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Fukien Christian University

August 8, 1925.

Mr. C. C. Anderson,
Boise,
Idaho.

Dear Mr. Anderson:

In behalf of Fukien Christian University it gives me great pleasure to acknowledge receipt of your very generous gift of \$3,512.50 in the following form:

Check on the National City Bank, N. Y., in the amount of . . .	512.50
Bonds as follows:	
# 58-Grand View Irrigation Disct. - 63% due July 1, 1926 . . .	1,000.00
#236-7-8-9-Drainage Disct. #1 of the County of Canyon, State of Idaho - 7% due January 1, 1939, with January 1926 and all subsequent coupons attached. . .	2,000.00
Total	<u>3,512.50</u>

As requested by Rev. J. A. Glendinning we are enclosing three receipts for \$1000 each, and one for \$512.50.

Assuring you that your gift is most heartily appreciated,
I am

Cordially yours,

Assistant Treasurer,
Fukien Christian University.

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Extra copy for Board of Directors, U.S.A.
of Fukien Christian University

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American Consulate,

Foochow, China, February 10, 1927.

TRANSFER

To American Citizens in Foochow:

On February 8th I sent a telegram to the American
Minister in Peking, of which the following is a digest,
in part:

"The local situation is considerably improved.
..... Assuming that local conditions justified
it, would you consider that the national and inter-
national situation would yet justify any change in
the policy of continuing to evacuate Americans still
here or the return of those who have left?"

Today, under date of 10 A.M., the Legation replied:

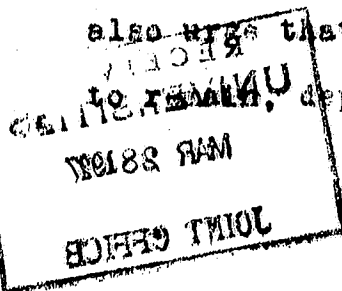
"In view of the uncertainty in the yangtze
valley with particular regard to Sino-British re-
lations, the Legation considers it would not be
advisable for you to sanction the return of Americans
who have left. If the number of Americans in the
district is so reduced and so situated as to
depart on short notice, the evacuation of remaining
Americans might be suspended for the present, if,
in your opinion, local conditions permit."

You will note that this confirms my own judgment.

Under these circumstances, I would earnestly urge that
you do not request or suggest that Americans who have
left return, for the indefinite future. As the number
of Americans still remaining is yet too large to be
readily evacuated in the event of emergency, I would
also urge that as many as do not feel absolutely compelled
to remain, depart.

Very respectfully yours,

Ernest B. Price
American Consul.



In duplicate; extra copy for Board of Directors, U.S.A.

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American Consulate,

Foochow, China, February 12, 1927.

To Fukien Christian University,

Kueichi, Fukien, China.

Referring to my circular letter of February 10, 1927, quoting the American Legation on the matter of the evacuation of Americans from this district, may I ask that your organization inform me at the earliest possible moment, on the attached form, precisely what persons it considers absolutely essential should remain in Foochow until the last persons should be forced to leave, the necessity for their remaining being determined solely by the property and business interests of the organization?

As you are aware, the developments in the Yangtze Valley give no cause for optimism. The national and international situation is grave. I feel certain, and evidently the American Minister at Peking feels equally certain, that events may easily arise making the position of any and all Americans in China untenable, and requiring their departure on short notice. It is my duty to consider the ways and means for such departure. Should circumstances arise to make such departure necessary, it is highly probable that normal commercial transportation would not be available, for obvious reasons. We should have to depend,

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then, on the facilities offered by American naval vessels. It is obvious that, should such circumstances arise, the number of such vessels available to assist in evacuating Americans from all China would be limited. The Foochow community, on the basis of an equitable distribution of available naval vessels, could not expect that more than one destroyer would be available to assist them, and it might be necessary for one destroyer to cover several ports. The destroyer sent here and now in port was sent particularly for the purpose of standing by while the evacuation of Americans was progressing or to assist therein, if necessary. It was not the intention that it should remain here indefinitely. Neither Amoy nor Swatow has a destroyer in port. Should evacuation by a destroyer become necessary, it could, with safety to itself and to those on board, accommodate not more than seventy-five civilian passengers. We have now one hundred and forty-nine Americans in the district.

It is obviously our duty, therefore, and it has been my consistent object, to reduce our number to not more than seventy-five persons, as long as the present grave situation exists in China.

Hence my request for your cooperation in reducing your number to such persons as are essential for the protection of property and business interests. I shall assume that all persons not so listed have left or will leave.

Very respectfully yours,
Ernest B. Rice
American Consul

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Fukien Christian University

March 13, 1931

Mr. C. C. Anderson,

Boise, Idaho.

My dear Mr. Anderson:

You will remember that during the latter part of January we sent letters to the individual members of our Fukien Board of Trustees asking if they would be willing to send personal photographs which we could forward to the field in order to further the acquaintanceship between the Board of Trustees and the group on the field. President Lin has repeatedly urged that we send the field either a group picture of the Trustees or, if this is not feasible, individual pictures.

About half our Fukien Trustees sent photographs in response to this initial request. I believe, however, that as yet we have not received your picture. We are, therefore, sending you this reminder.

The pictures thus far received have been of varying sizes and types so you need not hesitate to send any reasonably good photograph you may have available. If the field so desires they should be able to have reductions and enlargements prepared so as to bring all photographs to a reasonably uniform size in effecting any composite group they may wish.

It will greatly facilitate our work of completing this collection of Trustees' photographs if those who have not as yet sent pictures can do so during the next week or two.

Very cordially yours,

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P. J. Gawicki

FUKIEN

February 28, 1934

Mr. C. C. Anderson
Boise, Idaho

My dear Mr. Anderson:

You have ^{will} probably noticed the discussion and action ~~reported~~ in the minutes of the January 19th meeting of the Fukien Executive Committee relative to the plans of President C. J. Lin and Mrs. Lin to come to America in the autumn of 1934 for a sabbatical year spent in study and promotional work on behalf of the University. This will provide ~~for the~~ *log. class* opportunity we have ~~so long desired~~ for our Fukien Trustees and friends to form a close personal friendship with President and Mrs. Lin. It will also provide an opportunity for President Lin to make a beginning in cultivating a ~~larger amount of~~ interest here in America in the work that Fukien Christian University is doing ~~and at laying a foundation for the future increase in support.~~

President and Mrs. Lin are planning their trip to ~~America~~ on the most economical basis possible. ~~From the letters we have received from the field, we find that~~ They are trying to reduce to the minimum the ~~amount of~~ financial assistance which they will receive from the University, and will be making heavy inroads on their limited supply of personal funds. We are now in touch with several schools in the vicinity of New York where President and Mrs. Lin could spend the year to good advantage, and hope that at some one of them we will be able to make arrangements that will give them the maximum advantages at a minimum of cost.

But with all ^{these} ~~the~~ economies that can be effected the supplemental fund of \$500 which the Board of Trustees has undertaken to provide will be very much needed and greatly welcomed by President and Mrs. Lin. ~~It was the feeling of the Executive Committee that this sum should represent the personal contribution of the members of the Board of Trustees to President and Mrs. Lin rather than an appropriation of University funds. In the first place regular income is so radically reduced already that any special appropriation of this nature would be a heavy handicap added to the work of the University. In the second place, such a gift as the Trustees are proposing will do much to strengthen the personal friendship between the President and his Trustees.~~

Two of the Trustees present on January 19th agreed to give \$100 each, and a third promised to give \$50. This leaves only \$250 to be provided by the remaining members of the Board. We are writing to each of you who were not present and are inviting you to participate in this undertaking to the extent that your other obligations will permit. Actual payment need not be made until some time after September 1, 1934.

Very cordially yours,

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April 4, 1935

Mr. C. C. Anderson
Boise, Idaho

Dear Mr. Anderson:

We enclose a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Promotional Committee of our Fukien Trustees held on March 13th. At that meeting the Committee requested us to write each of our Fukien Trustees, reminding them of the grave financial situation confronting the university, and asking their heartiest cooperation and assistance.

The support which Fukien has received from Western sources has declined steadily for several years. It has become increasingly difficult for President Lin and the faculty of the University to carry on. For the year 1934-1935 this decline in income has been even more serious, than in previous years, due to the added factor of unfavorable exchange.

When the Associated Boards recently prepared a list of the most urgent financial needs confronting our China Colleges, it included US\$12,500 for Fukien for the year 1934-35, and the same amount for 1935-1936. When our Fukien Trustees adopted budget estimates for 1934-35, we included US\$5,000 beyond resources already available as representing the very minimum of additional funds we must secure from some source here in America if the University is to go forward.

From the report attached to the enclosed minutes, you will see that we have already made a beginning toward securing these additional funds. But if Fukien Christian University is to continue its program, each member of the Board of Trustees must devote himself wholeheartedly to the task of providing this support. The membership of our Board is quite small, and it is imperative that each Trustee do everything he possibly can.

The Committee on Promotion instructs us to lay before you the following challenging considerations:-

First, we can hardly expect other friends to be more deeply interested in the university than are the members of the Board of Trustees. We should be glad to announce, in appealing to others for support, that each of the Trustees has personally contributed as generously as he can toward the support of the university. What can you personally contribute before June 30th, 1935, either in a single gift or in several installments?

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Second, it is hoped that all members of the Board of Trustees may have friends or acquaintances who may be willing and able to make contributions, and whom the Trustees would themselves be able to approach with a definite request for assistance. What present or potential friends of Fukien will you seek to approach with such a request for support?

Third, in addition to those whom our Trustees can themselves approach, they should know of others whom they themselves may not be able to reach effectively, but whom others might persuade to give. President Lin is available for making such contacts if given a note of introduction and the promotional personnel of the Associated Boards is always glad to assist. What names can you suggest of individuals who might be approached WITH REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE

Fourth, what other suggestions can you make as to means of obtaining these financial objectives?

We enclose a blank form and an envelope for your convenience in replying.

We remember with the deepest gratitude the generous support you gave Fukien Christian University a few years ago. We appreciate too how impossible it has been for our friends to give as generously as they would like during the disturbed economic conditions of the last few years. But we do hope that just at this time when the university is facing such a serious financial crisis it will be possible for you to renew once more your support of this fine center of Christian influence and international goodwill in the heart of China.

We do not forget the heavy responsibilities you are already carrying in other fields. But we know that you will be glad to render us every assistance in your power in dealing with these Fukien problems.

Very cordially yours,

Acting President

Treasurer

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