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1916-1926 SUNNYSIDE AVENUE

CHICAGO

Sept. 20, 1923.



Dr. H. W. Luce,
c/o Peking University
#156 Fifth Ave.,
New York City, N.Y.

*Dear Mr. Luce,
Will you
attend to
this work*

*S. R. Thornburg
classmate &
friend of Wm
Huang*

WHOLE GRAIN WHEAT CONTAINS INTACT THE IDENTICAL 16 MINERAL ELEMENTS OF WHICH YOUR BODY IS COMPOSED
TRUE OF NO OTHER COOKED OR UNCOOKED FOOD.

My dear Dr. Luce:-

Your letter of Sept. 17th is just at hand.

I have looked over the cards which you enclosed therein, have filled them out to the best of my ability and return them herewith. I trust that they will be of service to you.

Of course I am tremendously interested in all the work that you are doing in connection with Peking. You may rest assured that I am willing to be of any service that I can at any time. I see no reason why we cannot carry out the program which is outlined here for the University.

I am sure that you had anxious days during the interval when it was hard to get news from Japan but I am glad that everything has worked out satisfactorily and that everyone is safe.

I am enclosing herewith several copies of the book plates which I have had made to be used in the book which I gave the money for to William. It has occurred to me that you might be interested in seeing them.

Charles Lowe, the Executive Secretary of the First Methodist Church in Evanston asked me the other day if I would give him my receipt from Peking University for this amount of money so that it could be credited to the benevolences of the First Church at conference time. I told him I did not have such a receipt but that I would write you and secure one. If you will therefore give me a receipt covering the \$500.00 which I gave to William and for which I have his receipt, we will be grateful to you.

With kindest regards and trusting that if I may serve you again in any way that you will call upon me, I am

Very truly yours,

S. R. Thornburg
S. R. Thornburg

SRT/mj

WHOLE VALUE FOODS
NATURAL

WHOLE GRAIN WHEAT
WHOLE GRAIN RICE

WHOLE GRAIN CORN
WHOLE NAVY BEANS

WHOLE PINTO BEANS
WHOLE RED KIDNEY BEANS

WHOLE RIPE PEAS
LIQUID LIFE

"HONEST PRODUCTS"

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Peking University
Library



LUCY ANNE THORNBURG
FUND for BOOKS
on WESTERN HISTORY

*"My Country is the World
My Countrymen Mankind"*

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October 9th,
1925.

My dear Mr. Thornburg:

Your kind letter of September 20th to Dr. Luce enclosing a sample of the book plate used in connection with the books for Prof. Hing was duly received and forwarded to Dr. Luce who had started on an extensive trip. It was delayed, therefore, in reaching our attention and has been delayed further because of the complications with reference to the matter about which you wrote.

We are very much at a loss to know how any arrangement can be effected that will enable the First Church of Evanston to get Centenary credit for this contribution of books, as no cash has passed through the records of either the University or the Methodist Board.

My understanding of the situation is that the money was expended at the direction of Mr. Hing for the purchase of books and therefore it was a gift of books rather than of cash that was actually made. On no other basis would Prof. Hing have been authorized to spend the money for these books.

Since the whole contribution was handled apart from usual channels, it takes the form, practically, of a contribution to Prof. Hing's Department. As you know the Methodist organization is able to give credit for funds actually passing through their Treasury. However, we could not solve the matter by putting through a check for that amount as that would automatically place the funds in the same class as other contributions.

Cordially yours,

Mr. S. R. Thornburg
1916 Sunnyside Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

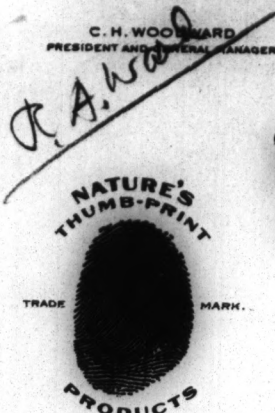
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10/17 By JH



Mr. Harold F. Strong,
Peking University,
Room 912, 155 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

Oct. 13, 1923.

Dear Sir:-

WHOLE GRAIN WHEAT CONTAINS INTACT THE IDENTICAL 16 MINERAL ELEMENTS OF WHICH YOUR BODY IS COMPOSED
TRUE OF NO OTHER COOKED OR UNCOOKED FOOD.

I have your letter of Oct. 9th. I do not wish to be argumentative in any sense of the word, so we will let the incident stand as closed.

I only wish to say, however, inclosing the matter formally, that if this was not a gift to the Peking University, then I don't know to what organization or institution it was a gift.

I am perfectly frank to say that my experience along this line has been very limited. It has always seemed to me, however, that the financial affairs of philanthropic organizations on the whole, was so hopelessly tied up in a maze of details, that it is really hard to get across the real purpose that one has in mind when dealing with them.

Very truly yours,

~~WHOLE GRAIN WHEAT COMPANY.~~

BY *S. R. Thornburg*
S. R. Thornburg,
Secretary-Treasurer.

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October 17th
1923

S. R. Thornburg, Esq.,
Whole Grain Wheat Company,
1916 Sunnyside Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Thornburg:-

Thank you for your letter of October 13th. I cannot blame you in the least for feeling impatient over the situation about which you have written. Nevertheless I believe you will agree with me that no organization, either business or philanthropic, would be justified in issuing a receipt for money which never passed through its hands. A centenary voucher, as you know, would have to come directly from the Methodist Board and a gift of books sent direct to Peking University would of course be entirely out of their province.

Doubtless I was incorrect in suggesting that the gift was personal rather than to the University, for it is entirely true that the books will be a part of the University property and will be very valuable. However the fact remains that it was books and not money that came in to the University's hands and that the Methodist Board had nothing to do with the transaction.

I am very sorry indeed that difficulty has arisen because we most earnestly appreciate your own helpfulness in this matter and we quite understand Mr. Hung's desire to make his good provision as possible for doing effective work in his own department.

Very cordially yours,

HFS:PH

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S. R. THORNBURG
THIRTY-NINE SOUTH LASALLE STREET
CHICAGO

January 10, 1928

E. M. McBrier, Treasurer,
Yenching University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, New York.

My dear Mr. McBrier:

Your letter of January eighth relative to the proposed trip to China for the opening of Yenching University is very interesting. I discussed this with Hung when he visited here several weeks ago, and at that time told him that I should like very much to be a member of the party if possible to arrange business relationships to permit that long absence.

I am still looking forward to it and will be very glad to receive the information relative to the trip regularly.

Very truly yours,

S. R. Thornburg

SRT:ALM

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June 23, 1926.

Mr. S. R. Thornburg,
110 South Dearborn Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Thornburg:

I was sorry that you were so busy yesterday because I really wanted to tell you about the immediate needs of Peking University. On January 1st, we began a campaign for \$500,000 to complete the University plant and raise some more endowment to carry on the work there. We have been fairly successful but lack at the present time several thousand dollars. Our campaign is supposed to close on July 1st. We have one gift of \$90,000 from Mr. and Mrs. Boyd of Philadelphia conditional on the whole amount being raised. We are very anxious indeed to meet Mr. and Mrs. Boyd's desires that this gift may be obtained.

I know you are a very close friend of Mr. Hung, and I suppose you know a great deal about Peking University. I therefore in this letter shall not weary you with details but am enclosing a pamphlet that explains our needs, also a subscription card. If you could make a subscription at this time, payable at your own convenience, we would appreciate it most heartily. Could we not hear from you in the next few days.

With highest personal regards, I am

Most sincerely yours,

Chester E. Jenney,
Executive Secretary.

J-A

*Is he going to
Formal opening?*

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January 8, 1929

Mr. Raymond S. Thornburg,
1519 Hirman Avenue,
Evanston, Ill.

My dear Mr. Thornburg:

Dr. William Hung writes us that you may be interested in making a trip to China to be present on the occasion of the dedication of Yenching University the last week in September next.

I enclose herewith a copy of our first letter which was sent out some time ago, and this in general will give you an idea of what is proposed.

We have a list of about twenty-five people who are interested in making the trip to China. We shall be very glad indeed if you would consider going. Do you wish us to put you on the list of "possible delegates"? If so we shall be very glad to do so. This places you under no obligation. We shall not have to make definite reservations until about May 1st. We shall however at once take up the matter of getting information regarding the trip and making reservations for same.

Hoping we may have a favorable reply from you, I am

Very sincerely yours,

EMM:RL
encl.

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CHINA UNION UNIVERSITIES

Fukien Christian University
Lingnan University
University of Nanking

Shantung Christian University
West China Union University
Yenching University

Cable Address
Nanfushan, New York

CENTRAL OFFICE
150 Fifth Avenue, New York City
B. A. GARSIDE, Secretary and Treasurer
C. A. EVANS, Associate Secretary-Treasurer

Telephone:
WATkins 8703-45

Yenching

July 23, 1929.

Memorandum to Promotional Office,

We hand you herewith a check from Mr.
S. R. Thornburg for \$600. This check has been forwarded by Mr.
William Hung, who writes:-

"Mr. S. R. Thornburg of Chicago is sending a
check for \$600. for the trip of Mr. Li Chung-hui to this
country. - - -

"Will it be convenient for you to send Mr.
Thornburg a receipt of Yenching University? This will
enable him to credit on his income tax for 1929. His ad-
dress is as follows:-

Mr. S. R. Thornburg,
105 West Adams Street,
Chicago, Ill.

Will you please send Mr. Thornburg our
usual receipt, together with a letter of acknowledgment and thanks?

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B.A. Garside
B.A. Garside

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Mr. S. R. Thornberg
105 West Adams Street
Chicago, Illinois

7/24/29

OK X *[Signature]*
\$600.00 - cash covering expenses of Li Chung-hui
Check came through Wm. Hung, his letter 7/19/29
to Mr. Garside

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Receipt slip #	2556
Entered on control record	✓
" " acct. card	✓
" " contr. list	✓
Serial No. on L. and card	813
Pledge signal attached	✓
X-file card	✓
Letter ack. sent	7-24-29
Checked for O. L.	✓
" " class card	
" " stencil	✓

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Yenching University

July 23, 1929

Mr. William Hung,
5 Bryant St.,
Cambridge, Mass.

My dear William:

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 19 with Mr. Thornberg's check for \$600 enclosed.

We are sending Mr. Thornberg a receipt as requested and are informing Dr. Stuart by cable that this money has been received for Mr. Li Ching-hui.

The sending of this information by cable required two and one-half words and therefore cost \$2.50. We do not wish, however, to take advantage of your offer to pay the cost of this cable if the matter of Mr. Li's coming to this country is a University matter rather than some personal obligation of your own.

What are we to do with this \$600? Is it to be sent out to the field or retained here?

With best wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

BAG-H

✓ CC: Promotional office

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學大京燕
YENCHING UNIVERSITY
PEIPING, CHINA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS
"YENTA"

September 15, 1933

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

My dear Miss McCoy:

I am sending herewith a copy of a letter to Dr. Lewis Browne. It might be worthwhile to trace the article to which he refers. Write to him for help in doing so, if necessary.

We will be sending lists of those to whom the printed matter by Miss Boynton and myself are being mailed from here. Will you help to see that other people who should receive these are cared for? You will note that only two or three Trustees are included in these lists. May I also call attention to the fact that we have not been supplied with additions to the Advisory Council list since the one we now go by, January 17, 1933. I know there have been a number of important people in California and there are probably others. I have in mind sending not another letter, but some form of Christmas greeting which should leave here toward the end of November. We shall therefore not more than have time to get additional lists back upon receipt of this.

Very sincerely yours,

J.H.B.

JLS C

Please tell Mr. Hedrick that Mr. S. R. Thornburg, 1843-231 South La Salle Street, Chicago, has accepted membership on Advisory Council, & have him properly listed. He left here yesterday, is quite enthusiastic & ready to help. He is potentially wealthy & knows many influential people, close to Dawes &c. He knows well young Goodman of that big mfg. Co. in Chicago & wants us to get him interested. Some one should

He must have the list now. It was sent about Sept 1st or sooner.

no letter from Mrs. Browne enclosed.

- see Brown file

Y. U. but for introductions & testimony as to Y. U. not to ask for money but for introductions & testimony as to Y. U.

Pres. note on this & also on the other side of the page.

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June 16, 1936

Dear Mr. Thornburg:

In thinking of the friends of Yenching University, you are among those who have displayed real interest in the past. Your gift of \$600 in 1929, toward the expenses of Li Chung-hui came at a time when sorely needed, and we are very grateful for your help.

On reading the enclosed leaflet you will, I am sure, experience profound satisfaction in the phenomenal growth of the school. With scores of graduates filling important positions throughout China, this American-founded Christian university is now one of the most worth-while educational institutions in Eastern Asia.

From its inception the task of providing funds, erecting buildings, and maintaining required academic standards, has laid a heavy responsibility upon the American Board of Trustees. But with your help and that of other loyal friends, this great university has been brought into existence. The problem we now face - and we face it squarely - is, can we maintain it? Unfavorable financial conditions both in America and China have reduced income by almost one-half. We have drastically reduced salaries and other budget items, but this has not solved the problem. We need \$10,000 at once to meet pressing obligations due July 1st. The situation is critical.

Obviously this money should be in cash, but if you find it impossible to participate with ready check, then a commitment on the enclosed card with an amount which you could pay within six to twelve months would help greatly.

China needs us now, and needs us direly. Regardless of political disturbances, China will remain; likewise Yenching. Christian missions are not a whim or a vogue; they are basic and fundamental. This is a time for cool heads and stout hearts. The Orient needs the sanity and sincerity that is supplied through Christian leadership. Yenching has helped and will continue to help. Missionaries are not cowards, nor are we who sent them out. This is the testing time. You have proven your loyalty before and our Board of Trustees believes you will do it again. Will you do what you can, and do it now?

Sincerely yours,

President, Board of Trustees

Mr. S. R. Thornburg
231 South LaSalle Street
Chicago, Illinois

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April 28, 1937

Mr. S. R. Thornberg
231 South LaSalle Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Thornberg:

I enclose a photograph showing a group of students from the School of Religion at Yenching University, starting on a mission to outlying villages. I also enclose a booklet which we are sending to a small group of our friends. I think you will find this interesting.

Yenching University, with an enrollment of 826 students this year, and with 2,137 graduates, is a dramatic example of what Christian education can accomplish. So deeply has the university touched the life of its young men and women students that a tremendous elemental force has been released. This force is completely revolutionizing the thought of all China on matters of rural reconstruction, politics, health, religion, education, and social standards. Such a powerful factor in shaping Christian thought in China must be perpetuated.

You well know the devotion, prayers and sacrifice that have gone into this Christian university, because your gifts, together with hundreds of others, brought it into being and have enabled it to continue. Formerly, the support came almost entirely from American sources. More recently, however, the Chinese themselves have responded most generously, and they will eventually provide the major portion of the budget. But until that time it is essential to continue American support. To withdraw would be fatal to all we have accomplished up to the present time.

Even with salaries reduced, expenses out to bare necessities, and tuitions raised to increase revenue, we are still in great need of \$190,485 to meet our immediately pressing obligations. This includes \$14,759 to balance our current operating budget; \$77,485 toward general endowment; \$48,241 toward the Women's College endowment; \$25,000 toward the School of Religion endowment; and \$25,000 for the Department of Physical Education endowment.

In the past you have proved your loyalty and friendliness through your gifts, which we have deeply appreciated. In 1929 you contributed \$600 for the expenses of a Chinese student. Can you help again at this time by sending either a cash contribution or a subscription payable at some future date? Please send what you can - it will all help.

Sincerely yours,

President, Board of Trustees

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Tien, Gerald

1940-1942

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611 Church St.
Ann Arbor, Mich.

Oct 27 1940

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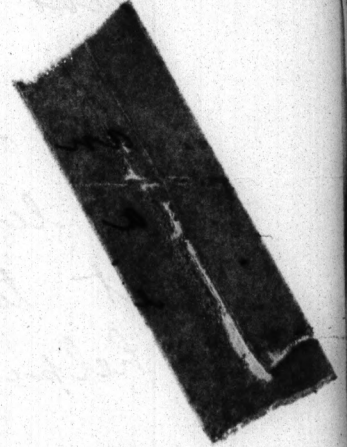
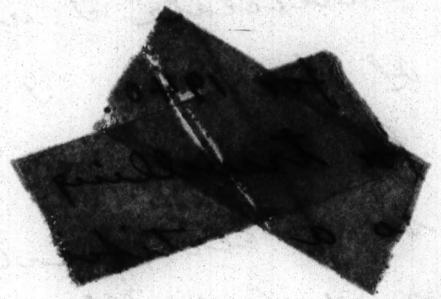
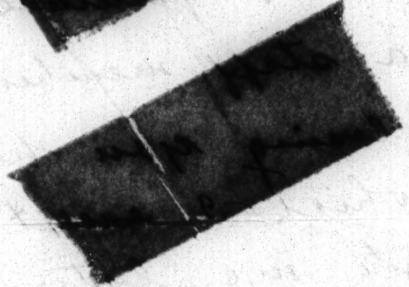
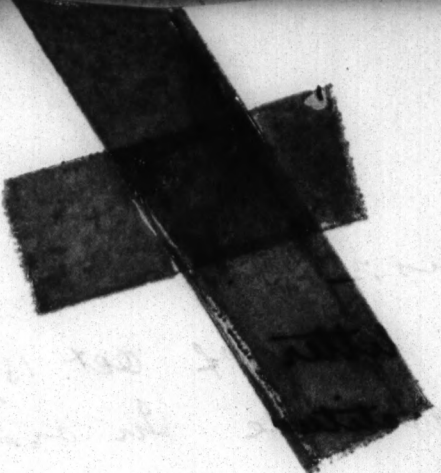
Dear Mr. Evans:-

Returned 10/30/40
Your good letter of Oct. 15 has been duly received with gratitude. In order to prove that I was a staff member of Yenching University, I am enclosing you herewith my identification card, which I ~~must~~ expect you will kindly return to me later. You will find also the enclosed application blanks (2 copies). The clergy certificate I am applying for is for 1941 instead of for 1940. I shall not have very much time for travelling during the following two months, so a certification for the present year will not help ^{me} much.

As I undersand, Miss Garcke is also an officer of the Associated Board. I have a letter to her too. Will you please forward it to her? Thanking you ever so much for helping me ^{all} the above,
With best wishes,

Very sincerely yours,
Gerald Tien

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611 Church St.
Ann Arbor, Mich.

Oct 27 1940
Ack. 1/23/41

Dear Miss Garcide:-

May I take pleasure to report to you that I have safely arrived in the States late last month. I am studying in the University of Michigan as a graduate student. I got my B.A. degree from Yenching University in 1932 & M.A. in 1936. For the last four years, I have been working in the said University as Alumni Secretary and concurrently executive secretary of Student Life Committee.

Before I left Yenching, Dr. J. L. Stuart, the President, told me that in order to obtain accurate information about Yenching, the best way is to get in touch with the New York office. As I know, he sends the N.Y. office a bi-monthly report concerning Yenching. I would like very much to have a mimeograph copy of each report.

Will you be able to let me know the addresses of the following Yenching people: Mr. Henry Price, Miss Grace Daynton & Dr. L. Porter?

I may come to New York during my Christmas vacation. I hope I shall be able to see you at some that time.

With best regards,

Very truly yours,
Gerald Tien

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January 23, 1941

Mr. Gerald T'ien
611 Church Street
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mr. T'ien,

I am sorry to discover that a letter you sent us some time ago asking for certain information was mislaid and not properly acknowledged. I herewith send you, very belatedly, the information you are seeking.

You ask first for information as to the addresses of some of our Yenching people here in America. They are as follows:

Mr. Harry Price
American Committee for Non-Participation in
Japanese Aggression
8 West 40th Street
New York, New York

Miss Grace Boynton
46 Powder House Road
Medford, Massachusetts

Dr. Lucius Porter
407 Highland Avenue
Elgin, Illinois

You ask that we keep you informed of Dr. Stuart's reports of conditions in Yenching. I enclose herewith copies of his latest statements. These are, of course, highly confidential, so we trust you will destroy these copies as soon as you have finished with them. You will of course be careful to avoid quoting them in any way that might be embarrassing to President Stuart or to Yenching University. We are also putting your name on the list to receive future letters from Dr. Stuart, with this same understanding that you will guard them very carefully.

If at any time our Yenching office here in New York can be of assistance to you, please feel free to call upon us.

With all good wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

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Dr. J. S. Parker.
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

816 Tappan St.
Ann Arbor, Michigan
April 8, 1941

Recd.
4/11/41
JSP

Dear Dr. Parker:-

Your kind letter of March 13 has been duly received with thanks. Owing to the fact that I was busy with my mid-term examinations during the past few weeks, I was unable to write you earlier a letter of thanks for what you have been doing for me.

I have also heard from Dr. Frank T. Cartwright. Although nothing has yet definitely been provided for me, I can see that all of you are trying your best in order to find a satisfactory solution to my pressing problem. I have already written home my alma mater, of what I have heard from you and Dr. Cartwright. I am sure they will be interested to learn of your kind anticipation in this matter.

If and when any solution regarding my case has been reached by the Associated Boards, will you please inform me at your earliest convenience?

I am planning to make a trip to New York and see my Yenching friends there during the summer time. Hope I shall have the pleasure to call on you when I visit the city.

With sincere thanks and best wishes,

Very sincerely yours,
Gerald Tien

Also to Dr. Frank T. Cartwright

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Dr. Joseph I. Parker
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

816 Tappan St.
Ann Arbor, Michigan
April 30, 1941

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J. I. P.

Dear Dr. Parker:-

Your good letter of April 11 has already reached me and I thank you for writing me again.

Word has been received recently from Dr. John S. Stuart, the President of Yenching University. Regarding my financial difficulties, he advised me, "Do not hesitate to write frankly to our New York Office or to talk with Dr. Blakeman as necessary." I am glad that I have already done both.

My final examination period will be from June 7 to 20. So I am planning to make the trip to New York City sometime at the end of June. I shall write you again about the exact date of my arrival one week ahead of time. Please also let me know in case you wish me to come either earlier or later than my proposed time.

Looking forward to meeting you soon.

Sincerely yours,
Gerald Tien

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Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn
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UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Ann Arbor
9 University Hall

Edward W. Blakeman
Counselor in Religious Education

May 7, 1941

Dr. Frank T. Cartwright
Board of Foreign Missions
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City, New York

My dear Dr. Cartwright:

Before me are three letters in the correspondence about the graduate effort of Mr. Gerald Tien, 816 Tappan, Ann Arbor. The first, March 31, is from Dr. Stuart of Yenching University; the second, April 11, from Secretary Joseph Parker of the Associated Boards; and the third, April 21, from yourself.

Dr. Stuart shows wonderful interest in Mr. Tien, such definite careful interest that we in America dare not fail to take care of this junior member of his staff who is now with us.

I infer from your letter and that of Secretary Parker that very soon we shall be able to be definite as to what Mr. Tien may look forward to this coming year. He should have his mind put at ease so that he can finish his work this year with good freedom. May we hear from you at once as to something definite if at all possible.

Professor J. Raleigh Nelson, Counselor for Foreign Students, brings me word that Mr. Tien has the confidence of his class-room instructors, that he has worked in a cooperative boarding house by way of economy, that he has practically exhausted his own funds and the small amount sent by Dr. Stuart.

My own observation is that in addition to anything he can earn by his own good industry it will be necessary for him to have something over \$500.00 for the year 1941-42, preferably becoming available about the middle of June of this year.

He is a most deserving man and evidently highly appreciated by Dr. Stuart. In addition to this, you have in mind, I am sure, that he is the son of a former Methodist Chinese clergyman; that he has been in charge of alumni relations in China for this strong university, Yenching; that it is only fair to expect him to become a good educational leader when his preparation is complete.

With appreciation.

Sincerely,

(Signed) E. W. Blakeman

Edward W. Blakeman

EWB:mw

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May 24, 1941

Mr. Gerald Tien
816 Tappan Street
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mr. Tien:

Your letter of April 30 reached me in the midst of preparations for the annual meetings of the college boards, and I was unable to give it immediate attention. A letter has also been received from Dr. Blakeman through Dr. Frank T. Cartwright.

At the present moment, I am unable to report exactly what we may be able to do in the way of finding scholarship funds with which to help you. Our difficulty is that our funds depend upon the successful completion of the Sustaining Fund campaign, and it will be some weeks before we are certain just how this will work out. If our funds are completely raised, I think we will be able to give you some help, but our final word on this must await the end of the campaign.

If you plan on coming to New York for the purpose of talking with us about the securing of funds, I think it would be wiser for you to save the money which would have to be used for this trip. I can assure you we will give just as careful attention to your needs even though you do not have the opportunity to visit New York. Of course, if you have to come here for other reasons, we would be very happy to have the chance to talk to you.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Secretary

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Dr. J. J. Parker
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

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2122 Hill St. (new address)
Ann Arbor, Mich.

May 28, 1941

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Dear Dr. Parker:-

Your kind letter of May 24 reached me the day before yesterday, I showed it promptly to Dr. Blakeman in order to keep ^{him} in constant touch with the progress in the matter. In view of the uncertainty implied in your letter Dr. Blakeman wanted me to write you again immediately to reiterate my case with all possible frankness. Very briefly, I must actually secure at least \$300.00 if possible through your kind offices for the coming year. That will be about 50% of the cash needed. As for the remaining part of my expenses, the University authorities here will try to help me out in one way or another. Let me assure you that I shall continue my industry. I am earning room and breakfast.

My sole purpose of visiting the City of New York would be to talk with you about my future plans and finance in person. As everything now is made clear in our correspondence, I presume, I may postpone my visit to a later date when both time and exchequer allow me to make the trip.

With Cordial thanks and sincere wishes,
Very truly yours,
Gerald Tien

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1100 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.
May 27, 1941

Dr. J. Barker
1100 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

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Dear Dr. Barker:

Your letter of May 27, 1941, regarding the proposed trip to Europe, has been received. The Joint Office is currently reviewing the matter and will be in touch with you again in the near future.

The proposed trip to Europe, which is being organized by the Universities, is a very important one. It will give us an opportunity to see the continent and to meet with the various groups who are working for the same cause.

We are very interested in your participation in this trip and are sure that it will be a most profitable one for you. We will be in touch with you again in the near future.

Very truly yours,
[Signature]

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June 14, 1941

Mr. Gerald Tien
2122 Hill Street
Ann Arbor, Mich.

Dear Mr. Tien:

I am very happy to be able to inform you that our Scholarship Committee has now had opportunity to consider your situation and have made a grant of \$300.00 for your use in the school year of 1941-42.

This amount of money will be available for you on or at any time after September 15, 1941. It is our understanding that some of your friends in Ann Arbor are planning some additional help, which will bring this amount up to what you will need for the year.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

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Dr. Joseph I. Parker
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

2122 Hill St.
Ann Arbor, Mich.
June 16, 1941

Dear Dr. Parker:-

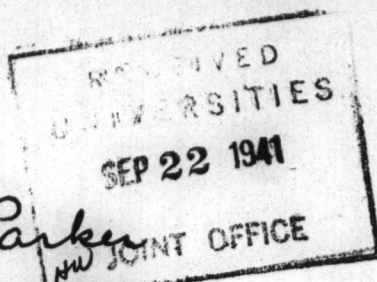
Your good letter of June 14 came this afternoon. I was indeed exceedingly glad to be informed that a sum of \$300 has been granted by your Scholarship Committee for my expenses in the following academic year. Let me here again express my sincere gratitude for your most valuable help in the matter. I shall expect you to send me the money on September 15.

I did not get through with my final examinations until June 14. While I was just like a caged bird during the past several weeks, I am now enjoying my full freedom. To-morrow I shall go and visit the Henry Ford's Motor Company with a group of Chinese students. I am hoping to have a good time.

A friend of mine in Ann Arbor will drive to New York some time this week. It seems quite possible that I may arrange to travel with him. If so happened, I will certainly visit you and the other Yenching friends.

With best regards,

Very sincerely yours,
Yersel Tien



2122 Hill St.
Ann Arbor, Mich.
September 18, 1941

Mr. Joseph J. Parker
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

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My dear Mr. Parker:-

I have your good letter of September 16 and I am writing at once to assure you of my great satisfaction in the promptness of sending me the \$300.00, the amount of my scholarship aid for this school year.

Recently the cost of living has gone up high and I think I am right to predict that it will be going up higher and higher. However, with all possible carefulness in spending, I believe I can get through the year without serious difficulty.

The school will open on September 23 and so I shall soon begin to be busy. You will certainly be informed from time to time of how I am getting along in Michigan.

Very sincerely yours,
Gerald Tien

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2122 Hill St.
Ann Arbor, Mich.
October 14, 1941

Mr. Joseph S. Parker
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

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My dear Mr. Parker:-

After having felt satisfactorily settled by now with my finance and studies for the new academic year, I would like at this time to submit to you a brief report on my schedule of studies as well as my future plans.

I already got my M. A. degree in Yenching University and my major field there was political science. During my first year in Michigan, I continued in the same field and almost devoted my full time to fulfill all the class-room requirements for the doctorate.

For the present year, my major professor advised me to use all my time and energy to achieve two main things: be ready to take doctorate language examinations as soon as possible and to take the comprehensive examination by the end of this academic year. I am certainly glad to follow his advice. I already took the French preliminary examination on the 6th, instant. I am also

sitting in a German class this semester in order to be ready for its examination at the beginning of next semester. My comprehensive examination covers six fields; namely, (1) political theory, (2) municipal government, (3) public administration, (4) international law and international relations, (5) foreign governments, and (6) public finance. It requires at least one full year for the fulfillment of all these requirements. In regard to the doctorate dissertation, I can only leave it to the third year. Now this third year becomes a problem to me and to my friends.

Concerning the desirability to work for a Ph.D., I had long before written to Mr. John Leighton Stuart. The following is a relevant quotation from his recent letter:

"I fully appreciate the lure of the Ph.D. Regardless of earlier intentions practically every one of our recent graduates has yielded to this attraction after getting into his post-graduate work in the States. This is entirely understandable and commendable, the problem of course being primarily one of finances."

The above quotation is self-explanatory. Recently I have also discussed this matter with my University authorities Professors Blakeman and Nelson and Reverend Brashares. The consensus of opinion is that I should proceed for the degree. Not only that, they also pledge their continuous help on their part according to the present year's basis. So this question has thus far been partly settled.

The unsettled part apparently is whether the Associated Board will be equally willing to support this plan. If I know that your Board continues the present amount of scholarship, \$300, for another year, I can stay. In fact, I need \$100 more, for I was married and have a child and I must do something for my family if I should continue for the third year. I have not received salary or family allowance from Yenching since I left there. But I should try to secure this additional \$100 from other possible sources and dare not ask that from you.

Please allow me to ask your advice in these matters.

Very sincerely yours,
Gerald Tien

Copy to: Mr. F. T. Cartwright
Mr. J. L. Stuart

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January 30, 1942

Mr. Gerald Tien
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mr. Tien:

Mr. Caldwell has shared with me some of the questions which have come up about your plans for next year. I have asked him to follow through on the possibility of finding tuition aid for you in some of the eastern schools. In the meantime, our Scholarship Committee has reserved \$400 for your use in the school year, 1942-43, pending final working out of your plans. I will be interested to know how these work out and just where you expect to be just as soon as you have definite information.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

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Mr. Oliver J. Caldwell
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

2122 Hill St.
Ann Arbor, Michigan
Feb. 6, 1942

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Dear Mr. Caldwell:-

Had I not been busy with my final examinations in recent weeks I would have written you earlier. I was glad that you have read Dean Mosher's reply to my letter. I ^{have} already sent him my application and record transcript. I will certainly keep you in touch with further development.

Yesterday I received a letter from Mr. Parker. I quote: "In the meantime, our Scholarship Committee has reserved \$400 for your use in the school year, 1942-43, pending final working out of your plans." Thus far, all has worked out fine.

Now a word about my financial needs in case I do transfer. My budget for the present school year was carefully made with the advice of some of my Michigan friends who used, as I understand, the arrangement of a "Barber Scholarship" as a basis, namely, \$650 plus tuition. The sources of aid are as follows:

1. tuition from University of Michigan
2. \$300 (cash) from the Associated Board
3. \$100 (") from Ann Arbor Methodist Church
4. \$100 (") from Board of Missions & Church Extension of Methodist Church, N. Y. C.

From the items listed above, you can see I have secured only \$500 (cash) for the present year. The balance of \$150 was finally sought through my working for room. So that is how I have been trying to get through this year.

According to what I have learned, the living expenses in Syracuse are very much the same as in Ann Arbor. Since your Scholarship Committee has already reserved \$400, the balance of \$250 is still left to be solved. I would be perfectly willing to work for the balance myself if necessary. But whether it is possible to find such a job and whether it is wise to work, I would like to leave these problems to your fair judgment.

In my previous letter to Mr. Parker, I also briefly mentioned my family problem. I am married and am responsible for the living expenses of my wife and girl. I have not drawn salary from Yenching since I left China. Moreover, my earlier intention was to stay in America for at most two years, so I left just enough money to my family to cover the expenses of that period. After having decided to remain for the third year, this problem immediately came^{up} to my mind. At that time, Dr. Charles Brashares, minister of the local Methodist Church, tentatively promised to find a solution to my family need which I estimated \$100 will cover. Since

my present plan has been made on the assumption to transfer, the local people, I can imagine, will likely not be interested in my personal problems. Although I hate to shift this over to you, the present circumstances seem to show that this is the right channel.

However, since the communication between America and China has been entirely cut off at present, this \$100 family aid, though as important as the other items, seems not very urgent. If it can possibly be secured, it will be kept in the hand of the Scholarship Committee until after I can get in touch with my family.

Obviously you can help me in the following two ways: (1) to help me to make sure about the Syracuse scholarship; and (2) to help me solve my financial problems in the light of my present plan to transfer.

Unless you advise to the contrary, I shall not, for the time being, consider the other possibilities which might lead to substantial assistance.

With sincere wishes and thanks,

Very gratefully yours,

H.C. Gerald Tien

P.S. Perhaps Mr. Mosher will ask you to write a word of recommendation, since I mentioned you in my application.

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committee until after the war, but on this
with my family.

Following the war, it is likely that
there will be a change in the situation
(1) to the new situation, and
in the light of my present plan, I
believe you will be able to
obtain not for the time being, but
the present situation, which is
very difficult situation.

Very respectfully yours
H.C. Tamm
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Mr. Joseph I. Parker
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2122 Hill St.
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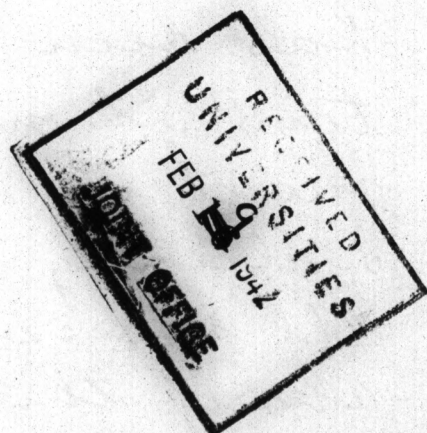
Dear Mr. Parker:-

Your kind letter of January 30 came this morning and carried good news just at the time while I was worrying about my future plans. I am happy indeed to learn that your Scholarship Committee has secured \$400 for my expenses for the ensuing year. Please accept my sincere thanks and through you I also wish to express my deep gratitude to the Committee as a whole.

I am glad that Mr. Caldwell has told you about my plan to transfer. Since the present plan has been formulated on this assumption, it naturally involved ^{certain} readjustments in sources of finance. Yesterday I already wrote a long letter with all necessary details to Mr. Caldwell about this problem. I am sure that that letter will present a genuine and complete picture of my financial needs for your further consideration.

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One thing I definitely hope to achieve for the coming year is this: One source of finance; one source of advice. Too many sources of either one or both have already proved to be inefficient and unsatisfactory. It is needless to reiterate here that I do count upon your help in these matters.

My best wishes to you and Mrs. Parker.

Very gratefully yours,
Gerald Tien

P.S. Next time when you write please use my present address at the upper right-hand corner.

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February 10, 1942

Mr. Gerald Tien
2122 Hill Street
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mr. Tien:

I was very glad to get your letter of February 7 and also to have the opportunity to see your letter to Mr. Caldwell. It seems to me that the next step that needs to be taken is to find out definitely as to your plans for going to Syracuse. As soon as these are settled, we can more certainly determine what the additional needs may be and can take them up at that time. Please keep us informed as to the developments of the situation at Syracuse so that we may know when your arrangements are finally settled.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Secretary

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February 15, 1942

Mr. H. C. Gerald Tien
2122 Hill Street
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mr. Tien:

Please let me know at your convenience what luck you are having in your application to the Maxwell School for a scholarship. I have written Dean Mosher endorsing your application, and shall be happy to help you in any way possible to secure the assistance you need.

I should also like to know what action has been taken by the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church regarding your support. We find that there are several Chinese students in this country who need assistance, and in order to plan for the future, it is necessary for us to have as complete an understanding as possible concerning their probable income.

For this reason, I was particularly grateful to you for the frank and detailed statement you sent me. It is particularly helpful to me in planning for your next year. I have shown your letter to Mr. Parker, and in all matters relating to your application I am working in conjunction with him.

With best wishes for your success,

Sincerely yours,

Oliver J. Caldwell

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Mr. Oliver J. Caldwell
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

2122 Hill St.
Ann Arbor, Mich.
Feb. 25, 1942

Dear Mr. Caldwell :-

Your letter of February 13 has been duly received with gratitude. I particularly want to thank you for your letter of recommendation to the Maxwell Graduate School.

Recently I had a letter from Dean Mosher acknowledging receipt of my application and transcript of my record. In his letter, he also told me that they expect to decide concerning their fellowships and scholarships within a month. I have already sent to him everything he asked for and in the meanwhile, probably none of us can do anything except waiting for his final reply.

Thus far, the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church has not taken any definite action concerning my support. After having read your letter, I at once went to see Mr. Charles Brashares, Minister of the Local Methodist Church, about this matter.

He promised that he will guarantee \$100 for my use in the coming academic year only if I continue at Ann Arbor. He had no idea whether the Board of Missions would be willing to continue their support should I transfer to Syracuse. Finally he said what he can do at present is to write to Dr. Frank T. Cartwright asking for \$100 (same amount granted this year) from the Board of Missions for my expenses in the school year 1942-43, with a tacit understanding that I continue next year in Michigan. So you can readily see that in case of transfer, we cannot depend upon the sources of fund mentioned above.

I have had a long conversation with Prof. Bader about my plan of transfer. He fully agreed with us and encouraged me to go to Syracuse by all means. Of course, the question now is not a question whether or not I should transfer, but rather a question whether or not I could get the tuition scholarship as well as the additional needs I requested in my previous letter.

You will hear from me again as soon as ^{the} Dean's final word arrives.

With best wishes and ^{most} sincere thanks,

Very gratefully yours,
J.C. Gerald Jew

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Mr. Oliver J. Caldwell
150 Fifth Avenue.
New York, N. Y.

2122 Hill St.
Ann Arbor, Mich.
April 7, 1942

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My dear Mr. Caldwell:-

Dean Mosher's final reply has brought the good news that I have been offered a tuition scholarship for my study in Syracuse. The copy of his letter is attached herewith for your reference. May I ask you to share with me this happiness.

As I have already made clear my financial needs for the coming academic year in my previous letter, I feel I have nothing to add or alter here. I shall not answer Dean Mosher until I have definite word from your Board concerning the additional aid I requested.

The friends here also have been trying to secure aids for me, but thus far nothing has yet become definite. Certainly I will keep you in touch with these matters.

As I understand that you will let Mr. Parker know this news right away, I will write to him separately.

With sincere remembrance.

Very gratefully yours,
H.C. Gerald Tim

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I take pleasure in informing you that we are offering you a scholarship, which covers tuition amounting to \$400., for the course beginning September 21st. Please indicate whether you are ready to accept this offer. I should note that the assignments in this course are so heavy that it is impossible for one to earn any expenses. I should like assurance, therefore, that you see your way to finance your study in Syracuse, in case you accept.

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April 20, 1942

Mr. Gerald Tien
2122 Hill Street
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mr. Tien:

Mr. Caldwell has shared with me your letter of April 7 concerning your plans for going to Syracuse University. It is our feeling that you should immediately accept the offer from Dean Mosher so that your plans for the year will be in good order as far as Syracuse University is concerned.

In a previous letter, you indicated that you would need about \$500 in addition to tuitions. The Scholarship Committee of the Associated Boards has already granted \$400 for the year, and I am quite hopeful that the Methodist Board of Missions will repeat their grant of \$100. In any case, we feel that you should definitely plan to go to Syracuse, and we will endeavor to get favorable action from the Methodist Board. In the event that that should fail, there are still other possibilities which we might follow up if it is necessary. I am sure that you need not hesitate to complete your arrangements for next year.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Secretary

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Mr. Joseph J. Parker
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

820 E Washington
Ann Arbor, Mich.
April 26, 1942

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Dear Mr. Parker:-

Your good letter of April 20 has reached me and I deeply appreciate your profound interest in my future plans.

In one of my previous letters to Mr. Caldwell, I have clearly indicated that in addition to tuition I must have \$750, namely, \$650 for financing my study in Syracuse and \$100 for my family allowance. I like to make it clear here for your reconsideration.

Recently the Department of Political Science has informed me that the Department is going to work out a new program of study for my next year. I have not as yet any idea of this new program. Again through Dr. E. W. Blakeman, it has come to my knowledge that the University is considering to offer me a part-time teaching job which has not become

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mature yet. So I am sure that you sympathize with me as not being able at the present moment to make any intelligent decision until things have fully come to light.

I understand that my opportunity in Syracuse University would be most promising. My plan of transferring there is almost definite. However, I also wish to make sure that if I leave Michigan I should do so without slightest regret in the future. Will you pardon me to say that I still need a little longer time to reach a decision. I certainly will write to you as soon as my final decision is reached.

With best wishes,

Very thankfully yours,

Gerald Tim

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May 16, 1942

Mr. Gerald Tien
620 E. Washington Street
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mr. Tien:

Your letter of April 26 reached us when we were in the midst of preparations for the Annual Meetings, and I did not have an opportunity to reply immediately.

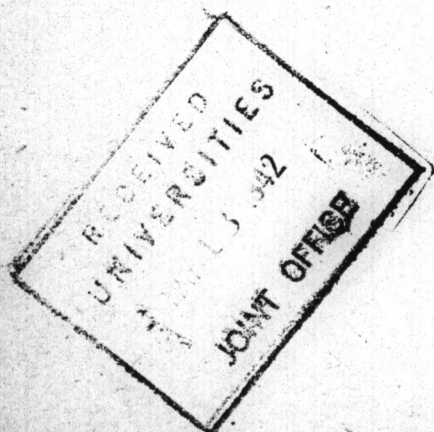
I can quite understand the uncertainty which you are facing at the moment and the necessity of having a little more time before reaching a decision. I hope that the plans will work out for your best interests whether you stay at Michigan or go to Syracuse. Until you reach a final decision, there is nothing more that we can do. We will, therefore, await further word from you as your plans become more definite.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Secretary

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518 Linden St.
Ann Arbor, Mich.
Nov. 15, 1942

Dear Dr. Evans:-

Enclosed herewith you will please find a money order of \$15.00 contributed by Yenching alumni and friends in Ann Arbor to the Yenching University newly opened at Chengtu. We realized that the sum is pitifully small and may not be of much help to our Alma Mater. However, it does show our continuous support and loyalty. It is hoped that our alumni and friends in all other parts of the country may follow suite and do something of the same sort.

The following is a list of donors and their individual contributions:

Dr. E. W. Blakeman	\$ 5.00
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" Cheng-Shui Wang (Mrs. Chang)	1.00
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" Y. C. Yeh	1.00
" K. C. Lu	1.00
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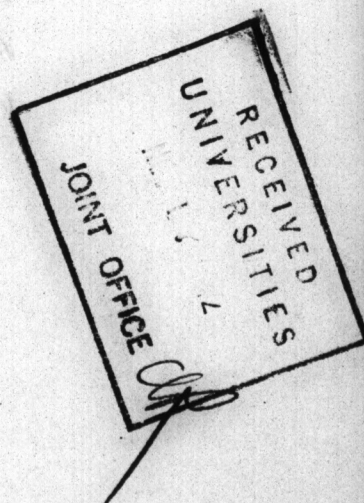
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I shall be very grateful if you send
me a receipt so that I can show to the
donors that this money is duly received
by your Office.

With thanks and many good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Gerald Tien



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6th July. 1939.

Excellency,

We have arrived this morning at Peking from Kalgan.

Please permit me to offer you our hearty thanks for the kind reception of the other day that you offered us.

We were so happy to spend a nice evening with the professors of Yuan-chin and to pass a calm night in your beautiful compound, that we keep even now the sweet souvenir.

We shall be very glad if you could permit us to offer you our sincere thanks and our respectful salutation, once more, tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, or, at 2 o'clock in the after-noon. We should

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be very obliged if you will tell to
Prof. Chau, when you can receive us.
I beg you to accept my respectful
hommage & of my daughter.
Sincerely yours

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