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The Share of Yenching Women's College in the Campaign of the Seven Women's College in the Orient.

(Written by Mrs. Oliver R. Williamson)

To Mrs. Henry W. Peabody of Boston belongs the credit for the inauguration and success of the campaign for the seven union Christian Colleges for women of the Orient.

Mrs. Peabody was President of the Federation of Women's Board of Foreign Missions U.S.A. and through her visits to the mission fields realized the great need for institutions of higher learning for women. Already denominations were uniting to conduct and maintain some of the colleges previously established. The time for a campaign was ripe. It was just after the World War (1920) when women every where were coming into greater freedom.

The seven colleges which were selected for the campaign were:

- Yenching (formerly North China Woman's College) at Peking
- Woman's Union Medical College, then at Peking, now integrated with Shantung University at Tsinan.
- Ginling College at Nanking.
- Woman's Christian College of Tokyo, Japan.
- Lucknow College for Women (Isabella Thoburn College) Lucknow, India
- Woman's Christian College of Madras, India
- Vellore Medical School, Vellore, India.

Three in China One in Japan
Three in India

Not one of these colleges had the necessary land or equipment. The Trustees of the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Fund promised one million dollars if the women of America would raise two million to be divided among these institutions. A "joint college committee" was set up with Mrs. Peabody as chairman and Miss Hilda Olson as treasurer. Throughout the country women's organizations were appealed to in furthering the plan. Meetings were held first in Washington - then States - large cities and smaller places. Money came in large and small amounts from individuals and organizations of all sorts. As soon as a goodly amount was in hand, the Rockefeller Trustees would advance one dollar for every two in hand.

Finally, early in 1922 word came forth that the fund must be completed by January 1, 1923 and efforts were redoubled. As a grand finale an appeal was made for "dollar day" which carried the fund to completion. Mrs. Peabody was untiring throughout the entire campaign and inspired everyone by her optimism and zeal.

Yenching received its share of something over \$600,000.00 and it was that fund which enabled it to buy its new campus and build and equip its splendid plant.

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Not only did the Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian Women's Missionary Boards unite in building up Yenching College for Women, but the Yenching University also seeking a new campus and plant invited the college to join with it in securing the wonderful campus they now occupy.

When the campaign started co-education in China was not to be considered. Before we had erected our buildings, it was already a fact. The Joint Committee for the Seven Christian Colleges for Women in Foreign Lands is no longer functioning, but through the Federation of Women's Boards of Foreign Missions which observes a Day of Prayer each year, there is an offering taken for these colleges, which is divided equally among them. The Federation has branches all over the country - in cities and towns - where the Day of Prayer is held and offerings taken and sent in to headquarters 419 Fourth Avenue, New York City, New York.

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COMMITTEE OF
YENCHING COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

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→ Women's College

of

YENCHING UNIVERSITY

MRS. MURRAY S. FRAME, B.A., B.D., Dean of the College

PEKING, CHINA

December 17, 1929.

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Representative of Wellesley College
Alumnae

My dear Mr. Traumanaker:

Today I received a letter from Miss Eliza H. Kendrick enclosing a check for one hundred dollars sent her by Mrs. Mrs. B. Hale, 19 Prince Street Rochester, New York. This amount is to apply on our \$6000⁰⁰ ~~the~~ Yenching College Committee is endeavoring to secure.

I have mailed the check to Mr. Garside and written to Miss Kendrick and Mrs. Hale.

Some time in the not distant future I hope to send to you the lists that are being individually cared for by various members of our Committee.

With this I am enclosing the letter drafted by Mrs. Speer and Miss Wagner. Possibly you may already have a copy from Mrs. Lee but I'll risk sending this one anyway. These are now

available for our women to use and I'm
hoping they may bear much fruit.

Most sincerely and cordially yours

Mia H. Williamson

(Ms. Oliver R.)

Dear

A few years ago you were a contributor to the fund that we raised for the seven colleges in the East and your gift has helped to bring new opportunities to women in India, Japan and China.

We want now, especially to tell you what your investment has done in North China. No doubt you have seen some newspaper notice of the formal opening of Yenching University, twelve miles from Peking, but no newspaper comment could convey the true significance of this noteworthy occasion.

Twenty five years ago a college for women in China was only a hope, but it was a living hope. A handful of eager girls, some borrowed buildings, a few hundred books, a half dozen devoted teachers, and a conviction that if Chinese women might secure the training and discipline that education offers, a great source of power for the building of a new and Christian China would be released - on this faith was Yenching College for Women founded.

You were one of those who shared that faith. You made your investment in it. In place of the cramped, rented quarters of these early days, your contribution and the contributions of other women like you, has made possible beautiful and adequate buildings. Since we are part of the larger University, we have the use of laboratories and equipment for our women students that we had never even dared hope for. Our library, though far from adequate, has grown during the years beyond the few hundred books, with which we began. The handful of students has grown to one hundred and eighty, representing almost every province in China, and the Women's College faculty of twenty-five is but part of the larger University faculty of trained and devoted men and women that has been built up during the years to serve our students. These are some of the earnings on your investment, but the real and enduring earnings are the women who have gone out from Yenching's gates to take their part in serving troubled, chaotic China in her time of need. They have been the doctors, the nurses, the teachers, the social workers, the homemakers, who in these troublous years in spite of the most discouraging circumstances, have carried on. They have gone back to villages where there were no schools and started them. Opposition and poverty and isolation has often been their lot, but they counted these as nought. Doctors and nurses have battled against disease and death going steadfastly on in their work of education in spite of the most appalling ignorance and superstition. Women such as these, and women, comrades of their husbands, quietly building Christian standards of family and community life, these are the leaven of the new social order. These are the enduring returns of your investment.

The centuries of Chinese tradition of disciplined responsibility for women in the home is bearing fruit of a rare quality when these girls receive a modern education.

This letter goes in the name of the Promotion Committee of Yenching College for Women, and we would be very glad of your continued help to any extent whether great or small in view of our responsibility for securing the money for the current expenses of the College.

Sincerely yours,

Dear Mr. Wainwright:

The plan is for our women to use this in connection with a personal letter or to adapt it in any way they may desire for their use.

N. M. W.

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Ans. Jan 14



THE WELLINGTON
PHILADELPHIA

January 12,
1930.

Dear Mrs. Lee:

Last Friday I spent in New York attending a sub-committee meeting to consider the salary question that is quite acute in Yenching U. right now. The complaint is the payment of "foreign" salaries in T. S. at 2:10 when the Trustees are getting much better exchange and if the teachers were paid in gold that exchange would benefit them and help meet the higher cost of living. Only emergency help could be given of course since the Trustees would have to act on a new salary schedule. That by the way is being worked out on the field by a comm. and their report is expected in

time for the annual meeting.
Our contract teachers will be
under the same ruling as those
in other parts of the U.S. so we shall
not need any special dispensation.

The question of pensions is also
very much discussed and the
Sub-Comm. of the Finance & Invest.
Comm. (Mr. Rounds chair; Mr. Marshall
and I are members) is asked to study
it. Have you any material that
would help with that problem? I
shall be so glad if you can send me
any information as to the pensioning
of your missionaries.

Following the sub-comm. meeting
the Finance Comm. met and
considered among other things the
"Special effort" during President Taft's
stay to secure 250,000 in California
and possibly a few other places.

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PHILADELPHIA

Jan. 12, 1930

for endowment of the Natural
Sciences. Pres. Stuart said
of that amount \$100,000⁰⁰ would
be endowment for the Women's
College. That is in addition
to what we already have. I
hope he may secure it.

So far I have only had \$150⁰⁰
sent in from our "individual
cultivation" lists. Miss Kendrick
sent me \$100⁰⁰ from Mrs. Hale
Rochester, N.Y. and I got \$50⁰⁰
from Mr. W. A. Douglass Oak Park.
I'm hoping for more responses
to the twenty-five letters I sent

out before the holidays! Guess
I shall have to send a follow-
up note shortly.

Perhaps you are in Atlantic
City. I would like to go over
but think I will not this year.

We were over there last week-
end with Ruth and a friend and
had beautiful weather and a
delightful time. We were at the
Chalfonte which we always enjoy.
It is drizzling rain here today
so there is no temptation to go
outside.

It seems a long time since I
wrote you and it was too wasn't
it for it was last year!

Hope the New Year has opened up
in an auspicious way for you.

affectionately yours
M.O.P.) Miss Williamson

January 14, 1930

Mrs. C. H. Williamson
Room 1411, The Wellington
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

I was very glad yesterday to have your letter of January 12th with its comments on the recent meeting of the Yenching Finance Committee and the Sub-committee on Salaries. This morning's mail brings me the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting, together with a request from Mr. Carside that I send in my vote immediately as in favor of or opposed to the engagement of the firm of Pierce and Hedrick for the campaign under consideration. I have just mailed an affirmative vote.

I was sorry not to be at the meeting of the Finance Committee on the 10th especially as I had been in New York for a meeting of the Trustees of the American College in Sofia, Bulgaria on the 8th. It seemed too bad that the two could not have come on consecutive days so that I might attend both, but as they did not, I had to forego the Yenching Finance Committee meeting. A letter from Mr. Evans this morning tells me that another meeting of this Committee is likely to be called in the near future. I take it that the question of the handling of Women's College finances on the field has not yet had consideration and that this will be one of the topics to be considered at the next meeting. That you may have all the information that I have in advance of the meeting, I am sending you a copy of Mrs. Frame's letter of November 22d and the copy she enclosed of Dr. Galt's letter. The latter please return to me as we need it for filing. If the date of next Finance meeting is one on which I could go to New York, it may be worth while for me to try to do so. Let me know if you have any clear conviction on this point either way.

You asked for a statement of the ruling of the American Board in regard to pensions. In response we are mailing you a copy of our Handbook. You will find the rules in regard to retirement on pages 36 through 38.

I certainly am glad that you are able to attend these

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various meetings of the Finance Committee, and I am glad, too, that a committee is at work on the salary question. I am somewhat depressed, shall I say, by the thought that the Mission Boards should also be trying to meet the need for increase in salaries. Do you know whether the Presbyterian Board has made any change in its salary rate recently?

It would be good to see you and have a chance to talk over a number of things.

Ever affectionately yours,

(Mrs. Lucius C. Lee)

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Yenching University

February 4, 1936

Mrs. S. S. Williamson,
 The Bollington,
 Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mrs. Williamson:

In the light of a statement made by Miss Ruth Elliott of the Presbyterian Board on January 31 as to the dates, amounts and designations of remittances made by the Presbyterian Board on the Sage Memorial Building and equipment, we have now restudied our Yenching College records.

We find the following entries in the Building accounts as shown by Mr. Bowman's books:

Apr. 1, 1921 rec'd from Trust. Bd. for Sage Mem'l Bldg.	\$137,000
Aug. 3, 1926 " " " " " " " " " "	100,000
	\$237,000

In the Current Expense account we find the following entries:-

Feb. 4, 1926 rec'd from Presb. Bd. for Sage Mem'l Bldg., Credit	\$44,000
Mar. 22, 1926 N.Y. draft to Alice B. Frase,	
Sage Legacy Bequest	\$4,000

The Gold \$37,000 credited to the Sage Memorial Building in the Building accounts was disbursed to the field along with other general building funds, and was not sent out in separate and designated remittances for the Sage Building. Dr. Gitt's letter No. 223 of April 4, 1929, transmitted to us a statement showing the cost of the Women's College buildings on December 31, 1928. Included in this statement we find the following two items:-

Sage Memorial Building	Nov. 22, 1926.77	\$247,412.26
" " Furniture	100.35	99.35

The most important question our information here in the office does not enable us to answer is whether the \$44,000 sent to Mrs. Frase on March 22, 1926 is included in the expenditures of \$247,412.26 for the Sage Memorial Building. If it is so included apparently the entry is somewhat inaccurate as we believe the amount should have been added to the Sage Memorial Building Furniture account rather than the Building account.

It appears, therefore, that we have two alternatives in consider-

ing the status of the Sage Memorial Building and Furniture account:-

(a) Assuming that the \$34,000 sent Mrs. Frame March 22, 1926 was not included in Dr. Galt's figures for Women's College Buildings, Dec. 31, 1928.

Cost of Sage Mem'l <i>Building</i>			\$347,412.96
" " " " Furniture (already charged)	\$330.35		
" " " " " (to be ")	<u>4,000.00</u>		<u>4,000.35</u>
Total cost of Sage Building and Furnishings			\$351,803.31
Rec'd for Sage Mem'l Bldg.	\$35,000.00		
" " " " Furnishings	<u>6,000.00</u>	41,000.00	
Deficit Sage Building and Furnishings		<u>10,000.31</u>	\$1,803.31

(b) Assuming that the \$4,000 sent Mrs. Frame March 22, 1926 was included in Dr. Galt's statement of Building costs Dec. 31, 1928.

Cost of Sage Memorial Building		47,412.96	
Less amt to be charged to Furniture		<u>4,000.00</u>	\$43,412.96
Sage Memorial Furniture as charged		30.35	
" " " " to be "		<u>4,000.00</u>	<u>4,000.35</u>
			47,803.31
Rec'd for Sage Mem'l Bldg.	\$35,000.00		
" " " " Furnishings	<u>6,000.00</u>	41,000.00	
Deficit		<u>6,803.31</u>	\$47,803.31

However the Sage Memorial Building account is considered, it is obvious that the expenditures for Buildings and Furnishings has already considerably exceeded the total amount received. So far as our figures show, the amount actually expended for Furnishings is \$31,300.35 less than the amount received from the Sage Fund Committee for this purpose. However, the amount expended on the Building itself is either \$35,412.96 or \$31,412.96 in excess of the amount received. As our accounts now stand, the unexpended balance on the Sage Furnishings has been applied to the reduction of the deficit on the Building itself.

If the Women's College desires that the balance of \$31,300.35 be spent for additional Furnishings this expenditure would simply increase the deficit on the Building itself by that amount and would, of course, involve the expenditure of \$31,300.35 from the balance of Women's College Building Fund now on hand.

One other adjustment in the Sage Building account may possibly be necessary. As our Women's College books are now set up it is assumed that the \$4,000 sent by Mr. Bowman on March 22, 1926, to Mrs. Frame for the Sage Memorial Furnishings does not appear on either side of our Building accounts. If the field informs us that the expenditure of this \$4,000 is included in the figure of \$347,412.96 shown as the cost of the Sage Memorial

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Building, it will be necessary for us to transfer \$4,000 of Current Funds to the Plant section in order to show that a total of \$41,000 has been received in the Sage Memorial account. If, however, the field informs us that neither the receipt nor the expenditure of this \$4,000 for Sage Memorial Furnishings has as yet been entered in the Plant account, it will be a simple matter to add both the receipt and the expenditure by journal voucher, thus increasing both the Plant assets and the Plant funds by \$4,000 without affecting the Current Cash situation.

It seems to me that there is not much we can do here in New York until we learn whether or not the \$4,000 sent Mrs. Frame on March 22, 1928, has been included in Dr. Galt's figures of December 31, 1928. Possibly you or Mrs. Lee can give us information on this point. If you cannot, we shall have to await information from Mrs. Frame or Dr. Galt. I am sending copies of this letter to Mrs. Frame, Dr. Galt, and Mrs. Lee.

Very sincerely yours,

RAC-H

CC: Mrs. Frame
Dr. Galt
Mrs. Lee

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February 7, 1930

Mrs. C. R. Williamson
The Wellington, Room 1411
Philadelphia, Penn.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

Mr. Carside has sent me a copy of his letter of February 4th to you on the subject of the Sage Memorial Building Funds. The point in regard to this matter on which no one at this end apparently has light is the question whether or not the \$4,000 sent Mrs. Frame by Mr. Bowman on March 22, 1926 has been included in Dr. Galt's figures of December 31, 1928. I have no light on this question. If you had not, I think we will necessarily wait for a reply from Mrs. Frame or Dr. Galt, or both. You will remember that Mrs. Roys was the person who negotiated with the Presbyterian Board in regard to gifts from the Sage Memorial Fund. If you think it worth while, you might share this letter with her and see if she has the information desired. I doubt, however, whether she would be able to answer this particular question.

I have been meaning in every letter I wrote you to give you the address of the Henry Penns in Philadelphia. I know Constance would greatly appreciate a call from you if you could find the time and strength for it. Her mother, who is, you will remember, my sister, is just now there with them and she too would enjoy seeing you. The address is 6836 North Ninth Street, Philadelphia.

Always affectionately yours,

(Mrs. Lucius O. Lee)

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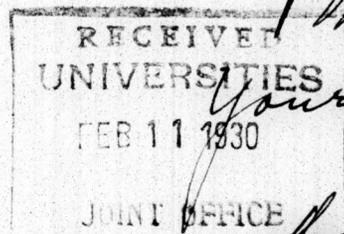
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My dear Mr. Garside:

Your letter regarding the
"Bage Memorial Building" funds
has been received and I'm
quite puzzled by it. That
was one building I thought
we had fully covered by
special gifts. I shall
reserve any comment until
such time as we have heard
from the field. I have no
record of building funds
since I had nothing to do

with that part of the work.
I think it better not to
bother Mrs. Roys who negotiated
that gift and building project
until we have all of the field
information. Mr. Schell and
Dr. North were also on the
committee that passed on
those building plans and
contracts. I should think
you would have an awful
headache if you try to
unscramble the amounts that
went into the Women's College
buildings.



Most sincerely and cordially

Yours,
Ania K. Williamson

Mr. O.R.

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Ans. Feb 13,
Near Mrs. Lee:



THE WELLINGTON
PHILADELPHIA

February 10,
1930

Your letter regarding the
Page Memorial Building funds
has been received. I doubt
very much that Mrs. Coys
has kept any records
going back to the Page
Building transaction and
believe it best to await
news from the field before
disturbing her. I'm sure

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We all felt that the Sage
Building was one building
that was fully covered by
the amount definitely given
for it - also that the extra
six thousand was for
equipment and furnishing.
I shall be most interested
to get the field version of it.
Thank you for Mrs. Fenwick's
address. I shall try and
get in touch with her while
your sister is here.

Have you heard anything
about reaping a harvest
for Yenching in and about
Boston since President

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Stuart's visit?

I hope the California effort may be profitable for surely we have friends on the coast and that territory needs to be cultivated.

We are having real winter weather right now but nothing to complain about. I suppose you know that Mrs. Fred Smith Bennett's husband died in St. Petersburg, Florida last week. She has no children.

so is left quite alone.

Affectionately yours

Mrs. M. Williamson

M.O.P.1

February 13, 1930

Mrs. O. R. Williamson
Room 1411, The Wellington
Philadelphia, Penn.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

Thank you for your letter of February 10th. I am sure it is wise for us all to await further word from the field as to the Sage Memorial Buildings Fund.

You ask what I know of any campaign for Yenching here in Boston. Mr. Conant, the agent of the firm of Pierce and Hedrick, to whom the Bostonfield has been given, came in one morning to see me and we has quite a talk. I understand that Mrs. Bearing gave a tea or afternoon reception at her home in Cambridge at which Mr. Conant spoke. Beyond that and the statements in the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting, I know nothing whatever.

I was a little surprised to note that in the list of objects for when endowment is being sought as given in the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting, no mention was made of the Women's College. I understood both President Stuart and Mr. Conant to say that \$100,000 designated to the Women's College was one of the objectives of this campaign work. Had you noticed the failure to include that in the plans for the campaign as reported to the Finance Committee?

I have written Mr. Garside asking him to let me know as soon as possible when the date of the Annual Meeting of the Yenching Trustees is fixed that I may call the meeting of the Yenching Committee for the preceding day. To tell the truth, I have been wondering somewhat as to just what really essential work there is for our Yenching Committee to do. All financial matters such as the amount to be expended on the gymnasium and even questions relating to plans of buildings or the campus in general are now handled by the Trustees. So also are all major questions in regard to conduct of the institution curriculum, faculty, etc., etc. We have secured as members of our Yenching Committee some really able women. We ought to have a real job to do. It is almost true, as I see it, that the only definite undertaking of the Women's College Committee is at present the effort to raise \$6,000 toward the budget. This

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is well enough, but when or if endowment is secured, even this may not be necessary. In any case, it is not an undertaking of sufficient size and challenge to enlist the deepest sympathy and cooperation of the type of women we have on our Committee. Does this type of question ever come into your mind and does it bother you? Of course I have no thought of airing such questions with the general public, but I do think that some of us should be giving the most constructive thought of which we are capable to the question of the real purpose of our Yenching College Committee under the changed form of organization of the College. Of course I have the docket for the April meeting in mind.

In your February 10th letter you enclosed the Promotional Committee list of Mrs. Sidney Gamble and of Mrs. Purkin. I judge this was sent merely for my information. If I should know anything about these lists, please let me know.

Thank you for Miss Margaret Mead's address.

Always affectionately yours,

(Mrs. Lucius C. Lee)

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THE WELLINGTON
PHILADELPHIA

Feb. 19, 1930

~~Mr.~~ Dear Mrs. Lee:

Your letter of the fifteenth has been received.

Mr. Conant whom you mentioned is supposed to be one of "Pierce and Hedrick's" best men. I trust he may have been successful in his follow-up work.

I think there has been no definite listing of objects for this campaign so far but \$250,000 is given as the amount of endowment being

Sought. Pres. Stuart plainly
stated in Finance Council
that ^{\$}100,000 ~~is~~ of that is for
the Women's College. I think
when that question of receiving
or rejecting the Chinese banker's
gift has been settled the other
sums will fall into place.

In other words there is still
a grave question whether the
^{\$}250,000 ~~is~~ offered by the banker
will match the Rockefeller
gift of the same amount or
whether the sum Pres. Stuart
is now raising must be
used to meet the Rockefeller
gift. It is all held up but
as you will recall at the meeting
Pres. Stuart is anxious and
fervently hoping the conditions

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of that Chinese gift may be met
so it can be used to meet the
Rockefeller gift. Then Pres. Stuart
seems to have great hope that
the Rockefeller fund will give
another \$250,000 to match the
quarter of a million he is now
trying to secure. These conditions
are holding up definite designations
I am sure. This cannot be given out yet!

Miss Hodge called the other
day and I was much interested
to learn that Mrs. Avann has
accepted the Chairmanship of
Shantung College Committee. Miss
Hodge said Mrs. M. Dowell had
really never done anything

Not even calling regular
meetings so they were delighted
to have Mrs. Avann. That is nice
for Shantung Committee I'm sure.
I have been much interested
in what you suggest about
our Women's College Committee and
of course it has come into my
mind! It is a question we
must consider that is sure.

I have had no refusals to my
letters for contributions to Yenching
but the checks so far have been
small. No intimation has come
that other members of my
Comm. have even met with
that success unless checks
have been sent directly to N.Y.

Have you heard further from
Miss Clark? I wrote after you

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told me of her mother's illness but no reply has come. As soon as our annual meeting date is decided upon I will again write to my Committee requesting that we all endeavor to secure gifts in order that we may report the six thousand completed by that date. Pres. Pundleton said she would send in \$100.00. Do you think I should remind her of it?

As yet I have not been able to get to see your niece. The past weeks and days have been busy ones. Mr. Williamson has been attending a conference in Atlantic City but I had two meetings

here (Presbyterian) where I had a
part so had to stay home!

To-morrow is Pension Board
day. This morning is clear
hence letter writing. Notice has
come of a meeting of Finance
Comm. next Monday. I'm
wondering if by any good
fortune you are planning to
attend. Mr. Rouns is studying
the Pension plan and usually
has his comm. (I'm a member)
meet either before or after the
finance. It is milder again
and most comfortable but we
surely did have a winter
trist over the week-end. I
sent the lists under Mrs. Gamble's
and Parlin's care simply for your
information. You have the others
I think. Affectionately yours
Ania H. Williamson
(Ms. O. R.)

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U. S. A.

156 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

OFFICE OF SECRETARY

March 6, 1930

Mrs. O. R. Williamson,
33 North Ferry Street,
Schenectady,
New York

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

Miss Elliott has referred to the China Office your letter to her concerning the quota at Yenching College. You are correct in your thought that Miss Margaret B. Speer is one of the Presbyterian quota of three for Yenching College. Just at present the Presbyterian members of the Yenching College staff are as follows:

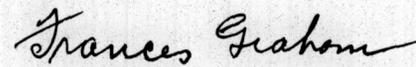
Miss Margaret B. Speer
Miss Adeline H. Veghte
Miss Anne Cochran.

There is, however, some question of Miss Cochran's continuing at Yenching. She was appointed by the Presbyterian Board for work at Kwaiyuan and took up the work at Yenching during the trouble in 1927; not, however, as a permanent member of the staff. This whole question is up with the field at the present time but, from the knowledge we have now, it does not look as though there would be a Presbyterian vacancy in the Yenching quota for at least a year.

Mrs. Lee mentions that Miss White is, she thinks, a Presbyterian. She is the daughter of the former president of Shanghai College in China which is a Baptist institution.

Dr. Scott is away from the office just now on account of illness. He may wish to modify my statements when he returns. I am, however, sending this on to you in the hope that you will have it before you leave Schenectady.

Sincerely,



Office of George T. Scott.

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March 26, 1930

Mrs. O. R. Williamson
The Wellington, Suite 1411
Philadelphia, Penn.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

I am in receipt of two copies of the Yenching College budget for 1930-31 as submitted by Mrs. Frame and the Administrative Committee, and also two copies of Mrs. Frame's covering letter to Mr. Garside. I take it that she has intended one of these copies for you and one for me, though she does not say so in so many words. I am therefore enclosing one copy of each to you.

Mrs. Frame has sent me also two copies of the recommendations of the General Faculty/Executive in regard to changes in our contract with short term appointees and I am sending you one copy of that. There are other related documents which I think you should also have but as there has not been time for us to do any copying since these documents were received, they will come a little later. I can perhaps bring them with me to New York on Friday and we can discuss additional items calling for discussion at that time. None of these matters will demand official action until the time of our annual meeting in April.

On the question of the Sage Memorial Building Mrs. Frame writes the following:

"Mr. Garside's point that the New York office could not keep separate all the different items of gifts in sending them to the field, is well-taken. However, I did not mean that when I wrote about the original gift of \$6,000 G for the finishing and equipment of Sage Hall. Since the total building account for Sage has over-run the original gift of \$35,000, we cannot, of course, ask for the \$2,000 remaining from the special gifts for finishing and equipment. I doubt whether we can get any money toward Sage Hall from the committee in charge of the disbursement of that Memorial Fund, but it may be worth trying. There is a little money left from the \$4,000 G which was sent to the field from that \$6,000 fund some years ago. When Miss Cookingham comes back to the office I will find out how large a balance there is.

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Mrs. O.R.W. -- 2

It may be enough to finish up the building as it now stands. Or do you insist that we take this balance and apply it to the deficit on Sage, trusting that the remainder of the \$2,000 L C allocated last year will be sufficient for Sage as well as all the other buildings? I am quite confident that it will not, but I would like your opinion."

I do not know that there will be any opportunity to take up this question with Mr. Garside on Friday but I think it will be for you as well as for me to have it in mind in case it should come up.

Looking forward to seeing you Friday, I am

Affectionately yours,

(Mrs. Lucius O. Lee)

L:ehs

P.S. Mrs. Frame sends us the following name which should be added to our Yenching mailing list.

Miss Eloise D. Gamble
188 S. James Street
Waukesha, Wisconsin

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PEKING, CHINA

Ans. _____

April 15, 1930.

Dear Mrs. Tree:

I have just sent out the call for a meeting of the Promotion Comm. for Tuesday, April 22, 9:30 a.m. in Room 606, 150 Fifth Ave. We will not have a very long session I think.

With this I am sending two reports. One of our endowment and one of the contributions to the current expense fund of \$6000⁰⁰.

The endowment as you will notice does not include the \$16000⁰⁰ of Mrs. Gamble which was received previous to April 11, 1929. That would bring our endowment up to \$53,700⁰⁰ which is encouraging. The income from the Cash (not pledges!) \$39,045⁰⁰ at 5% will produce \$1952.25 - not quite enough for the new Gym current expense item in the budget! Mr. Garside said yesterday that not all available funds for the current budget have been drawn upon and if the Yenching Committee so desired the residue

could be designated toward the 6000⁰⁰. I have written this to Mrs. Avance for it is something to think about!

I am taking up the question of forwarding the gift for Yearning which the Woman's Interdenominational Union of Philadelphia has been holding since last summer. That should count on our 6000⁰⁰. I do not know to whom to write in the Federation of Women's Bds. For. Miss. If you do could you take up the question of Day of Prayer gifts or should we wait developments. It will come in eventually of course. I rather think they wait until returns are all in from all over the country which means an indeterminate time.

The joint Ex. and Finance Comm. yesterday formulated a recommendation about the Chinese gift which seems about what Dr. Stuart desires. You may have the minutes as soon as this so will not go into detail. That was the time consumed yesterday although before and after that meeting Mr. Couids-Garside-Evans and I met about Pensions and Salaries. It was 5:20 when we finally adjourned. Mrs. Boyd will not stay at the Prince George but I suppose the rest of us may. I plan to go over Monday afternoon. Hoping to see you soon -

Affectionately yours
Ania H. Williamson
(M.O.P.)

YENCHING COLLEGE
FOR WOMEN

Philadelphia, Penn.

May 22, 1930.

TRANSFER

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

Dear Mr.Garside:

A letter just received from Mrs. Lee brings the information that the Friends Service Council has arranged for the salary and outfit expense of Miss Burtt for 1930-1931 also her travel expenses to the field except for any special expenses in the United States.

Since we included five hundred dollars gold in the 1930-1931 budget for possible need in connection with Miss Burtt's service I agree with Mrs. Lee that this may be properly drawn upon for her extra expenses in this country for they will be incurred in connection with and in preparation ~~for~~ her work on the field.

Tomorrow (May 23) I am leaving for the meetings of our General Assembly to be held in Cincinnati. My address will be Hotel Gibson, until the fourth of June. My plan then is to go on to Chicago for a visit returning to Philadelphia about the sixteenth.

My address until the tenth of June will be 433 Congress street, Ottawa, Illinois. After that I will not be any one place long enough to be sure mail will reach me.

Summer weather is back with us again so it looks as if it may be warm for traveling.

Very sincerely and cordially yours,

Mrs. H. Williamson
(Mrs. Oliver R.)

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MAY 23 1930

Attn: June 9.

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania,

May 22, 1930.

Dear Mrs. Lee:

Your letter of the 20th. received. I am sending you a copy of the letter I wrote Mr. Garside and you will see that I agree with you in using the money written into the 1930-1931 budget for possible need for Miss Burt's salary to defray her extra travel expenses in this country.

Since she goes out under the Friends Service Council I feel we should not tamper with her salary this year any more than we have felt we could with Miss Woods'.

No word has come from Mrs. Avann regarding the chairman for the Promotion Committee but it will take time I am sure to make an adjustment there.

I suppose you will be away in August when Mr. Williamson has his vacation and we plan to motor through New England. We expect to stop in Boston for a short time and will certainly look in and say "howdy" if you happen to be home.

It has turned very warm for travel but may change again before tomorrow night. I am hoping to see Miss Clark and her mother if possible during my stop in Chicago. I realize of course that they may be at their summer home and so away from Evanston.

Affectionately yours,

Wm. H. Williamson

Mr. Oliver P.

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THE WELLINGTON
PHILADELPHIA

June 20,
1930.

Dear Mr. Garside:

What a tremendous responsibility
your communication received this
morning brings to me!

It never seemed in the realm
of possibility that I would
need to substitute for the
President of the Board of Trustees
of Yenching University!

However I am following
your instructions and
signing the five copies of

the employment agreement
with Miss White, having signatures
witnessed, and forwarding
your letter to her with agreements
to-day. Special delivery!

This being the week-end when
mail collections and deliveries
are fewer especially in smaller
places I thought it best to
hasten delivery by use of the
special.

I shall be here in Philadelphia
for another week since our
daughter comes next week for
a visit before Mr. Williamson starts
for conferences on the West
Coast. Hope you saw something
of the Byrd ovation. We heard some
here! Most cordially yours
Mrs. O. P. Miss H. Williamson



THE WELLINGTON
PHILADELPHIA

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November 2,
1930.

Ans. _____
Dear Mrs. Lee:

Your letter, October 30,
with announcement of evening
meeting - and copy of Mrs.
Frank's letter to you has been
received. It is much better
I am sure to have the all
day meeting and not feel too
hurried and of course we can
adjourn early if we get through.
I am planning to come to

New York Monday but fear I
cannot plan to arrive very
early in the afternoon. It
will be safer not to plan for
me much before dinner.
I'm sorry but Dr. Williamson
has planned for some weeks
for Ruth and me to be in
Atlantic City with him for that
week-end. He is away so much
it has been difficult to arrange
a time when we can all be
together and this seems to be
the last and only chance! If
the girls send word they can

most conveniently see you earlier than I can arrive you meet them and I may get in for the end of their call. I hope they may also find it possible to meet with us Tuesday for all day or through the luncheon at least.

Mrs. Frank's letter is extremely interesting and challenging. It certainly looks as if we have little choice as to whether we must do more building!

This is a very difficult time to secure funds for educational purposes in China but the need seems clear.

Is it necessary to request Mr. Garridge to make a report on our finances or will he do it as a matter of course.

Should we ask Mr. Traumanaker to give us a report or account of the promotion plans? We have not published our News letter this fall. I think the information in Mrs. Frank's Dean's report and this last letter will make excellent material. I too wish we could send the agenda out to the members but fear it is a vain hope this time. I'm glad you are coming to N.Y. on Monday so we can get together before the meeting.

Affectionately yours
M. C. W. Wilson

YENCHING COLLEGE
FOR WOMEN

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Yenching University

January 5, 1931

Mrs. C. P. Williamson
The Wellington,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mrs. Williamson:

A few days ago we received from Yenching University a cablegram reading as follows:-

"Women's College dormitory cost of building not to exceed 6832,000 at the current rate of exchange. Telegraph if proposition is accepted. Letter posted today. It is very desirable that contract for building be made at earliest date. Please cable authority. Stuart."

You will remember that, at its meeting on November 18, the Yenching College Committee appointed a Committee consisting of yourself, Mrs. Roys, Miss Speer, Dr. North, Mr. Farnhamaker "to consider further building plans and to report at the April meeting of the Committee". I believe that this is the only action thus far taken in response to the request of the field for an additional dormitory in the Women's College. On October 30 Mrs. Lee sent copies of Mrs. Frame's letter of September 30 to all members of the Yenching College Committee so everyone is familiar with the questions involved.

You will have received the minutes of the December 29 meeting of the Finance Committee and will no doubt have noted that the Committee by action F-2012 "urge with all possible emphasis that the field abandon all thought of any further expansion in physical plant, in staff, in student body, or in program"; and further that the Committee "inform the field that for what will probably be an extended period the Trustees will be unable to authorize any new expansions of the physical plant, either in the purchase of land, or the construction of buildings, beyond such purchases or construction as have already been fully authorized by them". This action of the Finance Committee does not necessarily restrict any building operations of the Women's College which the Yenching College Committee may consider essential and for which you have funds in hand or in sight. It does, however, indicate the very emphatic judgment of the Committee that for the present Yenching must abruptly cease any further expansion, and must devote its entire efforts to maintaining and strengthening its present position.

In a letter I sent Mrs. Lee just after this cablegram from Yenching had been received, I quoted the request of the field and asked her

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opinion. She has just replied as follows:-

"I hardly know what to say in response to the cable asking for authorization for beginning at once construction of a fifth dormitory for the women's College. As Mrs. Williamson is the chairman of the sub-committee on further building, I would suggest that she be consulted. In fact, I think that a meeting of this special committee should be called. Mr. Keys could probably not be present, but the other members of the Committee are in or near New York except Mrs. Williamson, and I feel sure she would come for such a meeting. It happens that I am to be in New York on January 1. I shall be busy on that day in a meeting of the Trustees of the Rockefeller Hospital in the forenoon, and of the Cornell College Board of Trustees in the afternoon. If there were no reason for my doing so, I could perhaps stay over Monday night and share in a meeting Tuesday morning. That is not, however, necessary. I am sure that the sub-committee appointed will have all the wisdom I could possibly have. If we could finally put up the fifth dormitory and equipt it for the money we have in hand, there are, I think, strong arguments in favor of our proceeding. On the other hand, I do not entirely endorse the present action of the Finance Committee in the matter of future expansion. The construction in my mind of what for the building of a new dormitory for the women's College would be a violation of that principle."

If there is a time when I can be of service in the matter which is being served. I will not hesitate to send my full to the college should I have the opportunity.

Very cordially,
 Mrs. Williamson

B. W. W.

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Mrs. Lucius O. Lee
14 Beacon Street,
Boston, Mass.

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Ans. Jan 9 1931

Dear Mrs. Lee:

Your letter under date of January fifth has been received.

The supply of new stationery will be most welcome. I spent Tuesday with Mrs. Boyd who would also like a supply of stationery and I told her that I would ask you to send hers to Highland Park, Florida. She plans to write to some of the people on her list while she is in the south.

Mrs. Boyd went over her list with me and has given me her cards and records. Some names are duplicates of those we have but others are not on my list. However they may be on Mrs. Mc Coy's list so I shall go to New York and go over the entire list at headquarters before sending them on to Miss Clark. Most of the names of donors go back to 1925-26 and 1927 when Jean Dickanson made her visits and secured some gifts. It is too bad her leads could not have been followed up sooner. However we may be able to do something even at this later date.

A letter from Mr. Garside came in the same mail with yours quoting at length your letter to him.

I am very sorry Dr. Lee is not so well and hope that by this time he may be greatly improved.

Had you been sure you would have been in New York the twelfth I would have called a special committee meeting to "consider further building plans" but since you are uncertain I believe it will be better to wait.

The action of our Yenching Committee in November clearly states the special committee is only to "consider plans and report at the April meeting" so I would hesitate to take the responsibility and authority to say we should go ahead and build the dormitory.

The amount asked - \$32000.00 - would simply wipe out our capital building fund and leave us with no funds for equipment or emergencies or the completion of such buildings already erected as the field has indicated are still in need of finishing details. The equipment would take almost all of the field surplus so we would be quite low in funds. Then too, the action of the Finance Committee F-2912 at its December 29th meeting states its judgment in regard to any expansion. Of course, if we should have the good fortune to have the dormitory given to us I feel sure even the finance committee would be willing to have it built but that, as you suggest, is quite beyond our realization at this time.

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No one regrets the overcrowding in the college more than I but I feel that it was thoroughly understood and talked over by the committee and the action taken to have a report on "further building at the April meeting" expresses the conviction and judgment of the group. *J. H. Lee*

The last paragraph in your letter leads me to feel that you are not entirely committed to going ahead with building the fifth dormitory. I wrote to Mrs. Frame some time ago asking for further details about building costs and equipment so should have that information ere long.

Do you plan to be in New York sometime before long? If you do I will be glad to call a meeting of the special committee to talk over the whole plan. Otherwise I believe I shall wait until I have the information from the field before getting the committee together.

Affectionately,

Mrs. O. R. Williamson
(Mrs. Oliver R.)

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January 8, 1930

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

Dear Mr. Garside:

Your letter of January fifth has come in the same mail with one from Mrs. Lee on the same subject.

Of course I wish that we could see our way clear to cable back authority to the field to build the new dormitory but my judgment is against it since the building and equipment expense would about wipe out all of our surplus capital fund as well as most of the surplus on the field.

With this I am enclosing my reply to Mrs. Lee which will give you my views on this subject more in detail.

Do you think I should call a committee meeting and get the consensus of opinion before you cable the field or, knowing my views, could you consult Dr. North, Miss Speer and Mr. Wanamaker, writing to Mrs. Roys, to get their opinion regarding the building of the dormitory at this time? If you deem it advisable at this time to have the entire committee's opinion I could come to New York on any day but Tuesday or Thursday of next week.

Most cordially yours,

J. L. W.

January 9, 1911

Mrs. O.R. Williamson
The Wellington
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

Thank you for your letter of January 6 just received. We are mailing a package of Yenching stationery to Mrs. Boyd in Highland Park, Florida. I am surely glad you and she have been able to do that work on the list, and hope that something may come from it.

I believe you are right in your comment on the dormitory question. You ask whether I am to be in New York before long. I do quite definitely plan to be there this coming Monday January 12. I shall be in a meeting of the Joint Committee on the Union Hospital at Focchow in the forenoon, and in a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the American College, Sofia, Bulgaria, in the afternoon.

You may be surprised to know that I am rather seriously thinking of going to from New York to Philadelphia for a day and a night to see my neice, Mrs. Constance Sargent Fenn, and her family, and my husband's daughter Harriet, who is now teaching in the Mary Lyons School in Southmore. My thought is to be with the Fenn's in Elkins Park until after lunch on Tuesday, and if it is convenient for Connie to drive me to the Wellington, I may possibly make a call on you. At any rate, I will try to telephoneyou from there some time Tuesday forenoon. If you are not to be at home, you will, of course, pay no attention to this letter for my time will be very limited, and it would be only a brief little visit we could have at best. It would not be convenient for you to come out to Elkins Park to Connie's home would it?

As to a meeting of the Yenching Building Committee, it may be we will to leave that until some time when Mrs. Roys is to be in New York. In any case, it is not necessary for me to be present at a meeting of that Committee.

Always affectionately yours,

(Mrs. Lucius O. Lee)

L:BB

C O P Y

New York, January 18, 1931

Dear Mr. Garside:

I have been hoping to have time to come in to see you to talk over the request from Mrs. Frame and Dr. Stuart for authorization to let contracts for a new Women's College Dormitory, but there seems to be no time for that.

I agree with Mrs. Williamson that the Committee which was appointed "to consider further building plans and report at the April meeting" can scarcely take upon itself the authority to approve of spending \$32,000 now for a fifth dormitory. Since, however, the Committee must meet sometime before April, I should be in favor of Mrs. Williamson's calling a meeting at an early date if it is at all possible for her and for Mrs. Roys to come to New York.

But in the meantime an answer must be sent to Dr. Stuart and Mrs. Frame. I understood at the November meeting that the balance of the building fund for the Women's College was roughly \$28,000 gold. To start a \$32,000 dormitory without any other funds than these and the surplus on the field to draw on, would seem to me the height of folly. But I have been in China too recently to be willing to turn down coldly such requests from the field. Is it not possible to cable that the committee at home cannot authorize starting building until at least \$32,000 is in hand here, but that we will make every effort to raise that money as soon as possible? That may seem like an idle promise, but I do not see what else we can do.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) Margaret Bailey Speer

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E. P. COUGHLAN,
PRESIDENT

Ack 1/24/31

Nelson House

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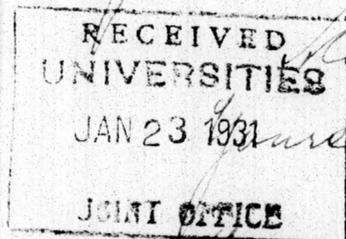
January 21,
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Dear Mr. Garside:

Your letter with the copy of the one sent to the "Special Committee on Building" came and I suppose soon you will have received replies from the members. I of course was glad to receive the additional information from the field regarding the need for the dormitory also their feeling regarding the use of the money held on the field.

I am on my way to Schenectady

with my daughter and shall
be with her until Tuesday when I
return to Philadelphia. My plan
now is to come to New York Thursday
morning and stay over night
in order to check over my list
with Miss H. C. C. and attend to
any other matters that may come
up. If you think it wise I shall
be most happy to have such
members of the "Special Committee"
as can meet Thursday afternoon
or Friday morning to consider
more fully the letter and question
you sent us. At any rate I shall
be in Thursday, January 29 to take
up some one's time!



Yours sincerely and cordially
Miss M. Williamson
11 N. Church St. Schenectady N.Y. until Tuesday the 29th



Nelson House

POUGHKEEPSIE'S LEADING HOTEL

POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y.

E. P. COUGHLIN
PRESIDENT JAN 23 1931

January 21,
1931

Dear Mr. ~~Ans. See Jan 23, 1931~~

Ruth and I are this far on our way back to Schenectady. Mr. Williamson came this far with us to see that we got safely over the snowy mountain roads but returned immediately via the steam car.

I suppose you received a copy of the letter Mr. Garside sent out to the "Special Building Comm." with quotations from yours and my letters, also the one from the field. Judging from comments made re the surplus on the field I take it none of that would be or rather could be used for building the fifth dormitory. I am returning directly to Philadelphia for

definite engagements but am
planning to go to New York next Thursday,
Jan. 29 and have written Mr. Garrison
that I will be glad to meet with the
members of the "Special Committee"
if he thinks it desirable. Wish you could be ^{with} _{us}.
My special work here is to check
over Mrs. Boyd's and my list with the
one in Mr. Trauman's office. I
shall have the revised one sent right
on to Miss Clark. I have written her
regarding his, also, about using
stenographic help.

It was good to have that little chat
over the phone but I wish we could have
had some time together. I understand
perfectly how it was and know your
time was much limited. I hope
Dr. Lee was not much worse during
your absence -

Very truly yours

Wm. D. Williamson
Ms. D. P. 1

January 23, 1931

Mrs. O. R. Williamson
The Wellington
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

I have been at home all this week with a bad cold, but have kept somewhat in touch with the office work as my stenographer has come out several times. She this morning brought me your letter of January 21.

The more I think of it the more I feel that the Yenching College Committee would not at this time be justified in spending every penny of its capital funds and perhaps going into debt for the sake of the immediate erection of the fifth dormitory. I do think, however, that the Sub-committee should meet and go over carefully the question of available funds, and also any possibility of securing any special gifts. I have wondered about Mrs. and Miss Gillespie of Pittsburgh, but I judge possibly this is not an auspicious time to raise with them the question of a further gift to Yenching.

I have wondered whether it might be worth while to write Dr. Jenney and ask him if he knew of anyone who is especially interested in the Women's College who might be asked for money for this dormitory. If that seems to you at all worth while, could you write to Dr. Jenney? If you would rather I did, I am quite willing to do so.

As you are chairman of the Sub-committee I think it might be well for you to make the definite plans for a meeting. Probably there is no hurry about it as I judge we are all of one mind at present. 1

I was sorry not to see you when I was in Philadelphia last week. My time was simply too short.

Always affectionately yours,

(Mrs. Lucius O. Lee)

Dictated but not read.

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Prince George Hotel
Fifth Avenue & 28th Street
New York

Ans. _____

ROBERT M. GUTTERSON
MANAGING DIRECTOR

Jan. 31 - 31

Dear Mrs. Lee:

For two days - minus
the time the office was
closed on account of
the funeral of Miss Lane
an accountant in Mr.
Garside's office, I have
been "doing lists".

We have "checked and
double checked" until

now Miss H. C. Cay is
going to have the revised
list made for Miss
Clark and send it on to her.

I have written her fully
as to what I have done
and am now sending her
my original list of
Friends - which you have
on file - our list of
Contributors and the
list of Promotion Comm.
with their groups of names
for cultivation. I am
suggesting that your list

- of last year be given to Miss Kendall.
Then I am reporting that through
consultation with Margaret Speer we are
suggesting Miss Tseng Hsin Hsiang of
the educational department be offered
Bryn Mawr Church. Miss Tseng is a
very fine person - a great friend of Miss
Grace Baynton - worker in the Yenta and
other activities. So should prove satisfactory.
The Spcl. Blding Committee met and again
talked over the situation and decided it is
not wise to use all our available cash
for the dormitory but will strenuously
endeavor to secure funds for it by April
meeting. I read your suggestion about Dr.
Jenney and Mr. Wannamaker said he would
promptly take up the question with Dr. Jenney
So we will wait to hear the result before
going further. Margaret Speer is to be in
Bryn Mawr the last of Feb. and plans to
interview Mrs. Alba Johnson and any
other person we suggest about the dormitory

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Jan. 31, 1931



Prince George Hotel
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sent in an "extra and above"
\$ 50⁰⁰ for endowment. This
may be repeated!

Then Miss Alice Ottley, Sec.
for that fund made a
personal pledge for endow-
ment of \$ 250⁰⁰ and paid
\$ 50⁰⁰. This is all very
encouraging.

I called on Miss Florence
Tyler who is now the ex.
Sec. of the Federation of Women's
Bks. for Missions and she
is most anxious to promote
the interests of the seven
Union Colleges for Women of Orient

So far there has not been much co-
-operation from the Colleges or the College
Committees. I hope during this year we
may find some material for her.
Mr. Rounds had a meeting of the Pension
Comm. to go over a final draft of Blue
to send the field. It has been revised
after suggestions were received from
the field. It is a big undertaking
but Mr. Rounds and Mr. Evans have done
a fine piece of work.

I hope you may be fully
recovered from your recent cold and
Dr. Tice may be holding his own.

Most affectionately always,

Anna W. Williamson

(Ms. O. P.)

October 1, 1941

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover: I have just received your letter of October 1st regarding the matter of the recent contributions to the fund for the relief of the victims of the recent earthquake in California.

I am sorry to hear that you are unable to contribute to the fund at this time. I am sure that you will be able to contribute in the future.

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Yours sincerely,
J. Edgar Hoover

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Feb. II, 1931.

Dear Mrs. Lee:

Your letter came the other day and I am glad to know that you are over your recent indisposition. I trust you may be keeping well during these wintry days.

A letter from Miss Clark indicates that she is very busy with her committee work. I am hoping she may not overdo. I suggested that Miss Kendall might take the list you cultivated last year so if she sends it to her you may find it possible to give Miss Kendall some helpful suggestions regarding the persons on it.

Miss McCoy told me that their office is getting some attractive pledge cards printed for Miss Clark's use. That will help very much in securing definite pledges I am sure. It is surprising how few definite pledges we have been able to find for our Women's college. Many of the cards Mrs. Boyd turned over had the word "pledged" so and so when I rather suspect it was verbal and because not followed up was soon forgotten.

You asked what I referred to when I said that we should get some information to Miss Tyler for use this year. When I called on her she told me that because the Seven Union Colleges shared in the Day of Prayer gifts she had planned to run a five hundred word story about each one in the *Missionary Review of the World*. These articles were to appear one each month for the seven months preceding and leading up to the Day of Prayer. She wrote out to the presidents of the seven institutions and up to the time I called she had received two.

Mrs. Frame had written a personal note saying she would send the article but in the press of other things I suppose it was overlooked.

Miss Tyler said she hesitated to write anything for the colleges since she was expecting some late word from the fields. Then the News Letter did not reach Philadelphia until after the luncheon which was a great disappointment to those in charge. We have a splendid opportunity for publicity in both of these instances and I hope we may be in better luck this year in availing ourselves of them.

Your suggestion regarding items for the docket I shall bear in mind. So far I know of nothing outside of the routine. There are three special comm. reports: "Building", "Mrs. Boyd's list" and "Use of Surplus on the Field".

I have been wondering whether Mrs. Frame is still thinking of resigning as Dean and if so whether she would consider coming home and helping us in our promotion work for at least a year. We certainly need some one who could work with Miss Clark and her comm. and renew contacts made by Jean D. and Mrs. Frame way back in '25, '26 and '27. No one could do this so acceptably as Mrs. Frame. I have not said anything to anyone about this but the more I worked with the "lists" the more impressed was I with this need.

Affectionately yours,

Mrs. O. R. Williamson

Mrs. O. R.

February 13, 1931

Mrs. O.R. Williamson
Hotel Wellington
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

Thank you for your letter of February 11. I am glad that Mr. Wannamaker's office is getting out some Yenching College pledge cards, as I believe they will be of help to Miss Clark and others.

As to the material Miss Tyler wanted for her articles on the seven Union colleges in the Missionary Review of the World, if she does not receive something from Yenching in time, I wish she would let me know, for I think we could supply her. In fact, I think an interesting and sufficiently up-to-date article could be prepared out of the material in the two last News Letters.

You ask whether I think Mrs. Frame is holding to her idea of resigning as Dean at the end of the present school year. Yes, I feel sure she is. She is planning definitely to go into evangelistic and religious educational work in the American Board Mission, with headquarters in Tunghsien. She has written us expressing her own feeling that she does not need a furlough at this time, and our medical secretary has told her that, if she will surely get at least two months of real vacation this summer, and if the doctor on the field assures him that she is in good physical condition, we will not insist on her coming on furlough this summer.

The question of her coming for the sake of her doing promotional work for Yenching College has not been raised with her. I am sure she would sigh at the very thought of such a thing, but I am not sure that she would definitely refuse. I think the feeling of the American Board *people,* whether here in Boston or on the field, would be that if she is to have a furlough year very soon, it would be better for her to begin it in the summer of 1931 than in the summer of 1932. That is before she begins her new work at all. By the time of our April meeting, we may have cause for more definite opinions than we now have as to whether promotional work could be pushed very actively in the fall of 1931. If the general financial ~~depression~~ seems to be passing, and there is a

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clear cut conviction that we should endeavor to raise money for the women's college endowment as well as for the plant, we can then take up the possibility of asking Mrs. Frame to help in that promotion work. She might do it, but I am sure it would be at real personal sacrifice. Her desire is to have two years in this new work centering in Tunghsien and then to bring Rosamond home. I think Rosamond completes her high school work in two years more and that will be the natural time for her to come to America.

As to the Deanship, my own thought is quite definitely that Margaret Speer will be the one for the position. The procedure is as you know, for the Administrative Committee to nominate, and the Yenching College Committee to recommend to the Trustees, who take final action. Possibly the Administrative Committee should be prodded, though I think they will take action in due time without any further word from here.. If something does not come on this subject from reiping before very long, I will write perhaps to Dr. Stuart.

Always affectionately yours,

(Mrs. Lucius O. Lee)

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YENCHING COLLEGE
FOR WOMEN

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Yenching University

February 18, 1931

Mrs.O.R.Williamson,
The Wellington,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mrs.Williamson:

On January 29 immediately after the meeting of our Yenching Women's College Sub-committee on Building Plans we sent a cablegram to Dr.Stuart stating that the Yenching College Committee could not approve construction at the present time of the fifth dormitory because adequate funds are not available, but assuring the field that a strong appeal is being made to donors in the hope that the funds could be secured during the next few months.

We have today received from Yenching University a cablegram reading as follows:-

"ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS GIRLS' COLLEGE DORMITORY COST RISING RAPIDLY. RATE OF EXCHANGE TODAY IS MEX. 484. TELEGRAPH IF PROPOSITION IS ACCEPTED, OTHERWISE POSTPONE NEXT YEAR."

I do not see how any further steps can be taken, beyond those already being undertaken, but will be glad to do anything you may be able to suggest. Should we communicate this cablegram to the other members of the Sub-committee, or should we let the matter rest until the April meeting of the Yenching College Committee?

Very cordially yours,

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Representative of Wellesley College Alumnae

February 19, 1931. #2

My dear Mr. Garside:

Your letter with the copy of the answer to the cablegram we sent to Yenching regarding the building of the "Fifth" dormitory for the Women's College has just come.

It is nothing short of tragic that we cannot reply saying to "go ahead" but I cannot see how we can possibly yield to such an impulse.

The committee canvassed the situation very carefully and arrived at the unanimous conclusion that we could not proceed with the building this year. I feel that conditions have not materially changed since that meeting and we must abide by the

decision at that time.

I certainly regret our inability to accept the recommendation of the "Administrative Committee" but under the circumstances it seems an utter impossibility.

Please do send word to the other members of the Sub-committee regarding the cablegram for I am sure they will be greatly interested to learn what the reaction of the field was to our cable. Then too a word might be added to the effect that we hope that in some way we may be able to secure funds in order to proceed with the building next year and ask that we all make every effort to assist in procuring the necessary amount. That may well be given too but at the moment I cannot recall it except that we thought the estimated \$32,000.00 would not be sufficient.

Very cordially yours,

Mrs. O. R. Williamson

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Ans. _____

PEIPING, CHINA

February 24, 1931.

Dear Mrs. Lee:

There has nothing happened since my last letter to you but I want to tell you how glad I was to have your thought about the possibility even of suggesting that Mrs. Frame help us re-cultivate our Yenching "Friends". Of course as you indicated next year may not be the time to secure funds but it does seem the strategic time for Mrs. Frame to do just that piece of work for she will come fresh from the field and with her real story of the pressing need for funds since she has been enduring all

the hardship because of the lack of
necessary dormitory space and
worsening equipment etc.

I think your suggestion about the
Deanship a very good one. I hope there
may be no "slit".

Margaret was here the last week-end
but very busy at Bryn Mawr. We had
planned to have luncheon and call later
on Miss Converse but Miss C. was away
for the week-end so Margaret was excused
from taking the time to come in for luncheon.

I attended the "Day of Prayer" service here
and there was a splendid audience. The
amount of the offerings was not announced
but both morning and afternoon it seemed
very generous. I believe we can do some-
thing to deepen the interest in Yucating here.

Have you thought any more about requesting
Mrs. Frazer to write an historical leaflet for us?

I have written Mrs. Finley asking whether Mrs. Finley
has consented to become a co-opted member also
telling her Mrs. Didney Gamble might be a possibility
also asking whether she had any other suggestions for
that membership. Affectionately yours
Mrs. O. P. Finley
Mrs. H. Williamson

YENCHING COLLEGE
FOR WOMEN

Yenching University

February 25, 1931

Mrs. O. R. Williamson,
The Wellington,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mrs. Williamson:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 19. My acknowledgment has been delayed for a few days by my absence from the city.

In accordance with your suggestion we have reported to the other members of the Sub-committee on Building Plans the cablegram we received from Yenching on February 17, and I have also taken the liberty of quoting to them some excerpts from your letter of February 19.

We are today cabling Yenching as follows:-

"WITH REFERENCE TO YOUR TELEGRAM OF FEBRUARY 17, 1931,
WOULD SAY IMPOSSIBLE TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR GIRLS' COLLEGE
DORMITORY AT PRESENT."

Very sincerely yours,

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February 25, 1931.

Dear Mrs. Lee:

A letter came from Mrs. Boyd yesterday just after I had posted one to you. I am enclosing my reply to her so that you may know what I wrote.

Mrs. Boyd said that she expects to be home by the third week in March and if we send stationery, leaflets and pledge cards to her home, 250 W. Tulpehocken street, Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa., she will write to some of the names on "her cards" and so re-establish contacts.

The pledge cards of course would be sent from Miss Clark or 150 Fifth Avenue. I am reporting this to Miss Clark in order that she may also know what is going on.

I suppose you received the "available date card" for Yenching Trustee's annual meeting as I have. Which dates do you prefer? Both weeks have engagements for me but I shall of course give them up in order to attend no matter what date may be decided upon.

Usually the "Budget Committee" has met the evening previous to our annual meeting but Miss Clark has requested that her committee hold a meeting at that time. No suggestion has yet come from President Pendleton so she may call her meeting at some other time. She may be waiting until the date for our annual meeting has been set. I note that Mr. Carside has begun his dates with "Tuesday" of each week. I think it would be well to inform him that we prefer Tuesday or the day preceding the Trustee's meeting for our date. I am thinking it might be more difficult to have our committees meet "Sunday" should we find that the Trustee's were to meet on Tuesday. Will you please write him regarding this point.

Mrs. Avann and Miss Gouldy should be given time to tell of their visits to Yenching I suppose since this will be their first meeting following their visits. Should we have them speak at the time of "roll call" or when would you suggest.

In the last "Yenching Faculty Bulletin" I notice Miss Yu Ju-chi, New York School of Social Work, is given as the secretary of the Yenching Alumnae association. I take it that she and Mr. Li Chung-huei, Chicago U, may be serving for the association in the U.S.A. Would you think Margaret Speer and Miss Wagner could persuade her to at least have lunch with us the day of our meeting and meet the members of our committee?

Affectionately yours,

Olivia M. Williamson

(Mrs. O. R.)

February 26, 1931

Mrs. O. R. Williamson
The Wellington
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

I am glad to have your letters of February 24 and 25. Just to make sure that the matter was not overlooked, I wrote Dr. Stuart a week or more ago reminding him that nominations for the women's college Deanship should reach the Yenching College Committee before their April meeting. I think there is no doubt that we will hear in due time.

I am glad you are following up the question of Mrs. Penney's coming into the committee, and I think Mrs. Sydney Gambel would be a very excellent member in case Mrs. Penney does not accept.

I think the Philadelphia Federation is the most active federation of which I have any knowledge. I understand that there was no Union Day of Prayer service in the city of Boston this year. We here at the Board rooms did observe the day in our regular Monday service, but of course that included only the staff and did not touch the people in the churches.

I had Mr. Garbide's query as to available dates for the Trustees meeting. In fact his query was sent out I think partly because I had reminded him of the desirability of getting dates fixed as early as possible. In writing him I suggested that the Yenching Committee meet either Tuesday April 24 or Tuesday April 21, and that the trustees meet on the 15th or 22nd, Wednesday. I do not believe he will overlook our meeting or plan it on a Monday.

I like your suggestion that we should ask Mrs. Frame to write a brief history of Yenching College, but I do not believe she could do anything about it until vacation time next summer. Do you not think it would be well to say nothing to her now, but to bring the matter up at our April meeting when the request could be officially voted? She is preeminently the one to do it if she can.

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Feb. 26, 1931

Have you heard anything from Miss Gouldy since her return? I have not, though she is fairly good about writing, and I think she must be back long before this.

I am glad Mrs. Boyd is willing to write to some of the people with whom she was formerly in touch. We did send her some stationery sending it to the Florida address you gave. As we have written her and as she is to be home by the third week in March, I think I will not write again unless she asks me for stationery or leaflets. We have still an abundant supply of the last news letter so please be sure to let me know of any use that you think could be profitably made of them.

I am noting down your suggestions as to the docket for our April meeting.

Always affectionately yours,

(Mrs., Lucius C. Lee)

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March 6, 1931.

Ans. _____

Dear Mrs. Lee:

Your letter came the other day and I was very glad as always to hear from you.

Today brought an announcement from you of the date for our annual meeting. It certainly brought me up with a start when I realized we have just a little under six weeks before that event!

Your word about reminding Dr. Stuart regarding the nomination of our Dean was most welcome. I can hardly be reconciled to accepting Mrs. Frame's resignation but I do feel that in all fairness to her we should not urge her to continue. How we shall miss her!

I have again written Mrs. Finley in response to a note she sent me about approaching Mrs. Penny. She also wanted to know how many co-opted members we could have and how many I wanted her to get. I gave her the list: Mrs. R.E. Speer (1930), Mrs. Samuel McC. Cavert (1932) and one vacancy which we wish either Mrs. Penny or Mrs. Gamble to fill and that person would be elected for a three year term. I notice Mrs. Speer's term expired last April so we should re-elect her this annual meeting. I so recommended to Mrs. Finley.

Miss Gouldy is back and staying at the Women's University Club, 160 E. 52 Street, New York. I saw her when I was in New York in February. I hope she will tell us of her visit to Yenching.

With this I am enclosing the letter I received from Mrs. Boyd. You will note that she definitely asks that we send her some stationery and leaflets to be at her Germantown when she returns so I think we should send a supply. I think also if you have some extra copies of old leaflets it would be well to enclose those so that she may have a bit of the history she told me she would like.

Since we are to meet Tuesday I wonder just what we should advise President Pendleton and Miss Clark to do about calling their committee meetings. Miss Clark especially requested the evening previous to our meeting so I believe that if President Pendleton could have hers either just before dinner Monday or at some other hour that day it would meet all needs.

I hope you didn't get your feet wet when that high tide rolled in.

Affectionately yours,

Mrs. O. R. Williamson

March 7, 1931

Mrs. U. R. Williamson
The Wellington
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

We are sending a package of stationery and leaflets to Mrs. Boyd so that they will be awaiting her at her home in Germantown by the time she gets back. I have no pledge cards, so will leave to you the matter of sending them to Mrs. Boyd.

Miss Kendall has perhaps written you that she and her father are going abroad this spring, sailing on March 11. She has, I think, written letters to all those whose names were given her, and this morning's mail brings to me a gift of \$20.00 from Miss Susan Jeffris of Hanesville, Wisconsin. It evidently comes in response to Miss Kendall's letter, though Miss Jeffris says she is writing to me because she knows me. This is, as I understand, a second or third payment on a pledge of \$1000 toward the current expenses of Yenching Women's College. I am sending the check to Mr. Garside with a word of explanation, but am myself writing Miss Jeffris expressing our appreciation.

As Miss Clark has asked that the Promotion Committee meet the evening of Monday, April 13, I should think it might be well for you to write at once to President Pendleton suggesting that she call a meeting of the Finance Committee for sometime Monday afternoon, perhaps 3:30 or 4:00 o'clock. I think an afternoon meeting would doubtless be much more convenient for Mr. Garside than an evening meeting, and very possibly President Pendleton would plan to be in New York all day Monday anyhow. As I understand you are writing Miss Clark and President Pendleton about the meetings of the respective subcommittees, I am not writing.

I am glad you and Mrs. Finley are actively considering the question of our coopted members. Mrs. Cavert does wish to continue her membership does she? She has been at the meetings of our committee so seldom that I have wondered if she really cares to serve. Mrs. Speer we will assuredly wish to reelect. I would be glad if we can have both Mrs. Penny and Mrs. Gamble, but if that cannot be just yet, we should by all means secure one of them.

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When do you plan to go to New York? As there are a number of Board matters I would like to attend to in addition to the Yenching work, I am going Sunday evening, thus having all day Monday in the city. I shall probably plan to come home Wednesday afternoon by a train leaving at five o'clock.

As to the tidal wave that inundated some of the suburbs of Boston, it did not reach me, thank you. In fact the storm was very moderate where we were, but no doubt there has been great suffering in some sections of this region.

Affectionately yours,

(Mrs. Lucius C. Lee)

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March 10, 1931.

Dear Mrs. Lee:

Your letter with Mrs. Boyd's enclosed came yesterday and thanks for the promptness.

I am glad you are sending Mrs. Boyd another supply of stationery and leaflets so they will be available next week when she returns. I wrote Miss Clark today asking her to please see that Mrs. Boyd receives pledge cards and I am hoping she may have good luck in having them filled out when she sends them to her prospects.

Tomorrow is the day Miss Kendall and her mother sail away! I am sorry she has to be gone at the time of our annual meeting but it was very fine of her to care for her list before leaving.

I wrote Miss Clark that I supposed she still wishes to call her committee meeting Monday evening as she had advised me and also said if for any reason she wished to change it would be all right. I said I would wait until hearing from her to send word to Pres. Pendleton about her meeting since it might save us from having conflicting hours.

Another note from Mrs. Finley states that she feels it hopeless to get "next" to Mrs. Penny in time for this annual meeting but will try to secure Mrs. Sidney Gamble also ask Mrs. Speer whether she will be willing to serve another term. Mrs. Cavert wrote me she would like to remain on our committee but did not feel that she had time to be a chairman of an important committee like Promotion.

Do you think it would be well for us to ask Mr. Evans, who has served as secretary of the committee on salaries and pensions to report on that question? It need not be detailed but I think possibly it might be well for our entire committee to be informed as to what has been done.

Do you think we can get the special committee on building the dormitory together before our annual meeting? We really should have some recommendation to make for next year to propose at our annual. I am so hoping that from some where we may yet get a sizeable gift so we may have a basis for recommending that we go ahead with the dormitory. Then too I believe that committee is the one that could recommend that Mrs. Frame be invited to come home and assist in securing funds for that as well as in cultivating those friends whom we have had on our list but have not been cared for since Mrs. Boyd and Jean D. worked on the list.

I have not yet decided just when I shall go to N.Y. but it will be either Sunday or early Monday meaning that I would arrive about ten a.m.

Affectionately yours,

Mrs. O. R. Williamson

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(M.O.P.)

March 13, 1931

Mrs. O. R. Williamson
The Wellington
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

I have just received from Grace Boynton material she has prepared thinking to have it used as a News Letter. It consists almost entirely of pictures, though there is a word of explanation about each. They are very attractive and I think the material would make a good leaflet.

Our business agent with whom I have been talking, says it would be expensive. He could greatly reduce the pictures and bring it into the general size and style of our other News Letters, but he thinks it would be much more effective if we used the pictures in the present style. That would mean a leaflet similar to the sample I enclose, but with three folders instead of four. The cost of printing in this larger style would be \$60-\$65 if we had about 2000 copies. Our other News Letters have cost approximately \$35.00 for 2000 copies.

Please let me know what you think we should do with this new material. Shall we go ahead with the pictures in the present size and make something very attractive in our usual colors of blue or white, shall we cut all the pictures down one-half the present size, thus reducing the cost by a few dollars? Shall we conclude that we are too poor to print a News Letter just now? If we are to print it either large or small, do you think I should try to push it through and have it ready for distribution at the April 14 meeting? Please let me have the answers to these questions as soon as you can. We perhaps do not need 2000 copies, but the cost will not be very much less anyhow. The estimate Mr. Meeken gave me was an approximate estimate only, but I do not think the cost would be less than the figures he named.

Hurriedly yours,

(Mrs. Lucius O. Lee)

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March 13, 1931

Mrs. O. R. Williamson
The Wellington
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

I am glad to have your letter of March 10. Apparently there are three subcommittees that should meet the day before our Yenching College Committee meeting. How would this program do:

Building Committee at 2:00 p.m.
Budget Committee at 4:00 p.m.
Promotion Committee at 7:30 p.m.

I am assuming that two or all three of these Committees could not well meet at the same time as the membership overlaps more or less.

Today's mail has brought me a letter from Mrs. Frame. In it occurs a paragraph about the immediate need for the fifth dormitory. As we are copying it, I have had copies enough made that you may send one to each member of the Building Committee if you so desire. The paragraph in the Minutes of the Administrative Committee which deals with this matter, I am having copied also.

Mrs. Frame's letter enclosed also an advance copy of the budget. I am not sure just what "Advanced Copy" means. Perhaps future copies will be sent direct to you and President Mandleton. If not, I will have a sufficient number of copies made and circulated among the members of the Budget Committee. *Have you received a copy?*

A letter just received from Mr. Garside says that Dr. Stuart is making a hurried trip to the United States arriving on the west coast March 21. I am writing him expressing the hope that he can be at our Yenching College Committee meeting.

Augusta Wagner wrote me of having had to incur a doctor's bill of \$7.00 and a dentist's bill of about \$10.00. The usual procedure in regard to members of the Yenching staff on furlough in America is the payment in full of the medical bill and the payment of half of the dentist's bill. Mr. Garside wondered whether this procedure should be followed in the case of Miss Wagner as she is not now receiving a reg-

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ular furlough allowance. Do you not think we should meet these bills? I am writing Mr. Garside saying that it seems to me that under all the circumstances they should be paid by our Committee. If you feel otherwise, please drop him a line to that effect.

Ever affectionately yours,

(Mrs. Lucius C. Lee)

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My dear Mr. Garside:

My copy of Mrs. Frame's letter and proposed budget of Yenching College for Women, 1931-32 has not yet arrived but will eventually I suppose. Possibly it was sent to my former address in Oak Park for I still do receive communications from Yenching sent to that place.

Thanks for sending copies to the members of the budget committee. What will the procedure be for this year? Will the budget committee of the Trustees meet and consider our budget along with the University's budget or will we meet and recommend our findings to our College Committee and then further recommend it to the Trustees' committee.

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place of course*

Mrs. Lee has written that she has received material and pictures from Grace Boynton and asks me whether we should go ahead and get out a leaflet for distribution at our annual meeting or wait until later. She also asks whether we should keep to the old News Letter form or print a larger and more elaborate one using large pictures instead of reducing them as they must be if we adhere to the old News Letter size.

The larger leaflet would cost \$60 to \$65 per 2000 copies while our regular News Letters have only cost \$35.00 for 2000. I really think it would be well to change our style once in a while so that it will arrest the attention of those receiving it and they will at once know it is something new and recent. I do want to know how our contingent fund stands however before deciding upon expenditures. Please let me know how we stand in our contingent account in order that I may reply soon to Mrs. Lee. I think we can use the leaflet to good advantage but whether it is wise to rush it through now or wait until later and have it for use in the early fall I am not at all sure. Condition of our finances will largely influence me in my decision.

Have we received any gifts toward the dormitory? Mrs. Boyd is returning here this week and I am so hoping we may be able to stir up something to aid our cause.

It was a great surprise to learn that Dr. Stuart is to be with us and do hope he may attend our College Committee meeting. Mrs. Lee said she had written him inviting him to be present.

We are having a snow storm for a change but I think it will not tie up traffic.

Most sincerely and cordially yours,

Mrs. O. R. Williamson
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Dear Mrs. Lee:

Your letters arrived also the attractive leaflet which Mr. Williamson too thought very good.

I think we could well make use of a new leaflet and it would be fine to have it for distribution at our annual meeting but I do not know the state of our contingent fund and am reserving final decision until I hear from Mr. Garside about that. I have written him requesting that he give me the amount we still have and quoting the estimate you sent me for the larger leaflet and asking if he thought we could safely invest that amount at this time.

Just as soon as I hear from him I will let you know. You did not state whether this would be the historical leaflet we hope to publish or just a splendid pictorial informational one. Would it be your idea to make an appeal for the dormitory and music building in it or would it not deal with such concrete needs?

The quantity you name does not seem too large for general use. I would like to see an attractive leaflet like that sent to Wellesley to give out to the students wouldn't you and also to some of the Summer conferences such as Northfield, Winona and a conference in California. Miss Tyler could also find use for some and our two thousand would soon melt away.

I have as yet not received my copy of the budget or Mrs. Frame's letter but doubtless will ^{come} very soon.

Your schedule of committee meetings meets with my approval. I have written to Miss Clark asking whether she wished to change her date or adhere to the one she first suggested so I think we had better wait for her reply before sending out definite word. I should hear from her very soon too for I wrote early last week.

I agree with what you wrote Mr. Garside about paying Augusta Wagner's dental and Dr. bills. They seem very modest I think.

Thanks for the copies of the paragraph from Mrs. Frame's letter. I think I shall send them to the members of the building committee for I wish them to know everything we do about how the field views this project. I do not see how we could have done differently however.

Will write again as soon as I hear from Mr. Garside.
Affectionately yours,

Olivia M. Williamson
Mrs. O.R.)

March 17, 1931

Mrs. O. R. Williamson
The Wellington
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

A note at the bottom of Mrs. Frame's letter to Mr. Garside about the budget says that she is enclosing a copy of the budget and the covering letter to you. Mr. Garside tells me that he has had copies made and sent to the four members of the Budget Committee; President Pendleton, Mrs. Roys, Mrs. Boyd and Dr. Eric North. Unless I hear from you that your copy has not arrived, I will therefore not have copies made.

I shall hope to hear within a day or two what your final judgment is about the printing of the leaflet of which I wrote.

A thought has come to me which may have no value whatever, but I believe I will pass it on to you. I have just been looking over the list of Yenching graduates now in this country and according to the list, which, of course, may be out of date by this time, there are five women and five or six men now in or near New York City. There are also a number of people formerly belonging to the Yenching faculty. Do you think it worth while for us to think of some kind of a reception for this group while we are in New York? The time would probably have to be Tuesday evening. As to place, I am wondering whether Mrs. Finley would not open her home. That would prevent the expense of such a place as the University Club and would be more informal and perhaps pleasanter. I should hope Dr. Stuart could be present and could speak briefly to the group. Please let me know whether you think it worthwhile to carry this suggestion any further. If you do, I will write Mrs. Finley. The only expense involved in such a plan would, I think, be the cost of light refreshments and that much, I am sure, our Yenching Committee budget could stand. I believe the members of our Committee would be glad to meet men and women who have studied in Yenching, and I should think the enjoyment might be reciprocal.

By the way, Mrs. Avann's Secretary writes me that she will not be at our meeting. It seems she is not due to reach Chicago until after

Mrs. Williamson --2

April 1st and that several important W. F. M. S. meetings are scheduled for the month. I have asked Miss Robinson to see that Mrs. Avann gets the word of the date of the meeting as soon as may be after her arrival and have asked her to come if she can. I judge, however, she will not feel that she can leave her W. F. M. S. work again so soon.

Affectionately yours,

(Mrs. Lucius O. Lee)

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March 19, 1931.

Dear Mrs. Lee:

Your letter about the leaflet came yesterday but I did not hear from New York until this morning and I did want a report on our contingent fund before deciding about the leaflet.

Mr. Evans wrote for Mr. Garside who has been in the hospital for a sinus operation. He was under the anaesthetic for two hours! I should add that he stood it wonderfully well and seems to be recovering very satisfactorily.

The report on our contingent fund is:
Total available 1930-31 -----\$1,050.00
Expenditures to date-----\$488.00
Travel last spring-----\$261.96
Total-----\$749.96

Your office expense is still to be cared for and of course the item for travel for our Annual meeting is only an estimate but it looks as if we would have about \$125.00 balance on the right side of the ledger.

With this balance I believe we can afford ~~to~~ print the \$65.00 leaflet and still have enough left for the reception you suggest at Mrs. Finleys' also postage to mail those leaflets.

It would be very nice to have the reception you suggest and I hope it may materialize for it will be of great value to our committee to meet those whom you mention as possibilities. It is asking a great favor of Mrs. Finley and I hope she will permit us to bear the expense of the refreshments.

I have tried to phone Mrs. Boyd with no success so I think she has not yet returned. Miss Gouldy wrote me a short note saying she had been in a taxi smash and while not badly injured was severely shocked and the Dr. is making her keep very quiet. I am sorry Mrs. Avann is not to be with us for I had hoped she would report on her visit to Yenching. No word has come from Miss Clark and unless she writes soon I think we will take it that your schedule of committee meetings will be sent out.

Affectionately yours,

Mrs. O. R. Williamson

(Mrs. O. R.)

March 20, 1931

Mrs. O.R. Williamson
The Wellington
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

I am glad to have your letter of yesterday indicating that we can go ahead with the printing of the Yenching News Letter, and also your approval of my suggestion of a reception for Yenching Alumni if that proves feasible.

Since your letter came I have again looked over the material Miss Boynton has sent us. It is most interesting, and the pictures show achievement, but there is no word there indicating that there are further needs. I have just written off a possible additional word and before I take the material to Mr. Meeken for him to negotiate with the printer, I should like to know whether or not you think it well to include something of this kind. We have generally, you will remember, put a little personal word from the committee at the beginning of each News Letter. My thought in regard to this is that it could perhaps be put on the last page. A picture would naturally be more attractive for the beginning, and I think what I have written would just about make a final page. Please read this over and let me know at once whether you think it well to add something of this kind, and in case you do, whether this meets the need. Would it be better to leave the direct appeal for letters accompanying the leaflet? Please tell me frankly what you think.

I am this morning writing Mrs. Finley about the reception, and will let you know as soon as I hear from her.

Affectionately yours,

(Mrs. Lucius O. Lee)

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MRS. MURRAY S. FRAME, B.A., B.D., *Dean of the College*

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Dear Mrs. Lee:

Your letter has just arrived regarding the leaflet and enclosing the personal message suggested for the last page.

I am agreeable to having the personal word and setting forth of our urgent need added for we should get that fact before people and the leaflet may be used where no letter is sent with it.

My only questions are as to the amount ~~32~~³²000.00 covering equipment and building. Dr. North and Mr. Garside as you may recall both thought we should go into the building proposition facing the fact that never yet has a building been erected over there for the estimated amount and then too that amount was given as the "building" and not including equipment cost. I therefore believe we should ask for \$40,000.00 if we are to cover possible extras in building and the equipment. It is very much harder to go back and make a further appeal to add to an amount given as final than to try to raise an adequate sum in the first place. I put the amount at a round figure and am willing to compromise at one you may estimate only I do think it should be above \$32,000.00.

It rejoiced me to see that you say we already have half the amount in hand for the new dormitory at your estimate. This was a happy surprise since Mr. Garside's office had reported this week that no gifts or pledges had come in for that building.

Mrs. Boyd seems not to have returned yet. Perhaps this wintry spell has influenced them to delay their homecoming. I understand from friends in Florida that the winter has not been at all pleasant there.

It is certainly very kind of you to take up the question of a reception with Mrs. Finley and it will be a happy occasion I am sure if we can have the opportunity for meeting the Yenching people in an informal manner.

My copy of the budget has just arrived and I have read it and Mrs. Frame's letter. Sorry she was so disappointed about our action regarding the dormitory but I still cannot see how we could have done differently.

Affectionately yours,

Mrs. O. R. Williamson

Mrs. O. R. P.)

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March 24, 1931

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Mrs. O. R. Williamson
The Wellington
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Mrs. Williamson

We are ready to sign the application for the pension plan. As Mr. Warner is still in California and Mr. Barber is out of town, you will have the honor and pleasure of signing in the name of the University. As you are also a member of the Pension Committee, it is quite fitting that your name should be attached to the application.

*March 25, 1931.
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Attached to the contract is a check for initial payment, and if you will kindly forward the document to the Sun Life Assurance Company in Philadelphia, using the enclosed stamped envelope, we should greatly appreciate the courtesy.

Dear Mr. Evans: With kindest regards, I am
I have signed and forwarded the document and enclosed check to the Sun Life Assurance Company as requested above.
Ms. O. R. Williamson

Very cordially yours
C. A. Evans
Assistant Treasurer

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March 24, 1931

Mrs. O. R. Williamson
The Wellington
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

I have had a very nice letter from Mrs. Finley saying that she would be glad to have her home used that the Yenching Committee may meet present and former Yenching students and faculty who are in or near New York. She says, however, that she and her husband have long had an engagement for ~~that~~ evening, and suggested a tea instead. ^{by an evening reception.} This seems to me a very good suggestion. We can, I think, quite easily finish our business by four o'clock and the tea could be held from 4:30 to 5:30. As Mrs. Finley says, it will doubtless be easier for those coming from the suburbs or even from far up town to come in the afternoon instead of in the evening. I have asked her whether she would like me to send the invitations from here in the name of the Yenching college committee or whether she prefers to send them herself.

Another suggestion that Mrs. Finley makes is that we hold the afternoon session of the meeting in her home. Thus we would all be right there when people come, and if the business should hang on a little, we could continue our meeting up to the time of their arrival. I have written Mrs. Finley that I think her convenience should decide that matter. If you have a clear conviction as to the desirability or as to the undesirability of that arrangement, please write her.

This morning's mail brings me a letter from Mrs. Frame officially announcing that the Administrative Committee nominates Miss Ruth Stahl as acting dean beginning July 1, 1931. One paragraph of her letter reads as follows:

"The members of the faculty have felt that since it is our sincere and avowed purpose to secure a Chinese dean as soon as possible, it would be a little more simple and flexible to have my name still stand as that of Dean during the very short interregnum before this Chinese dean is elected. They therefore asked me to consider myself as "on leave", and since they felt so strongly that this would be an advantage both for securing the Chinese dean, and even

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for the acting dean, that the action so stands. "It was VOTED Miss M. Wood and Miss Tseng be delegated to convey personally to Mrs. Frame the wishes of the Women's College faculty that she be asked to remain dean of the Women's College on leave of absence."

Frankly I am a little disappointed at this action. It has seemed to me that this action, prolonging a period of adjustment and uncertainty always seems to me a cause of doubtful wisdom. I had personally been feeling that Miss Speer would be nominated and that going back this summer with fresh enthusiasm, and with the dignity of the position of the deanship hers, the outlook for the future would be bright. However, I judge the real reason for the action the Administrative Committee has taken is that they see a possible Chinese dean in the not far distant future. We all know that Ruth Stahl is very good at executive work. Dr. Stuart will no doubt be able to give us some additional light as to reasons for this action by the Administrative Committee.

A short time ago I wrote to Monona Cheny telling her of the meeting of our Committee and asking whether she had any suggestions as to the docket. Her comment on the question of the deanship is as follows:

"I am so sorry Mrs. Frame feels that she cannot stay at Yenching. My last letter from there told of the recent request that she continue. I know how strongly she feels about it, though, so I am not surprised at her insistence on leaving. Poor lady - she has had her hardest year for her last! Miss Hancock writes that this has been the most difficult year in the nine she has known at Yenching.

I wonder who will be the choice for dean. I do hope there will be no suggestion of Ruth Stahl's acting again. She does it well, but it takes too much out of her, and I feel strongly she ought not do it. But the Administrative Committee may have found someone by this time; I certainly hope so."

This letter from Mrs. Frame encloses a copy of her letter of March 6 to you. I am sorry it is seeming necessary to pare the women's College budget down to so low a figure. I do not quite understand this taxing the women's College budget to the extent of \$1800 for the expenses of the promotion office in New York. I will be glad to talk this matter over with you. One grain of cheer I can give you in that the Prudential Committee of the American Board has today voted an additional grant of \$351.90 gold to Yenching Women's College, thus bringing the American Board grant for current expenses up to \$2000 gold. You may know that when our Board was making its appropriations for 1931, we felt it necessary to reduce our grant for Yenching from \$2800 gold to \$2000 gold. The appropriation sheets were sent to the field with the amount for Yenching named as \$2000, but as there had been a cut in the appropriation for the missions as a whole, the workers on the field divided that total out among all the items of work, and the figure for Yenching was considerably reduced. The appropriation made today is to restore Yenching to the \$2000 figure. This will help a little.

I surely hope the Chinese woman that was to secure in Miss Mills's place can be secured. I am hoping too that the American Board can make the same appropriation of \$1000 from the income of its Higher Edu-

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cation Endowment Fund as it has done for several years past. It is true as Mrs. Frame indicated that the Board does not agree to continue these special grants to any one institution from year to year as the income of the fund is not enough to meet the needs of all the Higher Education institutions in which the Board is interested. Under present conditions however, I am very hopeful that the same amount will be given Yenching the coming year. That would also ease the problems quite a bit.

Thank you for your comments on the News Letter copy. I yesterday took the material to Mr. Meeken and he will go ahead with the printing. I changed the amount needed to \$40,000 and cut out the sentence stating that we had half that amount in hand. In making that statement I assumed that the Committee would be willing to use the building funds still in the Treasury for the dormitory. I really had no right to assume this, and as I said, have deleted that statement.

My present thought about my New York trip is that if Mr. Lee continues as well as he now is, I will go to Maplewood, New Jersey on Sunday, April 12 spending that night with my brother and his family, have Monday forenoon for certain American Board work I want to do, and be on hand for any Yenching work that may be needed Monday afternoon. I will be at the Prince George hotel by 10 o'clock or so Monday morning.

Affectionately yours,

(Mrs. Lucius O. Lee)

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My dear Mr. Garside:

How are you by this time!
I hope you are quite recovered
from your recent encounter
with the Dr.

Mrs. Tree has suggested that

this schedule for committees to hold meetings
Monday, April 13 preceding our Yenching
College Committee's Annual meeting:

Building Committee	at 3:00	..
Budget	"	4:00 ..
Promotion	"	7:30 ..

If it will be convenient
I would like to have the Building Committee
meet either at headquarters or some room you
may secure. Do you think an earlier hour
would be better? Will you please send

out the announcement for the Building
Committee meeting and if you can have
"minutes" giving a report we can submit
to that meeting and pass along to the
Committee of the whole next day I will
greatly appreciate it. I would much
like to have you make the report at our
annual meeting since I preside. Thanks!

The "Field" certainly feels we have made
a terrible mistake (not to have gone ahead
with that building this year.

I have written President Pendleton
and Miss Clark giving them Mrs. Lee's
proposed schedule for Committee meetings.
So you may be hearing from them also.

Most cordially yours

Anna C. Williamson
(M.C.P.)



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Ans. _____ March 27, 1931.
Dear Mrs. Lee:

By this time you have
the docket and documents
sent out to the Ex. Comm.
members.

My information is only
such as is gathered from that correspondence.
Dr. Stuart came home &
understand because of some important
"leads" and I am supposing he must
risk to impress the Trustees with the
great need for more money for next
year. Possibly the Divinity School question
will also need clearing.

I should think it very
important that you attend. Since

There is to be another session April 10th.
one would infer matters of importance
are to come up. I doubt that I can
attend the 2nd session but definitely plan
to go on for next Tuesday.

I shall hope to see you at that time
and talk over some of our docket.

I will plan to arrive early in N.Y.
Tuesday.

Affectionately yours

Wm. H. Williamson

(S. O. R.)

* Thanks for your March 24th letter. I was
glad to learn the American Board would make
their annual grant up to \$2000⁰⁰. That will
help some. I trust the \$1000⁰⁰ may be granted
also. I do not see where the field has any concern about the
N. M. A. \$1800⁰⁰ for N.Y. office.

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THE WELLINGTON
PHILADELPHIA

April 1, 1931.

Ans. _____
Dear Mrs. Lee:

I found a note from Mrs. Penney when I got back. She did not turn me down completely and Mr. Williamson thought I should write her again which I am doing and sending it off on the same post with this. Will let you know her final decision as soon as she writes.

I went to see Miss Gouldy and she is most anxious that word shall not get to China about her accident so I told her I would write you asking that

You will not mention it in
your field correspondence. I
did not think you would but
gave my word to pass on her
request so that is the reason for
the above! She really came
through very well but the Dr.
insists that she keep very quiet
because of the shock. Her cuts have
healed very well. She does not
think she can come to the meeting
and make a talk so I expressed
her but she did think she would
like to come to the Tea at Mrs.
Finley's. I told her we would
be glad to have her there. Her address
is 106 E. 52nd St., New York City.
Miss Clark wrote she was calling
her Committee together at 4 p.m.
Monday, April 13th in Room 606
150 Fifth Avenue so that will follow
our Building Committee meeting.

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April 1, 1931



THE WELLINGTON
PHILADELPHIA

It has rained all day long
here and is still at it.

I hope you got back all
right and found Dr. Treen none
the worse for your having left
him. It was good to have
you at the meeting and I
think we got a great deal
from it!

Affectionately yours

Mia L. Williamson

(Mrs. O.P.)

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11 N. Church Street

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Schenectady N.Y.

Ans. May 12 1931

May 9, 1931.

Dear Mrs. Tree:

Ruth drove part way
to meet me on my trip
up here and we stopped
to see Miss Gouldy.

She is still going on
a very limited working
schedule so has not yet

got her home cleaned
up but is making
progress. She has
not been able to attend
to her correspondence
and when I mentioned
the gift for Mrs. Frame
she said she had filed
your letter away and
forgotten to send her

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gift. I will be glad to suggest
some amount for her if you
let me know how much has
come in. She requested me
to write you and tell you she
wants to send something and
how sorry she is that she
overlooked that letter and
put it away.

We are busy as busy can
be but things are gradually
getting settled so next week we
should be able to get a few
minutes to sit down and rest
and find out "what we have forgotten".

Always with sincere love and
affection -
Mrs. M. Williamson
(Mrs O.R.)

May 12, 1931

Mrs. O. R. Williamson
11 North Church St.
Schenectady, N.Y.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

I am very glad to have your letter of May 9 and can just imagine how busy you and Ruth are with preparations for the wedding.

Your call on Miss Gouldy evidently had its effect for yesterday's mail brought me a check from her for \$25.00. There were several other checks also, so that we now have a total of \$105.00. Of those to whom my letter was sent, only President Pendleton, Mrs. Avann and Mrs. Parlin have not yet replied. I feel sure that President Pendleton will send something, and I think both Mrs. Avann and Mrs. Parlin will also want to share in the gift. I did send a second letter, and do not think I should send another reminder. I will still wait a day or two about forwarding the gift, but think it should go soon. I will send a general letter to the members of the Committee as soon as the gift has actually been started.

Yesterday brought me a cablegram from Yenching. It was in code and the first code word we are unable to find in the code book. The letters are ADBOA, and from the context, I feel sure it should be translated "administrative committee". If so, the message reads:

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE HAS RECONSIDERED THE MATTER APPOINTMENT STANL LETTER WITH FULL INFORMATION FOLLOWS."

So far as I see there is nothing we at this end can do until the letter giving full information arrives.

To go back for a moment to the great question of the wedding. I gave myself the pleasure a few days ago of sending a little gift to Ruth. As I was not sure of the Schenectady address, I sent it to the Wellinton. ^{in Philadelphia} It may have arrived before you left, but lest it did not, I mention it here so that you may write to have it forwarded if you

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desire. I shall think of you and Ruth on Saturday.

Lovingly yours,

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Dear Mrs Lee:

Your letter bringing up the question of a special grant for Dr. Clara A. Nutting between the time she leaves school and her sailing also an outfit allowance has been received.

These emergencies will always arise I feel certain and the only thing to do is to consider each case as it claims our attention. We have accepted Dr. Nutting for service in Yenching and I feel quite sure she will be in better condition for work there if she has this brief period of rest without financial anxiety before she leaves.

Usually the salary begins when the candidate actually starts on the journey to the field but about the outfit allowance for a three year term I am not sure.

In this case I am willing to make an exception if you and the committee think we should. I think the outfit allowance should be in proportion to that granted under our contract which I regret I at this moment do not have in mind nor at hand.

Mr. Garside will give us some good advice to guide us and I know you understand very well that we do wish to do the right and just thing for Dr. Nutting. A correspondence vote should settle any uncertainty as regards the feeling of the Committee.

In regard to the Fund from which this grant should be taken I would venture to suggest that it come from the same one from which we meet that made Miss Wagner. I may be wrong but trust Mr. Garside to put me right

You will be interested in this list of prominent women whom Dr. Stuart has suggested as possible members for our Committee:

Mrs. Thomas Lamont, 107 E. 70th Street, New York
Mrs. Arthur Curtiss James, 39 E. 69th Street, New York
Mrs. James C. Penney, White Plains, New York
Mrs. Ellis L. Phillips, 116 E. 53rd Street, New York.

It was fine to know that the amount for Dean Frame went over the top. I wrote her quite some time ago and trust our other members may have also. I do hope she finds a restful spot somewhere for her vacation and really enjoys a well deserved holiday.

Affectionately yours,

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Representative of Wellesley College Alumnae
planned to write her "Thank You" notes during her stay in Toronto while Eric is busy arranging for his transfer to Vancouver.

Ans. _____
May 21, 1931.

Dear Mrs. Lee:

Your several letters have all been received and had I not been so very busy with Ruth's affairs I would have attended to them more promptly.

The wedding was a beautiful occasion and everything went off perfectly. The young folks are now honeymooning in Canada and will start the long motor trip to Vancouver a week from today. They are so radiantly happy that we cannot be other than happy with them even though they are beginning life far from us.

Thank you for your lovely gift. Ruth appreciated it very much and a beautiful runner like that has many uses in a home and then being "Near East" work enhances its interest. You will hear from Ruth before long for she planned to write her "Thank You" notes during her stay in Toronto while Eric is busy arranging for his transfer to Vancouver.

Mr. Williamson has to spend July attending meetings on the Pacific coast so since we go out of the city for the summer anyway he has planned for us to take our vacation out there. It is all a surprise to me but you can well understand that I am quite thrilled with the thought that we shall get to see Ruth and Eric in their home and know something of the city and country in which they are located. We shall be back the first of September which right now seems a very long way off!

You will be interested to learn that I have been invited to speak about Yenching next April to the Women's Missionary Society of one of our large Presbyterian Churches here in Philadelphia. This is the second church that has extended this invitation and I'm hoping we may impress more and more the fact that our College is their college too and needs their prayers and gifts as much as any strictly denominational project.

We leave next Monday for General Assembly where our address will be: Webster Hall Hotel, Pittsburg, Pa. I shall go on to Chicago and Mr. Williamson will meet me there for our western trip.

I hope you may have a pleasant summer and Dr. Lee may keep his usual health. May you come back refreshed in body and mind for the many tasks that always seem to be awaiting you.

Affectionately yours,

Mina H. Williamson

Mrs. O. R.

CLAREMONT COLLEGES
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BUREAU OF SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH
119 SUMNER HALL

June 2, 1931

Chairman of the Women's College Committee
Yenching University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City, N. Y.

My dear Madam:

I wish to recommend most heartily for appointment to Yenching Women's College staff Miss Kit King Louis, now a student at the University of Southern California. I have met Miss Louis twice and think very highly of her as a candidate for teaching of sociology at Yenching.

She has an attractive and vivacious personality, and a clear mind. Her preparation and work at the University of Southern California would fit her very well for our work. Doctor Shu and I both gave her advice as to her course this last semester.

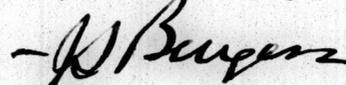
It will take her a little time to get adapted to the north, but I feel sure she will do so and be a great addition to the sociology staff.

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Ans. _____

Very sincerely yours,



J. S. Burgess

JSB:LM

Dear Mrs. Tice:

East Park, N.H. June 12, 1931.

This has been delayed in reaching me but I really think there is nothing to be done, do my best. I have not heard anything regarding the Chinese young women from New York or Ohio State (?). Expect to be in Evanston next week and hope to see Miss Clark unless she has already gone to Fish Creek. Very warm for visiting! affectionately
Mrs. M. Williams

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June 16, 1931

Mrs. O. H. Williamson
The Wellington
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

Your letter of June 12 forwarding the one from Mr. Burgess came yesterday. Not long ago Miss Kendrick had word from Mr. Garside that someone had given \$600 for the support of Miss Kit-King Louis in case she should be appointed to work in Yenching University. Miss Kendrick came into Boston and after talking the matter over, we sent a cablegram to Mrs. Frame telling of the gift and suggesting that as Chinese faculty are engaged by the institution and not by the bodies in America the college send a cabled invitation to Miss Louis. Mrs. Frame acted upon our suggestion and Miss Louis telegraphed Miss Kendrick of her acceptance. We understand that Miss Louis sailed for China on June 8. Her home is in Canton, and our telegram also suggested that as she might not receive before sailing the letter giving full details of the invitation which Mrs. Frame promised, she get in touch with the college immediately on reaching Canton. I hope she will do so and that there may be no slip in her joining the faculty at Yenching.

On the recommendation of Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Wilson and her friends in Columbus, Miss Feng was also engaged for work in Yenching. She is the one who so far as I am able to ascertain is considered most definitely as a possible dean after a year or two. After the details were all arranged with her for her to go to Yenching this fall, Miss Kendrick received a letter saying that she had won a scholarship entitling her to a year of study abroad and asking whether the Yenching position would still be open in the fall of 1932. We cabled Mrs. Frame telling of the fellowship Miss Feng had won and asking whether the college felt that it could release her for a year and whether she might still look toward work in Yenching in the fall of 1932. The reply to that cable has not yet come.

There is still one development about which I have not

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sent a general letter to the members of our committee. It was reported to us three days ago in the shape of a cablegram from Mrs. Frame saying that the Administrative Committee was cabling Miss Stahl strongly urging her to accept the position of Acting Dean and asking me also to use my influence in getting her to accept. I wrote at once to Miss Stahl but have not yet heard from her. I did not feel that I could, under the circumstances "strongly urge" her to accept. In fact I told her that if after consultation with her doctors, she felt and they felt that she should not undertake the responsibility of the deanship she should stand by her position. As soon as any definite conclusion has been reached I will report to the members of our committee. We certainly are having a number of unexpected turns of events just at the close of the school year.

I am somewhat at a loss as to where this letter should be sent. Please let me have your summer addresses so that I may always be able to reach you promptly. I can just imagine what a wonderful time you and Mr. Williamson will have visiting Ruth and her husband. Please give my very best greetings to them.

Affectionately yours,

(Mrs. Lucius O. Lee)

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July 2, 1931

Mrs. O.R. Williamson
The Wellington
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

You are I suppose before this in Vancouver and enjoying Ruth's new home. I have, however, no street address, so I judge it may be safer to send this letter to Philadelphia to be forwarded. It is therefore going to you by way of the Wellington. I hope it may assuredly reach you.

I write to share with you questions that have arisen in regard to two rather important matters and as my letter of June 29 to Mr. Garside presents them, I am going to take the short-cut of simply sending you a copy of that letter. I this morning have a reply from Mr. Evans who writes in Mr. Garside's absence. Will you please read these letters and let me know whether you agree with Mr. Evans in his judgment on both points? I should doubt the necessity of embodying in our minutes the votes of the Campaign and Finance Committees, ^{about the gymnasium.} but I hope that our minutes can somehow record an indorsement of the action of the Trustees' last April meeting in an expression of appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Boyd. I thought that similar action was officially taken as to the name. Do you have such a remembrance? I am exceedingly sorry that our committee did not take suitable action last April at the same time the Trustees did.

As to the method of procedure in the election of a Dean for the Women's College, I think this question should be taken up with the field, and I incline to think Mr. Evans attitude is right. I would like to have you confirm this thought before I write to the field. I think it important that both the faculty and the Administrative Committee understand the matter as it is understood at this end.

I hope you are having a very happy time and are thoroughly enjoying the northwest. With the best of greetings to any other member of the family who may be with you, I am

Affectionately yours,

(Mrs. L.O. Lee)

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JUL 15 1931 Portland, Oregon

Ans. _____

July 11,
1931.

Dear Mrs. Lee:

Your letter with enclosures
was awaiting me here. I
made the trip through the
Yellowstone while Mr. Williamson
attended Synod meetings!

The trip across the Idaho
desert was terribly hot. 107°!

The climate here is far
more pleasant. I am
going on to Seattle and then

to Vancouver where I shall
be next week-end. Ruth's
address is: 2521 35th Avenue W.
Vancouver, B. C. and anything
sent me to Mr. G. G. Eckland
there will reach me during
the rest of the summer.

I met Mr. Duggins (actuary
from Philadelphia) who had
been attending your Board
meetings in Seattle so I
am wondering whether you too
came west. This is a
wonderful part of our great
country and the people here
are fully justified in their
in taking pride in showing



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Portland, Oregon

it to the Trustees.
Really I am much
surprised to learn that our
Committee minutes do not
reveal any action taken in
recognition of the gift.
Myself and the Trustees
have no distinct recollection
regarding it but thought it
was done before they went to
the formal opening. There should
be some thing stated in our
minutes. I should think if we
could concur in the action of
the Board of Trustees (action T-2767).

taken April 1-1951 if might be
insufficient.

Regarding the Dean I can see
no other way than that given
in our constitution. If the
"Board" have another procedure
they should have a copy of the
plan outlined by Mr. Evans. In
case there are two distinct plans
they should in some way be
synchronized. In case of the
Dean I agree that Teaching
College Committee would probably
be willing to have the management
to help invite some member
of the Faculty to carry on the duties
of the Deanship for a year.

I also agree that some one should
be named to take up this Kendrick's
work during his absence. I do
not have the ^{candidate} committee members
at hand but I should think



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Portland, Oregon

one of them could
assume responsibility
I suppose you know more
about it than any one else.

I saw Miss Clark and her
mother for a brief call while
in town. It was very hot
and they were prepared to
to finish such very hard.
I told Miss Clark she should
plan to come to New York
some days ahead of our meeting
and arrange to meet her
entire committee or see them
individually so he would

feel she had a satisfactory
interview also have some
unhurried time at headquarters.
He seemed pleased with
the suggestion and expects to
follow it if possible.

I hope you have not had
the excessive heat I have
encountered all the way west.

A pleasant and useful
summer to you -

Affectionately yours

Mrs. M. Williamson

(Mr. Oliver P.)

July 16, 1931

Mrs. O. R. Williamson
c/o Mrs. E. E. Ackland
3521 35th Avenue, West
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

It is good to have your letter of July 11 and it is good to think of you as with Ruth in her new home.

No, I did not go to Seattle for the National Council meeting. The trip was too long and expensive for the Board to feel justified in sending all its executive officers this year, and in my case, I do not like to go so far from home these days that I cannot get back promptly in case of need.

Coming now to Yenching matters, I will try to frame a suitable reference to the gift of the Boyds for the Yenching gymnasium which can be inserted in our Minutes at the next meeting. It should be in the nature of an endorsement of the ^{action of the} trustees with a suggestion that it was inadvertently omitted from the Minutes of ~~the~~ ^{our} earlier meeting, I suppose.

I am writing the Administrative Committee in regard to the procedure in the election of a Dean for the Women's College, but am recognizing that the matter is not one of immediate urgency as the college will without doubt have only an Acting Dean the coming year. I think I will send a copy of my letter to the Administrative Committee to Dr. Stuart.

We have been having a rather trying correspondence lately with Miss Wagner in regard to a claim she thinks she has for an additional outfit grant on account of her first term of service. She bases it on the ground that she went out for a term of three years and stayed four. So far as I can remember, the outfit grant of \$150 made her when she first went to the field was made not as one feature in an established procedure, but was a grant made because she needed money to get necessary outfit. Certainly there was no understanding that if she stayed longer than the three years she should receive proportionately more at the rate of an additional \$50 a year. She presented her claim first to Mr. Evans and Mr. Garside and they wrote me. Later Augusta also

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wrote me. As I am copying what Mr. Garside says in his last letter to send to Miss Wagner, and as it may be necessary for the Yenching College Committee to take the request up officially, I enclose a copy for you to read.

The schedule of salaries and allowances adopted by the University in January 1931 provides that a single woman and going to Yenching for the first time and on a six-year contract shall receive an outfit grant of G\$250. The refit of such a missionary on return to the field is \$125. It is this refit grant that Miss Wagner has recently ~~recently~~ received and it does seem to me all that Miss Wagner is entitled to. I hope she will now be willing to drop the matter.

I am glad you saw Miss Clark and her mother in Chicago. I hope you were able to reassure Alice somewhat on the question of the Promotional work the Yenching College Committee expects of her. If she still feels this work to be as much of a burden as she seemed to feel it at the time of our April meeting, I think we had better try to find another chairman for the Committee. Do you not think so?

As to the Candidate Committee, the members besides Miss Kendrick are Mrs. Finley and myself. Mrs. Finley is the logical one to fill in during Miss Kendrick's absence if she feels that she can, but I doubt whether she will feel she can give the time. As there will probably be little or no candidate work for a while, the matter can perhaps wait till our November meeting.

When do you get back to Philadelphia? I quite agree with you in thinking the Northwest a very delightful part of our country. I should personally prefer either Seattle or Portland to Southern California as a place of residence.

You ask about my vacation. I am to have August as my vacation month. I expect to spend the first part of it at home, but if Mr. Lee keeps about as he is now, I hope I can get away for two weeks in the latter part. My sister-in-law and her sixteen-year old daughter want me to go with them, perhaps to some point in Vermont.

Ever with love,

(Mrs. Lucius O. Lee)

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Enc.

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November 10, 1951.

Mrs. O. R. Williamson
The Wellington
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

I am writing Miss Speer rather fully on the various actions taken at our meeting last Tuesday, and especially on vote 400 in regard to the letters from Yenching, for all those whose names are on our mailing list. It did not seem worthwhile to put into the vote such details as are desired; that these letters be written on Chinese stationery and by different pens. I have explained all that to Miss Speer and suggested the names mentioned the other day, instancing also Mrs. Frame's letters to her Mt. Holyoke constituency as the type of letter desired. I have also explained that the Yenching College Committee is ready to meet the cost of these letters including postage and such stenographic or mimeographing work as may be necessary. I am not quite clear where the responsibility for getting the mailing list to Miss Speer lies. Will Mrs. Franklin send it to her, or will you? Inasmuch as Miss Clark's correspondence in regard to the list has been with you, can you not at least see that the list is in as complete a form as possible when sent? You will know whether it should go through Mrs. Franklin.

I am sending Mrs. Boyd and Mr. Carside, copies of the communications I have received in regard to the method of appointing the Dean for the woman's college, and I feel sure that they will do what is necessary in that line. I still feel that we must all do a good deal of thinking before the proposal of the 4 C's. is definitely acted upon. Dr. Fairfield and I are trying to get a conference in the very near future with the American Board representatives on the different Boards of Trustees, in the hope that we may be able to formulate some opinion that can be presented to the American Board at the same time the proposal of the Committee is presented. I very much doubt whether action by all the Boards of Trustees and the Mission Boards can be secured within a month so that Mr. Cressy may, as Mr. Carside suggested, return to China. However, we will see what can be done.

Sincerely yours,

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Mrs. Lucius O. Lee.

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YENCHING UNIVERSITY

MRS. MURRAY S. FRAME, B.A., B.D., *Dean of the College*

PEIPING, CHINA

Ans. Nov 17

Nov. 13, 1931.

Dear Mrs. Lee:

Your letter enclosing the minutes of the copy of the November Committee meeting also extract from Margaret Speer's October 17th letter has been received.

The minutes are correct so far as my memory recalls them.

Dean Franklin talked with me about the list that is to go to China and I am to receive the revised list from Miss Clark and go over it with Miss A. B. Coy, in Mr. Kammamaker's office, and then send it to Dean Franklin who will send it to the field.

Do you advise me to request Miss Clark to have several copies of her list made or shall we have them made after the last

revision? You should have a copy; Miss
H. C. Coy should have one, Dean Franklin also
the field and I should like one too. That
will be five copies. Do you think other
members of the Promotion Committee or
General Committee need the list?

Possibly by this time Dean Franklin and
Miss Kendall may have formulated some
tangible plan & if you can find time
it might be well to call Dean F. and ask
her how the scheme is working out. I
thought of requesting Grace Boynton to write
the first one of the series. I suppose it
would then go to China for reproduction and
mailing.

I wrote just a note to Miss Clark
and, after telling her of Dean Franklin's
appointment I expressed our gratitude that
she was still going to complete the work on the
list and hoped it would not prove too much
of a strain for her.

Things must move more rapidly than usually
if action by all the Boards of Trustees and Mission
Boards can be secured within a month! We can
hope however! Affectionately yours

Mrs. H. Williamson

November 18, 1931.

Mrs. O. R. Williamson
The Wellington
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

Thank you for your letter of November 15. I am glad you are personally looking after the matter of that list, as it should be passed on to Mrs. Franklin, and through her to Miss Speer as soon as it can. I should think the copies had better be made after the last revision. It seems to me the five copies you suggest will be sufficient, viz. one each for Miss McCoy's file, Dean Franklin, yourself, the field and my file.

I will try to get in touch with Mrs. Franklin and ask her whether she has followed out the suggestion of asking Grace Boynton to write the first letter. I am personally a little reluctant to do this, partly because Miss Boynton is really very busy, but also because she has now been away from Yenching for four or five months. I believe that one of those on the field will get a letter written quite promptly if we can get the mailing list to them.

You will be interested to know that the American Board representatives on the Boards of Trustees for the several Christian Colleges in China have had a conference as to what the Board's position should be in regard to the proposed merger of the different Boards. Our thinking so far has resulted in the sheet, a copy of which I enclose. You will understand that this is not at present action by the Prudential Committee of the Board, but is simply the suggestion as to possible action which will go to the Prudential Committee on December 1. I may, of course, be materially modified. Do you think that this would represent in any fair degree, the attitude of the Yenching Woman's College Committee? You will remember that one part of the vote of the Yenching Trustees was to agree to meet "in conjunction with other Boards for the consideration of the details involved in the organization of such a joint Board." The vote also included a request that "the cooperating Mission Boards and the Committee for Yenching College for Women inform the Trustees of their action regarding the proposed joint Board." This vote certain-

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ly implies that our Woman's College Committee as well as the various Mission Boards should take action before a meeting of the Trustees of the Boards of the several Colleges. Please look this over carefully and let me know whether you think the attitude of the Yenching College Committee can be secured by correspondence. It seems an unnecessarily expensive procedure to call the Committee together for a special session to deal with this matter.

Ever affectionately yours,

(Mrs. Lucius C. Lee.)

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enc.

November 23, 1931.

Mrs. O. R. Williamson
The Wellington
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

From Mr. Garside I got the name and address of Roberta White's sister in India. I then wrote to her asking for fuller information as to Miss White's illness and her plans in general and am in receipt of a letter from Mrs. Chittum, the sister, a copy of which I enclose. You will remember that the decision as to any further financial obligation on the part of the Yenching Committee for Miss White was left with power to you and me. Apparently Miss White and her family feel that she has been generously dealt with and are not asking for anything further. Please read the letter and let me know whether your understanding is the same as mine.

I will try to send a letter to the sanitarium to meet Miss White on her arrival, but will make it merely a friendly word of sympathy and hope for speedy recovery, and will not take up any financial questions unless you feel that something further should be done at this time. I notice that Mrs. Chittum thinks her sister will not be able to work before next summer, and if she has recovered by that time she will presumably be married. This means that she is not likely again to serve in Yenching. Do you think we should now or later take up with her the question of her presenting her resignation?

Ever affectionately yours,

(Mrs. Lucius O. Lee.)

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PEKING, CHINA

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Alumnae

Nov. 24, 1931.

Dear Mrs. Lee:

Both of your letters - Nov. 18 and 23 -
have been received so now I will
answer them both at the same time.

I have been hoping for some
word from Miss Clark in reply
to my letter written since the
Committee meeting but nothing as yet. I will
attend to the list promptly after its arrival.

I feel some hesitancy about writing for it
again since she told me she would get it to
me as soon as possible. It may facilitate
matters if the copies are made in your office
so unless Miss McCrea can put it through
very quickly I'll send the list to you for
duplication.

In regard to having Miss Boynton write the
list letter I feel certain Mrs. Franklin thought
it might be done more promptly and get out

sooner since she could get in touch with her
right away and also that Miss Baynton had heard
the discussion and knew just what was desired.
Doubtless you have already talked to Mr. Franklin
and I am entirely willing to abide by any
thing you may have decided upon.

It does seem as if the attitude of our Y. C. C.
might be secured by a correspondence vote.

I have not received any intimation as to our
Presbyterian Board's attitude. They may be
waiting until the December meeting to take action.

Many of the secretaries have been away during
November.

If there is to be a joint Board for Christian
Creeps in China I think the plan or position of
the American Board is a very good one and
advise circularizing it among our members.

It surely is hopeless to get quick action by
all the various boards at this time.

Your line of procedure in the case of Roberta
White meets with my approval. I doubt very
much that she can ever return to Yenching and
since her sister has said Roberta was "never robust
and she was sorry she passed the medical test" I
would not favor sending her back. She probably
will improve and get upripped so the problem will
solve itself as others have done. The financial
part can wait. If you think I should write again
to Miss Clark I will do so. Affectionately yours,
Wm. Williamson

December 3, 1931.

Mrs. O. R. Williamson
The Wellington
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Williamson:

Mr. Fairfield was in New York on Monday of this week for meetings of the Board of Trustees of Cheeloo University and Yenching University. The main business of both was, I understand, the consideration of the proposed plan for a joint Board for the various colleges. Mr. Fairfield brought back with him some copies of the proposals which had been further studied and revised by the Committee for Christian Colleges in China. At the end of this revised copy of the proposal is a statement which two days meeting has been called by the Executive Committee of the Committee for Christian Colleges in China for December 15 and 16 at which it is proposed that the members of all boards concerned, or at least all those who wish to shall be present and shall further consider the correlated program and the relation of the joint Board to it. I have received no notice of such a meeting, but as I realize that if such a meeting is to be held, the Yenching College Committee should be represented and that the time before December 15 is not long, I am this morning writing to Mr. Carside, asking for information as to what is being planned. If the meeting is to occur I hope you can surely be present. I hope Mrs. Finley and perhaps other New York members of our Committee can also be there. Do you think this sufficient representation of our Committee? You will remember that the Trustees officially requested "The cooperating Mission Board and the Committee of Yenching College for Women to inform the Trustees of their actions regarding the proposed joint Board." Our Committee has of course taken no action. I have not circulated the proposals of the American Board among our members partly because I thought it wise to wait until some definite plan for further consideration of the whole question had been made, and partly because some fundamental changes in the proposal of the American Board may seem wise. As a matter of fact, the American Board has not yet taken action in regard to the matter at all. It was presented to the Prudential Committee at its meeting on Tuesday of this week, by Mr. Cressy and there was, after he withdrew, some

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slight discussion of the proposal. It was felt, however, that the whole question should have more careful consideration than could be given in a large body of this kind and the matter was referred to the Committee on Foreign Policy which will meet probably on December 14. I will be glad to have any suggestions you may care to make as to procedure in bringing the matter further to the attention of the Yenching College Committee.

Now a question or two in regard to that list. We have here a card file of the original Yenching donors' list. The revised list will, I understand, contain all these names that are still of any value. Do you think there is any need of keeping these cards? We shall naturally be glad to dispose of such papers as simply clutter up our files and I cannot see that these cards are of further value, still I would like a word from you before I throw them away. Have you received the list from Miss Clark? If not, I think it might be worth for you to write her again. Suppose you suggest that as I have facilities for having copies made which she naturally has not, she send the list to me for copying, even though it may be quite marked up and untidy in appearance. I do think it important that we get that list to China as soon as we can.

Always affectionately yours,

(Mrs. Lillian O. W. ...)

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December 4, 1931.

Dear Miss Clark:

A letter from Mrs. Lee this morning asks whether she should discard the card list of original donors to Yenching College for Women which has already been included in our later lists or still retain them.

It seems to me it is not necessary for her to keep that file and am so advising her. She may wish to retain it long enough to make sure they have been incorporated in your list. Mrs. Lee suggested that she will be very glad to make the copies of your list for you in her office and it will be perfectly all right to send it on just as you have it and they will arrange it in order.

From quite some experience in comparing and making out lists I am aware of the work it entails so am very glad to pass on to you Mrs. Lee's kind offer and hope you may feel free to accept it.

You probably noted in the minutes of the November meeting that it was voted to have letters from the field mailed directly to a selected list of Yenching friends and contributors. It is hoped that these letters will be very interesting and full of life interest as were those Mrs. Frame wrote to her Holyoke girls.

The whole scheme of this plan is to bring the college group and their activities more intimately to the attention of the friends widely scattered over the globe we call the earth.

I wrote you in my last letter that Dean Franklin has consented to serve as chairman of the Promotion committee and into her hands your list will ultimately be given for filing and use. Possibly she has written to you but as yet I have had no word from her.

It has been my misfortune to have been laid by with a most stubborn cold so for a week I have not been able to do anything. Today I am definitely better so am undertaking a little correspondence. My typing reveals that I still am below par so please overlook poor style and mistakes.

I hope Chicago weather has been of a better brand than has been inflicted on us for some long time and that you and your mother have kept well.

Always with affectionate regard for you both,

I am,

Most sincerely and cordially yours,

Oliver R. Williamson

(Mrs. Oliver R.)