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Phau-thai,

Wed. noon.

My dear Mr. Pitzpies:

I suppose you have found out before now that the man you were hunting has moved to ------, which is a couple of miles west of Chaochowfu. He appointed two representatives, a civil and a military man to be here at Phau-thai and meet you, and when I finally turned up at their yamen they greeted me most politely. The matter is all explained to them how I was a mediator at Chaochowfu, went to Swatow on Monday and am now on my way back to Cefu, and they have agreed to give me an escort to the commander's headquarters, and a note asking him if he will pass me thro his lines. They say they have no authority to give me a pass thro the lines, but they seem to think the commander will be willing. If the negotiations there have been proceeding satisfactorily he surely will. And I have no reason to doubt but what I can reach the South late tonight. If not, we have a chapel at --------- and I shall be well cared for.

It is unfortunate that somebody bungled and didn't inform you that the commander had left Kityang.

When you get back to Kakchieb, I should be very glad if you could let Mrs. Hildreth know that I am getting on so well in the

Sincerely yours,

(signed) E. S. Hildreth
E. P. Mission.

Swaraj.

May 16, 27.

Dear Mrs. Mildred,

Thank you so very much for your letter and for the little advertisement which I am very glad to have, and also for the jolly little air cushion. It was so good of you to think of that. The cushion arrived just the day before a procession, for which we women folk had been told to go and stay in the Consulate (the first time we have had to do that, and we very much like it last!) so as we were packing a suitcase each, of necessaries, we found the cushion came in very useful, as it filled so small a space. We had to go back the next day too, for another procession. They both passed off quickly, as it happened, but the authorities had placed a guard outside our compound.
Since two days things have changed again, and as you will probably have heard, the authorities have rounded up the Bolsheviks in Swatow, so as far as we are concerned, things are more peaceful. In the country districts however, where the enemy lines are powerful, there is a great deal of trouble and fighting. After the procession Mr. Diphu took the two children to Yamma, and the Chelhiniou also went there. Dr. Hacken and Dr. Lambro have come from Amoy. As their own stations are closed, they are giving some help in the hospitals, which is very welcome. The Allen's have some home, as the Allen was not very well. Writing serious.

We are very busy in the hospitals now. It appears people's ailments weigh more heavily on them in this unhappy situation, for they flock in in large numbers.

With love and best of good wishes,

Yours affectionately,

[Signature]
January 30, 1967

Mrs. E. S. Hildreth
Brooklyn, Conn. 06234
U. S. A.

Dear friends,

In a fascinating city like Hong Kong, one of the most amazing places is the satellite community of Kwun Tong, where the Kwun Tong Swatow Baptist Church is located. The new building is rising in the midst of a complex of factories, shops, resettlement estates, low cost housing blocks and residential apartments. Here surely is an unparalleled opportunity to witness to literally thousands of people and we are so privileged to have a part in that witness.

The church building is progressing rapidly. The ground floor has been completed and work is starting on the second floor. We hope that the cornerstone will be laid in a special service on Easter Sunday afternoon during the visit of Dr. James Sprigg. The fund for the purchase of the adjoining land is also growing rapidly, and we are grateful for your contribution to this phase of the total project.

The generosity and support of churches and individuals like yourselves has been very much appreciated. Your gift helps make all this possible. We would like to thank you for your interest and encouragement, not only for ourselves in the Mission and the Swatow Baptist Churches, but for all of the Chinese refugees who through the ministry of this church may come to know the joy and peace which only Christ can bring to this troubled and needy part of the world.

Sincerely yours,

Hugh W. Smith
Rev. Hugh W. Smith
MRS. E. S. HILDRETH

BROOKLYN, CONN. 06234

U. S. A.

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Dear Mrs. Hildreth,

It seems a very long time since I heard from you, and I am wondering just when you all are having your plan to get here. We are having Oxfords' group meetings every Monday at 4:55 in the vestry room of the Congregational Church. Edith Abbott was interested in discussing her book that she offered as the woman who comes himself, and last week she...
Bought Mr. Graves the Methodist Pastor. We have had notices given out in three churches and to-day three will be one in the Gloucester Place. We have a little team of four. Edith, Edith Abbott, and Mrs. Bartholomew from Cambridge and ourselves. We are delighted with them.

Great change in Edith Abbott, and I know you will be too. She had fellowship and attended many meetings in Cal. last winter. Taking active part in them, and it has done wonders for her spiritual growth.

We have had one meeting on absolute honesty these last week.
it is I the absolute love. We have
a short Bible lesson with
questions to look up & group interpret.
by Edith, then a short witness & some
discussing a quiet time stories from each of us. We discussed the
Lord's Prayer. We discussed the
Lord's Prayer.
Spared each time with prayer.

Miss Bartholomew has to go back to
Cambridge today & we really need
you & Mr. Hildreth to help us & we
Mr. Hildreth to help us & we
need

depending on Mr. H. to talk to
the two ministers & change them!
the two ministers & change them!
 Last Monday we had 14, & this week
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that God is little & that great
that God is little & that great
A spiritual awakening. Madame Rondelle has made a beginning, but is not at all well. So cannot always be with us. I do hope you sister-in-law will be here too. We need a strong team & new ones to witness as we go on. Please let us know as soon as you arrive. With kind regards from Katharine & myself. I hope you are quite well again.

Affectionately,
Madeleine Satterlee
May 22nd

Dear Mrs. Wilderette,

Thank you for your letter and the card about the Penn N.N. Conference. I was interested to hear you both went to the Oxford Group House Party at Middleburg and were at the home of Prof. Mrs. Adams, and that the Vromans were there. We have just learned
By June of you, Mrs. pytest, a summer 

that there is to be a House 

Your plan is in the Berkshires 

party in the Berkshires 

at Stockbridge June 3-6. 

We hope it will be possible 

for us to be there, but 

for us to be there, but 

are not quite sure as we 

are leaving May 25th for 

Rockport, but are not 

yet provided with a 

car, but Mr. Hodgkins 

is trying to locate a 

used one for us, and 

we hope he will turn 

up of a suitable one before 

of a suitable one before
life along Groups

And I think the hill

that little come all the way

time. We cannot careless

those things but the must

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lives of both

Am writing

Estelle Abbott about the

Stockbridge House Party as

might be able to go.

The price is $4. a day

lunch, plan & dinner

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Park is the one to write

about arrangements.
Dear dear Borrie,

It was during the first week after Hellen's great sorrow that I heard of the hard operation you went to undergo - one had already passed here in Oct. & I wanted their rights down to tell them well we know how to sympathize with you in this great physical suffering. I think we all long to hear that you are convalescing surely even this positively quickly. It is hard for you to be so far away from your loved ones & I know how you long to see Eileen & the dear children - but you have so much courage & pluck that
The time will not be long in passing, and I understand your husband will bring them to you when you are able to see them and enjoy them. Our hearts go out to you particularly at this time. We wish we could be near to visit you and bring you good cheer. You have had letters written which are on their way telling of Mr. Banting's illness. The emergency operation of his appendix on after many days in the hospital. The letter was able to be written with words all of every day's physical strength held out, and it was such a comfort to him to have the enthusiasm at this time. He could come up and say, 'are you true satisfied, Chaise again satisfied.'
Pneumonia set in at the last & he could not really walk on his roof until this morning. He seemed a little better & I thought when I saw him. Jenny was here & Mrs. Hulin with little Hulin in her arms & was such a comfort to her mother & they are there now. Tomorrow they are going to start for New York where Hulin will stay over the holidays & Mrs. Clark will take a vacation - returning after New Year's Day. Hulin Ripley was there & I am encour- ing one of her cards which I know you will like to see. Read came also on the day of the funeral. Aunt Carrie came on from Rochester for a week & cousin Jannis Reuy on this way to join his daugh- ter in Cal. was able to be here on the 8th. Uncle Allen's oldest granddaughter, little Darby Dodd, died on the 2nd from sleeping sickness. Her mon...
to beautiful to part with—
the parents are wonderfully brave like Helen, and do
other children in remembrance. I think I am so glad to say, are expecting another little one in
the spring. I know you want to hear all this. You may have had many precious events.
We shall all long to hear that you are improving health along. It will be mother Helen so much good as
well as all of us. We all have such pleasant memories of Soothe—and I can never thank you sufficiently
for all you were to Soothe Charlie and Helen—a dear and much-valued precious daughter.
Sending greetings and many very happy days with renewed hope to you in the coming year.

Minnie Armstrong
Aunt Minnie
San.
Dec. 1923

Return to Aunt Celty

to San.
Lady Dearest!

Who would have believed I would be over two months in writing to you after the very delightful time we spent with you and your precious family that Saturday at the Key Route Inn! I certainly did not expect to be so long in telling you how much we enjoyed that brief glimpse of you all, and to feel that the cord of friendship had been drawn tighter about us.

Two reasons have prolonged the silence on my part, namely busy days and busy hours, both of which are the result of my greatly improved health. It is so good to be well again and to feel the thread of pep stringing together again all the effort of months past. And then I have wanted to keep my promise of sending you the story I wrote in which your timely incident share adds its _extra_ of interest, as part of the background surrounding the life of my Chinese character, "Pau Lee". The life story of this character is really made up out of several incidents, true and fictitious, but in this way are many, many stories complied.

I have not heard yet from the Institute how it is being regarded from a sales point of view. If the story does not please the Critic this time, I have decided to change critics and Instructors! I shall send it to one who is really capable of appreciation and knows something good when he reads it!! With this attitude it seems hardly necessary to send them to any at all; hey? Well any way when you are through with it, I shall ask you please to return it to me as I always keep a copy of what I write on file. Am sorry to burden you with this request, but time does go so fast and with my hands busy now sewing for John's going off to college the first required week in Sept. and I still have my _final story_ to write, by a given time, I am too pressed at present to type another copy. Don't misunderstand me, please. I'm in no immediate hurry to have this tale returned, but at your convenience, that is all.
I do hope you all are feeling the wonderful benefits of being in American atmosphere. As I recall, Mr. Hildreth said that you were not in the best of health. While there is a great deal more of "rush" in this country than we are accustomed to, still the fine air, foods and outward natural beauty should all lend its aid in recuperation. I trust you had a comfortable trip across the mainland, and that you found all your loved ones in good health. I'm sure the kiddies are having the time of their lives, and much to your personal despair lest they shall be spoiled by over attention, but then you should not have contributed two such charming little ones to the world, unless you were willing to carry the responsibility!

My own bairns have been out of school for ten days or more. Francis, the son who came to lunch so late, much to my mortification, is away right now at a Y.M.C.A. Camp for boys. He was asked to be a leader of one of the tent groups, for three weeks, with all expenses paid but travel, which was quite a small fee, and as he has been growing so rapidly this past year I was inclined to let him accept the offer. He is having a wonderful time. Elizabeth was to have gone away too with a school friend for a few weeks, but the plans fell through, and she has been dreadfully disappointed, but has been so lovely about it all that Father has made arrangements for her to take some music lessons from a very fine organist, and this has been all the balm necessary for healing the unexpected wound. John is working for dear life and hording up the shekels with zealous pride. His few days of vacation will be those spent on the train whizzing him off to college, and thus the second break in the family will draw closer together those in the family who are left.

With the dawning of vacation and summer the fruit season has begun! wish you all might share our berries, and cherries with us. Later the peaches and plumbs will be more than we can get away with.
I am sure your dear Auntie is glad to be back among her old friends again. The re-telling of her many experiences in the Orient will be a never ending source of delight to her listeners.

Not many weeks ago we had the pleasure of seeing some of our own Missionaries who had been through the terrible experiences of the Nanking Outrages. Their tales were most thrilling. Not until these friends visited us did I know that one of Mr. Smart's own cousins living in Nanking had had their home burned after seeing it looted. It was one among the few that were burned. The mother with her two children were on the destroyer Noa, which perhaps you will remember was one of the U.S. boats to be fired upon by the Chinese. Considerable time has passed since all that happened but just to re-read the letter of those who were called to pass through that terrible time fills one anew with vivid excitement.

And now my dear I must not weary you longer with my prattle. I just hope and pray that you are going to get stronger day by day, and to express again my sincere appreciations for all your hospitable attentions to us while you were in Oakland. Some day I hope it will be my pleasure to reciprocate in some adequate measure.

Love in goodly measure to one and all,

I am always your devoted friend,

[Signature]
June 1981 Kindergarten graduates.
Mokansan, China.
July 25, 1931.

Dear Hildreths All,

Summer vacation is here and a chance to get some letters written. I am still thanking friends for my Christmas gifts, too, so you see what a tardy person I am. It was a real pleasure to be remembered by you at Christmas with that use-ful little book and I do thank you very much for it. John, you must have been a busy person wrapping up all those gifts. Thank you for doing mine. It was appre-ciated very much.

I wish I might have seen you folks when I was home, but I did not get up that way much. I came back to China with Edith Traver and she told me what a delightful time she had at your home and how happy you are in the Church work there. I am mighty glad of it.

I have been living with Mrs. Speicher ever since my return to Swatow. We are up in the Carman house and have such a nice little home. She is a wonderful woman and is such a peach to live with. I am so happy to be there and we enjoy each other a great deal. It is like a quiet haven to get up on the hilltop after a hard day’s work. It sometimes seems as though we were far away from our troubles and problems and we gain fresh strength and vigor to carry on the next day’s work.

It is good to be back again in the work. There have been many changes in the personnel of the Chinese workers and a depletion of our own staff so there is more than enough work for us all to do. The Kindergarten has increased in size and we are hoping to move into part of the old Chapel this Fall. We were so crowded in our old building that we had to stop taking more in. The new Church is a fine one and it certainly shows what the people can do if they want to. My hope is that they may grow stronger spiritually because of this new place of worship.

Katherine Bohn and I are enjoying ourselves here living in the Hyl-bert house with the J.P. Davies and five other folks. It is so nice to be up in this section and become acquainted with more of the East China folks.

In the Spring I was at Chaochowfa visiting the Bakers for a weekend. It seemed strange not to have you folks over in the other house there. You would certainly see a big change in the City, but it is still a very fascinating place, I think.

I surely would like to see you folks and see how big John and Alice are. Where are they in school now?

With best wishes to all of you and another thank you for the remem-brance at Christmas,

I am most sincerely,

Edna D. Smith
Dear Psi Omegas:

You realize, don't you, that you voted last spring to invite "legacies" to join our ranks, and in accordance with that vote invitations were sent to 13 girls by Harriet Adams Clark, our president. Of those, Jessie Scarborohe, niece of Jessie McWilliams, had already joined Psi Phi Delta, her mother's society, and Florence Brugger and Catherine Edwards Gamage were not heard from. All the rest wrote their acceptances wholeheartedly, except two sisters, one of them, Ruth Munsey Bristol, thought she might like to belong but wanted to know a bit more about it first, and the other who was almost sure she wished to, but did not want to commit herself completely. The names of the girls follow:

Margaret Arnold, daughter of Anna Arnold, and Psi Omega baby.
Catherine Bastress, daughter of Clara Mildrum Bastress.
Cara Cook, sister of Margaret Cook.
Ruth Munsey Bristol, sister of Mildred Burdett and sister in law of
Lucy Bristol Goodwin.

Elizabeth Gile, now Mrs. John Howard, cousin of Betty, Anne and Ruth
Wheeler, Anna Arnold and Helen Warren Smith.

Elizabeth Williams Dowling, niece of Miss Williams, who was with us
at the banquet.

Charlotte Peterson Clark, niece of Grace Judwin.
Olivia Gillespie, roommate of Margaret Arnold in college.
Elizabeth Gilman, roommate of Elizabeth Gile, all thru college.
(Do you know of others who should be included?)

Only one of these girls could be at the banquet in June, so it seemed wise to postpone welcoming them into our ranks, no matter how informally, until we could collect more of them. All but two will be in or near Boston around Christmas time, and we are hoping to persuade them all to be our guests on the night of Wednesday, Dec. 28th at the private dining room of the Woman's City Club, 40 Beacon St., Boston at 6 o'clock, for as happy and populous a dinner as we ever had. It will seem quite like old times to have 8 or 10 "initiates" with us, an opportunity such as we have not had for several years. It is really quite an outstanding occasion. Everyone within 100 miles of Boston should be present, and we shall be disappointed not to see you unless you have a very good excuse. Springfield, Worcester, Bridgewater, take notice, collect your girls and COME!

In any case, please send the enclosed sheet to Elizabeth White as soon as you can, for we want new addresses if there are any, and a few words of greetings from all. Say now that you will go, and plan for it. Put your best looking dinner gown into your suitcase and see how well Boston looks on a winter day. Bring snapshots of your families, your estates, and your hobbies. Do let's have a 100% response, in person for most of you, by letter if you can't possibly get there.

Yours loyally,

Helen Farrar Warren Smith
President

Dec. 2, 1927

Looking greetings to old members and old also.

initiates and new. Wish you were there.