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October 1, 1932

Dear Doctor Stuart:

In talking over our plans for the year with Mr. Hedrick this morning, he suggested that it would be most helpful if you would write a letter to each of the members of the California Advisory Council telling them of my pleasure at meeting some of them and of my enthusiasm upon finding such warm and intelligent interest in Yenching University out there. Inform them of my election as vice-president, please. Tell them also of your own plans to be over again next spring.

I believe it will be well worth our while to spend some time on the Pacific coast when you come over next spring. I think it would be wise for me either to meet you out there as you come over or spend some time with you as you return to China, so that we may study fully the possibilities of that territory. My trip was too hurried and was at the wrong time of year, so the number of contacts made was comparatively small.

This letter from you to the group out in California is a part of our cultivation program and we are sure you will write the proper letter for this purpose. California has not yet done much, but I believe the opportunities are there for large gifts in some cases and a number of small gifts annually. As I see it, this regular small gift constituency of Yenching's is one place where we can do some good work and make for ourselves a number of new friends.

I have just learned through Dr. Finley that there is soon to be a gathering of the International Y. W. C. A. in Geneva. It was stated that it is likely that the next meeting might be held in China. If it could be in Peiping and in the summer time Yenching would be a wonderful place and it would be a splendid opportunity to make some new friends for our work. It might be well to get in touch with the Y.W.C.A. or Y.M.C.A. authorities there in Peiping and see what can be done toward getting the meeting in Peiping. If we can do anything here in the matter we will follow it up.

With every good wish, I am

Very sincerely,

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart
Yenching University
Peiping, China

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October 4, 1932.

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart
Yenching University

Dear President Stuart:

While I do not propose it as a part of the revised budget just submitted to you for approval, I do wish to have you consider the desirability of a separate appropriation to be used during the current year and next year for promotional work in China in connection with the permanent endowment campaign.

As you know we are planning to raise as much money as possible in China to aid and supplement the work the campaign in America. To do this effectively the chairman of the Department should have at his disposal a sum of \$1500(l.c.) to be extended at his discretion for travel and similar expenses. Since the residue of the resources available for next year is G\$9,026.62, this fund might well, or best, come from next year's budget, when other promotional requirements will be lightened. I do not consider it possible to provide for this amount out of the budget for this year just presented.

I hope that you will give this suggestion consideration and if possible your approval so that the appropriation may be made.

Very sincerely,

/s/ Frank L. Martin.

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October 7, 1932.

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

My dear Dr. Stuart:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 24th, which deals chiefly with various questions related to the Natural Science Endowment.

Gift on the Field of G.\$1,000. The G. \$1,000 which has been received on the field for allocation to Natural Science, temporarily at least, raises a number of important questions of general policy and procedure. It would be well for us to present these to the Finance Committee for their decision. It may be some weeks, however, before such a meeting is held, so I will refer briefly and informally to some of the issues involved:-

The first question is, of course, the place where the \$1,000 should be held. It has always been a general policy of the Trustees that capital funds raised in China be held and invested there, unless the field authorities specifically request the Trustees to hold and administer such funds. With regard to this particular gift, however, some of the Trustees have felt that the Rockefeller Foundation expects that all the funds reported by the Trustees as having been received to match the Foundation's grant shall actually be in the hands of the Board of Trustees. We have gone through all our correspondence with the Rockefeller Foundation, and have thought back over our conferences with the various officers of that body, without finding any direct or implied statement by the Foundation that they would require funds raised in China to match their grants, be transferred to New York. Personally, I believe it would be both permissible and desirable that any portion of this endowment fund raised in China be held and invested there, provided the amount is large enough to permit of effective and economical investment. I will be interested in seeing what decision the Finance Committee reaches on this point.

The second question, and undoubtedly the more important of the two, is that of what other conditions are attached to this gift of G. \$1,000. You state that the donors, who desire to remain anonymous, have expressed the desire that the income from this fund be used at your discretion for special needs, and you express the hope that it may later be possible to free this G. \$1,000 for "its original purpose", but indicate that "meanwhile it can be claimed as money already paid in" for the endowment of Natural Science. It is very important that at this point we play absolutely fairly with the Rockefeller Foundation, and also that we do not take any steps now that may later cause us financial difficulties.

When we presented our final report to the Rockefeller Foundation, we listed approximately \$218,000.00 in cash, securities, and outstanding pledges, to match their grant of \$175,000.00 (omitting in both cases the endowment transferred by the Yenching College for Women). At first glance this seems to provide us with an adequate margin for shrinkage. However, this margin of approximately \$43,000.00 is more than used up by two special gifts which were included only as a last resort to prevent our loss of the Rockefeller grant. These include Miss Munger's pledge of \$50,000.00, and the Harvard-Yenching Institute gift of \$25,000.00. You know the conditions of Miss Munger's gift, and how unwilling the Trustees were to throw in this pledge to the Natural Science Fund. You also know that we have promised the Harvard-Yenching Institute that we will return to them any portion of their \$25,000.00 gift not absolutely required to complete our objective of \$250,000.00. There are a number of pledges among those reported to the Foundation which will probably not be paid before the expiration of our time limit on June 30, 1935, and some that may never be paid. The question would therefore arise, whether, in case we eventually collect more than \$250,000.00 from all these sources, we should use any available surplus to reimburse the Harvard-Yenching Institute, to restore a portion of Miss Munger's pledge to its original objective, or to restore this G. \$1,000.00 received on the field to its original objective.

In the background of our thinking, we must keep in mind ^{that} many of the gifts received during the closing weeks of the campaign, such as the pledges from Mr. McBrier, Mr. Boyd, and others of the Trustees and intimate friends, were given only with the proviso that these pledges were to be ~~obtained~~ ^{obtained} only if the amount promised was absolutely necessary to complete the \$250,000.00. When Mr. Boyd was last in the city, he asked me for a copy of the report we gave to the Rockefeller Foundation, and seemed keenly interested in the fact that we had an apparent surplus of some \$43,000.00 over the amount actually required to match the conditions of the Foundation's grant. I have no way of knowing whether he had any thought that this might relieve, in part at least, the obligation of Mrs. Boyd and himself in the payment of their pledge for \$5,000.00.

Putting it briefly, we have so many gifts obtained under the pressure of the closing weeks of the campaign, with strings tied to them in the nature of a provision that they would be paid, or at least allocated to Natural Science, only if absolutely required to meet the conditions, that if we begin pulling gifts out later, it would be very difficult to know where to stop. It would unquestionably be very desirable to include this G. \$1,000 in some early report to the Rockefeller Foundation, so as to secure at once their contribution for an equal amount. If this is done, however, it must be clearly understood that the \$1,000 thereupon becomes an integral part of the Natural Science Endowment Fund, and that the interest thereon must be used for the work in Natural Science. Any reallocation of the \$1,000 at a later date would have to be left entirely to the future. The other alternative would be to keep this \$1,000 in reserve, using the income for the time being for the original purpose of the fund, but keeping the principal available in case it might ultimately be necessary to include this gift with the funds received for Natural Science in order to secure the full amount from the Rockefeller Foundation.

These are matters also that we must leave to the Finance Committee for decision, after consultation with you, of course, if they should wish to propose anything radically different from what is outlined in your letter.

October 7, 1932.

Pledge of G. \$5,000.00. As yet we have not received the other \$5,000 referred to in your letter, and Dr. Gee tells me that he has already taken up the matter with you by correspondence. Practically all that I have said above would apply also to the inclusion of this \$5,000 in the Natural Science Fund, and the possibility of its reallocation elsewhere at some later date.

Newspaper Reports on Endowment Funds. We all regret greatly that newspaper dispatches from the West gave friends in China such a rosy view of the outcome as to make them feel it was no longer necessary for them to make sacrifices to render urgently needed assistance. As a matter of fact, the only announcement given to the press here was a very brief and conservative statement released by the Promotional Office after consultation with the Rockefeller Foundation. The Promotional Office considered that such a statement was desirable because of the large number of Yenching friends scattered over the United States who were very much interested in the outcome of our attempt to match the Foundation's grant. Obviously the story grew, the further it travelled, as usually happens. However, the unfortunate results in this case do raise the important question of whether it should be our future policy to make ~~any~~ announcements which may give rise to erroneous impressions that we have suddenly fallen heir to unlimited riches. At the time the Hall Estate was distributed, very much the same embarrassment was created in our universities in China.

Length of Term of Mr. and Mrs. Harry B. Price. From your comments on this I assume that you do not wish us to ask for any modification of the appointment of Mr. and Mrs. Price for a five-year term, rather than a three-year term. Should we find that after the end of three years the problem of funds for their support becomes a serious one, it may then be necessary to make some adjustments in these arrangements.

Very cordially yours,

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October 4, 1932.

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart
Yenching University

Dear President Stuart:

After a careful examination of the sources of the Department of Journalism for this year and next, the final two-year period for which it has been financed, and after serious consideration of the needs for the current year, I concur with Mr. Hin Wong, chairman of the department in urging the revised budget for 1932-33 presented herewith by him, and hope that you will in turn urge its adoption by the New York office.

This budget is based upon a total income for the years 1932-33 and 1933-34 of G.\$19,716.62. As indicated by the attached statement "Journalism Funds in New York", it will be noted that this is a net total, exclusive of present unpaid pledges, all deficits accrued and allowance for shrinkage in collection for the remaining two-year period.

The amount asked in the revised budget presented is G\$10,690 (the amount in local currency based on exchange at the rate of 3.50). Thus there will be left for the final year, 1933-34 a total of G\$9,026.62.

In advocating this revised budget of G\$10,690 for the current year I desire to emphasize the following points:

1. For promotional purposes, salaries, etc., in the field necessary this year in connection with the securing of a permanent endowment more than one half is allotted to the field, or G\$5,650.

2. This year it is particularly important that a "real showing" be made by the Department in China, for in connection with campaign arguments to be made both in China and America it is necessary for the Department to be carrying on a full educational program. As a part of this program in the form of laboratory instruction, the English edition of the Yenching Gazette has been established and the Chinese Gazette on the campus has been changed to a daily. The former promises at this date to become practically self-supporting by January 1, and the revised budget cares for the expenses in that activity up to that date.

3. The enrollment in the Department this year has increased nearly 150 per cent. This fact coupled with the increased demands on the Department from Chinese editors, publishers and others in the profession in China for counsel, information and assistance, places a heavy burden on the staff even as now constituted, a burden that will be

still heavier following my departure and during Mr. Nash's absence in America.

4. With the proposed budget presented here there still remains for the final year, under the five-year plan, a total of G\$9,026.62, not including any reserve that may accrue from excess in exchange over 3.50. This is only slightly less than the amount for this year, and should amply provide for the operation of the Department with the instruction and laboratories now set up. Next year the extra burden of expense for campaign promotion should be much less, or possibly eliminated.

Very sincerely,

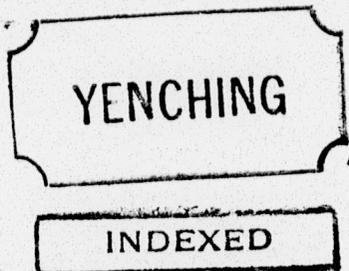
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TELEGRAPH ADDRESS
"YENTA"

October 5, 1932

Mr. B. A. Garside
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Garside:

I am enclosing herewith the revised budget of the Department of Journalism as it has been approved by the Faculty Executive Committee. Also a copy of a letter from Dean Martin in explanation. I hope very much that the Trustees will approve this budget, and shall request a cabled reply. I am also enclosing a copy of another letter from Dean Martin in regard to the sum of L C \$1500 for promotional activity in China. This was presented to the Faculty Executive Committee, but referred to the Trustees without action as being beyond the Committee's scope. My suggestion is that the Trustees authorize expenditures not to exceed this total amount within the two years, any such expenditures to be made a first charge against contributions from Chinese sources, and to be guaranteed from the income of the Department for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1933. We shall arrange for some process of checking such expenditures between the treasurer's office and my own. Trustees' action might also be included in the cable.

Very sincerely yours,

Keighton Stewart

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October 10, 1932

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My dear Dr. Stuart,

The one item in the minutes of the September 21st meeting of the Board of Trustees is the matter dealt with in minute No. T-3119, where we are instructed to correspond with the field in regard to the specific nature of the duties which Dr. Gee will be expected to perform during the coming year. This has already been touched on in previous letters, so you will be familiar in a general way with the questions involved.

There have been two chief factors in the desire of the Trustees for a clear understanding at this point. In the first place, there were for awhile a great many conflicting views as to what the nature of Dr. Gee's services were to be. Many of these have been cleared up by his appointment as Vice President of the University, but some of them still remain. In the second place the Trustees remember that a few years ago there were certain misunderstandings as to the functions, while serving in a similar capacity, of Dr. Luce - than whom no finer and more Christian character ever existed - and they wish to guard against any remote possibility of such a misunderstanding in future. They believe that a clear-cut definition of functions in the beginning when no special issues are involved, is the best way to avoid such a contingency.

In all our discussions, Dr. Gee has been taken into fullest confidence. He has been present at practically all the meetings where these matters have been discussed, has seen copies of all correspondence that has come and gone, and has talked informally with a number of the members of the Board. He has at all times shown a wonderfully fine spirit, and has manifested his willingness to enter into any plan that would best serve the interests of the University.

I am sure that we are already in agreement as to the major part of Dr. Gee's duties. We look to him as the responsible representative of the University in all promotional matters, working in cooperation with Pierce and Hedrick and with the Promotional Committee of the Trustees. No doubt all will agree that this is his immediate and most important responsibility.

We are also agreed that we look to Dr. Gee for information, and for advice and suggestions, on matters touching general university affairs, and matters of policy and administration. He is the last arrival from China, has a fine background of acquaintance with problems of Christian higher education in China, and knows the needs and problems of Yenching at close and intimate contact. Regardless of any official responsibility he may have in this field, we are eager to make a maximum use of his knowledge, experience, and ability in such matters, and he has been very cordial in his willingness to assist.

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This leaves, however, one question which we believe should be frankly raised and clearly understood at this time. To what extent, if any, is it the judgment of the field that we should look to Dr. Gee for formal responsibility in the field of administration? The term "Vice President" has many and varied meanings. In the business world a Vice President may be either the second in command, ready to step into the leadership at any moment if the President dies, resigns, or becomes incapacitated, and often already carrying a large measure of the responsibilities of leadership; or else he may be a far less important officer assigned to some specific and narrowly limited scope of work. In our several China colleges, the "Vice President of the University" has generally corresponded rather closely to the first of the two business officials I have just described. He has been thought of as being an important administrative officer who is relieving the President of many of his administrative duties and is ready and expected to step into full command whenever the President is absent, incapacitated, or under necessity of giving up his active relationship to the institution. If he is at home, he speaks with authority as the mouthpiece of the University and of the President. But in a few instances our universities have created the position of Vice President in an entirely different sense, giving this title to an official who is understood to have a very restricted range of responsibility. "Sometimes the term has been clearly understood to mean "Vice President for Promotion", though the last two words are never made a formal part of the title.

It is the thinking of the field regarding the alternatives in this paragraph just above that the Trustees are anxious to ascertain. Will you please let us know, definitely and concretely so there may be no ground for misunderstanding, just what are the wishes of the administration and the governing bodies on the field? Perhaps an action by the Board of Managers, or the Faculty Executive Committee, would put the matter on record in the most satisfactory way. Or possibly some other type of procedure would be best. That we leave to your judgment. We hope, however, that the matter may be clarified with a fair degree of promptness, so that we may all work to the best advantage for the University's interests.

Very cordially yours,

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October 15, 1932.

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

Dear Dr. Stuart:

When we were recently in Greenwich we visited Mrs. Elliott L. Brown and we think that there will be a very nice opening there for something for Yenching through Mrs. Brown since she is very well connected with a group of very wealthy people.

Truth & Life

In the course of our conversation she mentioned that she had agreed to see what could be done for Dr. Timothy Lew in connection with some publication which he had in mind when he was in America last. It seems that she was trying to secure from him, or from someone else, information as to the nature of the publication, the costs, and Dr. Lew's future plans in connection with it. From her conversation I understood that she was prepared either to give or to try to secure from other sources some small assistance toward this publication. *on*

I am writing this to you rather than to Dr. Lew in order that you may discuss the matter with him, and if his publication is already provided for, possibly some other enterprise may be a means of interesting Mrs. Brown.

We have just returned from an absence of about a week, visiting Greenwich, New Haven, Middletown and Hartford in a kind of preliminary experimental manner. We are not asking now for money, but fitting in with the plan for Messrs. Pierce & Hedrick of cultivating a group of people in each of these localities with a view to your coming through next Spring. We have met with very encouraging receptions in all of these places, and I am sure that Yenching has many very good friends already. We hope to add more.

With all good wishes,

Very sincerely,

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PEIPING, CHINA.

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TELEGRAPH ADDRESS
"YENTA"

October 17, 1932

Miss Louise McCoy
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Miss McCoy:

I have just received the packages including the September issue of the Yenching News. This is apparently well edited, and I am glad to have some copies. Here are a few minor details, while they are fresh in my mind. In the comment regarding William Hung, he is not a doctor, having very much to his own credit, had the courage to take the studies that would be most helpful or congenial, rather than to do the conventional thing and won an extra title. It might also have been pointed out that practically every person in the book referred to, is or has been, in some way connected with Yenching. On the fourth page, our Director of Studies spells his name Mei.

But the particular thing that I wish to suggest is that hereafter a much smaller number of copies be sent here. What is suitable for publicity in America, may not interest, or might even be unsuitable for distribution among English-reading Chinese. The members of the faculty who are interested in, or can be of the slightest help in our financial problems, are very few. The rare visitors who come our way and are apt to be financially helpful, will only need quite a small supply of these between any of the issues, and here again it is better to have another type of pamphlet prepared locally. The paper used is very heavy, which adds to the cost. I would suggest therefore that about one-third of the number sent this time would probably meet all of our needs.

Very sincerely yours,

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Boston, Mass.,
October 20, 1932

Dear Dr. Stuart:

On our way up to Boston we ran by to see Dr. Faucett. In the course of our conversation he said he had not answered my letter to him written after I had seen Dr. Thorndyke because he was uncertain as to just what to write.

He said that family conditions had developed to such a stage with him now that he felt that he must withdraw his proposition to Yen-ching that he would assume the responsibility for his own maintenance in alternate years and devote himself to his research work. He now feels that if he goes back he would want Yen-ching to take him on her regular budget for full time work just as other teachers are cared for by Yen-ching.

Dr. Loram here at Yale has told Dr. Faucett that he feels it is likely that support for a second year's work here at Yale can be secured for him and Dr. Faucett thinks that if this can be secured that he should by all means accept it. I also think that he should continue this and told him so. I believe that he would like to let things rest as they now are until you come over here next year. He will in the meantime carry on his discussions with Dr. Loram with a view to getting his fellowship renewed for 1933-34. In the meantime he will prepare an outline of his plan of work and I shall talk it over with Dr. Thorndyke and get his reactions as to possible aid for putting the plan through for Yen-ching.

Mr. Godfrey Cabot, 294 Washington Street, Boston, asked especially that we let him know when you are coming over. He has agreed to become one of the Councilors for Yen-ching and has expressed much interest in having you with him when you are in Boston. I believe a little note from you would be appreciated.

Dr. Donham sends his regards. I know you keep in touch with him.

Very sincerely,

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart
Yenching University
Peiping, China

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YENCHING

October 24, 1932

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

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Dear Dr. Stuart,

Just a hasty acknowledgement of your letter of September 29th regarding the funds needed for Natural Science this year. I wish to study this more fully before attempting to deal with it in detail, but am sending off this note in the China mail closing in a few minutes.

I hope that from the letter I wrote you and Dr. Galt on September 26th you will find that the situation as regards this natural science budget for this year is more satisfactory than appeared when you wrote. My letter of September 26th shows that the amount of income we will receive this year allocated to Natural Science is G.\$32,400.00, or fairly close to the figure of G.\$33,000.00 you request. The point that isn't clear to me, after a hasty glance over your letter, is what has become of the surplus income from general sources, after general administration and Arts and Letters needs had been met, which the Trustees allocated to Natural Science when they made their appropriation last spring. This is dealt with at length in my letter of September 26th.

And ^{one} other item strikes me in a hasty glance over your letter. Both the President and the Vice President of the Rockefeller Foundation have assured me emphatically and categorically that the Rockefeller Foundation did not give their second gift with the understanding that this income was to be used specifically for advanced work, and that they had nothing of this sort in mind when the appropriation was made. We need not enter into any discussion the Rockefeller Foundation may have with its Peiping office on this point, but both Dr. Mason and Mr. Appleget have stated that they have no thought of holding Yenching to any such limitation regarding the use of their \$12,500.00 gift for the next three years. Of course the case of the Harvard Yenching income for Natural Science is somewhat different, and in any event we wish to do as much advanced work as possible with the resources available, but it will weaken, rather than strengthen our case to base our plea upon a misunderstanding.

Cordially,

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October 25, 1932

Dear Doctor Stuart:

Thank you very much for your letter of September 29th which has just been received. I have read with much interest the copy of your letter to Mr. Garside. As soon as the announcement of this action in connection with the natural sciences was made in the Board of Trustees, I called attention to the fact that it meant a very heavy cut in the budget for that college. I have since discussed the matter two or three times with Mr. Garside and he has written you concerning the possible arrangements which might be made to help tide over the present difficulty in that budget. I hope that these suggestions made by Mr. Garside may make it more easy for the natural sciences to get through the present year. If the income from that \$500,000 is received as quickly as they hope it may be, then conditions should be easier for the coming year. When you come over I hope we can go into all these matters with you present, and I think we should reserve at least a week in New York free from other things in order to work out a number of matters of this kind.

I am gradually learning the details of the work here and working into the plans made for me, and I hope that in a comparatively short time I may understand much more of the procedure than I do at the present time.

We are trying to conserve all of the organization which has already been set up in the Advisory Council and to add to that as rapidly and as widely as possible. Plans are being laid for the use of your time next spring in as effective a manner as possible. We want you to meet outstanding groups of people across the continent and it seems likely that I may meet you on the west coast and that we will come east together according to an outlined plan.

With kind regards to you and to the other friends there, I am

Very sincerely,

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart
Yenching University
Peiping, China

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October 27, 1932

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS

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Mr. B. A. Garside
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Garside:

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Now that Dr. James L. Barton has formally resigned and this has been acted on by the Trustees, I am renewing in a more formal manner my suggestion that the American Board invite Mr. W. C. Cowling, Ford Motor Company, Dearborn, Michigan, to fill this vacancy.

We have received recent communications from you on the budget for the current year, and various other matters, all of which are being duly considered.

It is a great satisfaction to learn from you and others of the pleasant relations which have developed between Dr. Gee and others with whom he is now associated.

If no action has yet been taken regarding the contribution from Mr. Allen Farley of Rochester, N.Y. on behalf of his wife, the sister of W. R. Wheeler, I suggest that his request be approved, but at least until Rex himself makes a recommendation regarding his mother's gift, that nothing further be done in that respect.

Very sincerely yours,

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS
"YENTA"

Mr. N. Gist Gee
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Gee:

I have your letters and wish to comment especially on the hand-written one of September 22. The items in so far as they need comment or action will all be covered in this letter or otherwise, but I want especially to assure you again, that as far as I am concerned, I have always thought of your relationship with Yenching as for the rest of your working life, and all the news I have been getting from New York since your arrival there strengthens this desire. I shall take pains to say as much to Mrs. Gee when I next see her.

Publicity Fund - May I ask you to arrange with P and H or Garside for authorization here for publicity expenditures used for America. We have L C \$200 budgetted with the thought that this was for use in China, and have pretty nearly used that up already in accordance with requests from New York. Some method of clearing this through our local treasurer will relieve the situation.

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x to H.S.Liang - He has been a secretary of the National Committee of the Y M C A in Shanghai, and has now gone to the States with his chief, Dr. David Yui, to help in publicity for the Chinese government, until next summer. Just before his unexpected departure he had consulted with me and our Journalism people about joining our staff in that department, and all concerned believe that he is a desirable addition. It depends of course on whether we can secure the funds necessary, and with this problem in view he had offered to help in an effort among Chinese in Shanghai, which this trip has of course prevented. It might be worthwhile to get in touch with him and have him help in this special effort in the States. Address: Chinese Legation, Washington.

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Natural Science Publicity - Stanley Wilson is getting material together, but feels that you already have most of the essential facts on paper and understand the issues involved perhaps better than anyone else, so that the best way to have the type of "story" that P and H are asking for, would be that you write this and have their specialist edit it if so desired with a view to American conditions. We shall be sending material soon to supplement what you already have. No one in that College seems to be qualified as a writer of the type desired.

X to Dr. David A. Brown - He is chairman of the China Famine Relief, incorporated in the U S A and is now visiting China. While a Jew, and already preoccupied with many philanthropic and other interests, I have a feeling that he can help us especially in those aspects of our Social Science program which have to do with rural reconstruction and famine prevention. I shall try to talk with him with this special purpose in view before he leaves Peking, but meanwhile you might keep him in mind and get in touch with him soon after he returns to the States, the date of which I shall try to ascertain.

X to Rev. J. Walter Lowrie - Miss McCoy and others will know of a Mrs. Derr whom we have been trying to interest to some extent in the University. Dr. Lowrie is a Princeton graduate, and pastor for some years of the American church in Rome. He is a relative of Mrs. Derr and together with her and his wife, is soon starting for a trip through the Orient through India, which will bring them here about the middle of January. Unfortunately his letter gives no information of how he can be reached until his arrival here, but they are expecting to stay some months in Peking, and he is taking up a suggestion of mine to give lectures in our School of Religion. I wonder if you could secure information regarding his special subjects so that we might prepare to ask him to take certain courses next semester. Wannamaker could probably advise as to who knows him best at Princeton. It might be that President Hibben or Dean Wickes could help. My thought is that we can ask him after his experience here to lead in an effort to improve the financial condition of the School of Religion.

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X to Edgar B. Davis - I have a letter from John Chevalier whom you have already met, stating that this man has made another fortune in oil. He is a very picturesque figure, who

has made and lost several fortunes, and evidently does things in a large way. He is interested in China and has been talking of coming out here for a visit. On the other hand, the condition of his health makes one anxious as to whether he might have an apoplectic stroke at any time. Chevalier is much interested in having him do something for us, and I suggest that you first become a little better acquainted with Chevalier himself, and wait to have him tell you about Mr. Davis. If, however, you get on easy terms with him, you might carefully broach the matter, securing advice as to whether he thinks you should meet Mr. Davis or not. In any case this ought to be one of the major things to plan for my presence next spring.

Shuhsi Hsu - I am enclosing a review of his book. As you doubtless know he is still in Geneva as technical adviser to Dr. Yen, and is becoming the recognized authority for China in matters that require scholarly treatment of the Manchurian issue.

Very sincerely yours,

J. Reighton Stuart

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October 31st
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Dr. J. Leighton Stuart,
President, Yenching University,
Peiping, China.

My dear Dr. Stuart:

Indeed we do appreciate your cooperation in getting material which we can use in Yenching publicity moving this way. Dr. Gee and I have agreed that we will have all matters pertaining to the promotional work clear through him. He is showing the utmost consideration and is cooperating with us completely and sincerely. We like him tremendously and consider Yenching quite fortunate in having stationed such an able Vice-President in the American field.

Consequently from now on he will be dealing with you and your associates in the matter of publicity material and other plans.

We are rapidly consolidating all the activities of Yenching University in the promotional office. This, of course, includes Princeton-Yenching which is now taking steps in that direction. When this is completed it will be possible to present the Yenching picture as a whole and I am quite sure the results will indicate the advantages of this procedure.

We are noting the names of the Princeton men that you gave us and will put them on for special attention. Our appraisal of the Princeton work is that it is not at all understood by the Princeton men generally and we are now working on a program to break down that lack of information and misunderstanding.

I am always glad to hear from you and trust that you will write me occasionally your wishes with reference to this work.

Sincerely yours,

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Bayard M. Hedrick

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS
"YENTA"

October 31, 1932

Mr. N. Gist Gee
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Gee:

In reference to your letter of October 1, I am writing to Mr. Lloyd and to the other members of the California Committee, copies of these being included herewith.

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I was consulted last spring about the Y W C A in the national meeting, and encouraged the holding of it in Peking and at Yenching if it were when the University was not in session. I understand that this is the expectation of those responsible.

I have the correspondence regarding Mr. George Plimpton and shall talk sometime with Mr. Greene about this. My own impression is, however, that Mr. Plimpton, while a very delightful man with a wide range of cultural interests, contributes very little to causes like ours, and further, that the China Foundation can best be reached hereafter by Americans living in this country, or who come as frequently as does Dr. Paul Monroe.

I regret to report that Miss Monona Cheney has been called to America by the illness of her mother. It may be that she will have to stay not only months, but years, for this purpose. She would, however, be able to help somewhat in financial promotion, especially for such matters as the Women's College Endowment. She can be reached best through Mrs. Avann of our Board of Trustees.

While writing you may I suggest that the office does not send so many copies of reports such as that of the treasurer. There are, after all, only a few of our faculty and admin-

*Miss Feltman
has made a
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istrative officers who are practically interested in these documents, and the same is true of the Board of Managers. From five to ten according to the nature of the report would as a rule be a sufficient number of copies. Reports of the meetings of the Board itself are an exception.

Very sincerely yours,

Leighton Stuart

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