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MISS AMY L. WILSON
5 COURT STREET
BELFAST, MAINE

Feb. 7, 1933

Yenching University Board,
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

Have you received any recent news from Yenching University in Peiping in regard to conditions there now that the Japanese army is getting so near. I have a brother, Stanley D. Wilson, connected with the school, so would like to hear about it. Letters are so long in coming that all the news I have received seems like old news now.

yours truly

Amy L. Wilson

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February 9, 1933.

Miss Amy L. Wilson
5 Court Street
Belfast, Maine

Dear Miss Wilson:

Your letter of February 7th asking about the China situation came in this morning.

I have had the very great pleasure of being rather closely associated with your brother, Dr. Stanley D. Wilson, for the past several years in Peking, and know him and his family quite well. I also have representatives of my family in Peking, since my wife and young daughter are still there and do not expect to leave before May 1st to join me in New York City. I came over last July.

While we have no cabled information from Yenching within the last few days, yet we do have, every day, the most recent reports through the New York Times, and the situation in Peking certainly is not critical under present conditions. Personally, I am not uneasy about my family there since I know that the American Legation is in very close touch with all Americans and even if an emergency did arise, and I think it is unlikely, adequate provision would be made to take care of all American citizens who were in any way exposed to possible danger. I do not think you need feel at all disturbed since the community at Yenching is a large one and they are kept in thorough touch with the whole situation. Personally, I do not believe that the Japanese will be so rash as to bring about complications for themselves by going into Peking where the legations are located and where there are so many foreign troops. If they did go into Peking, complications would arise which might deprive them of what they have already gained in Manchuria.

I feel that you can rest thoroughly assured that your brother and his family are not in any danger. If we have any information by cable at a later date, we will be very glad to communicate this to you. Dr. Stuart is expecting to come to America, arriving in Seattle on the 7th of March. We have had no word from him as yet that he does not intend to come. If he does come, I think we can rest assured that the situation in Peking is not likely to become involved.

With kind regards, I am,

Very sincerely,

N. Gist Gee,
Vice-President.

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MISS AMY L. WILSON
5 COURT STREET
BELFAST, MAINE

March 1, 1933

Mr. T. S. Lee
Yenching University
150 Fifth Ave.
New York City

Dear Sir:

Thanks for your letter of February 7.
I appreciate very much the opportunity of
receiving news from Yenching without having
to wait the long time that it takes to get
letters from Peking.

I am glad you received my news as to how
the work of the University is being carried on
in this time of stress. The last letter from my
brother seemed to indicate that it was being
carried on with much difficulty and of course
the situation has become worse since then.
I am much interested in the work there and
feel much distress over the situation. If you
receive my cables of importance I would appre-
ciate your sending me a telegram collect.

Yours truly
Amy L. Wilson

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note re: receiving her.

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7 interest as to
situation

March 8, 1933

Dear Miss Wilson:

Dr. Gee has been traveling about the country for some weeks and has returned to us here your letter of March 1st which had been forwarded to him.

He wishes me to tell you that we shall be glad to keep you informed of any developments concerning Peking. We have so far received no cables of a disturbing nature. Dr. Stuart is presumably on the west coast as he was due to arrive at Seattle yesterday. Dr. Gee was to meet him at the boat. Since we have heard no word to the contrary, we are of the opinion that he arrived. He and Dr. Gee expect to travel throughout the west for a month or so before coming on to New York.

I understand that the Rockefeller Foundation had a cable from Peking this morning saying that all was quiet there.

If there is any news we shall be glad to forward it to you.

Very sincerely yours,

Office Secretary

Miss Amy L. Wilson
5 Court Street
Belfast, Maine

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May 8, 1933

Dear Miss Wilson:

The following amateur radio messages have just been received, the first from Mrs. Fisher, wife of one of the Yenching professors, on the California coast, and the second from Colonel Foster, Carmel California:

"Disorganized soldiers returning from Jehol looting terrifically in and around Pi Yun Ssu. Troops and squads of police rushed out from Peiping. All roads to Western Hills blockaded. Only disturbance from Peiping thus far. Feeling tense in City. (Sent April 25, 1933 from Peiping)".

"Your radio April 22 received. University work not interrupted. Successful homecoming day two hundred alumni and hundreds of visitors present. Greetings from all." (Sent May 2, 1933 from Peiping).

There is, I believe, no danger for the Faculty will be taken care of by the American Legation if any trouble is likely.

Very sincerely,

N. Gist Gee
Vice President

Miss Amy L. Wilson
5 Court Street
Belfast, Maine

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May 24, 1933

Dear Miss Wilson:

You will, I am sure, be glad to read the following messages which have just been received from Peking:

May 18, 1933 - "Despite anxiety university work uninterrupted. Hope to complete semester." Galt.

May 23, 1933 - "All well here." Roger S. Greene

Sincerely yours,

N. Gist Gee
Vice President

Miss Amy L. Wilson
5 Court Street
Belfast, Maine

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6-1-3 Lm sent her a copy of the radio of May 24 re 250 students departing.

6-6-3 We sent her the radio of May 30