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PEIPING, CHINA.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

May 2 1935

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS  
"YENTA"

Dr. N. Gist Gee  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N.Y.  
U. S. A.

Dear Dr. Gee:

*copy made  
for Mr. Garwood*

H.B. Price. In reply to your letter of April 3 regarding Mr. and Mrs. Price, I have asked him to write Dr. Thompson fully and without delay on the various points upon which you make comments. They moved out of my house by mutual understanding because with two little children it was very taxing on her to try to be mother and hostess. This combined with the peculiar structure of the house, which as you will recall is an adaptation of a Chinese house, seemed to be a reasonable adjustment. They are at the house constantly and she has continued to help almost as much as when they lived with me. Her brother and his bride have been carrying on this year in their place, and these young people have always been as considerate of me and as helpful as could be possible. In this and all other respects the Prices have lived up to all that I had expected of them, and there is not the slightest reason why they should not be supported with full satisfaction by Dr. and Mrs. Thompson as hitherto. As I have already written to him I shall not go into further details.

Water Tower. Replying to the copy of a letter to you from Mr. Barrows under date of February 21, a statement is enclosed which I hope meets his desires.

Son-in-Law of Mr. Ellis Phillips. I am enclosing copies of correspondence regarding the possibility of a Dr. Richards doing some teaching with us, with a grant for his part time salary from Mr. Phillips.

T.C. Chao. I am enclosing an excerpt from a long letter written to England to be used by the London Missionary Society, regarding the impression Dean Chao made

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Dr. N. Gist Gee

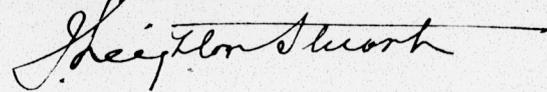
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upon a group of simple rural Christians. This may be of use in some form of publicity.

Mrs. Henry O. Marcy (140 Sargent Street, Newton, Massachusetts). This lady came with a letter of introduction from Dr. J.L. Barton and is apparently worth cultivating. She would be glad to have any Chinese student in Boston or vicinity introduced to her so that she could entertain him. She is especially interested in ceramics, is a member of the Old South Church, and her family have been connected with China for one or two generations.

"Public Affairs" No. 3. Several copies of this pamphlet have been sent to you under separate cover. Will you please send a copy to the New York Public Library, and ask for additional copies as you may need them?

Very sincerely yours,



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Yenching University

May 4, 1935

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart  
Yenching University  
Peiping, China

Dear Dr. Stuart:

Your letter of April 11th posted on the LINCOLN has just come to hand this morning. This deals with a request to honor any applications from your brother Warren for a loan of funds. Quite naturally I shall be very glad to cooperate in any way possible.

I was hoping that some progress would be made in making payments in the Helen Hartley Jenkins estate. The executors need a great deal of prodding, and in such an occasion the question arises as to whether or not the prodding accelerates a settlement, or on the other hand if it does not cause some resentment and a determination on the part of the executors to take the limit of time. As a result, Harper & Matthews are using all the tact and diplomacy possible, and using every excuse to write the executors without becoming offensive. Up to date, however, no definite word has been received, and we have no way of judging when a settlement will be made. As a matter of fact, we do not know whether there are any contests which will hold up the settlement. As the will is being probated in Connecticut, any other information than that which the executors are willing to give must come from making a trip there and securing the information. As that costs money, I have not authorized anyone to do it. If any definite information comes to hand, I shall write you immediately.

A meeting of the Finance Committee is scheduled for the 8th of May, at which time the field budget and estimates for the coming year will be considered. Extra appropriations from the Harvard-Yenching Institute, plus the extra \$1,000 voted by the Princeton-Yenching Foundation, gives a much better picture at the present time than set up in the field budget. As a matter of fact, estimates show that there will be a deficit of only LC\$6,218.83. As \$5,934. of this is held in the Women's College budget, you will see that the University budget is practically balanced. In this respect Yenching is to be congratulated. Very few institutions, to say nothing about governments and municipalities, are balancing their budgets nowadays, and it is with a sense of deep satisfaction that we see Yenching in a position where it can so closely meet this condition.

Very cordially yours,

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Copy to Dr. Stuart

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Yenching University  
Peiping  
May 5, 1935

My dear Dr. Thompson:

As our third year at Yenching draws to a close, I want to write to you and thank you again for your large part in making possible our being here. To phrase one's appreciation for so large a thing as the opportunity to set out, as a young man, upon the work that one has long wanted to do is not easy; the real phrasing, I suppose, will have to come in performance. I hope that the quality of our contribution here will increasingly justify what you and others have done to make it possible. As for ourselves, we shall always think of you and Mrs. Thompson with a very deep appreciation. I hope that when our furlough comes, we shall have an opportunity to become really acquainted with you.

Thank you for including us among the number to whom were sent copies of your letter of October-18 to January-18. We did not know until Mrs. Thompson's letter came that you had had a long illness. Your letter reflects the resourceful and triumphant spirit in which you met it. I hope that you are now enjoying increasing measures of returning health and strength, and of freedom to enjoy your host of friends.

Our first three years at Yenching have in many ways been rich and satisfying. We were most happy when Dr. Stuart invited us to live with him during our first year here and when the arrangement was extended for another year. It is hard to imagine any way in which we could have had a better opportunity for introduction to Yenching and to China as well. Elizabeth enjoyed her part in making a home for him - a home which is at the same time a very busy center of University activity. The best feature of it was the home life and the opportunity for intimate association with Dr. Stuart himself. We were very sorry, therefore, when the inevitable demands of small children made it seem advisable not to continue the arrangement for another year. At the same time we were glad that our place in the President's House could be taken over this year by Elizabeth's brother, Douglas Rugh, and by his charming bride, formerly Belle Dorman of the American University at Beirut, Syria. They have fitted right into "the family." So long as we are at Yenching, we hope that Dr. Stuart will consider our home as his own.

our life is full and interesting. Elizabeth

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is teaching a course in the Education Department this year and, if you will forgive a little family pride, I think it is one of the most active and stimulating courses being given in the university this year. Besides, the continues the management of the President's House, helps with girls' athletics, belongs to several committees, has many friends among the students, and, incidentally, takes excellent care of two kiddies and a husband. Joan is now three and a very alert and vivacious little lady she is. Little Dougie, now one and a half, bids fair to become a football player if he continues to grow at his present rate in size and energy. I am enjoying my own teaching more than ever this year, particularly a course in Chinese economic problems, which is attended by a group of rather mature students, in which the discussions are very lively and through which, I hope, we are gaining a continually deepening insight into China's real economic situation, which is so fundamental a factor in China's development toward her own form of modernization. Through the classroom, through athletics and other activities, I have had a natural access to some student friendships which I shall always prize. A few other responsibilities have helped to make the days fly at an incredible rate: chairmanship of the faculty athletic council for men, charge of a faculty discussion group in social philosophy, participation in the discussions of a committee which is considering the means for introducing a new emphasis on rural training next year, and the spending of such time as is available in carrying forward a research project on China's enormous population problem - a project which must perforce move forward rather slowly.

The new emphasis on "rural reconstruction" reflects, it seems to me, a definite and interesting trend at Yenching which may have a significant influence among the colleges and universities of China - a trend toward vocational emphasis, toward equipping students for practical competence and leadership which in many fields in China is sorely needed. Rural leadership is one case in point, for which I have tried to state the case briefly in the first section of the enclosed leaflet. As this trend develops, Yenching will not, I believe, lose the incalculable values of its cultural and religious heritage; rather, in being combined with training for competent practical leadership, these values will exert a stronger influence in the life of China than they otherwise could.

Some such leadership, on the order of practical statesmanship, is needed, it seems, almost anywhere that one looks. It is true that, partly despite and partly because of Japanese aggression, China is more unified in a political and military sense than she has been since the present government came into power in 1928. Yet the problems that remain - poverty, the development of agriculture, industry, and trade, the extension of useful education, the stabilization of finance,

the building up of honest and responsible administration, and the evolution of a new morale among the people - these all are of such magnitude and intricacy as to call for exceptional leadership. Such leadership develops to a large extent, I suppose, "on the job" yet I hope and believe that Yenching will play an honorable and strategic role in pointing the way to the most effective training for certain types of social responsibility.

The American scene is, if possible, fully as interesting at a distance as at close range. We follow developments as closely as we can through periodicals (in our case, particularly Time magazine) yet we particularly enjoy comments from friends who are watching the New Deal from within. Whatever the difficulties encountered, at least America is spared the political cloud which hangs like a pall over Europe now. I just read yesterday Walter Durenty's pamphlet Europe: War or Peace? which is sobering, to say the least.

Well, I did not intend to inflict such a screed upon you. Please accept again our best wishes and deepest appreciation.

Very sincerely yours,

*Harry Price*

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YENCHING UNIVERSITY

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Chiu Yun-hsi (class of 1936)	\$200.00
Liu Te-tseng (class of 1938) (Tientsin Academy)	\$100.00 -
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TELEGRAPH ADDRESS  
"YENTA"

Dr. N. Gist Gee  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N.Y.  
U. S. A.

Dear Dr. Gee:

Dr. Stuart has asked me to give you a report of the tourists about whom you wrote. In most cases it would seem that their time was too limited to permit a visit to Yenching. I am also adding the names of three other visitors to whom it might be well to send publicity material.

Mr. and Mrs. Pettus and Mrs. Roberts. Dr. Stuart was in Hongkong just before this group arrived there, and asked Mr. Charles M. Gee to explain that he would not be at Yenching when they reached Peiping. However, they drove through the campus with Mrs. W.B. Pettus, of the Language School here.

Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Merner and party. An invitation to visit the University was sent to Dr. Merner but he did not reply, and as far as we are aware they did not come to Yenching.

Mr. and Mrs. Brainerd Bliss Thresher. Mr. Thresher sent your letter of introduction with his card. As Dr. Stuart had not yet returned I wrote inviting them to Yenching, but they did not reply and apparently did not come out.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Danforth of St. Louis are friends of Mr. and Mrs. T.W. Van Schoiack (Schaiack?) of that city. Mr. Danforth had a letter from President Hutchins of Berea College, of which he is a Trustee. Dr. Stuart met them when they stopped in Hongkong. They visited the campus and met Dr. Adolph, to whom Mr. Danforth had an introduction, and Dr. Luh.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Glazier (19 East 67th Street, New York) came to Yenching after meeting Mrs. E.K. Smith in the city, where she was selling Yenching craftwork. After seeing the grounds Mr. Glazier asked to be taken into the dormitories,

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Dr. N. Gist Gee

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dining halls, gymnasium, lecture rooms, auditorium, etc. They were the most interested of all the visitors here and I think would appreciate receiving material on Yenching.

Mrs. William Russell Bennett (Williamstown, Massachusetts) visited Mr. and Mrs. H.B. Price and asked that one of her cards be sent to the office, for Dr. Stuart on his return. Mr. Price feels that it would be worth while to send publicity material to Mrs. Bennett also, as she showed a great deal of interest in the University.

I am enclosing three photographs of the Library exhibit on Alumni Homecoming Day (April 27, 1935).

Very sincerely yours,

*Jessie White*  
Secretary (Mrs. J. D.)

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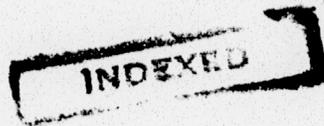
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TELEGRAPH ADDRESS

"YENTA"



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

Dear Mr. Garside:

This is in reply to your letters of April 11.

McBrier Foundation Financial Statement. I am enclosing this herewith, as supplied by our Bursar.

Budget for 1935-36. I very much appreciate the action of the Committee as indicated in the cable which arrived while I was in south China, and as enlarged upon in your letter. The items will provide amply for the various things I have specially in mind.

The action regarding Dr. P.C. Hsu has been most heartening to himself and his colleagues. I should, however, report that during the past few weeks there has been a very insistent effort to secure him as general secretary for the Christian rural reconstruction project which centres in Lichuan, Kiangsi. You have doubtless heard of this undertaking and may have met Mr. George Shepherd, its most active promoter who is now on furlough. It has the financial and moral support of General and Mrs. Chiang Kai-shek and has attracted a group of Christian college graduates from several of our institutions. It is essential that there be some qualified Chinese to take the leadership, and the board of control insist that the only two people whom they have been able to discover as meeting the requirements are our Y.P. Mei and P.C. Hsu. The former has definitely decided not to consider this position and the latter is therefore in quite a quandary. The School of Religion faculty spent the whole evening at my home yesterday discussing the matter and finally agreed that we would support Dr. Hsu in whatever decision he might reach. All those present felt the critical importance of his staying with us. On the other hand the Kiangsi project is a unique and significant opportunity, and all who are

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Mr. B.A. Garside

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interested in the Christian cause must be ready to sacrifice for its success as there may be occasion. He wishes to have further information on certain points before making his final decision. Meanwhile the young man of whom I wrote before (Cheng Shao-huai) is waiting for our answer, although some members of his Mission are opposing his being allowed to consider the proposal of coming to us.

I naturally feel in an embarrassed situation after having pled so for Dr. Hsu, to be willing to consider letting him leave us for the year, but if Mr. McBrier and the others of you on the Committee knew of the pressure from missionary leaders and others and the internal problems as described to us by our own students who are working there and others, you would be sympathetic. I shall of course keep you informed as to developments.

Mr. and Mrs. Price. I note the situation as regards their support and am happy to know of the possibility that Dr. and Mrs. Thompson may continue to give US\$1,000 annually for the next two years. I heartily approve of appropriating US\$544.07 toward paying off his obligations and retaining the balance (US\$1,488.60) toward travelling and other expenses for them in the future. They are included in our budget for next year under the grant from the Rockefeller Foundation. Harry has recently written a letter to Dr. Thompson and I am enclosing the copy he gave me for your own reference or for file.

Scholarships. I am enclosing herewith the names of the students who have received these during the present year and to whom I have made a promise of continuance next year, since receiving the cable. They are all proving themselves active and useful members of the student Christian work on the campus, are doing well in their studies and seem fully worthy of this assistance. This leaves a small amount for some new student. I have also promised a sum not to exceed \$100 for the student summer conference in the Western Hills near here, which is now conducted entirely by the student Christian union of the province in which our own students are the largest and leading group.

The other items in your letters are noted with interest but seem to call for no special comment.

Very sincerely yours,

*Freighton Stuart*

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YENCHING

May 22, 1935

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart  
Yenching University  
Peiping, China

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My dear Dr. Stuart:

We enclose a copy of the minutes of the Annual Meeting of our Yenching Trustees held on May 16th. We are omitting on the enclosed draft the appendix prepared by Dr. Gamble, and also page eight of the minutes, which contains only one or two commendatory resolutions not yet put into final form. I am hurrying off this copy by air mail so that it will catch the boat for which regular mail closed two days ago. Twenty copies of the complete minutes will be forwarded to you by regular mail a little later this week.

While the attendance at our meeting for this year was smaller than usual, due to the fact that two of our Trustees are in China, and several others are away from the city on extended trips, the meeting was in general a very satisfactory one. All those present took a very active and friendly interest in all matters related to the University. We were very happy that Miss Cummings was able to be with us and felt that her presence was of very material value to us. We extended an invitation also to Professor and Mrs. E. O. Wilson but they were not able to come down from Boston.

Report of the President. The members of the Board reviewed with genuine interest and friendliness the report which you sent us at the end of February. I believe that our Trustees have a keen appreciation of the fact that our administrative officers at Yenching have been facing tremendously difficult problems during the past year, and that the courageous way in which you have carried on is a real triumph both of faith and of courage. The Trustees are eager to help in every possible way and sincerely regret that they have not been able to do more.

Financial Statement. In general, the financial situation of the Trustees is quite satisfactory for such abnormal times as these. During the years we have made substantial progress in restoring the losses which our investments, in common with trust funds of every kind, suffered as a result of the economic depression which overtook us five and a half years ago. While our immediate income on investments has not risen substantially as yet, the value of our securities has increased in a very gratifying way, and the prospects for the future are much brighter than they seemed a year ago. We have made substantial progress in clearing off the heavy deficit in our Plant Section. The Current General Account, while showing a small deficit, is nearer to being

in balance than we dared hope for when our budget obligations for this year were assumed. Our Promotional Section should not show any further deficit this year, and may even show a modest surplus which we can apply against the heavy deficit which we have carried for so long a time.

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Budget Appropriation, 1935-36. Action T-3397 of the Trustees defines their contribution toward the 1935-36 budget. The figures set forth in this action are those recommended by the Finance Committee. Mr. Evans is writing you more in detail with regard to these appropriations, so I need not comment further on them here. One point at which the Trustees express some solicitude was that of the rate of exchange on which our budget estimates for next year have been prepared. At the present moment the exchange ratio here in New York is 2:40 to 1, and most exchange counselors believe that the Chinese dollar is apt to go considerably higher during the coming year.

Reorganization of the Board of Managers. The Board reviewed this question in a very earnest and sympathetic spirit. Everyone present was anxious to agree with the views of the field just as far as they possibly could. On the other hand they felt that, for the sake of Yenching as well as in fairness to our Western constituency, they should not lose sight of some quite definite trends in thinking which have been manifested here during recent months. There is a rather wide-spread conviction here that, for the present at least, our Yenching Board of Managers should continue to have a pretty close relationship to the missionary groups and the growing Chinese Christian churches, which Yenching is serving. There was no tendency whatever to press for the maintenance of Western or Missionary control within the Board of Managers, but only an earnest desire that the close connection between the University and the organized forces of Christianity in China shall not be weakened or lost. By action T-3398 the Trustees voted to approve the proposed reorganization of the Board of Managers except that instead of providing for four members representing the cooperating Christian bodies the Trustees favor the appointment of eight representative members. At least four of these should, of course, be Chinese. This might be secured either by having each of the four constituent bodies appoint at least one Chinese among its two representatives. It might also be accomplished by having the Chinese Christian churches which have grown out of the efforts of these missionary groups appoint four representatives on the Board of Managers. In either case it should be possible to work out some plan of <sup>cooperation</sup> ~~cultivation~~ between the University and the appointing bodies so as to insure that the appointees would be outstanding men who could make an educational, as well as a religious, contribution. The Trustees recognize that this may involve some difficulties, and that occasionally a member of the Board of Managers may not be as valuable an individual as the University could desire. But in their judgment these considerations are far outweighed by the values inherent in maintaining the closeness of contact between the University and its constituent Christian groups both from China and from the West. We earnestly hope that it will be possible for the Managers to carry out their reorganization on the basis suggested in action T-3398.

Cooperation in China and America. Once again the Trustees gave very careful consideration to the communications from the field with regard to Yenching's cooperation in the correlated program in China and with the Associated Boards in America. The Trustees were in quite hearty and I believe unanimous agreement with the minute adopted by the Executive, Finance, and Promotion Committees at their meeting on April 3rd. By action T-3399 they record their concurrence in the judgments expressed by these Committees at that time. We all feel that the Trustees and the field are in complete agreement as to the ideals we are all seeking to attain, and that any difference between us is merely that

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of the best methods to pursue in reaching these objectives. We earnestly hope that even here we may soon find ourselves in complete accord.

Promotional Matters. The suggestion that K. A. Wee might be available to assist with the promotional work next year met with a hearty and cordial response. With the assistance of Dr. Gee we will try to pursue this proposal further within the next week or two and may be sending a cable to Mr. Wee before this letter reaches you.

The Yenching Committee on Promotion and the Associated Boards Committee on Promotion are planning to hold a joint session within the next fortnight to work out the details of cooperation for the coming year. We are all anxious that the promotional interests of Yenching will be thoroughly safeguarded and that the new organization of our Yenching promotional work will prove not only more economical but fully as productive as would be possible under any conditions. The share Yenching is asked to take in the promotional budget of the Associated Boards for next year is approximately the same as for the present year, so if we can only succeed in the things we are trying to do, we should be able to effect a substantial saving which can be used to clear off some of our promotional deficits here and ultimately to increase our direct contribution to the work of the University.

Ratio of Student Income. The study Dr. Gamble has made should prove quite an interesting and significant one. He is now putting his report in final form, and we will attach it to the complete minutes which will go forward by regular mail within the week.

Continuation of Dr. Gee's Appointment as Vice President. Action T-3405 was taken in consultation with Dr. Gee. The Trustees are united in their admiration and affectionate regard for Dr. Gee and are anxious to treat him with as generous consideration as they possibly can. They all feel that during the past three years he has rendered Yenching as devoted and unselfish service as anyone could possibly have given. The economic conditions under which he has had to work would probably have prevented any individual no matter how great his capacity for promotional work, from achieving any conspicuous success. Unquestionably, Dr. Gee has kept all of our existing Yenching friendships warm and sympathetic and has won us many new friends. While we understand that after Dr. Gee's salary is discontinued on September 30th he will not have any special obligations to the University or the University to him, the continuation of his status as Vice President to June 30th, 1936 will be of material value to him in connection with his retirement fund, and possibly also will assist him in making satisfactory new arrangements for the future.

There are a number of other Yenching matters on which we will be writing within the next few days.

Very cordially yours,

BAG:MP

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Copy to Mr. Tsai

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YENCHING

Yenching University

May 22, 1935

✓ Dr. J. Leighton Stuart ✓  
Miss Mary Cookingham  
Yenching University  
Peiping, China

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My dear Dr. Stuart and Miss Cookingham:

The minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees held last week are being prepared for mailing today. The Board acted upon the recommendations of the Finance Committee (which met May 8th), and I am enclosing a copy of the minutes of that meeting. (Miss Cookingham's copy will follow in the next mail to avoid excessive postage.)

The approval of certain actions of the Investment Committee represented a routine matter, and is fully covered in the minutes.

The discussion regarding investment advisory service occupied more time, but the discussion is fairly well summed up in the minutes. Frankly, no one has been more concerned about the costs and results of advisory service than the Investment Committee. It is always a matter of discussion when we meet, but the grave uncertainties in our whole economic fabric, coupled with the fact that we are launched in a plan which means carrying on through this readjustment (whether it is a reformation or recovery program), makes it a difficult problem. Consequently it is felt that only first-class advisory service should be employed. We are still continuing the study of various services to improve the situation if possible.

Field Budget for 1935-36. The Finance Committee gave a great deal of time to the consideration of the budget for 1935-36, and it was not with any critical attitude of the set up made by the field. It was felt that because there is an accepted understanding that it is the responsibility of the field to arrange its expenditures, any critical analysis of the field budget to be unnecessary. However, time was consumed in a very thorough analysis of possible income, and a study of ways and means whereby such income might be increased. One of the things to be noted was the rate of exchange used in the budget. Many questions were asked as to the feeling of economic experts on the silver situation, and as we had spent a great deal of time in investigating this condition, we were prepared to pass on the sum total of wisdom gained from a number of sources as to what should be done in such a silver market as we have been experiencing. These glittering nuggets of wisdom were boiled down into the simple statement of, "Do nothing." It is quite true that a "do nothing" attitude will solve many problems, but in the case of where we accepted that advice a month ago and refrained from purchasing a remittance which ultimately must be sent to the field, we lost \$1,000.

Dr. J. L. Stuart  
Miss Mary Cockingham

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Action FC-3392 is not to be construed as a criticism in any sense. The committee recognized the extreme difficulties under which the field is working. Everyone knew that some basis must be selected, and the fact that the market was off a couple of points from your selected rate of exchange probably prompted the committee to take this action - more as a matter of protection and to put itself on record as having called attention to the sliding rate. While our Trustees are deeply concerned over this monetary situation, still you who are living in the very atmosphere of uncertainty and doubt in the exchange situation, as well as having the responsibility of handling a large budget for the school, as well as individual expenditures, are more deeply conscious and concerned over this situation, and I am sure you realize far more than we do the drastic changes which are wrought by these sudden fluctuations.

As regards to the figures as set down under action FC-3393, they represent the limits which the Trustees can assume for the coming year. That is, when we look forward from present conditions, there seems to be no possibility of an improvement or betterment. On the other hand, there are possibilities of income from various invested funds being improved; but that all depends upon the actual business conditions and the rate of recovery which we experience.

The Harvard-Yenching Institute did nobly in raising its appropriations for all of our China Colleges, but Yenching drew (as was natural) the lion's share. This splendid increase was due to the initiative of Dr. Eric M. North in consultation with Dean Donham, who made a very thorough study of the whole group of China Colleges, and decided that drastic measures must be taken to help out during this time when exchange has gone against the institutions, while at the same time the United States dollar income has decreased.

The Princeton-Yenching Foundation likewise has helped out with a \$1,000. increase, and while their deficit of last year has only been taken care of during the last few days, still they have definitely promised this obligation, and there is every indication that they will be able to handle it without undue difficulty.

We are sorry that so little is accruing for the use of the School of Religion. This is a matter of deep concern to everyone interested in the University, especially in view of the proposed erection of the Wheeler Chapel. The hope has been expressed in more than one quarter that some action will be forthcoming immediately upon the return of certain visitors to China who are studying conditions, and that as a result, a plan for the different schools of religion and theological seminaries will be evolved so that some of the large funds available for theological education in the Orient will be made available for a number of different units of that character. We have endeavored to sound out the possibilities in this direction, but up to this moment, the response has been nothing but a hollow echo.

The Women's College Committee voted to accept the suggestion of the field and approved the \$12,000. expenditure, the shortage to be taken from the surplus on the field. It is probable that Mrs. Marlin of the Yenching College Committee will be writing to Miss Speer when the minutes of the committee are completed. From present indications, however, they will not be ready for this boat.

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Dr. J. L. Stuart  
Miss Mary Cookingham

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The change in the figure for Journalism was noted. This is the exact amount which we have on hand. Attention was directed to the understanding which we had that this amount was to be reserved for the homecoming of the Nash family. As you are using this amount for Mr. Nash's salary, we are assuming that the field has definitely accepted the responsibility for travel, as well as for the Journalism budget.

On the whole, Yenching is to be heartily congratulated. You have done a splendid piece of work in adjusting the budget, and with the additional income which is assured from several sources, your budget is practically balanced. That is something that few institutions can boast of.

It is our earnest hope that with this encouraging prospect ahead of us for the year, that during that period other sources of income will be revealed, which will not require a backward step from the advances which you have made in the splendid work carried on at the University.

Very cordially yours,

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May 23rd, 1935

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

Dear Dr Stuart:-

I am sending with this an early copy of the minutes of the Yenching Board of Trustees.

I turned over to Mr Garside the matter of Mr Wee's possible aid in the Promotion work during the coming year. It seems now likely that they will wish him to come. Mr Garside will wire regarding this matter after he has secured some further information. I have asked him to handle this now that I am to leave the office so soon.

There have as yet been no decisions in Miss Wu Yu Chen's case it seems. She is hopeful that within the next ten days her plans may be at least be a little more definite. No word has yet reached us as to whether Mr Gunn is granting her a fellowship or not and it seems that the New York School of Social Work is to reach its decision on the fellowship within a week.

The action on page 6 giving me furlough for the year is to make it possible for me to continue my annuity payments through the coming academic year on the present basis. We are leaving here for Greenwood, South Carolina, by the end of July. It will take us some time to get packed and moved. My connection with the office terminates on June 30th, 1935.

Very sincerely,

H. Cist Gee.

May 23rd, 1935.

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

Dear Dr Stuart:-

I am enclosing with this a brief statement by Dr Andrews concerning the purposes of a trip which he is making with a group teachers of Home Economics to China this summer. Dr Andrews is already in communication with Dr Kung of Yenching but I am writing to ask that you do what may be possible on your part and on that of the University to make his stay pleasant and helpful.

I am especially eager to have him know the right Chinese and to see something of the homelife of the better class Chinese if this is possible during his short stay there. Your contacts and the influence of the University will open many of these things to him during his brief stay that he would not otherwise have the advantage of without your assistance. I shall be very grateful for any help which you can extend to him and his party. If you are to be out of Peiping at that time, will you kindly delegate this to some one of the Faculty who will be in Peiping? The party expects to be in Peiping from July 31st to August 10th. 1935.

I am sure that you can also get Dr Andrews in touch also with the Minister of Education and other Government officials in Nanking who would be interested to assist him in getting the proper impressions of China and the educational work there.

Thanking you for your assistance in this matter, I am  
Very sincerely,

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May 24, 1935

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart  
Yenching University  
Peiping, China

Dear Dr. Stuart:

Your letter of May 2nd has just been received.

H. B. Price. I am very glad indeed to have your statement concerning Mr. and Mrs. Price. Dr. Thompson is now in Europe and since you have written him I shall not follow the matter up any further. Dr. and Mrs. Thompson gave the \$1500 which they have been accustomed to give toward Mr. Price's salary and I believe if this is followed up in the fall they may be willing to continue their contribution, though possibly the sum given may be smaller than heretofore.

Water Tower. Thank you for the facts concerning this. I am passing them on at once to Mr. Barrows and doubtless he will use them in an article in an American engineering magazine.

Son-in-law of Mr. Ellis Phillips. I am glad to have the correspondence concerning Dr. Richards and shall make an effort to see Mr. Thornburg and discuss the matter with him. Your letter to him makes it clear that unless funds from the outside are available it would not be possible for Yenching to make use of him.

T. C. Chao. Thank you for the excerpt concerning Dr. Chao. We will hold this here and have it available if any publicity is gotten out in this connection. Dr. Chao is an outstanding Christian man and I heartily agree with the sentiments expressed by Mr. Rowlands. I think if people knew him personally they would not doubt the sincerity and the depth of his religious life. I wish he might have personal contact with quite a number of our American fundamentalists. He might be able to help them.

Mrs. Henry O. Marcy. We will put Mrs. Marcy's name on our mailing list and I am asking Miss Woodward to communicate with her this fall concerning the Chinese students who may be in and around Boston.

Public Affairs No. 5. We will be glad to have these. Most of the copies go to the Princeton-Yenching office and a few are retained in our office. We will see that the copy goes to the New York Public Library and will let you know if additional copies are needed.

Very sincerely,

N. Gist Gee

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June 5, 1935  
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Dr. J. Leighton Stuart  
Yenching University  
Peiping, China

My dear Dr. Stuart:

The Rockefeller Foundation has made its last payment on the appropriation from the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Foundation Fund set aside for the School of Public Affairs at Yenching. In doing so, they are asking for a report on the expenditures for the current year, and the return of any funds unexpended.

In acknowledging this letter we avoided any reference to the return of funds, as it has been our understanding that the cash held on hand, which also included gain on exchange, would be used for the budget for this year and for 1935-36. This is the way it was reported to the Trustees, and the budget for 1935-36 was approved upon this basis. It would seem as though Mr. Gunn had not reported to the Foundation the recommendations he made regarding the use of these balances. There are two things which immediately suggest themselves in considering this situation:-

First, was definite authority given to use the Rockefeller funds on hand for current and next year's budgets?

Secondly, if Mr. Gunn was authorized to make suggestions for the use of these funds, has he reported same to headquarters here in the United States?

It is hardly necessary to allude to the importance of this situation and to the necessity of having Mr. Gunn communicate with the Foundation here in New York and straighten out the misunderstanding. Surely no report can be made to the Foundation until some agreement is reached as to the use of these funds. We will do nothing at this end as it is possible that any steps we might take to explain the condition would only prejudice the final adjustment. We hope, therefore, that you will be able to get some action on the field so that the adjustment can be made here at an early date.

Very cordially yours,

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TELEGRAPH ADDRESS

"YENTA"

Mr. C.A. Evans  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N.Y.  
U. S. A.

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Dear Mr. Evans:

Thanks for your last letter about my personal affairs. I am enclosing herewith a cheque for \$247.44, to be put to the credit of my account in your care and used as there may be occasion. From now on it ought to be possible to draw on my salary account to the extent of \$45 U.S. currency per month, and with this in view it may be possible to return or at least reduce the insurance loan.

With hearty appreciation of your help in these matters, I am

Very sincerely yours,

*J. Heigton Stuart*

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Yenching University

June 7, 1935

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart  
Yenching University  
Peiping, China

My dear Dr. Stuart:

We are greatly interested in your letter of May 10th regarding the McBrier Foundation budget for 1935-36. Mr. Garside is absent from the office for a few days, and therefore I am acknowledging same. We are planning to have a meeting next week, and this report will be presented at that time.

We can readily understand your difficulties regarding Dr. Hsu, as the work in Lichuan certainly is challenging. Mr. Shepherd spoke at our annual dinner of the Associated Boards for more than an hour, and gave a very vivid description of his work and of the opportunity for further development. I am sure the committee will thoroughly understand the problems involved.

We are very glad to have a copy of Harry Price's letter to Dr. and Mrs. Thompson, which is very interesting indeed. We are also acknowledging receipt of list of scholarships in the McBrier Foundation, your letter to Mr. E. H. Cressy under date of May 2nd, as well as a report of expenditures for 1934-35.

With cordial good wishes, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

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校長辦公處通告

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構並無根據，特此通告週知。

六月十一日

June 11, 1935.

Notice is hereby given that according to reliable information all rumors concerning Yenching University which have been in circulation because of recent developments in North China are entirely groundless. Therefore whatever contingencies may have to be faced hereafter there is no cause for immediate anxiety or action.

Chancellor's Office.

Shen-yi-shan  
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Mr. B.A. Garside  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N.Y.  
U. S. A.

Dear Mr. Garside:

K.A. Wee. Your first cable to him about his study at Columbia and helping the Associated Boards led to quite a little discussion, the result of which was my first cable to you on this subject, to which we assumed your second one was a reply. I at once cabled again, enquiring about ocean travel, but have had no reply as yet. Let me suggest that hereafter any cable or letter affecting a member of the staff to such an extent as this does be sent to the administration direct rather than to the individual. It was difficult to form a judgment as to whether the original cable was an effort to find a solution for him or to secure someone from Yenching for the joint financial campaign. The discussion was the more animated because there are few members of our faculty about whose affairs there is as much difference of opinion as in this case. In general there is a feeling that if we must continue to pay so large a share of the expenses of the campaign we ought to be adequately represented, and that all things considered Wee is perhaps the best Chinese for this purpose, but the financial aspects of the case are complicated by the general shrinkage in income and the controversial issues that are connected with physical education for men. It would have been scarcely possible to include money for his travel to and from the States merely in order that he might have a furlough or complete the work for his doctorate. On the other hand it seems entirely reasonable that if he goes to work for the Associated Boards the additional cost would be provided from that source. From the delayed reply I take it that this aspect of the matter had not been dealt with. The whole issue is therefore left in suspense, which I hope will soon be relieved by a cable giving us the necessary information.

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Mr. B.A. Garside

June 12 1935

Reports of the Board of Managers. You will soon be receiving copies of these. They are written this year primarily with the view to arousing that body to a sense of responsibility for financial efforts in China and of the achievements of the institution as being worthy of such efforts. You may use your judgment as to how much of this material is worth reproducing for the sake of the Trustees and others in America.

Renewed Japanese aggression. The past few days have been very tense, and all sorts of rumors are in circulation. This was especially unfortunate just on the eve of our final examinations. The enclosed circular to faculty and students will indicate the extent to which our own community has been agitated. All that is happening bears out references to this subject in previous communications of mine. The immediate crisis is perhaps over, but we are all the more perturbed about the outlook for the future. I may be writing more seriously as to this before long.

Wheeler Chapel. We had about decided, in view of the sharp fall in Shanghai securities, not to start building the chapel in the immediate future. Mr. Wheeler had insisted on this particular form of investment in order to be safely in foreign control. The more recent Japanese activities make us feel that it would be folly to start any new construction until this fear will be somewhat relieved.

Modern Missions Movement. I notice in the second issue of its bulletin a reference to Lingnan University. Is there any reason why Yenching should not also be listed?

For the rest, the year is coming to a close without any major developments upon which to comment and with some factors affecting the budget for the coming year not as yet settled. We were hoping to have Dr. James Yen as our Commencement speaker but he has been working too hard and is ordered to rest. Dr. Kung is still hoping to come but the financial crisis in Shanghai may prevent this. We are looking forward to having Dr. Luce for the Baccalaureate Service.

Very sincerely yours,

*Sheila Stewart*

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*Sent by Dr.  
Stuart letter  
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Confidential

Dr. Joseph Beech  
West China Union University  
Chengtou, Szechuan

My dear Beech:

You will be surprised to hear from Yenching regarding a proposal to carry the association between us much further than has been implied by recent correspondence. You are doubtless aware of the general developments in north China due to Japanese aggression. This has not been unforeseen and is nothing more than a stage in the intentions of the military group to exploit China to the exclusive benefit of their own country. Indications have not been lacking that this part of their plan would take place early in the present summer. We had been hoping, however, that they would be content with their gains in the four provinces already under their dominance, at least for a few years more. It is impossible at this writing to form a judgment as to whether the demands recently made upon the Chinese authorities and the encroachments by way of military display are the signal for a more thoroughgoing occupation after the manner of what happened in Manchuria, or are merely intended to intimidate the local officials and secure compliance with demands, the purpose of which is something other than the taking over of this area.

In any case it seems to us to be the part of wisdom to plan quite definitely for eventualities. Should the Japanese under any pretext or using any euphemistic formula assume virtual control of the region, our position would become untenable. Many of our best Chinese teachers would feel it necessary to leave for their own safety and the others would probably be unwilling to stay under what would become almost intolerable conditions. The same would probably be true of students from other provinces, and as only about twenty per cent of our present students come from this province the consequences of this to our enrolment are sufficiently apparent. There would undoubtedly be restrictions upon our freedom and such interference as would make impossible the liberty of thought and teaching usually associated with university life. Not only so, but there have been insistent rumors during

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the past few days that the Japanese intend to demand the closing or removal of one or more of the universities here, ours being always included. This is quite natural since our American connections and the general point of view would be peculiarly objectionable to the Japanese military mind.

Rather, therefore, than attempt to carry on here under such conditions (even if we are permitted to do so), we prefer to take temporary refuge elsewhere in the hope that the time will come when the University can be reopened here under more favorable conditions. In considering possibilities we have thought of West China University. If we have to leave here we prefer to move to a place where there would be least danger of further interference from this source, and in a region where the ratio of population to facilities for higher education are highest. Our hope would be that our resources, financial and in personnel, would supplement yours and that together we could maintain a strong institution to which we would seek to attract young men and women eager to fit themselves to be citizens of a free nation, technically trained for the service of their country. The friendly relations between West China and Yenching are a further factor.

Granting that the general proposition would be acceptable to you, there are many details of organization, accomodation for teachers and students, equipment, budget, etc. We should want to begin at least on the basis of guest privileges during a temporary period of refuge. The probabilities would be, however, that such Japanese control as would make this move necessary would not be speedily altered and that we might have to look forward to a long term absence from here. More permanent arrangements could therefore follow in the light of experience.

May I ask you to take this up with those of your colleagues whom you feel should be consulted, asking them to keep the matter confidential for the present? Will you also send a telegram addressed "Yenta Peiping", indicating in general whether such a request would be favorably considered or not? Perhaps the single word "Acceptable" or its negative would be sufficient. In the former instance we might feel it desirable to send one of our administrative officers to Chengtu for consultation as to details.

It may be that with the assurance in general that we could remove to Chengtu, we would then carry

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on here for one or more years or that the whole threat which we are now facing may clear away, but there is sufficient anxiety to force us to look ahead, and the actualities in Manchuria have not been reassuring.

Very sincerely yours,

*J. Beighten Stewart*

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"YENTA"

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ack 7-16-35

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

Dear Mr. Garside:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter which explains itself. This is perhaps a more effective way to keep the Trustees informed of developments than any other. May I ask that it be shown only to such persons as can be counted on not to make its contents public.

The Trustees may feel that the situation will warrant one or more of their number in consulting with our State Department. I venture to feel that before we are forced to so drastic an action an appeal might be made from our Government to the Tokyo Government direct rather than leaving us to the mercy of a military leadership which is apparently capable of understanding nothing except ruthless force and its own grandiose schemes of unrestrained aggression.

Very sincerely yours,

*J. Haighton Stewart*

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June 20, 1935

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart  
Yenching University  
Peiping, China

My dear Dr. Stuart:

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Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 10th, together with the various documents attached thereto. Mr. Evans has already sent you a brief acknowledgment of this communication under date of June 7th.

We are distributing to members of the McBrier Foundation Committee copies of the Report and Expenditures of the McBrier Fund for the year 1934-35, and also of your comments with regard to Dr. P. C. Hsu. I know that all members of this Committee have the very highest regard for Mr. Shepherd and for the excellent work he is doing and while they would regret Yenching's loss of Dr. Hsu they would be very happy to see him associated with Mr. Shepherd in the very fine service he is rendering at Lichuan.

Dr. George T. Scott has now returned to America and no doubt will be able to supplement from first hand information the facts we have been passing on to the McBrier Committee from time to time. We will try to get the Committee together again at the first feasible opportunity, though I do not know whether it will be necessary or possible for us to secure such a meeting until after the summer. The members of the Committee are already beginning to embark upon summer plans which take them away from New York, and since action has already been taken on the most essential items, it may be better to postpone our next meeting until the autumn.

Dr. and Mrs. Thompson are in Europe at present, so it would not be possible for us to take up with them at this time the question of a continuation of their support of Mr. and Mrs. Price during the next two years even if it were desirable for us to do so. From my last conversation with Dr. and Mrs. Thompson, I am of the opinion that it would be wiser not to press the question of the renewal of their support for Mr. and Mrs. Price just yet. It would seem better to let the matter rest until next winter. When they made their latest gift a few months ago both Dr. and Mrs. Thompson said quite plainly that they could not at that time promise to renew their gift next year, and that there was a very real doubt in their minds as to whether it would be possible for them to give anything more next year. We will follow the matter up as carefully and as persistently as possible, but we do not wish our friends on the field to gain the impression that the continuation of this special support is in any way assured.

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Dr. J. Leighton Stuart

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June 20, 1935

We will await further word either from you or from Mr. Price as to any change in our present procedure in clearing off the balance of Mr. Price's indebtedness. Just before he sailed for China he gave us an itemized list of the payments we were to make and the dates at which they were to be made. Unless and until we hear from the field, we will continue making these payments from month to month as we have been doing heretofore. If desired, we could clear them all off immediately and close these outstanding accounts. In that case we would need information from Mr. Price as to whether this would involve some change in figures, due to the saving of interest. We have paid Mr. Price's salary through June 30th and understand that after that date his salary is being provided on the field.

With all good wishes for a pleasant and restful summer, I am

Very cordially yours,

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To our students :

During the very real anxieties of the past few days, aggravated as they have been by many baseless rumors, we have been thinking constantly of the future policy of the University. This is primarily with a view to your welfare and that of those who wish to come here for study next session. After every effort to secure information and to form a judgment as to tendencies or probabilities in the North China situation, we see no reason to fear that there will be physical danger or serious disturbance in the near future. We intend therefore to carry on during the coming session as hitherto and we earnestly hope that all of you will aid us in this resolution for patriotic as well as for more personal reasons. We can assure you that we shall continue to watch every development with the greatest care and to take every precaution for your safety. Furthermore, if for any reason we should be unable to conduct our work with academic freedom and in such manner as should fit you for your proper part in national progress, we can assure you that plans will be put into effect for enabling you to continue your studies elsewhere without injury to your future usefulness. For the sake therefore of the contribution which Yenching can render China at this critical period if we all stand together in this determination, we ask you to help us in realizing an aim that may have peculiar difficulties but is also abundantly worth our utmost endeavor.

June 21, 1935

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本校學生均鑒：

在過去之數日中，華北時局極度緊張，又兼謠譁蠱起，人心益感惶惑，僕等爲在校諸生及下年新生之福利設想，曾對本校之前途，作深長之思慮。茲據向各方探訪所得之消息，僕等認爲華北局面，在最近期內，不致有何種危害與滋擾。本校決定於下年度照常開學，切望諸生本愛護國家，鍛鍊氣節之精神，協助本校，貫徹此種決意。本校自後當隨時觀察時局之演變，以期爲諸生之安全問題，縝密豫防。倘或情勢劇變，環境惡劣，致本校之教學工作不能再依據校訓而進行，本校亦必妥籌辦法，使諸生弦誦不絕，無碍於前程。當茲國家危難之時，我校師生尤當不顧艱阻，團結一致，對於國家社會，更應有所貢獻，本校有厚望焉。

陸志韋  
司徒雷登 同啟

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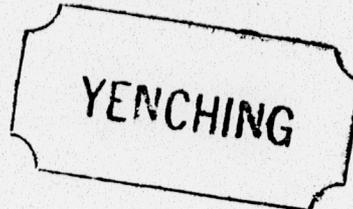
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TELEGRAPH ADDRESS

"YENTA"



*Ack 8/1/35*

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

Dear Mr. Garside:

Your letter of May 22 covering the Minutes of the annual meeting of the Trustees came duly to hand. There is perhaps not much that calls for comment except that I have requested the missionary members of the Board of Managers to reply to that paragraph of the Minutes which deals with the reorganization of their Board. A few days after receiving these communications I asked them to come out here for a conference, which resulted in this decision.

I am enclosing a notice regarding the political situation which perhaps reveals as well as anything could how seriously this area felt the menace of the last Japanese aggression to be. When the danger seemed at its worst there was a sudden change, and the general impression is that something quite important happened. There is reason to suppose that the Emperor issued a special edict restraining military action. Another theory is that if this province had been taken over by the Japanese there would have been a crash in the Shanghai financial market, already near the breaking point because of American silver legislation and other factors. A perhaps less likely explanation is that one of the Western nations gave a friendly warning. In any case things have quieted down, at least for the present. Before very long I shall write a memorandum to the Trustees on the meaning to us of this steadily encroaching menace.

Commencement passed off pleasantly, as usual, despite the fears of the two preceding weeks. Our chief immediate anxiety will be that newspaper reports all over the country have been so alarming that it may lead to a serious drop in enrollment next autumn.

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Mr. B.A. Garside

YENCHING

June 26 1935

Dr. Luce arrived on Friday and we have been working him rather steadily since. He spoke at the School of Religion Commencement on Saturday, gave the Baccalaureate address the next day, and spoke again at Commencement on Monday and at the Board of Managers' meeting on Tuesday.

Very sincerely yours,

*Highland Stewart*

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*a specimen of the injuries reaching us*

Foochow, June 26, 1935

My dear Leighton:

It has been reported here that the Japanese government has forbidden all universities in Peiping to open this autumn and that Yenching is going to move to Canton. I have many enquires. A number of Anglo-Chinese College boys have passed your examinations and expected to enter Yenching this autumn. Could you send me a hurried word that would be authoritative? I am sure you understand how we all feel and how much our personal sympathy goes out to you in the new difficulties which you face.

Always affectionately

John Gowdy

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Arrangements made between Dr. Stuart  
and Dr. H. W. Luce at Peiping.  
Summer of 1935.

The Luce Scholarship Foundation for Yenching University

Mr. Henry R. Luce having contributed the sum of U.S. \$50,000.00 for a permanent memorial to his father, Rev. Henry W. Luce, D.D., Vice-President Emeritus of Yenching University, it is recommended that this sum be invested as endowment and the interest accruing therefrom be used agreeable to the following understanding:

- I. For the upkeep of the Luce Island and Pavilion. It is understood that the first charges on this Fund shall be for the thorough repair and constant upkeep of the Luce Pavilion and the landscaping of the Island.
- II. For scholarships:

1. That it be understood that the endowment fund shall be used within the general Christian purposes as indicated by the Charter of the University, which reads as follows:

"The purpose of the corporation shall be to establish and maintain in Peking, China, a University to be known as Yenching University, founded and conducted on strictly Christian and evangelical, but not sectarian, principles, and to aid the youth of China and of other countries in obtaining in such University a literary, scientific or professional education."

2. Because of the almost life-long association of Dr. Luce with the Christian missionary movement and his deep personal interest in the religious function of the University, these scholarships will be to aid Christian students of limited financial resources or others whose character, abilities and essentially Christian attitude or purpose would seem to fit them for exerting helpful moral or religious influences on the student body and, after their graduation, on the national life.
3. The recipients of these scholarships shall be selected by the Committee on Loans, Scholarships and Self-help in accordance with detailed regulations to be drawn up by that body for the purpose. The amount of the scholarship will be fixed to cover Tuition and any other academic fees. In general, it is to be hoped that inquiries would be constantly conducted among secondary schools in an endeavor to secure the choicest type of beneficiary, and the continuance of the grant be conditional upon the scholastic and personal record of the individual.
4. In view of the inadequate resources of the University and the necessity for securing additional income, it is suggested that this Foundation

be be made the nucleus of an endowment fund to be available for the Tuition Scholarships which the University has decided to offer beginning with the session of 1935-36. Dr. Luce having been a pioneer in the financial efforts for the University and always keenly interested in these problems, this Foundation, bearing his name, might well become the incentive and model of other like endowments, until the amount spent annually for this purpose could all be covered.

III. For repair of University Buildings. Since most of the buildings are now over a decade old, it is clear that the time has come to make more serious plans for their repair. After fulfilling the requirements of Section I above, it is understood that part of the balance may be used for repairs of other buildings, pending more definite plans for meeting this need which now becomes a permanent one.

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