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My dear Eric,

In Chicago I saw B. H. Shi
who has been waiting anxiously
for a reply to his letter to you.
He needs money and probably only
implied this in a Chinese way
without saying so. At any rate
he finds that he had underestimated
his living expenses, and should
have something like \$150.00 before
Jan. 1. I told him to write
more explicitly to you and make

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Clear just the schedule which would be most convenient for him. He is also very anxious - as is Taylor, his ^{to have him} Chief - to go to London this spring for some special work. Will you arrange his travel there on as inexpensive a basis as is consonant with comfort and dignity, and in general see him through this year including summer term at Chicago (1926), and charge the items to our current budget. He will not take any unfair advantage, and by this assistance we are getting a high-grade and loyal member of the staff to be taken over by Princeton later. Warramaker would scarcely be willing to add this to his 1926 budget though he might well be kept informed. Their plan is to take over Economics in addition to Sociology + Political Science, but not too rapidly. B.H. is ought to be of professorial rank but cannot be until his present studies are completed, and only then can he have full time work and proper standing with us.

The same is essentially true of Hsi Ti-shan (T. S. Hsu) now at Oxford. In each case we shall try to make through on our current budget. This does not mean that we are

feeling too easy with a million of
aluminum preferred stock in the
offing.

Apropos of aluminum the enclosed
editorial is somewhat disconcerting.
Even such gilt-edged securities
may go wrong. And what would
certain anti-capitalistic agencies
in China say about leasing if
they could connect the two? Let
Jim see the clipping.

I saw Breece also in Chicago, and
authorized him to hunt for two new
teachers of English - preferably, mascu-
line quidn, missionary intentions and
permanent basis. It would be too much
to hope they might also be confirmed bachelors.
If he & our Candidate Committee approve
after seeing we shall be satisfied. yours,
J. L. S.

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AT P...
SS "President Jefferson"
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ANSWER
Oct. 6/25

My dear Jim

First a few minor items. Please add the following to our general mailing list:

- Mr. Murray Sullivan, 1341 Second Ave.
Salt Lake City, Utah
- Mr. John R. Sampson, 5 South Oxford Place
Ventnor, Atlantic City, New Jersey
- Mr. Dwight C. Baker, 1708 Melvia Str.
Berkeley, Calif.

None of these people represent money but their interest is worth while, and Baker will I hope be added to our staff after this session. It would be well also to include our furloughed teachers: Galt, Corbett, Davis, Breece. Eric doubtless has their addresses, or G.H. Li (Chicago) could furnish the two last.

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Please also ask Mrs. Ward to call up Mrs. Harvey and explain that I had left the city before her card came. Rev. C. J. Hawkins, D.D., Plymouth Church, Seattle, might be induced to undertake Bartlett's support and thus complete the American Board quota. The best thing will be for him to attend our opening next September, so put him on your list for that sort of literature. Dr. Edw. Lincoln Smith is also planning to make that trip. I shall write Mrs. Finley after leaving Victoria and am much pleased at her interest.

Be sure to keep in touch with Huggins. His relationship will do much to ease up things in dealing with Pettus. Would it be well to have Pettus return to the States this winter for following up new leads supplied from the Harvard contact? Eric might take this up with the Harvard group, especially Langdon Warner and Douham. The former is landing in San Francisco just about today. If you get to Peking in December you might take it up with Pettus. Otherwise write or cable if you people wish him to take advantage of the present prosperity. Once here he can help more directly in our own efforts.

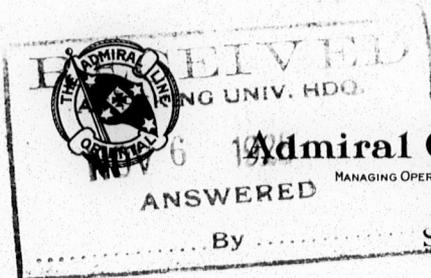
I am enclosing a letter from Nash which explains itself. Also one from Burgess which deals redly with promotional relations with Waunawake. The immediate issue is covered, but this gives you information.

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Would it not be well if I sent
bulletins or comments on the
Peking Conferences &c to be issued
as somewhat personal and intimate
letters to a selected list? Dr. Hawkins
should go on just such a list -
Also Donald Winston, Holbrook, Ariz.
Your letter to Mrs. Luce is fine
and your last conference with
him brings much relief. It is the
best solution. I shall try to do my
part at the other end.

I had wanted to write Eric also
but we are nearing Victoria, and I
have other letters to write. This is the
eleventh since we sailed. But what
I have chiefly to say is that there is no
greater satisfaction as I think back over
this trip than the consciousness that
you & Eric are in charge at the home
base. Each of you seems more than ever
the ideal man for his job, and you supple-
ment each other wonderfully well.

Affectionately yours
J. L. S.



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By SS "President Jefferson"

Oct 7/25

Dear Jim,

Will you kindly send one
of my photographs for reproduction
in the Sigma Chi Quarterly, 608 S.
Dearborn Str. Chicago. The editor,
Chester W. Cleveland, seems to want
to write me up. You might also send
him a pamphlet about the University
or any statement you have about my
present work in China. I suppose
all such publicity is to the good.

Please also ask Mr. Carter to send
a copy of my Baltimore Speech to Mrs.
J. S. Kendall, 1427 Broadway, New Orleans, La.
Will you have Eric or Mrs. Ward

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Send me some time ⁽³⁾ a list of
residences with inscriptions
or other facts concerning the donors.
We ought to begin naming or
designating these houses and
preparing the bronze tablets or
whatever is to go in them. The
same is true of the other academic
buildings. Another matter: could
you or Eric send me ⁽⁴⁾ the exact
amount that can be spent on the
Bashford Bldg. We ought to begin
arranging for its furniture and
equipment & I should like an
estimate of how much there will
be to spare for this important feature.

Yrs. &c. J. L. S.

So much for the
present.
Yours
J. M.



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SS "President Jefferson"

Mid Ocean, Oct. 17/25

My dear Eric,

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I had no chance in Seattle to read my mail before sailing. One letter was from Stephen Tsai with our Budget as recast. I am forwarding both to you although he may have sent you an additional copy. In this case you may care to pass this one on to Jim. I know you are rather inexorable on the form the Budget must take, but this rearrangement is apparently more intelligible and convenient

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much pleased

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to Krause and Tsai as it certainly is to me. You might send Tsai your impressions and instructions. My chief interest is in getting it covered, and in this aspect you will notice a few variations.

Among the documents from you there was no copy of the one drawn up between the Harvard people and ourselves as revised, and I did not bring my original copy. If you have not already done so please send me a copy at once. Also one to W. B. Petrus. Keep me posted as to developments. I learn today of Duke's death which may complicate things.

Jim wrote me of Mrs. Finley's interest in having the Finley Quadrangle completed by next autumn. I should have gone to see her and took too sordidly mercenary an attitude to her on learning that she felt herself unable to come across with the Dining Hall. Jim wanted Luce to see her and Mr. Herron to see if some way could not be worked out for financing the project so as to fit in with Mrs. Finley's ideas. I have written her a most contrite letter of apology, and renewed my invitation for her and her sister to be our own guests next September. So much for the promotional phase of the matter. You are properly perturbed as to the ethical and other problems in assigning those dormitories. My suggestion is that Quadrangle

A (nearest the Kinderdivinity Hall) be reserved as originally intended for Fuley; that the next two dormitories be Forbes and Wheeler respectively, and that it be so arranged that the Gamble money be temporarily used to finance the second wing of the Fuley Quad. but to go ultimately into one of the new type Murphy will design; that the various items going into the two Dining Halls be treated the same way, some being used for the one in Quadrangle B, unless my Trenton Bldg. should by any chance come through; and that as things take shape the various donors have the circumstances explained to them in such a way as to secure their consent. Dr. Nichols would, I am sure, fall in with this, as I imagine the others would also.

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P.S. - I have been working over Sch. Religion (Theology) and we are not too well covered after a while we look ahead! Have added a special sheet on this. It also allows very little for enlargement. The names are given though of course personnel will be changing.



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My dear Jim,

I have been sketching out the ten year plan that Mr. Barber wanted and send it to you in this rough shape for your working up as you think best. I doubt if there would be any advantage in taking it on to Peking as the people there would have no more definite ideas than you and I. What after all we are trying to furnish is the best approximation we can at this time of our desired growth. We can restrict or enlarge our program

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as resources and other factors may at any time indicate. The immediate purpose is to let a clear-eyed business man see that we have a rather well-defined conception of the task ahead. I have used calendar years instead of sessions as probably simpler for such men; the thought is that by the autumn of a given year we should like to have the items as listed.

I have also given current expense figures rather than the endowments required. It might be worth while to consult Galt and Corbett. They are both good at this sort of thing, especially in detecting errors or omissions. It might help to hold Corbett's loyalty, and Galt will be especially interested in working out the Education detail. Be free to restate or alter this in any way you think best. I have not included School of Theology because that is already (especially including the McBrier \$100,000.) fairly well provided for. On the other hand several of our annual gifts may at any time be discontinued. I may add a sheet on this. The School of Chinese Studies was not included as a need. Nor have I given any statement of existing income. The figures are as though we had none. You will know how best to state this phase.

I was greatly interested in what you wrote about Luce

and shall certainly try to do my part on reaching Peking. Could you not induce him to tackle Mrs. Grace Kleton of Cleveland for a residence, or the two brothers for a printing press?

One other plea. Our new treasurer Stephen Tsai (in a letter I am sending Eric - which see) says ~~he~~ that he greatly needs an adding machine. Do you suppose that from the place he mentions or elsewhere we could secure a donation?

I wrote Eric about a suggested designation of our dormitories which you should pass upon.

I am asking Mrs. Ward to type an article which you may care to see as a statement of policy in the face of what I am more fearful than ever is going to be a severe attack. I may seem to concede too much, but I think not. Yours as ever, J. L. S.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

26 October 1925

Mr. J. ^HLewis
150 Fifth Avenue
New York

My dear Jim:

I arrived here the day before yesterday (Saturday) and found a big welcome from teachers and students at the railway station who escorted me home in a way that made it almost worth while to have been away. Everybody seems happy and there has been a fine spirit with a better quality of students and more steady application to academic duties than we have had at any time yet in our history. Everbody has been eager to get a report of my trip and there is a meeting of welcome planned for to night which the faculty and students have arranged for me to make a report. Fortunately the cable with its strict instructions to say nothing whatever about the School of Chinese Studies had arrived here the day before I did. I have been delayed for two days partly by an accident to the engine of the steamer and partly by conflicting cablegrams in Japan as to which route to take in view of the disturbances. While that cable was in time to stop any premature statements, yet it has put me of course in quite an embarrassing position and has given me all sorts of anxious surmises as to what has happened. I am imagining every sort of reason for this from what may be relatively unimportant to a fear that the Hall Estate ~~donation~~ donation may be lost to us. I shall wait impatiently until explanatory letters come a month or so from now.

I have seen Dr. Lew about the question of his going to America at once and he is quite of the opinion that it will be wiser to wait until next autumn. When the cable about him was sent he was in the hospital and could not have possibly travelled anywhere. While better now and apparently improving, he can perhaps be treated here and be allowed to carry only light work so that there ought to be no serious disadvantage in his staying. For several reasons he feels that he can accomplish more for the University next year than this and on the whole I think that he is right. This means that we want you to come out at Christmas as you had planned. I can scarcely tell you what joy it will be to look forward to this. It is quite possible that we shall include this in a cable so as to enable you to make your plans earlier.

You will note from the date that this is the eventful opening day for the Customs Conference. The students of the city are having a big parade and it seemed best for us to have a holiday and allow our students to take part. The situation is at least as full of ugly possibilities as I have feared, although of course the other side of this is that this is also ~~the~~ measure of increased

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opportunity for the witness we are trying to bear. The fighting in China is in fact a protest against the agrandisement of Chang Tso Ling and against the conditions of the benefit to him and his puppets here in Peking. If the Customs Conference once goes favorably to China the increased revenue would practically make him dictator of the country, that is why it has been pulled off before the meeting of the conference.

As ever yours,

J.H.D.

I have just seen Mrs. Luce. She sees the situation, and approves his staying on in California for the winter. Her own leaving here will be delayed partly by medical treatment, partly because she wants him to answer certain questions concerning their future.

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YENCHING UNIVERSITY.

October 29, 1925.

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart, President,
Yenching University,
Peking, China.

My dear Leighton:

You may have heard that Dr. Luce has secured a pledge from Mrs. McKelvy of enough additional money in five years to raise the \$6000.00 she has already given for the residence to make a total of \$25,000.00 for the infirmary. This and some other items will make necessary a re-study of our residences line up, upon which I will write you shortly.

Meanwhile she has sent in \$5,000.00 of this amount, we already have in ~~theory~~ at least \$11,000.00 for the infirmary, which might make possible the erection of at least a part of it before we go out to the new site. Dr. Luce would like the plans to be - A Central Section with two (2) wings, somewhat on the order of the Administration Building, and with a similar roof line. It is some of the arrangement that was worked out in the plans sent on here from Peking, though the curvings of these lines seem to me to be conspicuously absent.

I am writing now to say that I am taking up these plans with Dr. Houghton and with Dr. Learmonth. I have the impression that Dr. Houghton may have had some check on them when they were shaped in Peking. It may be possible to erect a section of this in preparation to our moving.

As I finish this Dr. Luce hands me a note from Mrs. McKelvy, indicating that she expects to be able to complete the gift within two years giving it precedence over some other pledges.

The arrangements with Mr. Wallace are moving on steadily. He is dating the contracts October 1st and we are furnishing him with whatever he needs to work it out, but he has taken the full initiative and responsibility in making the arrangements very much to our satisfaction.

I cabled you concerning the Institute of Chinese Studies as per the enclosed confirmation because the situation seemed here to warrant a further word of caution on this point as the action of the Trustees was not acceptable in form to either Mr. Johnson or the Harvard group, and we have been engaged somewhat delicately in working out a simple amendment of the original memorandum that would cover the points involved. I have reason to hope that this has now been done in a manner which will be satis-

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Dr. J. Leighton Stuart

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October 29, 1925.

factory both to Harvard and Mr. Johnson. I will know definitely upon this within a few days. The Committee of the Trustees this morning accepted certain modifications of the revised memorandum as meeting with the conditions of the Trustees of the University.

The fact that a man in New England is suing the Aluminum Company for huge damages and that the Federal Trade Commission endeavored to make out the case of monopoly against the Aluminum Company are adding to the interest and concern of our work for Peking, but I believe that this will be worked out satisfactorily in the end. As soon as the final memorandum is ironed out I will send it to you, but I still think we ought not to make any announcement until after the matter has been fully accepted by the Hall Estate and I should not be inclined to say anything then until the cash was in hand.

Cordially yours,

Secretary,
Peking University

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PEKING, CHINA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

30 October 1925

TRANSFER

Dr. Eric W. North
Peking University
150 Fifth Ave.
New York

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My dear Eric:

It may be simpler if I cleared off with you my travel account rather than settling it through Mr. Krause. As I wrote you before I owed on previous advances \$16.54 and you gave me the last \$300.00. My expenses from that time on amounted to \$231.77 which leaves a balance due of \$84.77 for which I am herewith enclosing my check. My return was made somewhat more expensive by conflicting cables received in Japan. I was first advised to go to Shanghai on certain matters of university business. And on reaching Kobe by steamer I was advised again to come across Korea because of the fighting in Central China. My total expense for the whole trip according to my figures is \$1386.29.

Mr. E. O. Wilson has brought two matters concerning himself to my attention. One is the payment of school fees for his oldest child. According to what seems to be the latest action of the Trustees these fees are paid when in China over \$50 up to a maximum of \$100 provided that the child is actually going to school and competent. In his case this amounts to \$90 for the year and I am authorizing this payment in a suspense account awaiting a ruling from you. It may be well if you send a final statement of the regulations governing permanent foreign members of our staff combining with such action the suggestions of the Managers and the decisions of the Trustees in a single and final summary. Mr. Wilson is going on furlough next summer and suggests that your office have available for him some sort of certificate that will enable him to travel east after landing on the coast at missionary rates. It might be well if you adopted a policy for all such cases and sent the necessary documents either to China or to the steamer in each case.

You will recall the dispute I referred to you between the local Methodist Mission and ourselves regarding the income from house rents on our city property. The Mission had approved the borrowing of \$200,000 silver for our power plant needs with the expectation of paying the interest from rental of the property. In view of the necessity of our staying in the city for another year this source of income is not available but they interpret

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the clause enabling us to use the property as long as necessary to apply only to property used for school purposes and claiming for themselves the right to collect rental for houses whether occupied by our staff or otherwise. My proposal to you was that the University guarantee to the Mission the amount of interest the Mission has to provide as long as we stay in the city. Mr. Krause tells me that the Mission Committee had thought of this and was opposed to it, it being somewhat to their interest to stick to their original plan. With me it is largely to treat the Mission fair while at the same time avoiding the petty irritations and disputes that the other proposal inevitably involves. ~~I made my suggestion.~~ You may take up the matter with the Methodist Board or at any rate give me instructions on the matter. Meanwhile we shall keep this in suspense.

To do.

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Please give authorization regarding the Boyd Loan Fund indicating how much actual money will be available for the present session. We have a number of cases waiting to take advantage of this opportunity.

Very sincerely yours,

J. H. Hancock

List of faculty promotions enclosed.

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

5 November 1925

Dr. Eric M. North
Peking University
150 Fifth Ave.
New York

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TRANSFER

My dear Eric:

(1)

I carelessly failed to enclose my check in my last letter and am doing so now. Mr. Hawkins has written me regarding the financial arrangements with Hsu Ti Shan who is studying as you will recall in Oxford under arrangements made through the late R. H. Evans with the L. M. S. I have written Mr. Hawkins that we are counting on your providing for the additional amount necessary for Mr. Hsu to study until next summer and to return to China after the grant from the L. M. S. both for study and for travel back to America will have been deducted. This ought also to include the repayment to Mrs. Evans of \$5 advanced by her. This total amount should be charged against our present budget. Another matter, in the list of faculty promotions recently sent you the name of Mr. Wu. Lei Chuen as full professor was inadvertently omitted. You may be interested to know that Mr. Wu occupies quite a high post in the Ministry of Education and has volunteered his services to us on a very modest basis either for full or part time. Our feeling is that he would be of larger usefulness to the Christian cause and even to us directly by retaining his present honorable but by no means exacting post while lecturing on Chinese subjects to our students. He had attained the highest rank under the old examination system and has been a member of the

Copy to
Hsu Ti Shan
at Peking

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Anglican Church for many years.

There is quite a *tangle* about engineering matters largely a matter of personal relations. We may have to take some drastic steps, I shall write more definitely after some workable solution has been reached.

Sincerely yours, *Leighton Seward*

? Will you give authorization about the specific amounts we have for scholarships annually, particularly for the present session. Also those in which we are supposed to correspond with the donors. Those we are assuming to be available for 1925-6 are:

- ① Through the Overbrook Wesley. Church, Phila. Dr. Geo. Barnes, Pastor, \$3000. endowment.
- ② Mrs. Pardee, Germantown, Phila. \$3000. endowment.
- ③ Miss

There is also the memorial to the late Dr. Francis Hall whose widow ~~not~~ lives (Mrs. Anna H.) in Catonsville Md. We are not quite clear as to the amount or conditions.
Also Boyd Bacon Fund

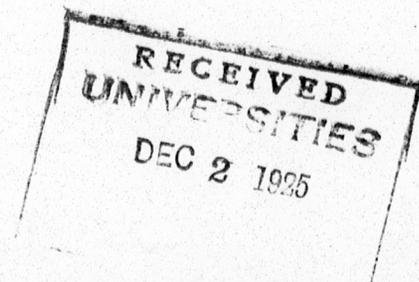
There is also the problem of a Comptroller. Stephen Tsai is doing admirably, but lacks both technical qualification

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and experience. One possibility is ^{name is} Edward L. Cr.
610 Lenox Road, Schenectady, N.Y. You may recall a
visit to our office in September. If he were otherwise
suitable he would have the additional qualification
of being a good Engineer. Could you inquire of him
and his references how he would feel about
such a job. He would have Tsai perhaps Flood
for accounting, cashier work etc. In any case
I rather feel he should be added to our
staff in the Construction Bureau if on further
inquiry the Trustees are satisfied with his ability.
Everyone is at odds with Gibb — Lund, the
residence committee, the faculty families
the police authorities, the science people. Despite
this he is invaluable and is doing his very best for
our interests.

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PEKING UNIVERSITY
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PEKING, CHINA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

6 November 1925

Mr. James H. Lewis
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

My dear Jim:

I am enclosing herewith addresses made by Timothy Lew at what was at once our delayed Commencement from last June and our Opening Exercises of this autumn. It occurs to me that one or all of them might be reproduced and sent to a selected list of our friends as revealing the spirit of the University and especially of the leading Chinese on our faculty. They are given at the presentation of the Bibles to the college students may be put into religious papers as a constructive way of neutralizing the attacks on our theology. It especially ought to be made seen to as many Presbyterians as can be induced to read it.

We have been discussing the formal opening and there is a general feeling that it would be wiser to have it within the first ten days of October rather than in September. This would enable us to have the students all enrolled and settled as well as to have the families in their homes and in general the institution running smoothly before the visitors come. The more we think of the inevitable rush and disorder of those first weeks the more we dread the thought of having so many visitors from abroad and local Chinese to entertain before we ourselves have become established. The weather at that time ought to be ideal though after that it will begin to be rather too chilly for such a function. This date might also enable people to enjoy Japan after the heat had passed. It is also somewhat of a question still whether after all this opening should be held next autumn or a year later after things are more finished. I was talking this over with Roger Greene yesterday and he was quite of the opinion that we would find it extremely difficult to handle our crowd satisfactorily in the unfinished condition and the disorder that would be unavoidable. It is primarily a question of the psychology of prospective donors and on the whole I still feel that the incompleteness, provided that things are cleaned up as well as conditions permit, ought not to be a disadvantage.

In this connection could you take up with Eric and the proper committee the possibility of authorizing C\$10,000 or at least \$5,000 that might be used to getting next spring to the improvement of grounds. We have nothing for this and some such expenditure is of course imperative. There must at least be certain main lines of roads, fences and provision for clearing up the litter that will be found everywhere, to say nothing of the beginning of shrubberies and other landscaping.

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Wesley Dunn have recently been in

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eking. He has given me the names of two people who he thinks could be approached by us for gifts with advantage. He says that we may be free to use his name in doing so. They are members of Dr. Merrill's church (the Brick Presbyterian). After their return Mr. Dunn himself might introduce you, meanwhile I am enclosing his card with the names.

Very sincerely yours

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Mr. Charles Wesley Dunn	
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TRANSFER

PEKING UNIVERSITY.

November 7, 1925.

President J. Leighton Stuart,
Yenching University,
Peking, China.

My dear Leighton:

I have your letters from Yokohama.

The form of the Budget looks pleasing to me and I am sure it will be worked in good form. I will clear you with Dr. Pierson.

Let me quote the following from a letter from Dr. Scott:

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

November 2, 1925.

Dear Dr. North:

Re. University of Peking

The executive Committee of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions at its meeting this afternoon considered the proposal of the Peking University Trustees on reconstituting the membership of the Field Board of Managers and took the following self-explanatory action:

"Inasmuch as the proposal of the Trustees of Peking University for a change in the election of members to the Field Board of Managers directly affects the representation elected by the North China Mission upon the Field Board, it was voted to defer action until an expression of opinion is received from the Mission and the China Council."

We have reported this action to our North China Mission and the China Council and have asked them for an early expression of opinion."

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) George T. Scott.

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There is nothing new to report on the Harvard-Peking

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November 7, 1925.

matter since I last wrote you. I am delaying sending you copies of the memorandum of agreement until we get the final phrasing ironed out, which I hope will be in a few days. I am waiting word from Dean Donham. ✕

I enclose confirmation of cablegram concerning the return of Mrs. Luce and have yours of October 28th.

It has finally been concluded that Dr. Luce will have to be operated upon and he is now in the Hospital at Baltimore, and the operation is expected within a few days. His conditions does not seem to have become more serious, but it was apparently the judgment of the physician that a permanent settlement of the trouble could not be secured without an operation.

Professor Weigle of Yale said that he would be glad to arrange for for Dean Lew to do some lecturing their for remuneration should Lew come to the United States. I judge from your cable that he is not coming.

I do not know whether Lewis has come to any conclusion concerning going out to Peking in December.

I have had a cable today from Gibb asking our decision as to the extra amount to be paid Lund. I do not see how either Lund or Gibb can expect us to reach decisions here upon a basis of the limited amount of information which they send. There is no indication as to the 'amount' - 'total amount received or paid' to Lund and Gernow nor the amounts due them but not yet paid, nor the date at which their relation to the University as a firm is to be severed; nor the extent to which the salary payment of U.S. \$400.- was omitted because the payments on the percentage basis goes above the figure. I am afraid that it would not be satisfactory to give a cabled reply, as the points upon which we desire information cannot fully be indicated in a cable. I will write more fully upon this before long.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary,
PEKING UNIVERSITY.

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Enclosure.

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President J. Leighton Stuart

November 7, 1925.

P.S. - Mr. Hawkins greatly appreciates our underwriting of Hsu Ti-Shan and his expenses at Oxford. The London Missionary Society granted him 100 pounds Sterling last June toward completing his course, but was unable to provide more.

Mr. Hawkins says also that the London Missionary Society will be prepared to pay the cost of Mr. Hsu's passage back to America but that he is not prepared to furnish the passage all the way to Peking. Will you say to Mr. Hawkins and let me know what you say as to whether the University will provide for this extra cost of Hsu's return.

Cordially yours,

Secretary
UNIVERSITY OF PEKING.

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

12 November 1925

Dr. H. W. Luce

My dear Harry:

Your note to the steamer missed me and has only arrived here to-day.

I saw Mrs. Luce promptly after reaching Peking and sent you the cables which have made clear her state of mind. She had already written you and doubtless has done so since, so that I can add nothing to what you already know about her point of view. She seems to be well although under treatment. I feel sure that in one way or the other our adjustments will work out satisfactorily to all concerned.

A recent letter from Eric North brought the good news that Mrs. McKelvey has contributed \$20,000 for an infirmary, this to be paid over a ten years period. I am enclosing a little note to her which I will ask you to forward as I am not sure of her present address and initials.

*Mr. Otta Barker
16 State St.
Rochester, N.Y.*

You will recall that the 3rd Presbyterian Church in Rochester determined through Mr. Swartz to maintain two scholarships of \$75 gold each, one each in our Men's and Women's colleges. We have two students to whom these have been assigned, but thus far no money has been received. I think it was the Sunday School that undertook this responsibility. Could you take it up with who ever is now pastor and see if this arrangement can be continued. If not try at least to get the money for a pledge already made.

Lauren

Regarding Mrs. Turner, ^{our} conversation with her ran something like this. She did not remember whether she had paid one or two thousand dollars to our University, but that whatever it was she would make it up to a total of \$7000 paying \$1000 annually. She remarked that being so old her own ability to carry the pledge out was uncertain but that her daughter would see to it that the matter was concluded as her daughter was in full sympathy with all the things she stood for. Ronald Arnold of Tamplin and Brown was with me and will verify my memory of the conversation. I hope you will have no difficulty in clearing this thing off. A propos of such matters although you ought not to be bothered with it, yet I wonder if there are any similar promises which are not being realized upon because somehow our Office has allowed the matter to slip.

I have been awfully busy since coming back, but on the whole our situation is most encouraging. We have the finest lot

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of students we have ever had and they are working hard at their studies, the spirit is excellent among them, and there is very little if any evidence of anti-foreign or anti-Christian sentiment among them. About 80% of the Men's College declare themselves as Christians this year. My duties have chiefly been routine administrative adjustments largely in connection with our construction work or with faculty matters.

I hope that your stay in Southern California will build you up as you need and that for the time you will make this your first consideration.

As ever yours,

J.S.

If you could without too much effort pick up \$5000. to \$10000. for improving the grounds it would be a big gain toward getting ready for the formal opening to say nothing of our own use.

Nov. 16, 1925

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart
Yenching University
Peking, China

Dear Leighton:

Your good letter came from the steamer the other day but this is the first letter I have written you since you left. Things have been rather quiet since you have been away, but there are two things I have that I want to write about. Mr. Meale Smith, Mars and Warner were present at a meeting of the Finance Committee, Friday to consider Mr. Lund's new contract and the finishing up of the old one. I have a copy of the Minutes taken at the Finance Committee Meeting of September 18th in which it states you suggested that we enter into a new contract with Mr. Lund for a salary of 600 Mex per month plus transportation and living quarters at the University. On top of this comes a letter from Mr. Gibb suggesting a new contract with Mr. Lund at 1250 Mex per month for two years without any reference to either transportation or living quarters at the University. I believe that the Committee would approve of 1250 Mex per month as a reasonable figure but they might question any additional to this in the way of transportation and living quarters. However, they feel that this is entirely a matter which should be put into definite form by the Grounds and Building Committee at Peking and it should come through them with their recommendations. We would suggest that there should be a cancellation clause by either party on three months notice. Mr. Gibb's letter also indicates some gross sum which may be a figure to close up the ^{old} ~~whole~~ contract with. The Committee here has no way of knowing whether the sum is right or wrong and it has not been presented to us in definite enough shape for us to take action. We however do recommend that the Grounds and Building Committee take up the completion of the old contract according to the terms of the old contract and that settlement be made on that figure. We here are ready to consider any proposition that the Grounds and Building Committee wish to present to us but again feel that we are not in a position to wisely suggest what these settlements should be. Will you therefore please have the Grounds and Building Committee take up these two subjects?

I am sending a copy of a blue print of the proposed gymnasium. If this gymnasium is to be commenced next Spring Mr. Murphy will have to start the working drawings on it before he leaves, which will be about Dec. 15th. Personally I like this building very much. It is nothing but a gymnasium. You will note that I have had to divide the lockers between the two floors and connect the locker rooms with

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a spiral stairway. This is in order to have the two wings of the gymnasium square so that at least the one wing can be built at first giving this a very pretty square building. It would be rather interesting to compare this shower bath with the one in the women's. I feel that it is waste of money to consider the opinion of one woman in regards to the plan of shower baths adopted, but this is no fight of mine. The down stairs lockers can be put in first while the space will be available for additional lockers up stairs when they are required. I believe that the other wing will ^{take} ~~expand~~ itself. You will notice a serving room which can be used either for serving banquet in the big gymnasium or in the little corrective exercise room on the second floor in the director's wing. You will notice places for memorial tablets in both entrance halls. You will also notice two groups of 90 seats each of chairs in the galleries which are entirely outside of the line of the gymnasium space. The basket ball court is a full standard size. I think the exterior ought to be very beautiful and should develop into a most perfect Chinese building that we have on the campus.

I have recently run on to the fact that the most up-to-date gymnasiums that are being built in the colleges in this country have not the wooden floors that you and I know but instead are made of dirt. The walls are high and in a general way the room is of rougher appearance than the old typical gymnasium room. I am anxious to look into this feature very thoroughly and it may be that if this is decided we would raise the height of the wainscoting in the gymnasium above 6 ft. as is now shown. I hope to see Mr. Murphy in a day or two regarding this feature. If there is anything seriously wrong with this layout I think you had better send us a cable. If Mr. Murphy does not make the working drawings of this building before he goes to China it will mean that we will not be able to start this building until next summer

I plan to get away on the 19th of the month for the balance of November, taking my son with me and going into New Brunswick for a moose hunt. With the variety of interferences and anxieties of this summer I feel that a good ten days' rest will put me into good shape for the winter.

Sincerely yours,

Frank D.

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 seem that we will not be able to get this bill until next summer

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

17 November 1925

Dr. Eric M. North
Peking University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York

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My dear Eric:

Your letter of October 2 failed to reach me in Seattle. The only matter that requires special comments is regarding Mr. Bruce. There is no question about whether we want him to continue in the University.

Your letter of October 9 has also come to hand. The matters referred to me have been taken up and call for no further comment. The naming of the men's dormitories and dining halls might be left until we have something more definite from the Finley people. I have made suggestions in letters to you which would be determined by that factor.

Statement of receipts

In your statement for ~~current~~ ^{current} receipts of September I notice No. 172, Mrs. Elmhurst (Straight) under current special \$2500. I should like to ask if this is part of the original promise of \$30,000 or a continuation of the support of Mr. Britton. I fear it is the former, but in any case Jim will know that we are hoping to get her to continue.

Mr. Huang *Huang*

There is a young Chinese, named Huang, at Toronto, of whom E. B. Sharman has spoken to us. He had a very fine influence on Shadick who admires him greatly. He apparently has an unusual Chinese scholarship, a ~~keen~~ ^{keen} mind, and a deep Christian experience. This combination makes him peculiarly desirable to us. We understand that his special interest has been philosophy, but we would like to have him begin at least in our Chinese Department which is our weakest point at present. Our suggestion would be that you communicate with Sharman and get his opinion and other testimonials regarding Huang and that if he is available and you are satisfied with what you learn about him, he be invited to New York and that Mr. Ma Kiam, now at Teachers' College, be asked to pass judgment on his Chinese qualifications. If you and our Candidates Committee together with Mr. Ma approve of him, we would like you to make him a definite offer. His salary and similar matters would be according to our regular schedule and might be arranged upon his arrival or ~~could~~ could be taken up with us by correspondence. If we really are to have this School of Chinese Studies he is just the sort of man that we should turn to.

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Construction Staff

The staff for the construction work is giving me no little anxiety. I think we have now Fund's case cleared up, but both he and Gibb are quite tired and apparently the supervision is inadequate. We are having a meeting of the Grounds & Buildings Committee this afternoon to face some of these problems. Gibb insists that if he has a secretary this will very much relieve the situation and in fact will be sufficient. I do not agree with this but wish he could have a competent secretary. Quite possibly we shall cable asking you to send one as we have been making efforts in China thus far without success. Gibb insists that we can move next summer without difficulty, but Gernow is quite sure that we cannot unless the work is speeded up by contracts making it possible to employ more workmen and by more foreign supervision. The latter is the crucial point because it is so difficult to find anyone who is qualified and whom Gibb would accept. As to expense I feel that anything necessary to get us out next summer would be justified, although there probably would be no very great increase beyond the present overhead.

Mr. Clark

It may be that we shall also cable for Clark. In any case if he comes to us at all it will better be in this capacity than as comptroller despite my previous letter on the subject. For the latter position we have two men under consideration.

Residences

We still have quite a number of Faculty people of professorial rank for whom no housing has yet been provided. We shall have to resort to improvised measures of some sort for them until houses can be built. I hope that you will make it possible for the entire amount of the \$50,000 item for the School of Theology to be used for putting in shape such houses as we can buy or lease in the neighborhood or for constructing an inexpensive type. If we really get the Hall Estate endowment to begin January 1st it might be well to use as little of this both for current expenses here and for clearing off deficits and other overhangs in America until the necessary features in order to move will have been cared for. Among these I would put the residences or rather the temporary housing arrangements first and then \$5000 or if possible \$10,000 gold for improving the grounds. These are of course in addition to power plant and other features with which you are quite familiar.

Later, G. B. Com. met Very sincerely yours,
 this afternoon + authorized 2 additional *J.S.*
 foreign supervisors if they can be found - Gibb approving!
 of course Gernow, Readmuller, Barker are all pulling
 so it is no really big increase.

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PEKING UNIVERSITY.

November 20, 1925.

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart, President,
Yenching University,
Peking, China.

My dear Leighton:

You will have had Mr. Warner's letter of November 16th which covers the action of the Committee on Finance upon the settlement of the contract with Lund, Gernow & Company, as taken up in Mr. Lund's letter of September 24th and in Mr. Gibb's letter of September 25th. Unfortunately, at the time, I was under an attack of grippe and was unable to be at the meeting, and the committee seems to have got itself mixed up with the new contract with Mr. Lund personally, and the old contract with the firm.

They have utterly misunderstood Mr. Gibb's letter, thinking that Mr. Gibb was suggesting a new contract with Mr. Lund, which is entirely beside the mark, and you should ignore all that part of Mr. Warner's letter, as there is no point to it. I did all I could to get the matter clearly before the committee in spite of my absence, but was unable to get a clear result. I think, however, that even had I been there, the committee would probably have referred the matter to the Grounds & Buildings Committee for a more specific statement, certainly for an opinion from you, which we do not have yet. I am very sorry that this means delay, as I know that this will cause increased personal feelings in Peking, but it could hardly be expected by Mr. Lund that he could send us by mail a proposition that is a modification of a contract which he himself signed and expect us to act upon such a suggestion immediately without having the opinion of either a university committee or of the President of the University, and without having information as to just exactly how the contract which is now in force has worked out. He said in his letter which you should read, "I cannot even at the present foresee what money will accrue to the firm during this year, neither am I able to judge how much may be due to the firm for the work done on buildings etc., which will not be finished until after the termination of our contract."

We recognize that Mr. Lund's proposal of Mex. \$2,500. per month as the basis for calculation may be a method of settlement upon the contract, but it is not quite clear to us whether this is a method of settling a contract which is incompletely fulfilled (because the building operations contemplated in it have not been completed and the services of the firm as such are cancelled before the buildings are completed), or whether it is a method of substituting a new arrangement for the contract in force. Therefore, before the data is in hand upon it, a final settlement cannot be made.

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Before we can, as the Committee on Finance, come to a conclusion upon the matter, there is specific information which we should have.

(1) What is the opinion of the Grounds & Buildings Committee upon the matter? This does not mean that Mr. Lund needs to put it before the Grounds & Buildings Committee for final settlement, but the fact that he and Mr. Gibb cannot agree upon financial matters does not warrant the Trustees in dealing with this question without any counsel whatsoever from the field.

(2) What is to be regarded as the date of the termination of the Lund, Gernow & Company contract, and will the full services of the firm, including the three engineers, office staff, etc., as referred to by Mr. Lund, be continued up to that date? If these services are not continued up to that date, then the settlement on the basis which Mr. Lund suggests would hardly be equitable, as for part of the time the full services would not be rendered.

(3) We need from Mr. Gibb specific figures as to the amount of building each month upon which the commission percentage has been calculated, the months in which the monthly fee was paid, and the months in which deduction was made as per item IV, 1, c, of the contract and the amount so deducted and the total amount paid to Lund, Gernow & Company up to the last date of payment.

(4) In this connection, Mr. Gibb's letter refers to commission and salary averaging nearly Mex. \$2,000. a month during the three years the agreement has been in operation. The contract was dated September 1, 1923. Presumably, the period preceding that should not be counted in averaging the payment.

(5) What does Mr. Lund consider as involved in his expression "due the firm for work done on buildings not finished at the termination of the contract"? Is it not fair to assume that on the basis of a monthly settlement figured on the materials used and other costs incurred in a given building at any given time, the calculation of the amount upon which the fee should be determined on the percentage basis is correct?

I am sure that Mr. Lund does not mean that if the services of the firm terminated before the building was completed the firm would be entitled to the percentage upon the total cost of the building, as finally completed, for then, the services of supervision which are required up to the completion of the building would not have been given completely. And yet I can quite see how, because payments for certain materials, for which the specifications had been worked out by the engineers, might fall due after the date on which their services terminated and they would not receive a proper return for their services.

Of course, not having been at the meeting of the committee, it is impossible for me to say how they would react to any particular form of proposal, but I believe that the committee would like to know how Lund, Gernow & Company would come out under a settlement on the basis of the present contract liberally construed with reference to such items as might be in doubt because of the termination of their relationship before the job involved was completed, and therefore before all cost data was in hand, and before all services had been rendered. It would be our hope that such a figure would be regarded by Lund, Gernow & Company as a fair settlement of the contract.

If, however, it appears to the Grounds & Buildings Committee and the President that as a method of settling this contract the proposal in Mr. Lund's letter of the payment of a sufficient amount to make the average monthly payment for the life of the contract equal to Mex. \$2,500., this would certainly be given very careful consideration by the Committee on Finance.

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But if the proposal which Mr. Lund makes is presented as a substitute, the intention of which is to avoid the effect of the contract already in force, then I think it would be much less willingly received by the Committee on Finance. The method of coming up to the end of the contract and then, being presented with a request to modify that contract in the interest of additional payments, is not good business practice. While it is undoubtedly true that 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ % does not yield to Lund, Gernow & Company as large a sum as if the construction were being done in this country, because of the lower labor costs involved, on the other hand, the fact that Lund, Gernow & Company have loaded on the manufacturers in England the drawing of all of the plans for the Power Plant installations, has relieved them of any expense on this account which, under American practice at least, they would certainly have to bear.

Of course, the University ought fairly to take under consideration the question as to whether the volume of construction carried on has been less than might reasonably have been expected to be the case at the time the contract was made out, and whether the spreading along of the building operations over a longer period has not resulted in expenses to Lund, Gernow & Company which were not contemplated when the contract was signed, realizing that Lund, Gernow & Company were not so free to modify their expenditures as they might have been under conditions other than those prevailing in North China.

Cordially yours,

Secretary,
Peking University.

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PEKING UNIVERSITY.

November 20, 1925.

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart, President,
Yenching University,
Peking, China.

My dear Leighton:

In addition to the enclosed letter, copies of which I have sent to Mr. Gibb and Mr. Lund, I want to write on two points, as they may be of some help.

First, Dr. Houghton whom I consulted said that the session of the Grounds & Buildings Committee to which Mr. Lund referred in his letter had had no such comprehensive study of the situation as Mr. Lund seems to indicate, but he added that Mr. Lund was entirely fair and reasonable and had no desire to gouge the University.

Secondly, I also checked with Ed Black of the Fukien Construction Bureau on the question as to whether the services of the firm as described in Mr. Lund's letter, namely, three engineers, office staff, etc., etc., for 90% of their time was worth Mex. \$2,500. a month. He said that without doubt it was, but he felt the general principle of adherence to a contract was desirable.

You may have noted in my letter that I have indicated a way out by suggesting that if the proposal of Mr. Lund comes to us as a method of settling the contract involved, and especially if it can be shown that the difference between a settlement upon the precise terms of the old contract, with due allowance for the services represented in construction yet to be done, is not too far from Mr. Lund's proposal, then the whole thing will come to us in a much better form than if it were in the nature of a substitute for the old contract.

Talk about "saving face"!

Faithfully yours,

Secretary,
Peking University.

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YENCHING UNIVERSITY
(INCORPORATED IN 1899 AS PEKING UNIVERSITY)
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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December 1, 1925.

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

My dear Eric:

We are still waiting with anxious impatience for the explanation of the preemptory cable regarding the "School of Chinese Studies", received here October 23. Mails are very slow in arriving, owing to the interrupted communications between here and Shanghai. The last one brought a note from Luce, dated October 25, but nothing from our office.

Meanwhile there is plenty of excitement both in general political and international situations and in internal problems of the University to keep our minds occupied.

Date of Moving: Gibb insists that there ought to be no difficulty about doing so next summer, but our engineers are not so confident. It is the old question of keeping down overhead, which is his pride, as against securing speed and good results. It is made more complicated at present by the difficulty of adding suitable people for supervision. All this, however, we shall try to take care of here. The one way in which you can help is by working to secure shipments of essential equipment from abroad as soon as possible in view of the possibility of civil strife next spring interrupting communications between Tientsin and here. With this one possible danger anticipated, I think we can arrange the rest. We shall try to stock up with locally purchased materials before Chinese New Year.

Papers from Mr. Bocker: Gibb says that shipments purchased through L. M. Bocker are delayed in passing the customs because of the insistence of our New York office in having the detailed papers which are required in getting free passage into China. He says that he has written to you about this so that I shall not go into detail but only ask that some process be arranged by which duplicates be sent direct to him.

Covered by my letter to Gibb 1/12/26

The especially important item they urge is the electrical cables.

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Residences: This continues one of the most perplexing aspects of the situation. Continually some new family emerges that must be somehow cared for. The situation is aggravated by the fact that the first year of occupancy is the time when we shall have several families connected with the construction work to be housed. Apart, however, from the lack of resources I am becoming quite conservative in the matter of putting up additional foreign style houses. We are not sure how Chinese house-wives are going to like them. The ideal appeals to all Chinese and it has been favored in view of present tendencies to follow the policy we have. Some Chinese will undoubtedly want to continue in houses of this type. Again the increased cost of living is already making some of the foreign families feel that the houses which have been insisted on by themselves are larger than they can afford. Others, both foreign and Chinese, are much attracted to the remodeled Chinese houses in Tsai T'ao garden. For these reasons I feel that if we could get along with no more building than is required for specific individuals provided for by special gifts until we have had a year of experimentation, it will be the safer course. Additional houses should tend to be of the bungalow type or at least of the smaller design. This, however, means a certain length of time in repairing and putting up such Chinese houses as we can get control of. Luce and Lew are both willing to postpone the starting of their houses, the former for reasons which you will understand, and the latter because we are thinking seriously of advising his spending a large part of next season in America. In any case we must not break faith with Dr. Smith. It may be better, therefore, to start his house now, and have another family occupy it during the first year. Perhaps you need say nothing to Dr. Smith unless he writes in a way that should require you doing so.

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We also hope that Mr. Winters of Kansas City will be able to authorize the house for Nash to be started immediately in the spring, and that the Sewickley Church will do the same for Corbett. These two and one for Wiant are the only ones that we at present plan to start in addition to those now under way.

to the office
RR
Regard
april
I think I wrote you last summer asking for a memorandum of the individuals or groups who have given houses and instructions as to the naming of these houses and the inscriptions that should be put on them. This list ought also to include the names of the intended occupants in the few cases where these have been designated. I remember that Mrs. Colton of Jenkinville Philadelphia has filed in our office an inscription she wishes.

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Eric M. North,
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Note 2/18/26

Scholarships in America: We have a student named Ssu Tu Ch'iao who graduates this coming June and is very anxious to study Theology in America, where at the same time he could take lessons in Art, and visit galleries. "He has quite a talent for painting, and is being advised by various friends to devote himself to the important task of working out a Chinese Christian art. This whole matter is at present naturally inchoate. This young man with deep religious purpose and apparently some talent might be able to render a very high service. He is able to arrange for his travel to and from America if a scholarship could be secured, preferably in New York or Boston. I wonder if you could take this up with Dr. Fleming or some one else at Union, and with Dean Sperry of Harvard or some of the Boston School of Theology people.

Note Auburn 2/18/26

We have another Theological student, Hsieh Ching-sheng, who is able to pay his own travel and a good part of his living expenses in America if he can get a supplementary scholarship. He had already arranged to go to America last summer and study at the University of Chicago, with a grant of \$ 50.00 per month promised through the late President Burton. He had, however, a serious illness which has kept him here. He wishes now to go to America some time in February, and would prefer studying in a small town until next autumn, thus getting familiar with American life, and fitting himself for serious work on a credit basis in the autumn. I have in mind Auburn Seminary, which has Oriental scholarships, and seems to me suitable. Could you take it up with the authorities there or in some other smaller place, and also with the Dean of the Divinity School in Chicago, or some one else in Chicago. I am inclosing a copy of a letter on this subject.

I am referring these cases to you because direct correspondence from here involves such long delay.

Note 2/18/26

Librarian: The Chinese we have had in this position has developed Tuberculosis, and although he has improved, we feel it wiser not to continue his services. The routine can be handled by assistants, but the idea occurred to us that if we could get some rather young woman with a little experience in an American Library to come out for two or three years and help us start off in our new building, it would be of great value to us without prohibitive expense. The visitor would have an interesting experience, and could help create the atmosphere and general standards that Chinese trained in Boone (Wuchang) Library School could maintain. Could you put out an inquiry for this sort of person? Dr. A. E. Bostwick, of the Boston ~~Public~~ *St. Louis* Public Library, and a prominent member of the American

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Library Association, was out in China last year, and would, I am sure, do anything he could to assist in this project.

English Teachers: I told Breece to try to find two additional teachers who could come out more or less with the thought of being permanent. He is, doubtless, working on this matter now. It might be well, however, not to engage definitely more than one of these without further reference to us. In this connection, as well as because of the ~~expense~~ ^{residence} issue, please let me know regarding D. C. Baker as soon as that matter can be settled. It may be that some one will turn up out here who would be equally as satisfactory as some new man to be found at home. *This last sentence refers to the second of the two spoken of in the first sentence. We shall certainly want one at least*

Department of Economics: Princeton-in-Peking is looking forward to carrying this department. They can, however, make very little, if any, advance in the immediate future. Meanwhile J. B. Tayler is going on furlough next autumn and leaves this extremely popular department very inadequately provided for. We wonder if some experienced American Professor could not be found who would be willing to come here for one or two years on some arrangement by which we paid his travel and living expenses, and his salary was continued in whole or in part by his own institution. Peking ^{ought} to be a very interesting place for such a man at this time. It is possible that either Princeton or Harvard University might, in view of the present relationship with us, assist in such a project. We are not especially interested in having a young American come out to this department just yet as a life work, but would be greatly helped by a visiting professor, of the type whom such institutions as mentioned would furnish. I wonder if Dr. J. W. Jenks, Alexander Hamilton Institute, Astor Place, New York, would not be able to make suggestions both as to personnel and expenses. I have just received quite an appreciative letter from him.

Insurance: Dr. Hsu has come to me with a problem of his, the details of which can be most simply secured from Mr. John J. Wolff, Traffic Department, Y. M. C. A., New York City, to whom he wrote under date of September 3. Mr. Wolff replied on October 26, reference Y-588. In accordance with that suggestion, Dr. Hsu has prepared the lists called for which I am inclosing herewith. Could you not take the responsibility of stating to Mr. Wolff, through a Notary Public, that you believe this list trustworthy. Dr. Hsu is giving the best figures he can from memory, and is quite sure that he has not included all the contents of these ^{trunks}, nor does he expect compensation for the entire amount. Whatever adjustment may seem fair and reasonable to Mr. Wolff and yourself will be accepted by him.

Let me especially call your attention to a Prof. Brown in this Department at Princeton. You might like this up with some money

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Registration: The Ministry of Education has recently issued regulations for the registering of Christian Schools. These are more favorable than ever before, and will perhaps be the best that can be hoped for in the near future. We are going ahead with the effort to take advantage of this opportunity, the only hindrance being with the Board of Managers. One of the regulations is that a majority of this Board must be Chinese, which is provided for by action of the trustees of September 24. Some of the older members of the local missions are, however, very much opposed to the proposed reorganization. I am to have a conference with the mission representatives on the Board this week before the Board as a whole act on the matter. Meanwhile, I feel quite within the facts in stating that the trustees desire the University to comply with the regulations of the Chinese government, and that this is implied in the action referred to. As a matter of fact, the thing that I had foreseen has come a good deal earlier and more forcibly than I had expected, and we have prepared ourselves none to quickly. If we play the game properly, I have no anxiety as to our future, but the issue is now clear cut, either we do it this way, or we may have to close up all together.

This is a long letter, and does not deal with general conditions. In a word, however, we are not at all disturbed by what is happening in the country, and our students are working harder at their studies than ever before. While they are thinking much about their country's affairs, this has not as yet interfered with their study. Religious interest is nothing like as active as we could wish, but I doubt if we could expect it to be otherwise under present conditions, and in the meantime we all hope to apply Christian principles to our instructional program in a way that is being very closely observed.

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Very sincerely yours,

Leighton Clark

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After breaking in a young Russian stenographer I have loaned her to Gibb and am using a local "pick-up" with the results above. We ought to have one more stenographer to come out as soon as she can be found. Please make another check. She should be under Sch. of Religion Budget

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By Missionaries in China
Comments on Message # 1 from Y. Y. New
as President of the China Christian Educational Association,
written after the Shanghai shooting on May 30.

TRANSFER

From a Missionary in Shansi:

"I simply wish to send you a note of thanks for your pamphlet giving advice to the members of the China Christian Educational Association. It certainly meets our sore need of help at this time."

From a British Missionary in educational work of twenty years standing:

"Both Dr. (A veteran Missionary in China, now a secretary of the Mission Board) and I have read it and we are very much impressed by it. I think you have handled a difficult situation admirably."

From a Missionary in China of forty four years standing:

"You have been much in my thoughts since my visit to Peking last summer and I am very glad that we succeeded in getting your admirable statement regarding the student situation into the hands of a large number of school people during the summer months. I am sure it has done much good."

From a Bishop of the Episcopal Church:

"I received only this week the message which you sent out as Chairman of the China Christian Educational Association. I read this with deep interest and approval, and indeed edification. I think you have rendered a great service to many other good causes, as well as to Christian education in China, by the very wise and challenging suggestions contained in your message."

From a veteran British Missionary of forty years standing:

"One of my early pleasures is the reading of your Episcopal charge to us all. (I am a silent member of the Association). I congratulate you on its sanity."

From a leading Missionary in Shanghai:

"Just a line in appreciation of your article addressed to the members of the C.C. E.A. I write not because I agree with all of it, though I do with most, but in appreciation of the spirit in which you have written. I think no honest Missionary can fail to be grateful for advice sincerely and courteously offered. It is no easier to offer advice acceptably than it is to take it gracefully."

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From a lady Missionary in North China:

"For a good many days past I have been intending to write to you to thank you for sending me a copy of the printed letter you sent out to the members of the General Board, the three Councils, Regional Associations, and other members of the China Christian Educational Association.

"At the close of this letter you indicated that you would be glad for criticism of any of the suggestions you offered. I would not presume to criticize what you have suggested, but I should like to take this opportunity of thanking you especially for having written this letter and having suggested so clearly and definitely the attitude that is wisest to take in view of present conditions. This letter of yours impresses as being in some ways quite the most helpful thing I have seen since the present situation arose."

From an American Principal of one of the largest Mission Secondary Schools in the country:

"Your statement as president of the China Educational Association has just come to me. I wish to thank you for this fair and straightforward statement. It is excellent and will do us all a great deal of good. We thank God for such leaders as you who see through the mist of confusion around us the true light. This is not only a Chinese problem but a world problem. It is not only a Chinese situation but a world situation. We need wise and God-fearing statesmen at such times."

From a British lady Missionary College Professor:

"I read your letter in the Educational Review. Please will you let me say thank you very much for it. I think it must have helped many people."

From a Bishop of the Methodist Church:

I have read your open letter to Christian workers, written as President of the China Christian Educational Association. I want to thank you most sincerely for this letter. I was just arranging to secure a copy for each one of our missionaries in the Central China area when I learned that it was read to practically all of them at Kuling this summer and in part distributed. It seems to me most timely and wholesome, as we move toward the date of the opening of our schools. It is thoroughly good advice from the foreign standpoint and since it is strictly from the Chinese standpoint, it is all the

"more timely and valuable. I believe it will perform a very great and beneficent service throughout China. I am sending copies of it to our home board secretaries."

From a Superintendent of the China Mission of one of the American Churches:

"By the kindness of the N.C.C. I have received a copy of your pamphlet "To the Members of the General Board, etc.". I write to thank you very cordially for your kind thoughtfulness to write up this and have it sent around to the persons indicated in the address. Especially do I add my thankfulness to you for it has not only been of great interest, but of great help to me personally in my dealings with the students on my trips for I am off itinerating most of the time. The suggestions coming as they do from you, who can appreciate the good on both sides and especially the good on the part of the student class, I consider the advice and cautions are timely indeed. It is a sane, wise and statesmanlike document. I pray that its influence will be felt by all who read it."

From a University President:

" Mr.... had just received the letter you had addressed to the members of the Christian Educational Association and I read it that day with a great deal of interest. Since my return I have received several copies from the office of the Educational Association which I am bringing to the attention of the influential members of the faculty. I think your positions are very sane and timely. I haven't a word of criticism but only admiration and approval."

From a University President:

"I wish to thank you for the open letter which you have sent out. I read it through very carefully, and with the exception of a very small point, I agree with you in every detail. I believe this letter will do all of us a great deal of good. You may be pleased to know that from the very beginning we have followed the path as indicated by your letter, and I wish to express my appreciation of what you have tried to do for the Missionaries."

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Extract from the China Council of one of the largest Missionary agencies to those in charge of its elementary and middle schools.

"In order to get an insight into the present existing situation, and particularly into student psychology we would strongly recommend that all responsible for the administration or teaching of schools read the statement issued by Dr. Timothy T. Lew, President of the China Christian Educational Association, entitled:-

'To the Members of the General Board of the Three Councils, Regional Associations, and other Members of the China Christian Educational Association.'

"A copy is being sent to each member of our force. In submitting this statement to the members of the Missions, the Council does not thereby endorse all the recommendations as to procedure, but commends it as an earnest and thoughtful study of the present situation by one of the most prominent Chinese leaders."

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

My dear Eric:

At last the letters have come from you which explain the cable enjoining silence regarding the School of Chinese Studies. The explanations are quite clear and rather in line with my deductions. Both for the reasons you mention and because of the general situation in China I think it is decidedly wiser to avoid public announcement even after the money will have been actually paid over to the new corporation. This applies also to the endowment which we are hoping to receive ourselves. We shall begin at once, however, to plan for the development of the School of Chinese Studies, both for foreigners and for Chinese, not of course involving any financial commitments until we have the final word. I have already written you my suggestions as to the use of the income from our own endowment. The ordering of necessary equipment for the power plant ought to come absolutely first, and other construction needs affecting our moving next summer should be next in order. With the assured income from this source the trustees could continue to carry deficits or over-drafts in order to give these matters the right of way.

I am very glad to have the further word about the Infirmary. Gibb tells me that he is sending a copy of the blue-print approved by the P. U. M. C. with certain comments. If Mr. Murphy is really coming out this winter and if the Trustees will allow us to design locally and locate this building with his approval, we might start the construction of the central unit in Spring, and have it ready for use in the Autumn. This would avoid the necessity of using other property for this purpose that might be made available for a residence or some other needed use. The Grounds and Building Committee will at its next meeting make a recommendation regarding the location and general design.

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✓ I am enclosing a copy of a letter to Mr. Hawkins regarding his payment of £ 150 to Mr. Hsu Ti-shan. From the letter received from him this is a real need and the amount is a proper charge to the School of Chinese Studies as he will doubtless be assigned to that feature.

? Mr. Krause has called my attention to an issue in the Famine Relief Funds, which he thinks would be simplified by drawing in full at the end of each quarter the amount to which we are entitled from that source, and treating it as entirely expended, leaving any balance to the ~~full~~ resources of the Department of ^{other} Agriculture. As I understand it the Department through its various activities has an income about equal to that from the Famine Relief Fund, subject of course to fluctuations. Mr. Krause thinks that the accounts would be much simplified by drawing in full, and treating as entirely expended, this steady source of income quarter by quarter, while leaving the variance to the ~~full~~ ^{other} accounts of the Department. I see no reason why this should not be done, and pass it on for your consideration.

✓ Another matter of accounts to which he has called my attention is your attempt to reckon in local currency on a basis that must be arbitrary. He raises the question if it would not be best for you to make all calculations in gold in view of the instability of exchange. He cites an instance where you have listed New York Gold \$ 5332.97, local currency two to one \$ 10,665.94, whereas actually this brought \$ 9580.61. This leaves a discrepancy of \$ 10.85.33, which we must enter as spent by us, which as a matter of fact we have not had the joy of doing.

✓ I am sending you a report for our Trustees. If Jim is still in America you and he might confer about sending this to a selected list of friends of the University who would be able to appreciate the frankness of my statements. I rather think it should be marked "Confidential" both to avoid too much publicity and to enable the recipients to realize that they are being treated as among the inner circle of University friends. I am also sending a list of personal friends to whom I shall be glad to have you send copies.

✓ I am including a copy of the letter to Carrington Goodrich which explains itself. It has become quite apparent to me that any thought of using Gibb in such a capacity would not be tolerated by a good number of our Faculty people, and that in sharing

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the responsibility between him and some one else would not be acceptable to him. My thought is therefore that as the construction work is lined up he ought to go on furlough, specialize in Chemistry again, and come back as a teacher. He will always be of the greatest value on committees that have to do with property matters or for part time continuance in construction work, but any such position as Controller or Treasurer would in his case create more difficulties than it would solve. I hope you or some one else will get in touch with Goodrich, and it might be well to cable us his decision. I dread the thought of the increased responsibilities next Autumn without this officer, and I know of no one else. The present letter has been held up for some weeks while waiting for another possible man in Shanghai to decide, and the morning mail has brought his refusal.

Very sincerely yours,

J. L. S.

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A Confidential letter from

President ~~Stuart~~ ^{Freighton Stuart}, under date of
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TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Over six weeks have now passed since I returned from the States to Peking, and I shall now attempt to comment upon certain significant developments.

1. As I began to take up my duties here again perhaps the outstanding impression I had was the capacity and loyalty of our Chinese staff. The opening weeks of the present session were in the midst of a tense political situation with stricter academic requirements than ever before, and in general involving heavier responsibilities and more delicate and disturbing issues than at any previous period in our brief history. Yet the unfinished work of last June was all made up, the Commencement and Opening Exercises were carried through and the session was proceeding smoothly, the students working hard and in excellent spirit,--with Chinese in control. No finer statement of the ideals and aims of the institution could have been made than was contained in the addresses of Dean Lew at the opening of the session. No stricter discipline could have been maintained, combined with unsparing effort for the social, spiritual and other needs of the students, than Dean Hung has shown. The other Chinese admirably supported these two brilliant and consecrated young executives. I need scarcely add that all this is equally of the foreign staff. But that was to be taken for granted. The delightfully reassuring conclusion from this experience is that the Chinese graft on our missionary trunk is growing and bearing fruit. The life has been transmitted. I had believed in and had evidence of this before, but my absence for several months has demonstrated under conditions of special stress that the enterprise we have inaugurated can be safely expected to continue uninjured as it passes into Chinese keeping. The growing organism is tender and requires much careful nurturing still from us. But the experimental stage is over with.

2. The progress of nationalistic sentiment accentuates the importance of the gain just mentioned. This shows itself in the sharply defined alternatives now facing mission education: we must either be registered under the government regulations and in general be established on a Chinese basis or expect to face such popular and official opposition as ~~might~~ virtually force us to close our schools. The special privileges and protection foreigners have hitherto enjoyed are sure to be withdrawn so that it is only with the endorsement of Chinese public opinion that we can hope to carry on, a consideration that is accentuated by the disorders and lack of any strong authority in the country. Very fortunately the Ministry of Education has just issued new and very reasonable regulations for the registration of Christian schools, cancelling the more exacting ones previously promulgated. You will be interested to know that these were framed by a Christian official in the Ministry who has held office for many years and is now

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maintained in an honorable position with almost nominal duties. He has offered himself to us as a teacher on a modest salary while keeping his connection with the Ministry, and, being a scholar with the highest degree of the old regime and much admired by our students, he is a decided asset. This old Mr. Wu, Miss Su-i Wang and Dean Lew as Chairman have been appointed by me as a committee on registration and they are going ahead vigorously on the matter. One of the requirements is that the majority of our Board of Managers must be Chinese which is in line with your action on September 24. On my return here I found that a few cautious missionaries on the Board were quite perturbed over the reorganization you had ordered, but their anxieties seem now entirely allayed, and with one proposed alteration that is a real improvement, they are apparently quite ready to comply with your instructions. With an increasing Chinese representation on our Faculty and Board of Managers, with the genuine and wide-spread appreciation of our attitude on nationalistic aspirations I have little fear for our future so far as the orderly processes of government and the goodwill of the people at large are concerned.

3. This leads, however, to a more sinister aspect of the situation with which I should acquaint you. There is a rapidly forming revolutionary movement which is being fomented undoubtedly by Russian agencies. The red influence is asserting itself. In the National University of Peking and elsewhere among the intelligentsia of this city there are those who are passionately convinced that there is no hope for China in any peaceful reforms, that a wild crash is the only way out. They recently led in an assault on the existing government, and wrecked a police station and a rather radical Chinese Newspaper office. I have been informed by a former student that the office of the Peking Leader, our University (the city property) and Tsing Hua College (the American Boxer Indemnity institution) are next in order for attack. The Leader is an independent liberal paper in English under an American charter, with a Board of Directors composed of Chinese and Americans of whom I am one. Neither of these newspapers has been radical enough to suit the revolutionaries. I feel that it would be disastrous if we sought protection from the Legation guards or claimed an indemnity if our property is damaged. But I plan to call soon on the new Chief of Police, one of the fine Christian generals under Feng Yu-hsiang, and to inform him unofficially of the intimations we have and of our dependence solely on Chinese protection. I am trying to write you with the utmost frankness because you ought to know all the elements in the present complex situation, but do not intend to convey any idea of probably danger. There is a lot of inflammable material among the restive students and workingmen in the disorganized conditions that now obtain here. At any time they might break loose under provocation and do some damage. Our very success and prominence make us a target for those who feel they have racial, economic or other grievances, or are in a mood of reckless dissatisfaction with things as they are. This tendency in itself is not primarily anti-religious. But the promulgation of the regulations for registration of Christian schools has aroused another violent anti-Christian outbreak, the leaders of which realize the established permanence and prestige that will result to such schools when officially recognised. The fact that the agitation is almost entirely against educational institutions registers their estimate of our effectiveness. In all this we need to be alert but not alarmed.

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4. The civil strife is deplorable and yet not wholly so. It is in part a healthy revolt against the aggression of certain too rapacious war-lords, though some of those leading it are little better. Feng Yu-hsiang is now the dominant figure and has been steadily gaining public confidence. I fear the conflict will continue for some months and with no decisive settlement. On the other hand, a combination may be effected that will give at least temporary stability. The populace are of course suffering greatly and business is in bad shape.

You are being informed by cable of the progress of the international conferences which is on the whole as satisfactory as could be expected.

5. As to fulfilling our function as a factor in the extension of the Kingdom of God in China, it is difficult to avoid statements that will create impressions either too encouraging or not sufficiently so. Judged by the more conventional indications of religious interest among our students, such as attendance at services of worship and Bible classes, present phenomena are certainly disappointing. On the other hand the scattered and otherwise inconvenient conditions of our temporary quarters combined with the distractions of the city, the reaction against all religious exercises after the rigid and resented requirements of the schools from which many of them have come, the influence of the intellectual social and racial ferments which centre in this city, together with the temper of impatient protest against the existing order which is more or less affecting students the world over,--these are among the causes of a religious indifferentism which is however, I am convinced, more apparent than real. Such religious activity as does show itself among our students--and there is much--is absolutely genuine and vital. Whereas in Mission schools hitherto there has been much more religious observance than reality of interest and conviction the reverse is now true with a large majority of our students. Not only so, but their emphasis is on aspects of Christian thought and practise very different from those by which we have been accustomed to register results. And from this standpoint we have much to encourage us. Our policy has seemed to them consistently worthy of the teaching and spirit of Jesus in contrast with the self-centred aims of organized ecclesiastical propaganda against which they are reading constant diatribes in current literature. This is becoming true of a much larger public than our student-body, and I like to remind myself that we are bearing Christian witness by our whole program and corporate life in precisely those aspects of our belief which are of interest to the Chinese people in their present mood. And we are being attentively observed to the point of making one tremble with a sense of the responsibility of it. It is only because of the splendid harmony and devotion among the faculty members and the relations between them and the students that we have been able to carry on at all without eruptions during these strenuous times. The situation calls for faith and hope but even more, as always, for love, and all these qualities are being manifested at Yenching in many ways that would make our Trustees feel were not discreditable could you be among us. We are exerting an influence

that goes far beyond our own circle. To give one single instance of this I am sending herewith a "Message on the Registration of Christian Schools" which Dean Timothy Lew is sending out as President of the China Christian Educational Association to Christian educators and agencies all over China. It is too long and technical to expect you to read it through but I can testify that it represents much study of the problem on his part and conclusions that will be of the greatest value in the present crisis to all concerned. Perhaps no one else in the country could have accomplished this. ~~It may also be pertinent to send a few of the comments on his first Message written after the Shanghai Shooting affray of May 30.~~

6. In conclusion, the next few months will be occupied very largely with the appalling task of moving to and getting established on our new site next summer, the process of registration under the government making this the occasion for much internal reorganization, carrying on to a more finished conclusion various matters of academic standards, and trying in general to weather the stormy times ahead of us. In all these, as well as in the fundamental objectives for which we are all working, my recent trip to America convinced me more than ever how completely we can count on your intelligent sympathy and active support. This is why I have written with such frankness and detail.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. Leighton Stuart.

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December 14, 1925.

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

My dear Eric:

The Board of Managers met day before yesterday, and I am sending you a copy of the minutes. The enclosed mimeographed sheet was submitted to them and approved, and I think will be clear. The Vice-President was added because the new regulations issued by the Ministry of Education required that the President of any Christian College must be Chinese, or if already with a foreign President, there must be a Chinese Vice-President, whom the government would recognize in all dealings with the institution. It might be simpler for the present purpose if the Board of Trustees would approve this in principle. If Luce stays in America he might be given some such title as "Vice President Resident in America", whereas if he returns to China, he has already signified his intention of resigning from this office. In either case he would not figure in the organization of the Board of Managers. The Chairman of the Administrative Committee of the Women's College who is at present, and doubtless will continue to be, the Dean, ought to be made a member of the Board, ex-officio. It was my oversight that this was not specifically stated in New York. The Board of Managers felt that their action could not become effective until the Board of Trustees had approved of these changes, and had considered any replies that might have come from constituent Boards or Missions. On the other hand the matter of registration is a very urgent one, and this will soon be the only factor that would prevent from the standpoint of the Ministry. The Board of Managers has not formally taken action on the question of registration, but the matter has been repeatedly under consideration. Will you get the final action from the Trustees on the matter of reorganization as soon as possible, and cable the result

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including approval of registration if the Board of Managers recognizes it. Immediately upon hearing from you, I shall call a meeting of the Board to put into effect processes of reorganization and at the same time have the formal action of registration with all the necessary material before them.

The local Presbyterian Mission has referred the communication from Scott in this matter to all the other other Missions and the China Council, which is an extreme illustration of the senseless machinery with which Mission work is still obstructed. The representatives of that mission on the Board have all approved of the actions at this meeting and presumably with the support of the local Mission. What business it is of other missions and missionaries scattered all over China, and from the nature of the case, uninterested and uninformed as to these proposals, it is hard to conceive. I hope that the action taken on September 24 in New York will not be delayed merely to hear from this process.

The S.M.S. is calling its approval to London. Course is writing to the M. E. Board approving for the Mission. The American

May I call your attention to the agreement between Yenching School of Chinese Studies and ourselves by which each is supposed to be represented on the Board of the other. My suggestion is that as soon as a vacancy occurs, Mr. G. E. Huggins would be an admirable man for cooption in this capacity, being the best friend Pettus has in America, a Harvard Alumnus, and a man of large business interests, which include North China. Until there is a vacancy some one like Scott, who is on both our Board and the Trustees Council of the Language School, might be asked to act.

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I feel rather strongly that for a number of reasons Dr. Lew should spend a good part of next season in America, probably staying here till after our formal opening, to be held in the early part of October. I wonder if in preparation for this visit you could give certain Universities the opportunity of inviting him for a series of lectures on Christianity in relation to recent developments in China. I feel sure that such a course would be both informative and interesting. If in each place there were certain honorariums it would be an indirect means of helping him and ourselves in the financial aspects of the trip, and would be very good publicity. Universities and Theological Schools that would most naturally respond to such a suggestion will occur to you but I should think of Princeton and Harvard first because of our relationship to them, and of Yale and Union Seminary because of his own student life. President Burton before

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his death had spoken to me of such a possibility, and it is quite possible that the University of Chicago would also be interested. Jim might assist in planning such a series and build up the financial effects around them.

Very sincerely yours,

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P.S. — This letter has been held because no mail has been leaving the city and I thought something might develop to add. There are two items, one large & public, the other small and personal:

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① The General Faculty have voted with practical unanimity against attempting the formal opening next autumn because of (a) the general strain and the incompleteness & disorder (b) the greater attractiveness and completeness a year later and (c) the political situation and the rising tide of hostile agitation. I shall cable soon and write Jim at greater length if he does not get out here.

② I bought some books from a Miss Helen Russell but never got her complete statement. Will you please settle if she communicates with you & charge this to me. I have asked her to do so.

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Peking, East City
December 22 1925

Dear Uncle Rob,

At a recent meeting of the Theological Faculty a letter was read from New York relative to an enquiry from the Offices of the Presbyterian Board based on quotations from a personal letter of a member of the staff here. The criticism implied in the letter from the field was naturally raised as a matter for discussion and of course when I heard of it I declared myself as having written such a letter, since not to have done so would have put the faculty in a very awkward position of feeling they had critics in their midst without knowing of whom to be suspicious.

Though in general any news I send home to the family they are at liberty to use at their discretion, I feel it particularly regrettable that publicity should have been given to that part of a private letter so that it should have reached the field as it did, the more so since existing tension in some quarters between Chinese and foreign workers, makes it specially desirable in the extreme not to let any suggestion of criticism make its appearance from within.

I feel it only fair to my colleagues in any case to give you some of the other side of the picture; none of them know I am writing to you and none have suggested my taking any action to counteract the unfortunate results to Yenching at home, or to ourselves personally out here, that may have arisen from the passing on of what I wrote. I still feel looking back that the criticism was just, and some of us by pressing it out here were able, I think, to materially alter the situation in both respects during the days that followed. Had I foreseen the effect of my remarks, I should have taken care also to give fuller details of the peculiar difficult situation and the mixture of personality and circumstance that has played around us this summer; or more probably I should not have expressed any criticism until later, when as it turns out, it would have been no longer necessary.

In saying that I feel the criticisms were not altogether unjust at that time, I have not tried since to verify just what proportion of the Religion courses were so timed as to be inaccessible to any given number of freshmen; I may well have overstated the position. The lack of coordination in this matter was due to abnormal circumstances and I think lack of imagination was more to blame than either carelessness or deliberate casualness in the matter; neither of the latter two causes were noticeable at any point, in fact it was excessive efficiency that was partly to be held responsible! Owing to the student strikes, we did not know till 12 hours before the time set for the opening of classes whether the college could open; in point of fact the whole student body was "called out" by the Students Union two hours before class, so that we actually were a day behind schedule in opening. In view of this tense situation none of the staff came back to Peking in advance and the usual pre-sessional Conference had to be abandoned; there was thus no means of knowing beforehand what members of the Theological faculty or new arrivals from America could handle the religion courses, since the latter were to be new courses; Dr. T. T. Lew's departure suddenly to hos-

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pital made it necessary to substitute a Committee of 3 (to avoid appearance of slight to a Chinese member of the staff who could not fulfil all the functions of dean) to do his work.

In the past the School of Theology has been a unit in itself, making independent plans for its own students and with much of its planning being carried out, without written record, in the mind of Dr. Lew. I do not think the members of the School of Religion had appreciated the fact that for the much larger body of 500 students, to plan only a week in advance when registration had already begun does not allow enough margin of time, and as the faculty of that school had not met since the critical days of July, they had not the imagination to realize all that would be implied in their change of function. The Arts and Science courses, being standard courses, were announced in July before we broke up, and the only two men who had therefore to come back early were the Dean and Registrar, the latter posting up the hours of courses, leaving what he took to be suitable hours for the religion courses.

In Dr. Lew's and Leighton Stuart's absence, the corresponding arrangement for the School of Religion courses had to be made by a junior man who, when appointed, went to the Registrar and found that the main schedule had perforce been drafted in the days before most of the staff got back to the city. When he tried to fit in the courses in Religion he found that several of the faculty of the School of Religion, more especially the Chinese members (some also teach elsewhere or have other work outside) preferred other hours or were actually occupied at the times of the gaps planned in the schedule. Since the Theological students need to attend these courses, their day's work had to be timed to fit round these special lectures, and the rest of the school of Religion time-table had to be similarly adjusted for all courses intended also for them. As a result there were conflicts with Arts and Science courses, which, as it happened, seemed to hit the scientific freshmen more than others.

At the first general meeting of faculty, a day or two after my letter must have been written, this lack of coordination in advance between the two sets of courses was frankly brought out by William Hung, our Dean and brought to the attention of many who in the tension of the opening days did not seem to realize how the matter lay, which I think explained their casualness previously on the matter, since everyone assumed that the offices of the two faculties would have given the thing the care it needed. It was seen that a total rearranging of the schedule for the term was out of the question as classes were already beginning. But within the very wide provision we allow for changing courses during the first weeks of the October term effort was made to put the matter right, and the Advisors were instructed to consider specially all cases of students who wished to change courses and make suggestions which would seem to lead naturally to the election of a non-compulsory course on religion, without appearing to urge it against the student's deliberate desire.

My letter home was evidently written in a mood of annoyance, since I realized in advance the need of specially early attention to this question of coordination, and in fact rose to point it out in a faculty meeting in spring. At that time it looked as if all

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had been provided for, but with the departure of President Stuart for America and then T. T. Lew's sickness (he was down with us at Peitaiho) one could just see what might happen: but no single man was in a position to handle the problem so long as the Chinese faculty were so occupied with the national crisis.

As to the results of the introduction of non-compulsory religious teaching, I think it is no over-statement to say that already in these few weeks they have justified themselves, and the profound change in principle, up to the hilt. It was prophesied that there would be no registrations for the religion classes. In point of fact, and in no small degree through the work of the above mentioned advisors, the final entries for such courses were 75. This falls slightly short only of the previous years registration for those courses when they were compulsory and for freshmen. In view of the conflicts I mentioned, the present number has a large proportion of senior men taking these courses voluntarily - which was practically an unknown thing before. In fact we are feeling already that the non-compulsion, though it has unquestionably let drop a considerable number of nominal Christians has in reality only been removing "dead wood". We get from accredited Middle Schools many boys who register as Christians and have become such from mixed motives; they continue to call themselves such in college, but take no active part in the spiritual life of the college and in reality hamper committees and Y. M. C. A. groups by their inertness. Now there is no longer any call to pretend to be what they are not at heart, so they begin to analyze their feelings; some find that what they were bored with before has actually taken a hold on them and approach the whole question from a new and more vital point of view; others take rather a pride in showing how up to date they are in scoffing at everything to do with religion; a great many are undecided but find themselves called on to take the matter seriously. Leighton Stuart told me the other day that in all his life in China he had never felt so impressed with the earnestness of many of the students in matters relating to religion. As the papers will soon be showing you the anti-Christian movement clearly regards Yenching as the leader in point of Christian education, in a way it does not seem to treat Nanking, Tsinan fu, Changsha or any of the others, and its members are declaring their intention of attacking the place on Christmas day, with the special intention of breaking up any Christmas celebrations. Personally I think that the strong declaration by the Christian chief of police two days ago will do much to quench their ardour in this matter but many of our students were thoroughly frightened by the intimidation and threats directed against them and the University Deans Committee felt it wise to change the Christmas Evecelebration to the previous day. This left the evening of Dec. 24th free and the School of Religion students and the Y. M. C. A. deliberately planned a pageant of the nativity and other parts of a religious service to come just at the time when the attack was threatened. Last year Dorothy and I helped them stage a similar thing in English; this year they are doing it themselves and translating it into Chinese, writing the hymns specially.

It is needless to say that the trouble with conflicting schedules will not recur when we start the new term next month. On the whole the example set by the high attendance of senior students will,

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influence more freshmen to enroll for such courses than would normally have thought of so doing. Moreover, through Dorothy's influence, the plan has been adopted of scattering the religion courses all over the time-table and inserting one-hour courses (a new departure) so that students who still seek one point of credit, will take such courses in preference to more radical reorganization of their time-tables to get exactly the right number of credits.

My letter had a second criticism, that regarding the attitude of some of the Theological faculty on the matter of practical work. This year's theological enrollment is the best we have had for some time, and the Committee of three I mentioned happened to be professors of New and Old Testament and History of the Apostolic Church who, being each keen on his subject feels it should have preference over all others and in Dr. Lew's absence felt they had a good opportunity to let their departments have an innings! Dorothy and one or two others felt that in view of the peculiar situation this year and the demand in China for practical men rather than students, it was unfortunate that there was no corresponding power as is otherwise usually the case, to emphasize equally as major subjects the claims of preparation for the more directly practical problems they would meet as ministers. It is certainly amusing to have complained that undue bias is being given to the Bible as a subject of special study! In the attempt to work out plans which shall help the Chinese Christians to build up a Church that shall be their own, the foreign staff here has to meet the double psychological problem of the people, its greater readiness to be theoretically perfect than practically effective and its bitter dislike of criticism whereby face is lost; added to that this year we have the national situation which obliges us often to accept their counsel where we feel convinced that they are unduly influenced by the circumstances of the moment at the risk of being regarded as unsympathetic and thus forfeiting our contact which they will stand in fullest need of in the coming months.

As you know Yenching, just by the strong stand it has taken on a number of questions, is rapidly becoming the storm centre of attack from anti-christian forces especially in educational circles. That is in itself significant and rather implies that the anti-christian forces see in it their main enemy. There is pretty strong evidence from four or five distinct sources that the soviet emissaries here feel similarly towards us in that it was the attitude of our students in the early autumn that virtually "spiked their guns" and prevented the radical element from carrying its way and boycotting the Christian schools. The non-christian institutions are not a little jealous at the way our men have gone ahead with their work and taken examinations while maintaining a good morale amid the upset of all the national colleges and the ferment around the Tariff Conference, and they most strenuously do all in their power to spread rumours to discredit the college. On the other hand the whole Christian Church around seems to be looking up to Yenching and watching with care the attitude shown to her by other foreigners

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since she stands for the protest against the very things that made the Shanghai incident a possibility. It is specially unfortunate therefore that I should have seemed to be responsible for giving additional ground for criticism of a kind that can weaken our position if repeated and which is certain to be made full use of by the enemies of Christianity.

I saw Dr. North's letter and in it is suggested the possibility that a recent criticism of Yenching in the Sunday School Times is based on the same quotations from my letter. Difficult though our position on the faculty is as a result of the broadcasting here of the criticisms I made, I should still more deplore it if wider publicity had been given to facts which, though of themselves of first importance are part of a larger issue and situation which we are facing together here and with increasing success.

Forgive this long-winded letter. I saw Marnie yesterday dressed in a blue Harris tweed suit which I assured her must have come from Scotland - a fact she confessed to be true. She is coming down to spend Christmas Eve with us. Kou Yen T'ou is a poor substitute for Brayton Street, but it is the best we have to offer in the meanwhile.

Yours ever,

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December 23, 1925.

Letter to Stuart

*Write Scott
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Dr. Eric M. North,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, U. S. A.,

My dear Eric:

I have your letter of October 28 enclosing one from Dr. George Scott of October 23, referring to a memorandum from Mr. Robert Speer regarding religion courses in this institution.

I had some difficulty in locating the source of the criticisms, and I am enclosing a reply by Mr. Barbour who wrote the original letter. There is perhaps nothing to add to what he has written. His criticisms are deserved in each case in the sense in which he made them, but not if they are assumed to imply any indifference on the part of our Faculty to the subject in question. The term was begun two weeks earlier than usual in order to make up the incompleting work of last June, in the midst of a very tense and uncertain political situation, and with faulty correlation between the very efficient and energetic officers of the Men's College and the Theological Faculty, who were disorganized, and have never developed the same type of efficiency. The Dean was sick and as he has hitherto arranged such matters almost entirely alone, that group of some individual-^{what}istic teachers had not realized what was taking place until the other courses were all pretty well determined upon. We now have a registrar in the School of Religion, Mr. B. M. Wiant, who is acting in close co-operation with the Deans and Registrars of the Men's and Women's Colleges, and I feel sure that confusion of this sort will not soon occur again.

As to the advice to the Theological students, I am not quite sure from the memorandum sent what the

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implications are supposed to be. As far as I can learn from conversation with the teachers those who happened to be advisors stressed other courses than "Religious Education, Christian Sociology, and Homiletics." This would indicate that as a group they were more interested in study and scholarship than in more practical types of training, which is, I believe, a just complaint against most of them and one of which they are all quite conscious. Fortunately we are provided with some teachers who are primarily interested in more practical training, and I have no doubt but that this will not be neglected, and that even those who themselves feel unfitted for leading in this are just as aware of its importance as others.

This is not the place, perhaps, to enter upon an argument as to the wisdom of having elective courses in Religion as against compulsory. Our Faculty are frankly experimenting. Despite our earnest desire that every student would elect one or more courses of this nature, yet there are very few of us, if any, who would not agree that under all the conditions we are for the present at least pursuing the wiser course, in order to accomplish our religious purpose. I have already pointed out more than once to our Trustees that this policy was adopted before any pressure came from the government or other Chinese sources, purely on the ground that we believed it would be more effective for our purpose. It may be of interest to enclose a list of the courses that have been actually ~~taught~~ this past autumn. Our Trustees can be assured that we shall do everything possible to make such courses as attractive and as convincing as we know how, and that we shall use every proper encouragement that would lead our students to elect such courses, either to seek the truth for themselves, or to equip themselves for Christian service.

Very sincerely yours,

J. Hightonthwaite

Christmas Eve.

Courses in Religion elected by 64 men and 11 women students in arts college.

You will doubtless transmit my reply & enclosure to Scott.

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✓ Cable sent today asking you to secure *J. H. Harvey, Univ. of Maryland, College Park, Md.* for Dairy work in our Dept. Agric. unless your inquiry makes this inadvisable. We should like him to get out here next June or July whenever he is free to leave where he is. He is single & is well recommended. Chamberlain is writing at length.

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

December 29, 1925.

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

My dear Eric:

We have at last received a large amount of foreign mail which has been tied up in Tientsin during the recent fighting. In the letters from you there seemed to be only one or two matters calling for special comment.

The case of Mr. Lund has, I hope, already been cleared up to the satisfaction of all concerned as reported in my previous letters.

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I have read with interest the report of the meeting of the "Permanent Committee for the Cooperation and Promotion of Christian Higher Education," and while as you already know I heartily sympathise with the objectives, yet I want to urge again that no ~~payments~~ be made until there is an actual correlation and reduction of the existing programs to an extent of which I do not see any large probability in the near future unless very strong pressure is brought by those in control at the other end.

The further correspondence concerning the Harvard-Peking Institute of which copies were sent me has been read with great satisfaction. I do hope that we will soon have definite word that both the money for this and for our own endowment has been paid over. Meanwhile I am making rather definite efforts to secure certain outstanding Chinese of the type this institute calls for and who in certain cases happen to be available because of political and other circumstances here. It might be well to cable when the final steps have been taken making it possible for us to put our program into effect.

I am enclosing a letter from an applicant for the English Department with a copy of my reply. It may be that you will care to take up the case with Breece.

This is all I shall write to day as I am trying to clear up the accumulations of mail that came in during the holidays before

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Dr. Eric M. North,
December 29,
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starting out in a day or two to Shanghai. If I am able to go at all it will have to be by way of steamer which takes a good deal more time than the railroad. Travel by rail will probably be disorganized for several weeks yet even though the fighting seems to be over for the present.

As ever yours,

*It now looks as though the
Shanghai trip will have to be
abandoned.*

J.H.D.

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

December 29, 1925.

Mr. J. H. Lewis,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, U. S. A.

My dear Jim:

Beginning the day after Christmas large amounts of American mail reached us which had been delayed for three weeks or more during the recent fighting. In a cable sent on Christmas Eve I added a sentence about our being entirely safe. There has been practically no unfavorable effect upon the University either from recent fighting or from various nationalist and communist and Anti-Christian developments, although all of them contain, of course, ugly possibilities and we have had to be very much on the job in studying our policies, taking preventive measures, and otherwise trying to meet a rapidly changing and otherwise uncertain situation.

Apparently you gave up your intention to come out here at this season, but we must insist upon it as only a postponement.

Speaking of postponements, it has seemed best to our Faculty to postpone the Formal Opening until the autumn of 1927, or to some other date to be determined upon by the administrative officers in conference with our home office. They were practically unanimous on this despite the recommendation of our Deans' Committee to have the opening early in October of next autumn. Their reasons are briefly: (1) that we would all be under such a strain after removal and in trying to get adjusted to somewhat unknown conditions on our new campus; (2) that the appearance of the grounds especially, as well as of the buildings, would inevitably be quite incomplete and disorderly and that while this might induce some of our visitors to contribute to obvious necessities, yet the total effect might not be as favorable even from the promotional standpoint, as when a more pleasing appearance could have been secured; (3) that in view of the present threatening conditions in China it might not be desirable for an institution of our type to attempt too

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spectacular and public a ceremony, but to proceed quietly and unobtrusively to get well established in our new quarters and in the light of developments have the formal ceremony later. On this last point it might be pointed out that our establishment in the new plant will in itself bring inevitable publicity and that the handsome buildings are already giving the impression that we represent much more capital than we actually do. On the whole despite all that I have advocated in the past, I am reluctantly of the opinion that the general opinion of the Faculty is wise. All the more do I hope that you can get out here in the first off season that makes this possible.

I have written you before about the special campaign for the Department of Agriculture. Could not Mr. Barber make this his first special undertaking and prepare for specific efforts after Mr. Chamberlain's arrival in the country, which will be sometime next June, perhaps. He is leaving here in January, going through India and Europe to make a study of his special subject. I am suggesting that he send you from time to time material on this matter. This phase of our work ought to have a special appeal to a certain class of large givers as meeting a pressing economic end and one which expresses the Christian spirit in a way that our worst critics would find it difficult to oppose.

I have a letter from Miss Winship and note with much regret that the hope of having her work for the Women's College seems to be without avail. This is a keen disappointment as they are in serious need of just this kind of effort. I suppose we would scarcely be justified in adding her to the University staff for work in America, and until conditions become more settled in China there would not be enough tourist business here to keep her busy.

I am enclosing a copy of a letter to Wannemaker about securing certain documents that Dr. Shuhsi Hsu desires. It may be that you may be of help in suggesting methods of assisting him. It is a department that has suddenly come into very great importance and deserves all the help we can give in making it a success.

I am not sure whether you have on your mailing list the name of Mr. Leslie Cheek, 2304 West End Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee. He is a southern Baptist but has been cultivated for ~~years~~ by Canton College. I met him and his wife several years ago when they were in Peking, and get a Christmas card annually from them. He is ~~the~~ Maxwell House Coffee man and ought to be making a good deal of money.

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Mr. J. H. Lewis,
December 29,
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This last mail brought a letter from Dr. Gamewell telling that the Methodist Board had been forced to cut appropriations to us by 40%. You doubtless are in touch with the Board, and I hope that through special gifts this loss can be made up.

I am interested to note that you thought it worth-while to have a special reprint of my article for the Chinese Student's Monthly. It was quite a frank statement of my views with that special constituency in mind, and would certainly not be approved by a good many missionaries. I am glad, however, that it has your endorsement, and hope that it will do no harm among our own friends who have a right to know exactly what our own conception of the task is.

As a final item let me ask you to call the attention of the office staff to the requirement of five cents postage on letters to us. One of those which has just been received cost me 37 Chinese coppers as the amount in "small money" for which the authorities penalize us for postage due.

Stephen H'ai, our very promising
young Assistant Treasurer,
is begging for an adding machine. As ever yours,
J.H.S.

It would be a very great help.

Do you suppose you could induce one of the concerns
to give us a specimen of their product or at least a
generous reduction? In writing you before on this matter

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I may have added that if we cannot get the gift we
shall need it anyhow, chargeable to Administration Bldg. fur-
nishing. Please send one along and get Eric to
pay & charge that account.

I am sending you a copy of a letter to Mr. Davis which
explains itself. Also copy of the key to an album of views.
I have sent you under separate cover a few of these views. You
may care to confer with him on the matter.

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