought to be asked to take over his maintenance. The combination of his health condition and our economic helplessness would give sufficient reason for this. He deserves the utmost consideration and yet the hard facts that occupied a recent letter of mine have to be recognized.

Referring to that letter I feel quite ashamed of the outburst in its closing paragraph, especially since a day or two after Luce left your very elaborate and carefully worked out statement regarding our financial condition came to hand. You will appreciate why, under the present circumstances I have not as yet studied it. It has been passed on to Messrs. Krause and Gibb. I also had an illuminating letter from Warner, and Lewis has written in some detail to Luce. All these letters give the information for which we have been so impatient, and confirm the surmises to which I have been forced. We shall try to hold things steady here and to economize to the limit while counting on the Trustees to take every measure not only for wisely controlling the expenditure of present funds, but for securing additional money for buildings and for annual expenses. This mutual confidence furnishes comfort in the midst of what cannot but be a trying situation at both ends.

As ever yours,

Leighton Stewart

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My dear fellow-student:

This is a personal message to wish you

A Very Merry Christmas

and to ask you to make it a happy one for me by coming to my home on the afternoon of Christmas Day any time between two and five o'clock. My mother landed in Shanghai Christmas Day, 1874, and I want the students of our Men's College to join in celebrating the Fiftieth Anniversary of her arrival in China. This will also enable me to get better acquainted with you.

Hoping that we may all share together in the joys of this season and in its significance for mankind,

Very sincerely yours,

John Leighton Stuart

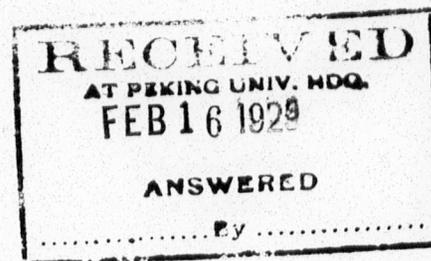
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January 14, 1929.

Mr. James H. Lewis,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City,
U.S.A.

My dear Jim:

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I have been wanting to write you, especially since the decision came to ask Luce to return to America. I have had a growing feeling that this would be the most effective use of his time, but my chief hesitation was out of loyalty to you, fearing that his presence in America might make your ~~decision~~ more embarrassing or might defeat various things that you had in hand. It was, therefore, quite a relief to get your letter a day or two after he left in which you indicate that you yourself were thinking in the same direction. He has not been at all well, suffering with the same nervous indigestion or some similar complaint which he had in America before. The doctors advise strongly that he should stay in bed for several weeks and then go off for as many months to some quiet resting place. He has given fresh evidence of his devotion to the cause of the University by being willing to return to America under these circumstances. I have urged him, in view of this physical condition, not to work at the rate he has hitherto, but to confine himself to the comparatively small number of individuals whom he had cultivated previously, and to try to get the buildings we need so much from these sources. You will doubtless be communicating with him, guiding him as to the places he should visit. If he meets with any success in this matter of dining-halls, dormitories, and residences, I wonder if it would not be best for you to turn your own efforts from now on to our budget for next session. This serious shortage is weighing on me heavily, and if you could, between now and the summer secure annual promises toward reducing this it would be of the greatest help. Whether Luce should return

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to China in the summer or not, I feel inclined to urge that he be asked to continue next autumn, both on the construction and budget aspects of our need. He can be spared from here with no loss that cannot be provided in some other way, and if his health permits and he is at all effective in raising money, this is the greatest service he can render the University. His physical condition and all that he has seen of the situation here ought to give him a good story that would appeal especially to those who have known him before.

Miss Jean Dickinson is leaving in response to a call from the Women's College Committee and I have rather taken the position that this was her primary duty, and that the Men's College ought not to take advantage of her presence in any way that interfered with that. This has been primarily because of the serious budget requirements of the Women's College, and their total lack of any existing process for meeting this. However, she is a young woman of attractive and forceful personality and does not know the meaning of timidity, and I imagine would be much more effective in dealing with hard-boiled men than Luce. She is willing to do anything that is for the advantage of the whole institution. She and Luce will both be on the Pacific Coast, and as you know from your own experience, it will not be easy for her to work directly with Luce. I suggest that the Yenching College Committee be requested to permit her to give such time to the building and other requirements of the University as may seem desirable, under some joint arrangement of providing her expenses.

I sympathize deeply in the disappointment you feel that the "Lions" campaign has not worked out to a larger figure, and in the general difficulty which we who have been at it understand. None the less, I have confidence in you and in the cause we are working for, and believe that in time the situation is bound to break.

I hope that you are keeping Mrs. Straight's renewal and increase of the Journalism matter in your own hands. This will be better than having Luce go after her. At the least, get her or her secretary to promise \$3000 on 1925 for R.S. Britton and his work. From all I can learn Mrs. Jenkins has not done anything. Will you follow her up, or would it be advisable for me to make a direct appeal to her? I shall wait until I hear from you.

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You will sympathize in the passing of my mother who is now in the hospital resting unconscious and very near the end. She had been her natural self, in full possession of her mental and physical faculties until this last sickness, and during this has suffered very little, so that except for missing her in the home, and in our whole circle of friends, there is very little cause for sorrow. While waiting for the end I am writing this letter to send by Miss Dickinson as the mail service is again interrupted.

As ever yours,

J.H.A.

Owing to the disturbed conditions in China the American Express Co. have cancelled all the parties coming to Peking. This is another disappointment as this source ought to prove lucrative.

Rev. O. H. Brouson, a Yale graduate and splendid Presbyterian minister of independent means, has been giving this session to teaching for us without charge, but has suddenly been called to the States. He may be used on any public occasions in speaking for us. He is an excellent speaker & believes in Yenching. He thinks a lot of huce & can be reached through him.

Later. Jan. 16. My mother passed peacefully to rest this morning.

P.S. Miss S. Deborah Haines has been in Peking for several months teaching, and is eager to help in the University financial needs. She is traveling to America so as to reach her home early in April, 600 West 20th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Her pastor is Rev. Frank L. Sheldon, Pilgrim Congregational Church. She and her mother have some means and probably give in annual small amounts themselves, but her chief use would probably be in a medium of approach to other people. Her mother lives with her and should be put on the mailing list, and would, no doubt, cooperate with her daughter in anything.

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Peking University
January 15, 1925

Dear Dr and Mrs Stuart

We hardly like to intrude upon you in your great sorrow, but we cannot resist writing to assure you how much we feel for you under this severe bereavement. On the one hand we are shocked by the news of the death of your dear mother, because China as well as your family is thus deprived of an ever loving mother; but on the other hand we cannot but deeply believe that after doing such a wonderful work for China, she must have been tired of working and tired of life. Death would have been welcome to her who had so long been stretched "upon the hard rock of this tough world" for China and thus for our Lord. Indeed she is now ready to say to God "I have done my best for You and now I come to You". Thus there is no reason for you and for us to be too sad for her death, and there is a good reason for all of us to look forward with constant pleasure and ever increasing hope to meet her in the other world. We deeply hope that your faith in God and your reliance on Him console you.

With our united kind regards,

Very truly yours
The Student Body of Peking University

Chang Er Ch'en, President of the
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January 16, 1925

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart
Peking University
Peking, China

Dear Leighton:

We had a Finance Committee meeting yesterday and there is one phase in particular that I want to discuss. The Committee feel tremendously responsible for the work they are supervising in the architecture of the new buildings. The subject of sending Mr. Murphy out to China came up again and even in spite of the cost which seems to be the only reason for his not going they feel almost as if they would be very negligent if they did not authorize Mr. Murphy's going. No final action was taken, however, at this meeting. Buildings that are being put up are going to outlast any one of us. The changes here, there and the other place are talked about but no decision is arrived at because detailed points are not made clear. If a different type of dormitory was put up for the next unit we have had no drawings showing the size or position of that dormitory on a map, no adequate idea as to the cost of the dormitory, the number of men it would accommodate and whether or not the size would be different from the women's dormitory. The Committee is practically unanimous in feeling that decisions can not be wisely made without a thorough study of the matter by Mr. Murphy on the field. Your arguments on the cost of such a trip are very well taken but the people on the field ought to see that even in spite of this cost that the Trustees are being put in a very hard position to make decisions without knowing better what they are trying to decide. General letters on the subject are not conclusive. Even a proposed change in the position of the gymnasium is not clear enough in the letters, the proposed change of the position of the chapel is not clear enough in the letters. I feel that Mr. Gibbs ought to give us this type of information on an accurate drawing and it ought to be made very clear when talking money, whether they are talking in gold or mex. Also, if you are recommending buildings of the type of the women's buildings. Mr. Murphy ought to have detailed elevations and also detailed interiors so that he can properly advise the trustees.

I do not know quite what to say regarding choice of the two pagoda drawings. The larger and fatter one is very beautiful and I suppose is truly Chinese, although the irregularity of it was a new idea to me. but that may be because I have not studied pagodas. It probably would cost considerably more than the more simpler drawing and this, I suppose, would have something to do regarding the choice particularly as all of the money is not yet subscribed for its construction.

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The subject of whether Lund & Gornow should get a commission on the residences was also brought up and Mr. North will report the action taken. It seems to me, however, that the contract could be translated to include commissions to the engineers particularly if the engineers rendered the services outlined in the contract. From the letters read it would seem that the engineers had not rendered the service, possibly do not need to render the service and so far have only been asked to make their suggestions regarding the electrical wiring of a sample residence. If these residences can be built without the cooperation to the fullest interpretation of the contract then I feel the engineers are wrong in asking for a commission. However, if they need to render certain services then I feel that they should be willing to accept a smaller commission based on their services. Their argument that they are losing money on their contract has nothing to do with the case. That is their business when they made the contract, and between you and me I do not believe they had any more idea of including the residence when that contract was worded than we did.

The trustees are asking Dr. Luce to come to New York immediately upon his arrival as they have very positive opinions as to the type of work he should do and shall not do in the raising of money and wish to have a very complete understanding with him on this subject before he goes to work. I had hope that he could have done some work on the way East, but apparently this would be unwise until after conference with him.

Sincerely yours,

Since dictating the above I have talked with Mr. Murphy and Dr. North. It is possible that Dr. Luce will do some work on the way East.

I discussed with Mr. Murphy somewhat regarding the gymnasium. He does not think it wise to build an unfinished gymnasium as the cold weather would freeze the piping, etc. but he thinks it possible to design the whole gymnasium and build one end, the end that we house the lockers, shower baths. In a general way the other end could be filled up with either recreational rooms, small gymnasium practice rooms, office for instructor, etc., while the center of the house would take care of the big gymnasium room. If it were done in this way and if we were able to release the amount I am able to give this year and if I can get what I give this year augmented by some other member of my family then it would seem possible to consider starting the gymnasium this year. These ifs will all have to be attended to first and I should like to have drawings from the field indicating the exact position of them - that is the position that they are proposing to build the gymnasium. Of course this could also include the suggestions for position and type of 3rd dormitory unit, chapel, power plant, pagoda and any other thing they might like to bring us up to date on.

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The subject of whether and how to get a committee on the part of the business was also brought up and Mr. North will report the action taken. It seems to me, however, that the committee could be organized to advise the engineers and to advise them on the subject of the services outlined in the contract. The fact that the engineers do not need to render the service and do not have to make their suggestions regarding the electrical part of a service contract, if these services are to be rendered, is a matter of fact. It is the responsibility of the engineer to feel that the engineers are working in a committee. However, if they need to render certain services, I feel that they should be willing to accept a contract based on their services. Their agreement to a contract is a contract and it is not the contract, and the fact that they have not rendered the service does not mean that the contract is not valid. It is the fact that they have not rendered the service that is the problem.

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I discussed with Mr. North the possibility of building a gymnasium as a part of the project. It is a very important part of the project and it is one that we should be able to handle in a satisfactory manner. The fact that we have not rendered the service does not mean that the contract is not valid. It is the fact that they have not rendered the service that is the problem. I am sure that the committee will be able to handle the situation in a satisfactory manner.

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President J. Leighton Stuart
Yenching University
Peking, China

My dear Leighton:

I enclose copy of information which Mr Ho has furnished me, and I am securing letters, as you suggest in your letter of December 13th, from Antioch and will forward you this information. I shall try to get some statement from Teachers College of their impression of him. He refers to Dr. Laforce at Tsing Hua and to Dr T. B. Tripp at C Jen Tien Hsi i Ho-u, Tientsin, China. I must confess that my impression of his training so far is that it has been on the fringes of the subject of education and that I do not know enough about the educational work at Antioch to know whether his training there is sufficient to qualify him for instructor in a university department. He is a nice looking fellow, though I cannot avoid the feeling that if we were really setting out to find a qualified Chinese for the Department we would need to get information concerning other men in order to satisfy our desires.

I have a note from Andrews from which I quote a paragraph: "I find in Dr. Stuart's letter one sentence that I do not altogether understand. He says, 'You fail to indicate your attitude to missionary work and the extent to which this enters into your desire to come to China.' The fact that my father has been in the missionary field for twenty-five years and that I lived in that atmosphere for eleven years will, I think, speak for itself. But to prevent any false impressions, I will tell you frankly that I have set my heart on living in China for at least five years, and if you have no place for me, I'll have to find some other way of making it. In other words, I am more bent on working in China than I am upon working as a missionary. If the type of man you want must be actuated solely by the desire to do missionary work, I am afraid I will not fit, but I will at least have had the satisfaction of knowing I have been honest with you." I am securing further information from him.

I will see what information the Foreign Students Department of the Y.M.C.A. has with reference to a Chinese who would be competent to teach English. My feeling about our securing a candidate for the Department of Education who would fill the requirements and qualifications for such a position is that we can take no responsibility here in reaching a decision in the matter, and we shall simply have to refer to you any papers from candidates which turn up. The same thing holds true to a less degree with re-

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ference to candidates for English work.

With this in mind, I wish it could be made a definite practice for the University, when vacancies are to be filled, to send us a full, detailed description of the position and the qualities required in the man who is to fill it. I enclose a copy of a statement sent on from Nanking with reference to a Physical Education instructor, and wish that this practice might be followed in the case of every position which we are asked to help to fill.

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January 21, 1925

Dr J. Leighton Stuart
Nanking University
Peking, China

My dear Leighton:

Much to my distress the only copy of the minutes of the Board of Managers meeting of June which we had has mysteriously disappeared, and though I have the award of degrees and diplomas provided by the action of the Board of Trustees I am unable to fill in the names of the aspirants. I think it would be a very desirable plan, if these minutes are mimeographed, to send us ten copies. This means we can provide information more easily to any committees of the Trustees which might be dealing with the minutes of the Board of Managers. In this connection we have not received any copies of the minutes of December 9th. I hope a method can be found by which this process can be set up.

With reference to an additional secretary for you, I thought I had an ideal candidate but a nervous breakdown has occurred in the interim and I must start the search over again.

Referring to your letter of November 4th with reference to the confusion on the medical allowance, this confusion is due entirely to the use of a general contract for the various universities which Leslie had been using in the office and which had not been corrected. The contract therefore is inaccurate and no action by the Trustees is needed as suggested in your letter. All that is necessary is to notify anybody whose contract is at fault in this respect, of the following action of the Trustees:

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Members of Faculty to have an
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A Committee in Peking to be ap-
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new site will be made and approved when the University
moves.

I enclose a copy of a letter received from
Paul Anderson which indicates a most favorable point of view and
readiness for definite acceptance. As soon as I can shape up a
contract I will send it to him and believe in that way we have
our physics man secured. A reply came from Ainsley, he looked
very attractive to me. I have had no response from Cottrell or
May, but if the arrangements with Anderson meet no hitch, the
Physics vacancy is filled.

I have three potential candidates for the Bio-
logy position, namely, Prof. Sears who hesitates on account of his
family, Mr C.K. Sibley of Cornell Agricultural College who is single
and Mr Roy C. Tasker of DePauw of whom I have very little information
yet. I am asking Dr Packard to give us suggestions on this matter.
Miss Boring probably already has letters concerning Sears and Sibley.
This will clear the Biology man as soon as this is worked out, which
clears all the items in your letter of November 4th except the last
paragraph.

I like very much Dr Bowen's statement which you
refer to and will use parts of it upon our candidates, but I would
think it very desirable that you prepare a statement representing
distinctly the point of view of Peking University so that we can
use that in the future. This I believe to be an important item.

I also acknowledge your letter of December 11th
with reference to the order in which the vacancies on the staff
are to be filled and am glad for the clear statement that we should
take no definite action on any except the Biology and Physics

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teachers until we hear further from you.

One of the men who applied for the Physics position was G. H. Cole who was for several years public lecturer for the Y.M.C.A. in China in 1914-17 and who is no doubt known to you and others in Peking. He is working on completion of a Ph.D. degree. I asked Dr George T. Davis about him and he thought his technical qualifications high but seemed to feel that judgment of people in China would be extremely important before appointing him. However, as Anderson had already been accepted the matter was closed and I felt it impracticable to reopen the case.

Cordially yours,

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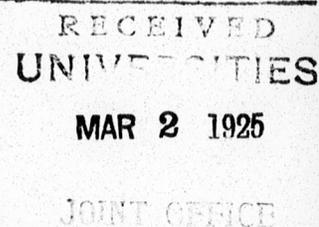
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January 29, 1925

Dr. Eric M. North,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.



My dear Eric:

To the Mt. ...
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While coming down on the steamer taking my mother's body to Hangchow for burial I drafted out the enclosed report. If you think it would be of interest to the Trustees will you let them have it as a sort of message from me before they come together for the Annual Meeting?

You will be glad to know that despite the disturbed conditions we were able to get to Hangchow and back without any interruption or untoward incident. In Shanghai and Hangchow as in Peking friends of my mother's and of ours did everything possible to show their sympathy in many helpful ways.

I am detained here until it is possible to go up the river to Nanking and attempt to return to Peking by rail from there. This will probably be a disagreeable journey but I would otherwise have to wait here some days longer for the first passage I could get by steamer to Tientsin.

Very sincerely yours,

Freighton Stuart

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My dear Sam,

I am waiting here for the first passage north after taking my mother's body to Hangchow for burial. We were fortunate in getting there and back without any untoward incident despite the disturbed conditions and in having beautiful weather. Everyone has been as kind and sympathetic as possible. Naturally I am eager to get back to Peking as soon as I can and have had no news from there since leaving twelve days ago. I shall try going by rail from Hanking although the trip is slow + uncomfortable under the derangement caused by the recent hostilities down here. I am starting up the river tonight with my brother and his wife.

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The enclosed is a copy of an article just written for the China Mission Year Book which may be of interest. You may also be able to use it judiciously with some of our friends though not too widely. I have also mailed to Eric North a sort of report or message for the Trustees of which he will doubtless give you a copy. To some extent it covers the same ground as the enclosed as often happens when one writes different articles at about the same time. These together will give you some insight into some of the internal issues other than the one with which you have so constantly to deal.

In all aspects of the task,

Yours as ever,
J.H.S.