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July 3, 1928

Rev. Chester E. Jenney, D.D.  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York City

My dear Mr. Jenney:

A letter has just come from Wannamaker telling me that you had secured a thousand dollars in Pennsylvania for our Department of Agriculture. This is to assure you of my hearty appreciation. I was confident you would do it, and you have. In this confidence I had already authorized the appointment of a man now in Central China, a graduate of the University of Nanking College of Agriculture and Forestry who has in the meantime been studying in America. We are carrying out some rather radical changes in this department by which in cooperation with certain other organizations here we are taking a number of boys supported by the China Famine Relief Commission and training them for extension work among the farming villages of this region in order to demonstrate the results of various projects of experimentation we are carrying on. We are trying to keep the whole undertaking very close to the economic condition of the peasants of this region, and believe that we have at last found the most practical solution of this effort.

You can imagine how busy as well as how happy I have been since getting back here. On our University campus one would never know that China was in the throes of civil strife. As far as I can see there is not a trace of anti-foreign feeling or excessive nationalistic spirit among any of our Chinese teachers or students, and all the hopes that I had expressed in America about our being able to ride the storm have been abundantly justified. Not only so, but all the indications are that whatever political conflicts there may be in the future, these will not involve Christian schools in destructive consequences, especially when they have given evidence of their intention to fit in with all the reasonable aspirations of Chinese nationalism. I am eagerly waiting for the final outcome of the campaign. The cables which have come are all encouraging. You can be assured that in my present duties I have not forgotten those of you who are working at the other end.

With best wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. Leighton Stuart

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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July 6, 1928.

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS:  
"YENTA"

HARVARD-YENCHING  
INSTITUTE

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

TRANSFER

*Copy sent to  
Stuart - 5/7  
Pres. ad 5/5*

My dear Eric:

Two items regarding H-Y Institute affairs which will be explained to you more fully by William Hung on his arrival.

1) Anthropological Expedition. I am inclosing herewith a statement from Leonard Hsu on the matter. I have approved of the grant not to exceed LC\$1000 for this purpose under the Museum heading. For political reasons we shall not find it necessary to give very much to the Imperial Palace project in the immediate future, and there seemed good reasons to feel that this expedition will bring in material of value for the Institute.

2) Grant to T.H. Ch'en. Dr. Ch'en, the author of the book on Chinese Mathematics which has been approved, is on Sabbatical year's leave for the coming year and is putting his own savings into a year of study in England and elsewhere. He needs a comparatively small amount to supplement this and William and I have finally agreed to recommend that \$300 be voted him from the publication costs in order to help him to carry out his project. In return for this he can be called upon for proof reading and if necessary, for going to Cambridge to help get books through the press.

When William arrives he will go into detail as to the considerations which have led to these two undertakings. This is for your record in advance.

Yours,

*Leighton Stuart*  
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UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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Dear Sir:

I have the pleasure to inform you that your application for a position of research fellow in the Department of Chemistry has been considered and approved.

The position is for a period of two years, beginning on September 1, 1953, and ending on August 31, 1955. The salary for this position is \$10,000 per annum, plus a stipend of \$2,000 for travel and other expenses. You will be expected to devote your full time to the study of the properties of the transition metal complexes.

The Department of Chemistry is pleased to have you join our staff. You will be working under the supervision of Professor [Name]. The Department has a fine library and is well equipped for the study of the properties of the transition metal complexes. You will be expected to publish your results in the field of your research.

Very truly yours,  
[Name]

Yours sincerely,  
[Name]



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July 6, 1928

Dear Leighton:

I dictate this letter rather hurriedly in order to catch a good mail for China and shall probably not mention everything that I should.

There has been no important development in the financial campaign since I telegraphed you that we had an extension to the 15th of July and had secured approximately \$48,000 beyond the \$500,000 mentioned in the previous cable. The total amount in cash and pledges at the present time is almost \$565,000. Two items in this total are strictly conditional - the Boyd \$90,000 and Journalism \$15,000. You know both conditions. We naturally hope to secure the Boyd gift but the securing of the \$15,000 included in this total for Journalism depends upon the getting of the whole \$50,000 from the publishers. In this total of \$565,000 we have not included as a definite pledge anything from Mrs. Elmhirst or Mr. Ludington or the Gibson sisters. We hope for confirmation of Mrs. Elmhirst's intentions when Miss Bogue is able to write back from England. Mr. Ludington is strangely procrastinating. He promised me a written pledge within two or three days after our interview and I have since taken the risk of writing him an extremely brief and ultra-courteous and tactful note reminding him of the pressure of time, but have heard nothing. For the present we must practically eliminate all thought of the Gibson pledge.

You will be interested to know that in the total mentioned above somewhat more than \$17,500 in cash and pledges has come from the one letter sent out over the signature of Mr. Warner, following the friendly letter of farewell over your name. We are mailing today a follow-up special appeal to some 890 persons who have at one time or another contributed, but not during this campaign, and hope for a few thousand dollars more.

Mr. Warner and I will see Mr. Boyd near July 15th. I am not clear from your cablegram as to whether you cabled him or not, but assume that you probably did.

The Campaign Committee has carefully studied a full detailed list of pledges and cash receipts prepared by Miss McCoy and Mr. Garside, and included under some objective of the campaign each item that could be so placed. In some important cases, such as the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial \$140,000, this was quite impossible. We must simply

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To Dr. Stuart  
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trust Mr. and Mrs. Boyd's generous flexibility in this matter. Perhaps they will simply offer to extend the time till the late autumn. This is naturally only my guess.

As soon as W. L. Chang's sailing is arranged and we have information, I will mail to his steamer at the port of arrival application blanks for admission to the Graduate School at Harvard.

With regard to S. J. Chang of Berlin, I do not quite understand your cablegram saying the money was already secured and requesting me to cable confirmation Berlin. I suppose you mean that Chang told you that he had enough money and that you wish me to secure by cablegram his confirmation of this statement. We have not succeeded in securing anything for him here. I had sent him a week-end cable letter before receiving your cablegram, informing him that we had no immediate prospects of securing funds and asking him to cable information of the minimum amount which would cover requirements to secure a visa from the American Consul and meet his expenses for one year in America. He received that message five days ago and I have just received from him in reply, "remit once 200 for visa." This is not clear enough for action. I shall either cable or write him to send me full information. There is absolutely no fund from which we could draw to meet unexpected requirements of Chang's if we get him to America.

In regard to your cablegram requesting that I secure Wu Wen Tsao, I fear that my message to you was misleading. Burgess wrote you on June 25 a long letter mentioning a number of Chinese qualified for positions in economics and sociology. He spoke very warmly of Wu Wen Tsao, saying that you of course needed no information about his qualifications, but emphasized the fact that all Wu's training was in theory and that he was in no sense a practical man or qualified in the field of rural sociology. On the other hand Burgess warmly recommended an intimate friend of this Wu and a former classmate at Tsinghua named C. C. Wu, taking his doctor's degree this year at Chicago. The Wu whom Burgess recommended to you in this letter and in my cablegram of June 22nd was this C. C. Wu and not Wu Wen Tsao. I am sorry I did not think of the possible confusion and give the full name.

I am perplexed as to what I should do. I have just written to Burgess, asking him to consult with me, and he may advise that I cable you somewhat in line with this paragraph before actually nominating Wu Wen Tsao to the committee here for appointment. nomination to you.

You will be happy to learn that Dr. and Mrs. B. R. Hoobler of Detroit met Dr. Jenney upon his recent call with an extremely generous statement of their desire to do something for Yenching and followed this immediately by writing the University into their Will for \$35,000. This is entered in the Will for one year for a dormitory and they state in a confidential note to Mr. Warner that they hope it will become a permanent bequest to the University. Dr. Jenney says that the verbal statement was that a check for \$35,000 would be given to any representative of the Uni-

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versity asking for this after the return of Dr. and Mrs. Hoobler from an eight months' journey just beginning around the world. They emphasized urgently the requirement of secrecy about this pledge, but I am sure there could not be anything amiss in your letting them know that as President of the University this confidential information has been sent to you. I understand that the Hooblers have already sailed for Japan, a day or two ago. They can be reached at the Miyaka Hotel, Kyoto.

Miss Jean Dickinson writes, quoting from a letter just received from Mr. Post's wife, to the effect that his original intention of giving \$5,000 for the practice house would in the near future be carried out, since those on the field still have confidence that conditions justified a continuation of this work.

No doubt Mr. Garside will be writing you in regard to the teacher for the foreign children. This does not pertain to our office but is being handled by his.

I have read carefully your news letter and we are having it mimeographed to the trustees, your special personal list, and a very few other friends who can be trusted. We shall add a postscript of the information contained in your letter to Miss McCoy, so as to take you all the way to Tientain with bright prospects of getting to Peking instead of stopping in Manchuria. Fortunately we interpreted your first cablegram to mean that you preached the baccalaureate sermon and we informed 9000 friends of this happy fact, which probably secured us the \$17,500. Please preach many such imaginary sermons.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

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

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July 6, 1928.

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS  
"YENTA"

Mr. Olin D. Wannamaker,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Olin:

Your letters and cables have given me much of the information for which I have been eagerly waiting since arriving here. It is splendid about the Laura Spelman grant. We have already had some conferences as to plans but are waiting for your letter before doing more than settling a few immediate issues. I note that the campaign has been extended until the middle of this month and that \$48,000 had been secured after my departure. At any rate I take it to be the meaning of the cable recently received. It must have been as much a disappointment to you as it was to me that the McCormick gift which seemed all but secured had to be lost. On the other hand, if Mr. Boyd agrees to include the Spelman fund the campaign will have achieved its objective.

Wu Wen Tsao. Following my last cable, will you or Burgess make a definite offer to Mr. Wu to join our faculty when he is ready to return to China, his rank, salary, etc. to be settled according to our regulations, and preferably to be arranged upon his arrival in China.

S.J. Chang. This young man has so much promise and ought to be such a factor in advocating sound economic and political principles after his vivid and varied experiences, that the others concerned agree with me in recommending that he be given a scholarship for one year under the Spelman Fund for research in Economics. Unless you see very strong reasons for opposing this I hope you will carry out the original plan with funds from this source. Eldridge promised me \$500 for him, but I hesitate to claim this in view of larger demands on his generosity, or at least, on his interest in us.

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It might be well to take up with him the original offer, the balance needed to be collected from the Spelman source. There are special circumstances in his case which I believe justify on general grounds of his capacity for further research in China, the grant that will see him through one year at Columbia. My thought for him would be that on his return to China we have the benefit of such information as will result from the activities in which he will engage. All this sounds a little vague but I feel confident that it will work out to the advantage of our project.

Chang Wen Li. I cabled you inquiring about getting this young man in at Princeton for graduate work. This apparently was impossible. He has been the leading member of the Student Self-Government Association here for the past two years and is a young man of unusual ability and high purpose. For reasons which William Hung on arrival will explain much better than in a letter, we wish him to have a year or two in America and then have him carry out a project which he has in mind for village reorganization in his native province of Fukien. This project ought to be almost ideally the kind of thing that the Spelman grant has been given for, and yet it would be unwise to have this attempted immediately. It would also be impossible for political reasons which Hung will explain, for the young man to stay on here for graduate work. We agree that our research plans will be furthered by helping these two young men even at the expense of plans within the department concerned. Whether either or both of them would become permanently connected with this department here could be taken up later.

Leonard Hsu. One of the most difficult problems for me to deal with since returning here has been that of finding a University Dean. It has been made much more difficult by having been postponed until my arrival. The final decision has been to appoint Leonard Hsu for two years. This would not have been possible had it not been for relief furnished by the Spelman grant, and the matter is complicated by Mrs. Hsu's health. Both of our doctors advise after much discussion that she be sent to Kuling for a year to an expensive foreign sanitarium, and that the little baby be cared for by some faculty member who is also to make a home for him if possible. Part of the extra expense should be provided by himself, part is a charge against the University under the Dean's office, and I shall probably ask you to make a further health grant to him on the 1929 Princeton budget. The

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solution proposed is almost as much for his sake as for hers. He was carrying the entire burden of housekeeping and nurse in addition to his unusual activity in his department, and the doctors feared a breakdown. I am writing now more by way of preliminary comment than definite request. Meanwhile, Burgess and others of the Princeton group will recognize the compliment to so youthful a member of our staff.

Princeton School of Applied Social Sciences. In view of the Spelman grant and the wording of your cable, I take it that economics is to be included under the Princeton connection. If this is true, my suggestion would be that these three departments be organized under some such title as this heading and be featured under the Princeton name. The only objection which occurs to me is the somewhat academic one that History also is a social science, and in a School of Social Sciences should be included. In this connection, I am wondering why there was no reference to History in your cable as Dr. Ruml had insisted so vigorously on its inclusion.

My greetings to the other members of the staff. I should like to see all of you in those new offices, and am glad that you have been sending me on carbon copies of letters which throw light on matters in which I am much interested.

Very sincerely yours,

*J. Leighton Stuart*  
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President

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TELEGRAPH ADDRESS  
"YENTA"

July 7, 1928.

Mr. B.A. Garside,  
Office of Yenching University,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Garside:

~~Three~~  
~~Two~~ items of information.

Construction Bureau. After some discussion an action has been taken retaining Mr. Carl Hildabrand for one more year with a bonus at the end of the period which would cover his travel back to America. I am inclosing herewith a copy of a letter confirming this arrangement.

Board of Managers. At a meeting of the Board of Managers called shortly after my return the proposed reorganization was presented. The plan was objected to by the representatives of most of the missions and churches concerned, and a committee was appointed to make certain changes. I am sending you herewith a copy of the alternatives as proposed by this committee. The report will probably be presented at a meeting of the Board in September. Meanwhile, under all the circumstances it seems to me that this emendation is desirable. Perhaps there will be no occasion for the formal action of the Trustees until the Managers will have acted as a whole.

At the same meeting the question of nominating a chancellor was discussed with the result that a new committee was appointed to make such a nomination, the matter to be presented to the Board when there seemed to be an occasion. In other words, the whole question is in statu quo. During the meeting of the Board an urgent telephone message came to the city where we were holding the meeting from the students

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who were staying through the summer requesting the Board to make no change. All this evidence of endorsement is, of course, gratifying to me, but I realize the political dangers in allowing internal friendships to violate government regulations. I shall, of course, keep you informed of developments in this matter.

University Dean. After much discussion the faculty have nominated Dr. Leonard Hsu to this position which according to the new constitution covers a two year period. I found on my return that there was general dissatisfaction with the commission system which had been in vogue the past year, and all attempts to continue on this basis until within a year's period a permanent solution could be found, were unsatisfactory. Dr. Hsu has very heavy teaching responsibility in Sociology and his American wife has an advanced case of tuberculosis. In order to make it at all possible for him to assume these additional duties we are arranging for his wife to go to Kuling for a year. This nomination will, of course, be referred to the Board of Managers for their approval, and according to the existing constitution should also be confirmed by the Trustees. If Mr. Burgess is still in America he can give much personal information regarding Dr. Hsu. Mr. Wannamaker is, however, almost as well qualified to speak on this subject.

Very sincerely yours,

*J. Heighon Stewart*

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July 12, 1928

Dear Dr. Stuart:

We are enclosing a copy of Mr. Wannamaker's letter to Mr. Frederick H. Cone and his reply in regard to a gift of \$500 which the latter has made which we hope may count as part of the campaign. We are assuming that this is what you would wish us to do but should like to have your definite approval.

The campaign receipts to date are \$572, 761.62, of which almost \$26,000 has come in the last few weeks in answer to the two letter appeals which Mr. Wannamaker has sent out over Mr. Warner's signature.

Mr. Wee has been in the office today, very much agitated because of his possible deportation from the United States. His extension of time has run out (July 1st) and the Immigration authorities insist that he will have to leave the States, go up to Canada, and re-enter as a student. He is in the midst of his summer school session and finding it difficult to secure proper authority to enter Canada and then to return. Mr. Wannamaker, Mr. Garaide, and I think Sam Young, are writing letters to the American Consul General at Ottawa. Teachers College is also writing a letter. I suppose it will all turn out right in the end.

Your son Jack came into the office yesterday and we were so glad to meet him. He looked well and seemed to be enjoying his social service work at the The Church of the Sea and Land. I told him of the magazines you wanted me to order for you. I have put in the order and will hear from the Purchasing Department of the Methodist Board as soon as they know the exact cost. I did not know the renewal date, but that office will put in the order saying that the subscription for the Christian Century is to date from the expiration of the old subscription.

*To the  
Christian  
Century*

Thank you so much for sending your news letter from Tientsin. We have all been interested in knowing what happened to you along the way and are wondering if you made the last part of the journey, from Tientsin to Peking, without discomfort. Your long news letter for the Trustees and your special list of friends is about to be sent out. The Central Office has been very busy with work incidental to closing the fiscal year and hence the delay in sending this out. The letter was turned over to them immediately and personally I have not had a chance to read it yet. You must be so happy to be back in Peking again.

With best wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

*L. W. C.*

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Dear Wallace,

There are certain matters about which I should like to have a few words with you before we forget and separate:

(1) Hall Estate. The present intention is to give Gold \$500,000. to the University of Hanking as being in effect the Union institution for ~~central~~ Cash China. It may be that if the present proposals become effective Hanking will not need this endowment. In any case its allocation to the proposed new university would go a long way toward its establishment, and the decision of the executors may be an important factor in the course of events. My suggestion is that you see Eric North promptly after arrival and confer with him on the proper course for him to take in advising the estate executors.

(2) Joint Campaign. As soon as it becomes clear that correlation can be worked out on a satisfactory basis, steps should be taken toward organizing the campaign. It will take a long time to build up the personnel, preliminary publicity, and methods ~~etc.~~ Otherwise much time can needlessly be lost. There is no danger of any actual campaign being started too soon.

(3) Foundations. Could you not have the proper persons approach especially the

Rockefeller Foundation to ascertain whether, if really commendable correlation is attained, there would be any hope of assistance from that important source. This might especially take the form of permanent endowment for approved pre-medical units.

(4) The Boards should be warned that approval of too much local coeducation is in danger of over-providing for the present supply of women students and thus weakening existing purely women's institutions. This, as I take it, is the real anxiety at Givings.

(5) The arguments that I should stress in America are the religious, idealistic and international benefits of the new proposals, as against purely financial or educational. You of course realize this fully.

Yours,  
J. H. Stewart

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July 19, 1928

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

My dear Dr. Stuart:

Attached hereto is a confirmation copy of the cablegram sent you July 12th.

We have just received the cable sent from Peking at 2:50 P.M. July 19th which we have decoded as follows:

"TRAVEL FUNDS TEACHER SCHOOL FOR FOREIGN CHILDREN GUARANTEED.  
YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO PROCEED IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT.  
J. L. STUART."

Fortunately, Mr. and Mrs. Mead were in the city today so I was able to pass this information on to them promptly. They will go right ahead in the matter and our New York office will be ready at any time to advance whatever travel funds are necessary to care for the teachers' expenses to Peking.

I presume that, in due course, we will receive through the mail further word as to the action of the Faculty Executive Committee on the matter.

We are grateful to you for the promptness with which you have attended to this request. The fact that the cable bears your signature indicates that you are still in Peking. Certainly you deserve a few months rest at Peitaiho or some other summer resort if anyone ever did. I hope that you will be able to get away from Peking for the rest of this month and all of August.

Very cordially yours,

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July 20, 1928

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

My dear Dr. Stuart:

We are sending for your Peking files a copy of the employment agreement with Miss Ruth A. Alexander who has been appointed as Dr. Galt's secretary. In accordance with the suggestion you made, we have made this agreement for three years with an informal understanding with Miss Alexander that, if mutually agreeable, this contract may be later extended for an additional two years.

Sailing on the same boat with Miss Alexander is Miss Marguerite A. McKlveen, the fiancée of Mr. Maxwell S. Stewart. We have not entered into any formal employment agreement with Miss McKlveen because it has seemed better to have her wait until she reaches Peking when you will probably wish to have her and Mr. Stewart make out a new employment agreement as a married couple. When such an agreement is made we would be glad to have a copy for our New York records.

Very sincerely yours,

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July 20, 1928

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

My dear Dr. Stuart:

At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees on June 22nd we presented the correspondence from Professor Paul A. Anderson requesting certain additions to the terms of his present contract with the University. You have already been sent a copy of the minutes of this meeting so you have undoubtedly noticed the action taken which was as follows:

"E-2316 VOTED to refer Professor Paul A. Anderson's request as outlined above to the University authorities on the field with a request for their advice as to (1) what action they feel should be taken in this individual case in the light of all factors involved, and (2) what changes, if any, should be made in the general policy of the University and in the terms of the contracts it makes with members of the staff appointed directly by the University."

I am therefore sending you herewith copies of this correspondence with Dr. Anderson and would request that you bring the action of the Executive Committee to the proper groups on the field and notify us in due course as to the recommendations they make.

I am sorry that a final decision in this matter is being delayed by the necessity of referring the questions involved back to the field for further advice. Probably the Trustees are wise, however, in asking the field for suggestions as to the action which should be taken in this individual case, and also for recommendations as to any changes which should be made in the general policy of the University and in terms of any contracts it makes with members of staff. In the final analysis it is the field authorities who must struggle with the problems of finance and personnel which are involved in any changes in agreements with the University supported staff.

Very cordially yours,

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July 27, 1928.

Miss Hilda L. Hague,  
Yenching University,  
Peking West, China.

My dear Miss Hague:

Miss McCoy has reported to us the suggestion you made in your letter of June 21st to Mrs. Britton concerning additions to the list of Yenching University Personnel, and we shall add the names you suggested, as well as others we list below, as follows:

- 98. Dr. Chester E. Jenney
- 99. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence M. Mead
- 100. Baron von Stael-Holstein
- 101. Mr. Olin D. Wannamaker
- 102. Mrs. Blanche Britton
- 103. Miss Louise McCoy
- 104. Miss Ruth A. Alexander
- 105. Mr. Mervyn Armstrong
- 106. Miss Nita Cherry
- 107. Professor E. S. Corwin

- 122. Charles Francis Adams, Treasurer, Harvard-Yenching Institute
- 123. Roland W. Boyden, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Harvard-Yenching Inst.
- 124. George E. Chase, Chairman, Educational Committee, " " "
- 125. C. A. Coolidge, Jr., Secretary, Executive Committee " " "

It occurred to me that President Stuart might, for some reason, wish to communicate with one of the above named officers of the Institute by cable, some time, so it seemed wise to provide code terms for their names in advance. In such an event, the cablegram would come to this office and after being decoded, would be transmitted to Cambridge.

I also note your suggestion that HYINS be the word adopted for the Institute. When President Stuart was here, he recommended that we adopt the form HAYEN, combining the names of the two universities. This is entirely satisfactory to everyone here and unless we hear further from you that President Stuart has indicated otherwise, we should prefer to use HAYEN.

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At this time, it seems well to clear the coding of the University's buildings; we would suggest that the <sup>first column of the</sup> property list appearing on page 738, beginning with the word "ygyv" be used as the basis, with the following designations:

1. Bashford Memorial Administration Building
2. Kinde Memorial Building
3. Berry Memorial Library Building
4. North Recitation Building (future)
5. McBrier Hall
6. North Science Laboratory (Physics Building)
7. South Science Laboratory (Chemistry Building)
8. North Future Academic Building
9. South " " " " "
10. Students Centre
11. Finley Dormitory (#1)
12. Men's Dining Hall (Knox Memorial)
13. Wheeler Memorial Dormitory (#2)
14. Men's Dormitory #3. (Lanille)
15. Men's Dining Hall #2
16. Men's Dormitory #4 (Lanille)
17. Men's Lakefront Dormitory #1 Unit A
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19. " " " #3 " C
20. Men's " Dining Hall #1
21. " " Dormitory #4 Unit D
22. " " Dining Hall #2
23. Men's Lakefront Dormitory #5 Unit E
24. " " " #6 " F
25. " " " #7 " C
26. Warner Memorial Gymnasium
27. Men's Athletic Field
28. Wheeler Memorial Chapel
29. President's Residence
30. Guest House
31. Infirmary
32. Water-Tower Pagoda
33. Power House
34. Future Men's Dormitory Group
35. Future University Academic Buildings
36. Agriculture Building
37. Recreation Island
38. South Compound Faculty Residences
39. East " " "
40. Yenching College Administration Building
41. " " Dean's Residence
42. North Academic Building
43. South " " "
44. Sage Memorial
45. Dormitories and Dining Halls
46. Faculty Reception Building
47. Yenching College Gymnasium
48. " " Athletic Field

You will note that in listing these buildings, I have followed, for the most part, the listing given by Mr. Murphy in his bird's eye sketch Aug. - Dec. 1926, but in listing the Men's Dormitories, you will note that I have followed the designations given in my letter of February 20th to Mr. Wiant. Unless we hear from you, we shall understand that the code names suggested herein will become effective on October 15th.

July 27, 1928.

We have received the Annual Report of the Yenching University Christian Fellowship and have forwarded the copies on to the various trustees. It occurred to me that you might find it helpful to have an up-to-date list of the trustees and their addresses, so that items which you desired to mail directly could be sent directly to them, without being re-forwarded, with the additional postage required for such forwarding, from this office. Accordingly, I am enclosing a duplicate list. When items are mailed directly to the trustees from the University, however, it would be well for an additional supply, of perhaps a dozen copies, to be sent to this office for distribution to those, outside of the Board of Trustees, who may be interested in those particular topics. As I believe has been previously stated, about 45 copies of items sent directly to us for distribution to the trustees and others, should otherwise be the standard.

Cordially yours,

Secretary,  
Peking University.

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July 28, 1928

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

My dear Dr. Stuart:

We enclose a confirmation copy of a cablegram sent on July 26th.

I have already written Dr. Galt in regard to the authorization to draw a thousand dollars for two small residences.

Mr. and Mrs. Mead have secured a Miss Nita Cherry for teacher for the primary school for foreign children at Yenching. The contract with Miss Cherry was drawn up in the name of the parents of the Western members of the faculty rather than with the University. Tentative reservations are being made for Miss Cherry on the President Lincoln sailing from San Francisco August 31st, arriving in Kobe Sept. 18th. This will mean that it will be about the 25th of September before Miss Cherry will reach Peking and be ready to start in on her work. This is, however, as early a sailing as Miss Cherry can make because of the fact that she must finish her summer school work at Columbia, in August, and must then use a few days to visit her people in the Middle West and do the necessary packing.

Our procedure in handling Miss Cherry's outgoing expenses will be to advance from University funds the amount needed, charging this advance to the field account. The parents interested in the school can then make the necessary settlement with the Field Treasurer.

The information regarding Mr. S. J. Chang was added at Mr. Wannamaker's request. I presume he will be writing you direct in regard to the item.

Very sincerely yours,

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YENCHING UNIVERSITY  
PEKING, CHINA.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS  
"YENTA"

August 1, 1928.

To the Board of Trustees:

The following items will be of interest to you:

1) Personnel. Promptly upon my return to China several faculty meetings were held to decide whether to nominate a University Dean or to continue the Commission on Studies and on the Welfare of Men Students. It was quite obvious that the commission plan adopted as a temporary expedient during the past session was not regarded as satisfactory and the final outcome was the election of Dr. Leonard Hsu<sup>as Dean</sup> to be responsible for the duties undertaken by the two commissions. Dr. Hsu is the very energetic Acting Chairman of the Department of Sociology. His nomination has been approved by the Executive Committee of the Board of Managers and he has accepted the arduous task after certain relief in his family affairs and in the department had been arranged. His young American wife had developed tuberculosis so that it seemed best to send her to a sanatorium at Kuling for a year, and Mr. and Mrs. Ritter have generously agreed to take care of him and the little baby for that period.

Mr. K. L. Chen having resigned as University Registrar, we are fortunate to have secured for the coming year Dr. Y. P. Mei. Dr. Mei was quite active in America as an officer of Chinese Christian Students Association, and had specialized in Philosophy. The appointment is therefore regarded as temporary on both sides, but brings a very fine personality into our midst.

Mr. Carl Hildabrand has agreed to an extension of his contract as Director of the Construction Bureau so that he will stay until June, 1931. The decision was reached after his receiving a more advantageous offer from the Philippines, and is an evidence alike of his interest in his present work and of the general esteem in which he is held.

Several other additions to the staff, especially in the Departments of Sociology, Political Science and

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Economics made possible by the grant from the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Foundation, will be reported later.

2) Land Purchase. The Prince's Garden adjoining our campus on the South-East and consisting of about 45 acres has at last been purchased and registered at a total cost of slightly over silver \$45,000. This was almost secured at about twice this figure for our original site and has been under negotiation more or less ever since. It is almost entirely in ruin but has some buildings and other assets left and becomes a very desirable extension for the experimental farm of our Department of Agriculture.

3) Council on Christian Higher Education. I am returning as I write from a meeting of this body which represents the Christian colleges and universities of China. You will doubtless have reports of the meeting through other sources, and will, I trust, have an opportunity to hear direct from Dr. E. W. Wallace, Secretary of the China Christian Educational Association, who has just sailed for America to take up the proposals made with those bodies concerned in the West. I shall confine myself to the heartily and unanimously approved recommendations regarding Yenching. These are in effect that our program as at present conceived be fully maintained, with capacity for 700 students, that we undertake graduate work on behalf of the entire group of colleges so as to accommodate 100 students, and that we be encouraged to develop our prospective School of Education. It was very gratifying to note how creditably we appeared in the various comparative studies, as well as how cordially our progress was recognised by our colleagues in the other institutions.

4) The change of the National Capital. You will have learned through the public press that the Nationalist Government has set up its present capital in Nanking, and decreed that Peking be known hereafter as Peiping or "Northern Pacification". You will naturally be concerned as to the effect this change will have on the welfare of our University. This can only be ascertained by future developments. First of all, however, it should be remembered that the permanence of the change is by no means assured as yet. The ~~reasons~~ <sup>causes</sup> for it are more or less evanescent, and the reasons why after repeated attempts in China's long history to shift the capital elsewhere it has reverted to Peking still obtain. In any case it is generally understood that Peking remain the great educational and cultural centre of the country, and some people feel that it would be to the advantage of its educational institutions to be

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isolated from the political uncertainties and disturbances that have characterized the early years of the Republic and will probably continue for some time yet. Chinese opinion is in general to the effect that we shall not be unfavorably affected, that we have our beautiful and serviceable plant, our notably superior faculty, accessibility by rail and sea, cool climate, and other advantages that are inherent. My own confident expectation is that we can await political stabilization without anxiety, meanwhile doing our best to build up an institution that will continue to attract students because of its own merits, regardless of extraneous factors.

5) Our Relation to the Nationalist Government.

From various sources we have been assured that Yenching would have nothing to fear from the recent political and military developments. It seemed worth while, however, to ask Vice-president Wu to take advantage of a visit to his old home in Hangchow to visit the government educational authorities at Nanking. Chancellor Tsai Yuan-pei, the Minister of Education, is an old friend and they are both Han-lin, or members of the Chinese Academy of Letters, the highest literary attainment under the old regime. We shall be expected to register under the new government but Mr. Wu was assured ~~there~~ should be no difficulty about this, and that the plan of electing a Chancellor as approved by the Trustees would be entirely acceptable to the government. Meanwhile as we must apply through the provincial Commissioner of Education in our province (now renamed Hopei, or North of the River), and as this office has not yet been reconstructed there is no urgency.

*a few more faculty residences*

6) Finances. If the efforts of the recent campaign were successful and if the interest from the additional half million dollars from the Hall Estate and the bequest from the Chapman Estate have become available, our financial situation will have materially improved. Our only needed extension should be the supremely important School of Education. The remaining needs in plant are the completion of the Men's Gymnasium and the Infirmary, the Chapel, improvements of the grounds, and gradual erection of the Lakeview Dormitories, all of which except perhaps the last ~~one~~ more or less covered by gifts already made. We should also have another engine in reserve for the apparently insatiable power-house, ~~at a cost of~~ *The cost and other details regarding this are dealt with in recent letters between Messrs. Hildebrand and Garside.*

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The problem, however, to which I more particularly urge the attention of the Trustees is that of securing additional endowment to provide for adequate pensions, professorial sabbatical years, emergencies and other reserves, to anticipate the time when the China Medical Board grant expires (or possible reductions in those of

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Mission Boards occur); to increase library and other equipment together with the cost of normal growth; and in general to put the institution on a strong foundation.

It has occurred to me that one form of such endowment which might have an especial appeal in America and would prove very beneficial to us, is for scholarships. This would assure the increase of our tuition rates, but would provide for graded scholarships given solely on scholastic attainment and moral behavior without regard to family resources. We could by such a process enable Christian students who really could profit thereby to have a college education, we would attract a high quality of students stimulated alike to study and to good behavior, and at the same time we could increase our own income. Such scholarships might range from \$300. to \$100. silver per annum.

The next month or more I shall be busily occupied with preparations for the new session. But in all respects it can be looked forward to with less of the strain and anxiety which has characterized recent ones because of nationalistic, financial and other problems inherent for an institution building up physically and spiritually in the midst of the potentialities and the perturbations of the China of today.

In this exhilarating fellowship, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

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Peking University

August 1, 1928.

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

My dear Dr. Stuart,

We have your letter of June 28th and the attached copies of your letter to Dr. Felt and Dr. Stanley D. Wilson's letter to you; all discussing the case of Mr. Gibb.

I have gone over this material with Dr. Gamswell, and have his assurance that the Methodist Board will continue to support Mr. Gibb until other satisfactory arrangements for him have been made.

Dr. Gamswell is taking a very sincere personal interest in Mr. Gibb's case, and is anxious to do everything possible for him. He has been quite consistent, I believe, in his feeling that Mr. Gibb's return to Yenching at this time would probably not be best either for Mr. Gibb or for the work, but I think he has always appreciated the valuable and utterly unselfish service Mr. Gibb has rendered, and has been anxious to see that he is properly provided for. Dr. Gamswell says that he is sure the Methodist Board will be quite willing to consider their support of Mr. Gibb as filling, for the time being, their fourth place on the Yenching quota. I hope there may be a possibility of their making some further provision for this place on the quota as well as caring for Mr. Gibb, but knowing the critical nature of their financial situation just now, I feel it is very unlikely they will be willing to take on any additional obligation at this time.

I will report this matter to the Executive Committee at its next meeting, but there is probably nothing further to be done.

Very cordially yours,

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Peking University

August 1, 1928.

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

My dear Dr. Stuart,

At its meeting on July 3, 1928, the Committee on Finance, Property and Investment took the following action:-

"VOTED that, subject to approval by the Committee on Finance, Property and Investment of the plans for the uncompleted portion of the McKelvy Infirmary, the field is authorized to continue the construction of the building, so far as the amount contributed, \$25,000., will permit."

You will remember that about two years ago, when construction of the McKelvy Infirmary was begun, the financial situation was such that only a small part of the \$25,000. contributed by Mrs. McKelvy was immediately available for use in the building. As far as our records here indicate, only the central section of the building has been constructed. I believe that the plans for the remainder of the Infirmary have not yet been submitted to the Finance Committee for their approval.

During the last few months we have been gradually transmitting the remainder of the McKelvy funds to the Field Treasurer, so that at the present time all of this \$25,000. has either been disbursed or is in process of payment. As far as the Trustees are concerned, therefore, construction on the Infirmary to the extent of the funds available can continue at any time after the plans are ready and have been approved.

I do not know what is the exact situation on the field, or how anxious you are to proceed with the building. I hope, however, that this action by the Finance Committee will make it possible for you to progress as rapidly as may be desirable. Will you please let us know how the matter stands? Also will you please see that our office is supplied with a set of the plans for the section already erected, and plans for the remaining section as soon as these are available?

Very sincerely yours,

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

August 6, 1928

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS  
"YENTA"

Mr. B. A. Garside,  
Yenching University,  
New York City.

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Dear Mr. Garside:

Loan of Silver \$8,000.00:

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I have your letter of June 16th with a copy of one to Mr. Tsai under the same date. There seems to have been some correspondence between the Treasurer's Office and yourself on this matter, and I trust it is now cleared up. The loan was divided between my brother and myself and has now been entirely cancelled.

Swiss Committee:

*F.C.*  
I am enclosing a letter from Doctor de Vargas which is doubtless sufficiently clear. My advice would be that the Trustees act on his suggestion and that you so inform Mrs. de Vargas, who is the local treasurer for this fund.

Scranton-Luce Hall:

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*to Camp office*  
*10/3/28*  
It will be recalled that approximately \$5,000 was raised for this purpose, at least \$1,000 conditioned upon its being expended within this year for this special purpose. In view of this fact we are having a Chinese architect design an attractive pavilion or tea house on the island to cost not more than this amount, but so planned that additions can be made later if desired. I hope the Finance Committee will authorize this expenditure without delay and see that Mr. James Linen and his sister are so informed. We shall, of course, send a copy of the proposed design to New York as soon as it can be secured and no large amount of actual construction can possibly be undertaken before next spring; but it seems important that the matter be started and that there be no danger of losing the contribution.

Doctor Jenney is quite familiar with this whole matter and has been active in securing the completion of this effort. In this connection my strong feeling is that we should not supplement the Scranton grants by that of Mrs. Torrence. We feel that for approximately \$10,000 Silver a very attractive and useful building can be put up on the island and the money from Mrs. Torrence can be used for one of the many other objects needed.

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Campaign Results:

*Co* I hope the Finance Committee will undertake to furnish us with a schedule of funds available from the recent campaign so that we can plan accordingly. It would help very much if a few thousand dollars could be authorized for renovation and improvement of residences, which we have bought or leased; also that money hitherto tied up in loans, power plant, etc. be released for the original purposes, such as completion of the infirmary, improvement of the grounds, finishing off the main academic buildings, etc.

*Co* I am quite curious to know whether it has been possible to collect interest from January first on the Hall Estate half million dollars and whether the Chapman estate has been paid off.

Very sincerely yours,

*J. Heigton Stuart*

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General Remarks:

I hope the Finance Committee will undertake to furnish us with a schedule of funds available from the recent campaign so that we can plan accordingly. It would help very much if a few thousand dollars could be authorized for renovation and improvement of the building, which we have bought or leased; also, that money should be tied up in loans, power plant, etc. be loaned for the original purposes, even in completion of the building, improvement of the grounds, landscaping, etc. in the main building, etc.

I am quite certain that a few million dollars has been possible to collect from the January 1st on the Hill State Bill. I believe that whether the Government has been paid or not.

Very sincerely yours,

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August 6, 1928

Dear Leighton:

I am glad to have your letter of July 6th. I am replying briefly and adding such other news as seems worthwhile.

Wu Wen Tsao. I interpret your request to make a definite offer to Mr. Wu as being a repetition of the instructions received by cablegram and possibly subject to modification after you have read letters from Mr. Burgess and me written late in June. I rather expect a cable from you within a few days. As I informed you in my cablegram, Mr. Wu is ready to accept appointment either for the department of sociology or for history. You understand why Burgess and I should be very glad if this appointment could be to the department of history and his salary drawn from some other fund in order to strengthen the Princeton part of the group of the social sciences by conserving the L.S.R.M. fund for the three departments.

S. J. Chang. This matter has given me much perplexity. I have been entirely unable to secure any money for Chang. This is naturally difficult while we are doing everything possible in the general campaign to meet the Boyd conditions. Chang wrote me in much detail sending part of a letter from you showing that you wrote him you would personally guarantee the money for a year in America. He explained that he had left Moscow, where all his expenses were being paid, only on this sort of assurance from you. Under these circumstances, I felt that I could not permit him to be stranded in Berlin. He stated that he had money barely sufficient to last until August 1st. I, therefore, asked Mr. Garside to send him a \$200 draft, requested by him to bring him to America, charging this in a suspense account of Yenching. I have a guarantee of this small amount provided I am not able to secure it from some outside person.

Although Mr. Eldridge responded to my inquiry regarding possible help by Mrs. McLean that he preferred not to take this matter up with her and made no reference to any possible personal contribution, I shall discuss such a contribution with him. If he gives \$500 we can later obtain the balance.

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With regard to drawing \$1200 for Chang from the L.S.R.M. grant I am, of course, subject to your instructions. I feel, however, that this is extremely questionable. If our report on the first year's expenditures contains that item and we are asked to explain what Chang is doing, we should not be able to justify the expenditure of money for an undergraduate student. I shall do my utmost to avoid that necessity. For the present, Chang is provided with money to come to America, arriving near the end of August. We shall then take care of him from University funds for a month or two until something more satisfactory can be arranged.

Chang Wen-li. I hope there will be no delay in his getting his application properly filed at Harvard immediately after his arrival in America.

Leonard Hsu. I hope you will discuss several aspects of this problem with Burgess. If Hsu is to give a large portion of his time to administrative work as Dean, an equivalent part of his budget should be charged to other funds and not to Princeton-in-Peking. The recognition of this fact would make a favorable impression at once on the executive committee of that organization. I hope it will be possible also to have the special medical grant for Mrs. Hsu come from some other source rather than make our executive committee still more conservative about dealing with the number of such requests that come to them. I have just had to ask for a large special grant to Mr. Burgess to bring him up to date in obligations he has been unable to meet. This condition is due largely to the complicated health problem in his family. Please write definitely about Leonard Hsu after your conversation with Burgess.

Princeton School of Applied Social Sciences. Burgess will be able to inform you fully regarding the situation here. The committee, in response to his inquiry as to whether any steps should be taken on the field to organize these three departments as a school, replied that there would be no objection provided the initiative came from President Stuart and not from Mr. Burgess.

With best wishes,

Cordially,

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart  
Yenching University  
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS  
"YENTA"

August 6, 1928

Mr. O. D. Wannamaker,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Olin:

Again I shall attempt to clear off some of the more immediate matters before getting to the real letters I have in mind.

School of Applied Social Sciences:

This seems to me on the whole the best term to use for the three Departments now grouped together. In a recent conference with the three chairmen we agreed on this title. We note that the P-P Trustees prefer that the name "Princeton" be not attached at this time. So far as we are concerned we are quite ready to have the school known from this time on as the Princeton School but shall await permission.

We are all very glad to have P-P assume responsibility for the three Departments in full as resources permit with the understanding that until then the University is responsible for the Department of Economics, except in so far as supplemented by the LSRM. As a matter of fact Mr. Tayler will continue to be supported by the London Missionary Society in any case, so that the actual cost to the P-P budget should be more than met by our anticipated increase in the P-P income. *Seen*

We should like the approval of the P-P Trustees concerning all new teachers, the budgets and general policies, as made possible by the LSRM, as though they were actually furnished from that source. In other words we regard this unit as potentially supported from P-P, and shall act on that assumption, while at the same time undertaking to keep entirely within the amount granted from year to year and realizing that we have no claim until so authorized for Economics. In a few days we hope to send a memorandum regarding the new teachers being secured to be commented on and approved, if possible, both by P-P and LSRM.

R. S. Britton:

I am very glad that you have secured a position for Mr. Britton in the Foreign Policy Association. It seems to me ideally suited to his need and all of us here are quite grateful for this solution of the problem.

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Mr. Carl Hamilton:

It is very good news that Mr. Hamilton has actually written a letter stating that he hopes to provide at least one of the two land extension features which Doctor Luce put up to him, each estimated at \$10,000. If Doctor Luce could secure from him permission for us to begin negotiations and if the Trustees are willing on this assurance to authorize us to begin the purchase of the two or three holdings which must be acquired to complete the athletic field on the northeast corner of our campus, it would be very desirable. The total amount involved ought not to be more than \$6,000 or \$7,000 Gold, and there is a danger of the price being increased or the property passing into the hands of speculators. As soon as Mr. Hamilton's gifts become sufficiently definite, could you not cable this information? As I understand the background, once these holdings are secured, we can begin the leveling and improving of the whole tract. I am especially anxious to have this put in shape during the coming winter and ready for K. A. Wee as he begins his work next spring.

*the cable can be telegraph coded.*

William Hung:

I have had several intimate talks with Mr. Hung before he left China regarding his helping us in financial work in America. He is willing to do a limited amount of this under conditions that would be really valuable and would not divert him from his main purpose. He also has in mind certain prospects with whom he has special contact and requests that if he makes trips to such persons entirely for the financial interest of the University, he be reimbursed for the travel involved. I hope this promise can be made to him, and feel sure that it will be money well spent. I suggest that you have a good talk with him about these matters, the two students named Chang concerning whom we have been in correspondence, and the following item.

Graduate School of History:

As you probably know, Ed Hume and other Yale men, including especially some of their strongest Chinese, are quite in favor of Yale-in-China maintaining a unit at Yenching. The recent Council of Higher Education meeting in Shanghai recommended that Yale combine with the other colleges of that region to form a central China university. This proposal I thoroughly endorse. It is conceivable, however, that while doing this in an institution limited to undergraduate work, it would help in the appeal to Yale graduates if there were also a graduate unit in the institution which has been designated by the whole group of Christian colleges for graduate studies, and that by appealing for a comparatively small amount for such a purpose, it would help to stir the imagination and secure the backing of the Yale constituency.

We should not want to interfere with the central China project, but it would be very pleasing to have this direct connection with Yale as well as with Harvard and Princeton and venture to feel that it might be to mutual advantage. William Hung

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is Chairman of our Department of History and could help in presenting the matter if it seemed wise. You might first consult with Ed and use your judgment as to any further steps.

Trip to U.S:

I note that the question of my being called to help in Princeton equipment and endowment is under consideration, and stand by my agreement if on further study it seems to you worth while. You already understand that I hope this would be as brief a trip as possible with schedules all prepared. I shall write again soon.

Very sincerely yours,

P.S. School of Applied Social Sciences:

The following local Administrative Committee has been named to act for the P-P Trustees if approved by that body:

D. W. Edwards, Chairman  
J. S. Burgess, Secretary  
Shuhsi Hsu<sup>u</sup>  
B. H. Li  
Leonard S. Hsu  
J. B. Tayler  
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PROPOSED PLAN FOR THE  
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A) Present Need. There are now ten houses leased by the University for which the University pays an annual rent of \$3,144. with additional house tax of \$350. making a total of of \$3,494. The lease on these houses will expire by July, 1929, and if, by that time, the University has provided no regular residences for those families, then the lease on these houses will have to be renewed and there is no question that the landlords will want to increase greatly the rent, as the present lease was secured at the height of military disturbances when the landlords were willing to rent their houses to the University at a very low rent in order to get protection from the University. It is quite definite that, at the minimum increased rate, the annual rent on those houses will be \$4,870.

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B) Additional residential need for 1928-29. According to the most recent information from New York, there will be at least four families for whom additional houses must be provided. As there is no prospect for the University to construct new residences in the near future, rented houses will have to be secured for these four families. The minimum rent on each house will be \$30. per month. At that rate the annual rent for the four houses will be \$1,440.

C) Cost of needed installation. In case the University should renew the lease, it is advisable to renew the lease on the present rented houses for a longer period and, when leased again, these houses have been promised the installation of modern conveniences such as hot water and bath room fixtures. The houses, to be rented for the new arrivals for the next academic year, will also need some repairs. These two items will cost at least \$2,000.

Items "A" and "B" will cost the University \$6,310. per year.

D) Estimate of new houses. According to the present housing conditions, the University needs to provide sooner or later at least 10 new residences. Since some families are not satisfied with the present foreign style houses which are expensive in maintenance, and since some members of the faculty have already expressed the preference for smaller and simpler houses, the following suggestions may be impractical:

- 1/ Three houses of the type of Wiant's house (for medium

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sized family) costing \$9,000.  
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2/ Three houses of the above type  
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for three of.....*Max.* 21,000.

3/ Four houses of the type of J.  
C. Li's house, without radia-  
tion costing \$5,000. each,  
making a total for four of..... 20,000.

*Max.*  
Total for the ten new houses...\$68,000.

E) Proposal. From the above statement it is readily seen that the University will be loosing \$6,310 per year on the rented houses in the form of rent and repair. Viewing the problem economically it is worthwhile for the University to secure funds immediately to put up these additional residences. If the University is unable to secure funds, it would be greatly worthwhile for the University to secure a loan of \$68,000 for building these new residences, as \$68,000. at 8% per annum requires an annual interest payment of \$5,440. which can be easily covered by the annual rent of \$6,310. But residences built on loan will eventually belong to the University whereas rented houses eventually belong to the landlords. Furthermore, suppose the University renew the lease on the rented houses for ten more years, the total rent and cost in plumbing will amount to \$63,100., a sum almost as much as is needed for building the ten residences. In addition to the economic benefit of such a proposal, the University, as a whole, will be greatly relieved of the difficulties involved in planning for those teachers who have no regular residences, and those teachers will also be relieved of the annual mental as well as physical anxiety involved in their having to move from one house to another every year. If the houses are built, practically all will have suitable houses of their own, and all certainly will be contented and contentedness breeds happiness and happiness leads to good esprit de corps in the University.

Redemption of loan. With the annual interest on the loan covered by the faculty residence rent item in the current budget, it is suggested that the University provide fund enough to pay 10 percent of the loan each year, and in ten years the loan will be entirely redeemed. In other words, the University secures a loan for building the ten residences and pay for the residences in ten annual installments.

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# YENCHING UNIVERSITY

(Incorporated 1889 as Peking University)

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August 10, 1928

I trust that the unusual situation in the Yenching campaign may justify this additional letter even though it must reach you in mid-summer and on your vacation.

The unusual situation is, that if only we could meet the conditions necessary to receive the \$90,000 offered by Mr. and Mrs. Boyd to complete the building program for the Women's College, we should have secured more than the \$500,000 for which Dr. Stuart came to America. Our success in securing funds at a time when many institutions in China find it difficult to convince American friends of their stability proves the impression made by Yenching. This is especially true since part of the fund raised has come from a Foundation in New York City which never contributes without careful study of the institution involved. This Foundation has promised \$20,000 a year for seven years to strengthen the social sciences in the University - a most convincing endorsement.

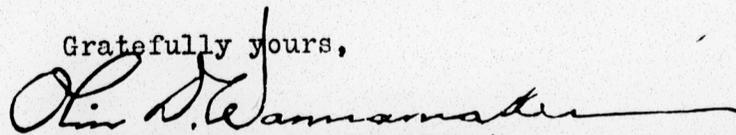
But this annual appropriation cannot count toward the campaign. Our friends who offer the \$90,000 feel that the imperative needs included in this campaign must be met in order that their generous gift may accomplish its purpose. They have been so pleased, however, with the splendid response, including this endorsement by a great Foundation, that they have extended their time limit to September 1st, hoping we may meet our urgent needs. We must have new dormitories to admit students eager to enroll. We must have a home economics practice house. We need imperatively eight new faculty residences costing from \$4,000 to \$8,000 each. And there are other things fully as important. The greatest service is rendered by a gift not designated for any single use. Such pledges or gifts best help us secure that \$90,000.

Many friends have responded to our previous appeal by mail, sending \$39,000 to add to the gifts already in hand. We are confident that \$50,000 more can be secured by mail if our friends only understand the situation. I am sending this letter to those best informed about the University with the confident assurance of such a response. Please do not reject the appeal. Send some pledge - as large an amount as you can give to help Yenching. If it must be a small amount - no matter how small - be sure we shall be deeply grateful for your help.

Our office staff has been under a long strain and we are eager to give them a mid-summer rest. Your prompt reply to this letter will help us to do that.

Thanking you in the name of the entire Board of Trustees, I remain

Gratefully yours,

  
Assistant to the President

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS  
"YENTA"

August 11, 1928.

Mr. O. B. Wannamaker,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City, U.S.A.

My dear Olin:

School of Education: I am enclosing herewith a copy of estimate worked out for Mr. Eldridge. You may use your judgment as to how far you should go in checking up with him on this matter. This indicates the schedule on which we should like to have payments made.

President's Garden: I am cabling today to indicate that there seems to be a chance for us to purchase this desirable property at a cost of from \$7,000. to \$10,000 silver. This is due to political changes and our ability to conclude the transaction in a form that guarantees of our title is, of course, uncertain. We shall go very carefully and make no purchase unless our title is made quite clear. The special value of the property now would seem to be in making it site for the School of Education. I suggest that you get from Mr. Murphy his opinion of the place and perhaps let him talk to Eldridge about its attractiveness. We would probably be able to use some of the old buildings and thus reduce our own costs on new construction so that the purchase cost can be absorbed into the whole program. The place is now occupied by soldiers who are putting in it a military equipment as though they intend to establish themselves in it. None the less it is worth making a try for.

Residence requirements: I am enclosing herewith a memorandum regarding our residence needs prepared by my Assistant which seems to be to be an accurate statement of the situation. You may care to take the matter up with the Finance Committee.

Very sincerely yours,

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Peking University.

August 14, 1928.

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

My dear Dr. Stuart,

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of  
July 7th.

Construction Bureau. We are happy to know that  
Mr. Hildebrand has consented to remain for at least another  
year. I am sure this will do much to make for continuity and  
efficiency in the work of the Construction Bureau.

Board of Managers. We are very much interested  
to note the action of the Yenching Board of Managers on the  
proposed changes in the membership of the Board. As soon as  
formal action on this matter is taken by the Board of Managers,  
we will report the matter to the Board of Trustees. As the  
situation stands now, the Trustees have practically completed  
the formality of approving the revised Constitution and By-laws  
as passed at the annual meeting in April. The chief cause of  
delay has been in the Methodist Board, which has not even yet  
taken any formal action. As soon as the Methodist Board acts,  
I presume the Executive Committee will declare the revised Con-  
stitution and By-laws of the Board of Trustees in effect, and will  
proceed with the application for a revision of the charter. Since  
Article 7 of the Constitution outlines the composition of the  
Board of Managers, we will have to revise this article a second  
time to incorporate any changes in this section which may be agreed  
upon by the Managers this autumn.

University Dean. We are glad to note that Dr. Leon-  
ard Hsu has been nominated to this position. We are indeed sorry  
to learn of the serious ill health of Mrs. Hsu, and hope that the  
year at Huling will result in definite and permanent improvement  
in her condition. Under the new Constitution, which will probably

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be placed in formal operation before the next meeting of the Board of Trustees, approval by the Trustees of the appointment of the Dean is not required. I am sure, however, that the Trustees would be very glad to take action in indicating their gratification that Dr. Hu has been appointed to this position.

Very cordially yours,

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*ack by A. Galt - 10/11  
report not yet ready*

Peking University

August 15, 1928

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

My dear Dr. Stuart:

I am attaching a copy of a letter I wrote to Dr. Parr on August 6th.

For some reason Dr. Parr has not asked our office for any advance travel funds to cover his trip to Peking. I am not quite sure whether he did not understand that our office has expected to advance these funds or whether he preferred to handle the trip himself and collect the amount expended after he reaches Peking. Since I have had no reply to the attached letter of August 6th we will not be able to send Dr. Parr any travel funds before he leaves Vancouver on the 16th. When he arrives in Peking it will therefore be in order for Dr. Galt to reimburse him for all travel expenses incurred on his journey to Peking within the limits of his agreement with the University.

Dr. Parr has recently raised the question of whether he should be allowed first or second class accommodations on his voyage across the Pacific. As a part of the material before the special committee which last spring approved Dr. Parr's appointment to the University was Dr. Parr's letter of January 10, 1928 in which he gives as one of the conditions under which he would be able to accept the appointment the following:-

"Also paying the travelling expenses of myself and my family out here via Canada (my wife and I would be satisfied with second class steamer accommodation with first class on the train) and home again at the termination of our agreement."

The Committee gave its general approval to Dr. Parr's request for travel expenses from Ireland to China via Canada, although in doing so they realized that this would involve a greater expenditure than would be necessary if Dr. Parr made the journey to China "by way of the most economical route" as is generally provided in contracts with Yenching appointees. In making this special concession the committee had in mind the fact that, since Dr. Parr was willing to accept second class steamer accommodations, the fare via Canada would not be much greater than if he went by way of the Suez Canal. I report all these facts to you so that you will have them in mind in any discussion you may have with Dr. Parr on his travel expense account. As you know, our Finance Committee, on agreeing on the Yenching budget for 1928-29, estimated Dr. Parr's travel expenses as Max. \$3,000. This would, I hope, be enough

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to cover his travel costs if second class accommodations were paid for,  
but I am sure it would be quite inadequate if first class accommodations  
were provided.

Very cordially yours,

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CC: Dr. Galt

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August 17, 1928.

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

My dear Dr. Stuart,

This will acknowledge the receipt of your cablegram of August 13th, which we have decoded as follows:-

"DEDICATION FAILED TO NOTIFY MR. MCBRIER. WE THINK NASH SHOULD VISIT MRS. ELMHIRST ON THE WAY. FAILED TO NOTIFY MR. BURGESS STENOGRAPHER HAS BEEN SECURED FOR YOUR WORK. DO YOU ADVISE PURCHASE PRESIDENT'S GARDEN IF IT DOES NOT EXCEED MEXICAN \$10,000. TELEGRAPH APPROVAL DRAW ON ACCOUNT."

We were very glad to get this repetition of the message originally sent in your cablegram of August 8th. After various ones here in the office had tried our hand at interpreting the cable in its original form, we discovered we had at least three widely divergent interpretations. We found when we got your August 13th cable that none of our first interpretations were anywhere near correct.

We are passing on to Mr. McBrier, Mr. Nash and Mr. Burgess the portions of the message intended for them. We are now struggling with the very difficult task of getting a quorum of the Financial Committee during the month of August so as to act on the request in the latter part of the cable. We hope to be able to arrange a meeting within the next week. I will at once cable you their decision.

Very sincerely yours,

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August 20, 1928

Dear Dr. Stuart:

Mr. Wannamaker intended to write you before he left the city for a short vacation with Mrs. Wannamaker and their daughter but he was so rushed at the last minute that he did not get to it. I shall send just a note in order that you may know what is going on at this end of the line. Miss McCoy is also away on her vacation and I am holding forth alone. I had a lovely three weeks' vacation down in North Carolina and came back all rested and ready for work again.

You will be glad to know that Mrs. MacLean sent (through Mr. Eldridge) \$500 toward the expenses of S. J. Chang. We have not yet heard just when Mr. Chang is arriving but presume it will be sometime the latter part of this month. On August 2nd, Mr. Garside sent him \$200 for his passage to America and I believe the understanding was that he was to sail as soon as possible after receipt of the money.

The campaign is going rather slowly these days. I do not think Mr. Wannamaker wrote you that the Boyds had extended the time limit on their conditional pledge until September 1st and we are, of course, continuing our efforts to reach our goal by that time. On August 10th we sent out another letter to all the people on our mailing list except those who had already contributed during this campaign. Up to the present time we have received in response to this appeal \$2927.00. Mrs. Marmon sent a check for \$1000.

Mr. Harry Price is going to help us on the campaign for two weeks beginning next Monday, I believe. He has a number of contacts with people whom he feels he may be able to interest in Yenching and, as he has two weeks free before starting his work at Princeton, he wants to try out his hand at campaigning.

We are informing Mr. Nash that you think it advisable for him to see Mrs. Elmhirst in England. As you probably know by this time, the Nashes have cancelled their sailing for September 20th in order that Mr. Nash may make further efforts to secure the support of the ten

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publishers. Miss Bogue is still in England and we have not been able to get any definite information about either the journalism gift or the gift to Truth and Life. I think she is expected back sometime early in September and we hope then to have some definite word on both matters.

Dr. Luce is coming into the office tomorrow morning to dictate a letter to Mr. Hamilton about President Hsu's garden. He does not feel that Mr. Hamilton can be pushed in the matter. Mr. Hamilton told Mr. Wannemaker on June 28th that while it was his intention to make this gift at some future date, he had for several years been paying off heavy obligations for which he was in no way responsible and had determined not to obligate himself for the present. I do not know whether the urgency of your letter and cable will have any effect on Mr. Hamilton or not. In the meantime, Mr. Warner has sent a day-letter to Mrs. Jenkins explaining the situation and asking her to give the needed \$10,000. If she responds favorably, you will know of it by cable before this letter reaches you. We have heard practically nothing from the dear lady since you left.

Mr. Strong was in the office last week and asked to be remembered to you when we wrote.

Roswell started to work this morning at the Foreign Policy Association. He is so well and strong now and you can imagine something of our joy in being together again after all these months of sickness and separation.

I hope that you are not having too hot a summer there in Peking and that you will get away for a little rest somewhere.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart  
Yenching University  
Peking West  
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Enclosed copy of letter of Aug 15<sup>th</sup> + enclosure

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Peking University

August 20, 1928

President J. Leighton Stuart  
Yenching University  
Peking, China.

My dear Dr. Stuart:

I am attaching herewith a memorandum of a meeting held June 18th of a joint committee representing the Trustees and the Women's College. You will note that the Committee did little more than present varied viewpoints on the proposal for a reorganization for the Women's College which has come primarily from Mr. and Mrs. Boyd's conditional pledge for the gymnasium.

We are now beginning to receive from the field the reactions of the faculty of the Women's College to the proposed reorganization. Apparently their general sentiment has been that of disapproval. As far as we can judge their thinking, it seems that their chief fear is that any change from the present status might lead to the loss of the identity of the Women's College. Such an outcome as this is, as you know, far from the thought of the groups here in America interested in both the University and the Women's College. As far as I can sense the wishes of the groups that have discussed the matter, their only thought has been to consider such changes in financial administration as would meet the conditions of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd's pledge.

I hope that our friends in the Women's College will not misunderstand the situation and suspect that the present proposals arise from some design on the part of the Board of Trustees to secure further influence over the Women's College. As you know, the entire discussion of this reorganization has grown out of the pledge made by Mr. and Mrs. Boyd for the benefit of Yenching College for Women, and the initiative in the discussion of the matter has come from the Committee of that college. Thus far any proposals for reorganization have not come formally before the Trustees, and no one can predict just how they would react. It can at once be said, however, that, while the Trustees are keenly interested in the work of the Women's College and anxious to assist wherever they can right/do so, they certainly have no desire to interfere at any point where their assistance would not be welcomed.

A meeting of the Committee of the Yenching College for Women is being called for September 6th. I suspect that this question of reorganization will occupy the center of the stage at that meeting. I hope that after this meeting the Committee will be able to formulate more clearly the various possible solutions of the pending problems. Undoubtedly the groups

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on the field will wish to wait for the actions of the September 8th meeting before coming to any final decision. It might be possible, however, for you to secure some general discussion of the two proposals made by the joint committee meeting on June 18th.

I presume that we shall be having a meeting of the Peking Trustees sometime during the month of November. The fall meeting of the Board is often held earlier than November but I suspect everyone will wish to hold it late enough this year to permit our getting advices from the field in reply to whatever actions are taken by the Committee of Yenching College for Women on the subject of reorganization.

Very cordially yours,

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Peking University

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Hall in charge of the case*

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

My dear Dr. Stuart:

Attached are copies of a letter from Mr. Belcher of the American Board and my reply thereto. You will, I know, be gratified to learn that the American Board has now formally voted to take over the support of Dr. and Mrs. Wilson as members of their quota at Yenching.

Will you please communicate either to us or direct to the American Board the decision of the field authorities on the American Board's proposal that the travel expenses of Dr. and Mrs. Wilson on their furlough next summer be shared proportionately by the University and the American Board?

Very sincerely yours,

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS  
"YENTA"

August 21, 1933

*Confidential*  
Mr. O. D. Wannamaker,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Olin:

Doctor Atwater: I am enclosing a copy of a letter which I think explains itself. You will note the reference to the Milbank Foundation under which he is now working. It might be worthwhile to approach this Foundation in an effort to secure a grant for the purpose. Doctor J. B. Grant of the Peking Union Medical College thinks there would be almost nothing involved except the actual travel, salary and other personal expenses of Doctor Atwater. He was with Yale-in-China, although his own studies were chiefly at Harvard and Johns Hopkins.

It may be that Ed Hume would have a suggestion as to some person who would be interested in the individual or in work of this type. I do not feel that we ought to divert any money available for other purposes unless our general resources are considerably increased, but it would be extremely desirable if we could add this feature under special support. It is also possible that some of the LSM Fund might be used to supplement money secured elsewhere. The sociological value of such experimentation as he would conduct among our students would be quite real.

He was a student volunteer and therefore ought to have the full missionary purpose.

Presbyterian Board Quota: A recent letter from Doctor T. H. F. Sailer to his son intimates that this Board is again considering the matter of ceasing to continue its grant to us. This seems almost unthinkable, and yet with the rather rigid conception it holds of the effectiveness of missionary methods, it must be kept in mind as within the range of possibility. We ought meanwhile to be prepared for such an eventuality, and I shall have no scruples in appealing to liberal minded pastors and laymen to continue through their churches or as individuals the support which the Board will have withdrawn. I think, for instance, of Doctor J. W. Nixon of the Brick Church, Rochester, New York. It may be worth while to canvass such persons and give them a special cultivation. Meanwhile, if the issue emerges, it might help those secretaries and Board members who are disturbed about our policy and its effectiveness under

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existing conditions in China to hear from persons like Mrs. Frame and William Hung and to see how profoundly religious the leading members of our faculty are.

K. A. Wee: I have a letter from Mr. Garside about Wee's finances, and shall soon be writing him as to the administrative aspects of this problem. A constructive solution, however, is to see to it that ex-Governor Morgan of Kansas be given every aid in carrying out his project of securing an annual sum of perhaps \$5,000 for Wee and his work. Any expenses he is put to in America which exceed our budget allowance could be made a first charge against this new resource.

Very sincerely yours,

*J. Heighon Stuart*

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(EXTRACT FROM FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES, AUG. 22, 1928)

PURCHASE OF PRESIDENT HSU'S GARDEN

The Secretary stated that on July 7, 1928 President Stuart had reported in a letter to Dr. Luce that "It is now quite possible, if we could act promptly, to secure President Hsu's garden at a price even smaller perhaps than originally thought of .....The combined circumstances will make it possible for us to secure within the next few weeks what otherwise might permanently be lost. If, therefore, Mr. Hamilton really decides to assist us in the matter I suggest that you cable authorization, the total cost not to exceed \$10,000.00 gold. It may even be secured for half that amount though the larger figure should be authorized for contingencies". On August 15th President Stuart sent a cable containing the following:

"DO YOU ADVISE PURCHASE PRESIDENT'S GARDEN IF IT DOES NOT EXCEED MEX. \$10,000.00 TELEGRAPH APPROVAL DRAW ON ACCOUNT."

Dr. Luce has within the last few days, reported these developments to Mr. Carl Hamilton who has in the past shown an interest in the purchase for the University either President Hsu's garden or a site for an athletic field. Mr. Hamilton, shortly before the Committee convened, telephoned to Dr. Luce, stating that he is willing to give his pledge for \$15,000.00 to provide funds for the purchase of President Hsu's garden and also for the purchase of a site for an athletic field, the latter tract of land to be given as a memorial for a young man who will be named by Mr. Hamilton. In his conversation, Mr. Hamilton requested Dr. Luce to prepare to submit to him for signature a pledge covering this proposal. After consideration it was

F-2332 VOTED that, on behalf of the Board of Trustees of Peking University, the committee on Finance, Property and Investment records its sincere appreciation of the proposal made by Mr. Carl Hamilton to contribute the sum of G\$15,000.00 for the purchase of President Hsu's garden and a site for an athletic field for the University

F-2333 VOTED to instruct the Secretary in consultation with Dr. Luce and Mr. Merle-Smith to prepare a pledge for the above named gifts to be submitted to Mr. Carl Hamilton for his approval and signature.

F-2334 VOTED to instruct the Secretary to cable authorization to the field to draw at these days an amount not to exceed G\$5,000.00 for the purchase of President Hsu's garden.

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Peking University

August 23, 1928

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

My dear Dr. Stuart:

I am attaching a confirmation copy of a cablegram we sent you yesterday.

Soon after your July 7th letter to Dr. Luce reached us we received your cablegram of August 13th asking, "Do you advise purchase President's garden if it does not exceed Mex. \$10,000.00. Telegram approval draw on account." Dr. Luce wrote to Mr. Carl Hamilton reporting the developments in our negotiations to purchase this garden, and as it happened, his letter reached Mr. Hamilton just at a moment when he was very much broken up over the sudden death of a young man in whom he has been keenly interested. As yet we have not been able to ascertain the name of this young man nor his relationship to Mr. Hamilton. Immediately after receiving the letter, Mr. Hamilton telephoned to Dr. Luce and stated that he was willing to make a pledge to Peking University for \$15,000.00 to cover the cost of President Hsu's garden and also to purchase the site for an athletic field which could be made a memorial to the young man who has just died.

The Finance Committee met yesterday morning and took the actions F-2332, F-2333 and F-2334 as shown in the attached minutes. After the meeting a pledge was prepared for Mr. Hamilton's signature and was sent to him by Dr. Luce with an appropriate covering letter. As yet we have not had time to receive the signed pledge from Mr. Hamilton but we sent the cable without waiting so that this unusual opportunity to purchase the President's garden might not be lost. We sincerely hope that its purchase can shortly be completed.

There are a number of other matters in the minutes of yesterday's meeting which require comments but since they are connected with the Construction Bureau and the Treasurer's office I am, at this time, writing covering letters to Mr. Hildabrand and Dr. Galt, and am enclosing herewith copies of these letters for your information and, where necessary, action. Just this morning we received a cablegram which we have decoded as follows:

"IT IS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY WE DRAW ON ACCOUNT REFERRED TO IN MY LETTER OF JULY 25, 1928 STOP DRAWING GOLD \$2,300.00 IN THE COURSE OF THIS MONTH TELEPHONES."

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Since the letter of July 25th referred to in this cable has not arrived we cannot yet fully interpret the first part of this message. The drawing of Gold \$2,300.00 for the improvement of the telephone system is quite in order because by authorization #2812b of April 30th we authorize drafts not to exceed Mex.\$7,000.00 for this purpose. The payment of any drafts Dr. Galt may draw on this authorization is cleared at this end, but possibly he may not have understood the situation in that light. In our letter of April 30th we ask that, if possible, he send us schedule of dates and amounts for the remittances he would need for this purpose so that may have led him to think that further authorization should be sent from this end. You will understand that we do desire, wherever possible, to get advance information as to when and how much funds will be needed for such purposes as this. Although we sent our inquiry on April 30th, we have not yet received any letters telling just what schedule of needs the field will have for the improvement of their telephone system. As soon as the letter of July 25th is received we will take whatever action on this cable is required.

Very cordially yours,

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS  
"YENTA"

August 27, 1928.

Mr. B.A. Garside,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Mr. Garside:

In reply to your letters to Dr. Galt and myself regarding the case of K.A. Wee, will you continue to pay the allowance he has been receiving and increase that so as to make up for the loss of the scholarship from Tsing Hua College in so far as he feels this is necessary, until the amount budgetted for him has been exhausted. This might be reckoned as G\$1000. We are hoping that the efforts to secure money from ~~efforts~~ *friends* of his in Kansas will be successful this autumn, and in that event his further expenses in America and his travel back to China could properly be made a first charge against that fund. If not, we will have time between now and then to make further plans for him. I take it that the Tsing Hua scholarship is definitely not available. The former President had practically assured me that it would be renewed, but there have been constant changes during the past few months caused by political complications and there is no one in any authority at present.

On the general matter of providing for the needs of members of the staff in America Dr. Galt will doubtless write later. He is at present off on his well-earned holiday. This letter is written after consultation with him.

Very sincerely yours,

*Freighton Hart*

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TELEGRAPH ADDRESS

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

August 27, 1928

Mr. B.A. Garalde,  
180 With Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Mr. Garalde:

I reply to your letter to Dr. Galt and myself regarding the case of K. L. Lee, will you continue to pay the allowance he has been receiving and increase that so as to make up for the loss of the scholarship from Tsinghua College in so far as he feels this is necessary until the amount budgeted for him has been exhausted. This might be reckoned as \$21000. We are hoping that the efforts to secure money from efforts of his in Kansas will be successful this autumn, and in that event the further expense in his case and his travel back to China could properly be made a first charge against that fund. If not, we will have time between now and then to make further plans for him. I take it that the Tsinghua scholarship is definitely not available. The former President had practically assured me that it would be renewed, but there have been constant changes during the past few months caused by political complications and there is no one in any authority at present.

On the general matter of providing for the needs of members of the staff in America Dr. Galt will doubtless write later. He is at present off on his well-earned holiday. This letter is written after consultation with him.

Very sincerely yours,

*Handwritten signature*

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August 30, 1928

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

My dear Dr. Stuart:

Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial Funds. During July we received from the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial their first quarterly remittance of G\$5,000.00. As you know, their recent appropriation includes G\$20,000.00 for the year beginning July 1, 1928. We are holding this \$5,000.00 awaiting instructions from you. Shall we forward these quarterly remittances from the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial either by authorization or draft to Dr. Galt immediately after such contributions are received? If this is not the proper procedure what other method should we adopt?

We understand that, for the fiscal year 1928-29 at least, this appropriation is entirely outside the current budget. Is this correct? What is the probable relation of this appropriation to current budget in the future? In order to provide for immediate draft on this \$5,000.00 if you so desire, I am at this time sending Dr. Galt an authorization to draw on us for the amount of this Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial remittance subject to instructions from you.

Harvard-Yenching Institute Funds for Museum. You will remember that we are holding here in New York, subject to your wishes, a sum of G\$6,000.00 received some months ago from the Harvard-Yenching Institute for the National Historical Museum. Dr. Galt is authorized to draw at any time for this amount or whatever part of it you may wish to use.

Very cordially yours,

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P.S. 8/31 Since dictating the above, Dr. Galt's letter of August 3rd has arrived. He indicates the need for the Laura Spelman Rockefeller funds at an early date. We are therefore cabling him today giving authorization to draw these funds. We will appreciate your advice as to future procedure.

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Dr. Leighton Stuart,  
Yenching University,  
Peking,  
North China.

31st August 1928.

My dear Dr. Stuart,

Referring to my letter of the 29th instant I am now in a position to write to you with regard to the stenographer Mr. Tayler, Mrs. Crane and myself have been trying to find for Yenching. The enclosed copy of a letter I have today written to Miss Dora Bent will speak for itself. You will see I have asked her to write to me accepting the terms, but from our conversation with her on Tuesday last I think there is no doubt but that she will do so. I now send you some particulars with regard to her. She is 23 years of age, and has had ten years experience in Secretarial work, and is a shorthand writer and typist. She gave up her position two years ago to enter Birmingham University for a Social Science course, and obtained her diploma for Political work at the Birmingham Settlement. She is a member of Erdington Congregational Church, Birmingham, and I enclose copies of testimonials with regard to her from the Rev. Thomas Towers (the minister of the Church, a Director of the Society and a member of our China Committee, and the father of Dr. Elsie Towers of Shanghai), and from Mr. G. H. Ingall, J.P. my brother-in-law, who you will see has known her from childhood. I also send a copy of the

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Dr. Leighton Stuart.

testimonial we have received from Joseph Rank Ltd. and from the Warden of the Birmingham Settlement.

I happened to see my brother-in-law yesterday and he spoke of Miss Bent in the highest terms.

I may say that we considered applications for the post from about fourteen women, five of whom we interviewed.

I am sending a copy of this letter and its enclosures to Mr. Carside and am asking him to reimburse the L.M.S. the money it will lay out on Miss Bent's account. I shall wait until I get Miss Bent's acceptance of the position, which I hope to receive early next week, and I propose then to send you a cable. I sincerely trust you will find in her just the kind of helper you need.

With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

( Signed ) F.H.Hawkins.

P. S. Since dictating the above I have received your cable of today's date, which we have decoded as follows :-

"PREFER STENOGRAPHER OTHER QUALIFICATIONS LESS  
ESSENTIAL"

I am sure you will be glad to know that we have found a lady with both qualifications.

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W. L. Latham

testimonial we have received from Joseph Bank Ltd. and from the  
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of Miss Bent in the highest terms.

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I sincerely trust you will find in her just the kind of helper  
you need.

With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

( Signed ) F. H. Hawkins.

P.S. Since dictating the above I have received your cable of

today's date, which we have already noted as follows:-

"I have been asked to see whether there are any other  
"essentials"

I am sure you will be glad to know that we have found a  
lady with both qualifications.

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August 31, 1928

Dear Leighton:

I have been at a remote place seventeen hundred feet up in the mountains of Vermont for the past two weeks with my wife and daughter. Mrs. Wannamaker has been very ill and should spend two months at least under care and treatment in a quiet place. Unfortunately, I could not remain longer at the hotel and have returned to the city today to take her to a farm near Peekskill where she can spend a week with her sister.

I am taking advantage of this one day in the office to write you a brief note. I have your letter of August 2nd. I do not see any reason why I should not send to the Trustees your report of August 1st without any editing or alterations whatever. I shall do that immediately.

With regard to Chang Wen-li. I am a little perplexed with regard to your plans for him. We have already secured his admission to the graduate school at Harvard and must be careful not to seem to slight Dean Chase in that matter. I shall have a conversation with William Hung about the middle of next month. He has written that he expects to sail from England about September 8th. I hope that he will be able to inform me just what steps we should take in this matter.

Concerning S. J. Chang you were slightly in error in thinking that I had cabled him not to come to America. I simply felt that I ought to inform him accurately as to the situation since he seemed to have the impression that we were entirely certain to secure the full amount of this money he required. As soon as I received from Mr. Chang a clipping from your letter guaranteeing the necessary funds for him to come to America, I arranged with Mr. Garside to mail him a draft for \$200.00 intending to secure the rest of the money sometime during the autumn. You will have heard

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before this that, since that time, Mrs. MacLean has sent \$500.00 in response to the letter I wrote Mr. Eldridge just before leaving for my vacation. Since you think well to use the gift of \$500.00 from Mr. Cone for the same purpose, we shall need to raise in addition only about \$200.00 for the maintenance of Mr. Chang for the entire year. Possibly Mr. Warner and Sidney Gamble may each consent to give \$100.00 of the \$200.00 each guaranteed toward Mr. Chang's expenses in case I could not raise that money.

We have received from our last mail appeal a little over \$7,800. In addition to this, we have the pledge of Mr. Hamilton for \$15,000, a check for \$1,000 from the American Society of Newspaper Editors for the Journalism work, and a confirmation from Miss Bogue of a pledge from Mrs. Elmhirst for \$3,500 for the School of Journalism for 1929. It is impossible to say just how we stand with relation to the conditions circumscribing the pledge of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd. If we should be permitted to count everything that has been secured as the direct result of campaign efforts (not including the Laura Spelman Rockefeller grant) we should need only slightly more than \$50,000. It remains to be seen, however, how flexible Mr. and Mrs. Boyd decide to make the conditions. It is possible to interpret the cash and pledges received in such a way as to make the amount still needed fully \$70,000. I am sending Mr. Boyd a general statement today but shall not make a detailed report to him until about the tenth of September. I incline to the view that they will say we had better continue our efforts. This would not be a bad decision on his part. With Jenney's efforts and my own, combined with a further mail appeal toward the latter part of the year, we might hope to obtain the remaining amount needed to meet the Boyd conditions completely.

The unfortunate element in the situation is that we have not the money needed for the dormitory. A very encouraging part of the standing deficit, however, can be eliminated by money of unspecified pledges made in response to our mail appeal. The total amount secured through the mail appeals has been somewhat more than \$41,000.

When I get to work definitely for the autumn I hope to center attention upon these campaign objectives which we have failed to cover up to date. I incline to think Dr. Jenney should make a trip to the Pacific coast and I hope to see a number of persons individually myself.

With all good wishes,

Cordially,

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

Mr. Wannamaker regretted that he had to leave the office before signing this letter.

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