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GINLING ASSOCIATION NEWS-LETTER

New Year Greetings!

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FOUNDERS' DAY CELEBRATIONS

On November 7, 1954, the National Association and the New York Chapter had a joint meeting to celebrate Founders' Day at the home of Mrs. Samuel Mills in New York. Mrs. W. S. New wrote about the occasion:

"We had a very delightful afternoon with about forty of us present. Mrs. Thurston and Dr. and Mrs. G. A. Sarvis, who helped to found Ginling, were with us. Mrs. Sarvis is seventy-three years old but looked young for her age with white silken hair and dangling earrings. Dr. Sarvis is seventy-five. They drove here all the way from Orlando, Florida where they are staying. Last year they cleared the jungles and built two cottages for themselves.

"We were glad to have Mrs. Thurston's presence. She gave us an inspiring devotional message.

"We had a good meal; sesameseed cookies made by Mrs. H. C. Chang and four dishes prepared by our alumnae. Priscilla Hsu led us in singing.

"And we also celebrated the silver wedding anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. H. R. Wei. To their surprise, a beautiful white and silver cake was presented to them. We wished them a golden wedding in a golden age of peace and freedom.

"Then we had an auction to realize the goal of the Reeves Scholarship Fund. That was the funniest part, done by Sam Mills. About two hundred dollars were realized, part of this amount being contributions.

The local chapters also held their celebration on the same day. We are glad to give reports from those chapters which have written in. We are also including a report from the Taipei group, just received.

LOCAL CHAPTER AND PERSONAL NEWS

BOSTON - The first meeting of the Fall was held on Saturday, October 9, with Clara Chao, our Chairman for the coming year, presiding. We were interested in hearing that she had received word that Dr. Wu Yi-fang was well in Nanking and that Wu Mao-i has been made Deputy Dean of the College of Science in the amalgamated University of Nanking. Mrs. Chao had also received a letter from Hu Shih-tsang's father, telling of her improvement and thanking the Ginling Association for its gift, which was a help not only in paying her medical bills but in improving her spirits greatly, to know she was remembered by her friends in America.

Over tea, members gave informal reports of their summer activities. Hsu

Siu-ying described in amusing detail a trip to Florida to attend meetings of the American Institute of Biological Sciences. Mrs. Peter Shih told of attending the World Council of Churches in Evanston, Illinois, and the secretary reported a trip west to the Grand Canyon, Bryce and Zion.

The Founders' Day meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Siu. This was an unusually well-attended meeting, with several "brothers-in-law" present. Dr. and Mrs. Yuan came with Frances who is a year and a half old and their new son, Robby, who was born in July. We missed K. C. Chao who is at Cornell this year, on a special research project, but we were delighted to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shih (Gwoh-ying Giang), who drove down from Manchester, N. H., bringing with them their two attractive little daughters. We were also happy to have as guests Rev. and Mrs. Deane Walter and Dr. Shiu-ying Liu. Dr. Liu, a graduate of Hwa Nan University, is working with Hsu Siu-ying. She has come from the University of Michigan, and brought news of Frances Liu and Zung-nyi Loh.

The Sius are both good cooks and entertained us lavishly at a buffet luncheon. After thanking them for their hospitality, Mrs. Chao opened the program for Founders' Day by reading a telegram from Mrs. H. R. Wei, "Best Wishes for a Happy Gathering". She then introduced Mrs. Hsien Wu as the first speaker, representing Ginling in the "twenties".

Mrs. Wu, who entered college with the third class in 1917, talked about Founders' Day week-ends as she remembered them. With only 36 students Founders' Day was rather informal, but by 1920, when there were 51 students, the occasion was marked by a banquet in the chapel with a big table on the platform for visiting celebrities, and by a special service on Sunday morning which the seniors attended in caps and gowns.

Siu-ying Hsu represented the next decade. She described Ginling's move to the new campus, and laid out a plan of the buildings for us very realistically - using cups, saucers, and the Yuan baby's bottle, which represented the "high" school! She spoke particularly of the Founders' Day celebration the first year of Dr. Wu's presidency, with the presidents of many Christian universities taking part, and Mrs. New acting as toastmistress at the banquet. She also described the academic procession on Sunday, and the masses of blooming chrysanthemums which she always associates with this occasion. In conclusion, Siu-ying told us what Ginling meant to her when she entered it from "the country", and how, like the cicada which spends the first year of its life underground, she "emerged" and found her "wings".

For the "forties", Mrs. Yuan of the class of 1947 was the representative. She recounted something of the history of Ginling in Chengtu, where living conditions were exceedingly crowded, but where the presence of so many universities also resulted in wider opportunities. She then described the move back to Nanking by river or by truck, and the re-opening there in 1946. She mentioned the wonderful "sense of belonging" which they all had on returning to their own campus, and the thrill of being in the first class to graduate there after the war.

The celebration was concluded with the singing of "We are from Ginling", and every one agreed that it was indeed an especially "Happy Gathering".

-- Dorothy Whittington, Secretary

Mrs. K. C. Chao of Boston represented Ginling Association in America at the Smith Alumnae Day on June 5-6 at Smith College, Northampton. Reported Mrs. Chao: "After arriving at Northampton in the late afternoon, Miss Lowestein very kindly showed me around the campus as well as the exhibitions for the Alumnae Day. In the evening I attended an excellent concert given by the Smith Glee Club. Later we listened to beautiful singing by various classes all over the campus, which was lit up by oriental lanterns. Under the silvery moon and twinkling stars, the whole college looked like fairyland. Next morning I talked to the Smith Alumnae for Ginling for an hour, including half an hour's discussion. The talk centered on the current organization and activities of the Ginling Association in America, particularly its effort to help establish Tunghai University and a Christian girls' high school in Formosa. The Smith alumnae all expressed keen interest in and enthusiastic support for such endeavors in particular and the GAA in general. They asked that the New York headquarters furnish them with more details which they might publish in the Smith Alumnae Quarterly. It was thought that such an informative article on the activities of GAA might encourage Smith alumnae to contribute funds to the program. One Smith alumna proposed that the Smith Ginling Fund should be used to send a Smith graduate to teach at Tunghai University (as they had been sent to Ginling). This proposal was well received and the members decided to consider the idea further at a later meeting. As the session came to a conclusion, all the members again pledged their continuous support of and interest in the GAA and its projects."

CHICAGO - A Smith-Ginling gathering was arranged for April 21 at the home of Mrs. Lawson. Five Ginling and about 30 Smith members were at the meeting. Miss Ellen M. Studley, director of the Chinese Student and Alumnae Services of the Chicago Area, brought some pictures of Ginling to show to the Smith members. We were requested to present a brief history of Ginling. Mrs. Chen (Djou Gi-hsing) started the history before World War II; Mrs. Liao (Lu Ming-djang) talked about how the College moved to Chengtu; Mrs. Kao (Shen Yu) talked about life in Ginling at Chengtu; and Mrs. Tao (Gwoh Kai-chu) talked about returning to the home campus. The Smith sisters were surprised to learn that Ginling sisters belong to their same P.T.A.; the Smith-Ginling relationship draws even closer through the next generation!

Founders' Day celebration was held at Miss Studley's house on November 7. Ten members were present for a dinner party. We decided that henceforth we would hold our meetings twice a year, one in summer and one on Founders' Day. As Laura Shen, the former secretary, was married and has moved to Indiana, Mrs. Nora Hsiao was elected our new secretary.

Miss Alice Chang passed through Chicago twice on her vacation trip from Honolulu to New York. Mrs. Liao greeted her with a dinner party. Joan Chao (Chao Yung-en), spending her vacation in Chicago, joined the party, too. Joan Chao is going to take up Library Science.

A dinner party was given for Mrs. Fan (Djang Bin-I) and her family from Oshkosh, Wisconsin by Mrs. Chen and Mrs. Liao. Mrs. Li (Kwang Yao-wen) and her family of Iowa City also spent a few days in Chicago on her vacation and were invited to a dinner party at Mrs. Chen's house where they met many Ginling friends.

Laura Shen was married on August 14 to Dr. P. K. Chao at the Chinese Gospel

Church in Chicago. Ten Ginling girls attended the wedding. Her new address is 105 N. Dunn Street, Apt. 2, Bloomington, Indiana.

A baby boy was born to Dr. and Mrs. Liao on April 9. Their first child is a girl now $5\frac{1}{2}$ years old.

On April 5 a baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cheng (Hsiung Tsin-ning). They were married last year.

A daughter was born to Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Wong in June.

We, the Chicago Chapter of Ginling Association, are in the center of the United States. We are glad to meet any Ginling friends who happen to come to Chicago. Just call any one of us you know, and we will try to make your trip to Chicago a pleasant and enjoyable one.

-- Nora Hsiao, Secretary

LOS ANGELES - Founders' Day Celebration - The Los Angeles Chapter celebrated Founders' Day with its traditional supper meeting at the Soochow Cafe where eleven alumnae and former faculty members met to renew their fellowship and memories of Ginling days. Among those present were Dr. Martha Hackett, former resident physician and teacher of first aid and bacteriology at Ginling, Miss Margaret Andrews from Carmel, Miss Gratia Sharp from Lynwood, Miss Harriet Whitmer who was visiting in California for two months, Irene Liu, now studying at the University of Southern California, Evelyn Yong, who was one of the first five students of Ginling, and Mesdames Albert Quon, Y. L. Mei, Henry Nyi, Samuel Phang and Edwin Kwoh.

Ginling-University of Nanking Meeting - University of Nanking alumni and former faculty members were entertained by the Ginling Chapter at a potluck dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nyi in August.. The joint meeting, long planned by the Ginling group, brought together many families who had resided in Nanking. Colored slides of Ginling College, Nanking and Shanghai taken by Dr. Mary Frances Reed in 1949 were shown during the meeting.

October Gathering - Mrs. Henry Nyi, newly elected president of the Los Angeles Chapter, gave a delightful dinner party to honor Miss Harriet Whitmer, faculty member at Ginling from 1924 to 1948. Miss Whitmer, who was visiting Los Angeles from Michigan, brought news of Ginling friends now in different parts of the world.

-- Mrs. Edwin Kwoh

NEW HAVEN - On May 29th we had our spring meeting at Mrs. Nangle's home. It was very pretty during the spring time.

During the summer Dr. Chiang Sing-Pao from St. Louis, Missouri, came to visit New Haven for a few days. Then we went together to visit the highlight spots in New England. It was a wonderful trip for both of us.

In August Mrs. Lucy Lin (Wen Tong-geng) went to visit her friends in Utah. On her way back she stopped at Yellowstone Park for a visit.

On November 6 we had our Founders' Day celebration at Mrs. Ho's home. We were very happy to have a new member, Mrs. Matthew Fong (Ma Yee-ling). She was graduated in 1951 at Nanking and after that was in Hong Kong. She came to this country with her husband in September, 1954; their address is 242 A Whitney Avenue, New Haven, Connecticut.

-- Gueh-djen Hsiung

NEW YORK - The New York chapter was invited to a tea party given by the Smith College Club of New York on May 11th. It was a delightful gathering and offered us a splendid chance to get acquainted with our Smith sisters.

On May 21st we were invited to present a panel discussion on Ginling to the Smith Club of Westchester, N. Y. Mrs. H. R. Wei, Mrs. Wellington Lee and Mrs. Y. Y. Huang went to talk on the subject "Ginling as We Know It". We gave great emphasis to the spirit of Ginling as a living thing. The spirit to educate, to train and to develop Chinese womanhood is always carried on wherever the Ginling alumnae go. About seventy Smith girls were present. We learned that they were trying to raise a scholarship fund, so gave ten dollars under the name of Ginling Association in America as a gesture of our support.

The New York Chapter had a garden party at the lovely home of Mrs. William Chang in Long Island. About forty-five people came to the party. A short business meeting was held after a delicious buffet lunch. Our national committee displayed some of Dr. Reeves' personal belongings for sale, raising more than seventy dollars for the Reeves' Scholarship Fund.

--Mei-sien Chu Huang, former president

PHILADELPHIA - On the 7th of November, 1954, a very pleasant Sunday, seven of us with our families gathered at the home of Mrs. Jimmy H. C. Lin (An-djen Wang), in Levittown, Pa. to celebrate Founders' Day. Two members came from Philadelphia; three from Princeton, N. J.; and the rest were from Levittown. Mrs. Lin and Mrs. Margaret Ma prepared the rice, cold drinks and the soup. Each member brought a covered dish. The food was delicious and tasty, and heartily enjoyed.

After luncheon there was a short business meeting. A telegram of greeting from Mrs. Hsioh-ren Wei was read to us by our president, Mrs. Amy Bao-chiu Chin. We welcomed two new members: Mrs. Dianna Yu-dung Mao Chou, and Mrs. Yuen-ching Wu Tung; and were sorry that Mrs. Nan Huang Kuo was absent because of illness. A new secretary, Mrs. Hermia Gung-tai Soo, was elected to succeed Mrs. Earl E. Shih who has recently moved to New England.

We also held a drive for the Dr. Reeves scholarship fund, and have sent the money to the GAA treasurer.

At the end of the party, members and their families had some pictures taken

by Mr. Stanley Chin, which we will send later to show the great happiness we members of the Philadelphia Chapter shared together at the Founders' Day celebration.

GAA - Philadelphia Chapter

WASHINGTON, D. C. - Thirty-seven people met at the home of Mrs. Mar (Shuh-ying Lu) to celebrate Founders' Day - 11 Ginlingers, 11 husbands, and 15 children. "It was a sunny day; the husbands and children played outside, while we had the brief business meeting.... Then we asked the husbands and children to come inside to enjoy the movie.... We shouted the names of the people we saw on the screen and the children had a good time watching what they called 'the Old Time Movie'. Each of us brought over sandwiches for her family; ...all the sandwiches were put together to be served to all. The hostess prepared tea and drinks. Two of us brought dessert enough for all. We sang a few Ginling songs before we left for home...(and) decided to meet again at Chinese New Year."

Washington officers are Mrs. Grace Sie Chu, chairman, Loretta Ren-tsiu Pan, and Florence Tsui-yong Tan.

-- Mei-sien Chu Huang

TAIPEI, TAIWAN - On our Founders' Day, the 15th of November, we held a big celebration at Taiwan Tobacco & Wine Monopoly Bureau. First we began with a prayer to God whose Mighty Power be always a protection to us, and especially to those left on the Mainland. Then followed the election of the officers for the Alumnae Association in 1955: Chen Ching, President, and Soong Ching Shong, the Vice President. Later on, a buffet dinner was served, and a show acted by the children of Nai Chien Bih. We really had a good time together, chatting intimately and happily about the golden days bygone. We can imagine you people in the States must have had the same kind of fun, too.

Together with members of Nanking University, we are going to have a children's party on December 19th and an adult one on the 26th to celebrate X'mas and the New Year.

The members of the Ginling Alumnae Association are also going to publish a Ginling Quarterly starting January 15, 1955, in which you'll soon find out what you would like to know. And we hope you people will supply us with the most precious news or articles you could produce. Your encouragement and co-operation are most needed.

Wishing all of you a Merry X'mas and Happy New Year.

Sincerely yours,

Margaret Hu, Secretary
Ginling College Alumnae
Association, Taipei

MORE "PERSONALS"

Miss Zung-nyi Loh is now teaching at Western College, Oxford, Ohio.

Wen-chiu Sie (Mrs. Grace Chu) is teaching a cooking class in the China Institute in New York City. The class is very successful and is getting bigger everyday.

Miss Florence Kirk is now teaching at Alma College, Alma, Michigan.

Dr. Mary Frances Reed, formerly head of the Department of Home Economics at Ginling from 1946-1950, left in September for India under the auspices of the U. S. State Department as a child welfare consultant. She had been organizing and teaching nursery school in the southwest for the for the past two years.

Miss Helen Loomis has returned from five years in Singapore. She is now a regular member of the Methodist Mission and is home on furlough.

Mrs. Samuel Phang (Hung-dju Wang) went to Philadelphia from Los Angeles to attend her sister's wedding in October, and while East, visited friends in Washington, New Haven and New York.

Mrs. W. S. New's son, Peter Kong-ming New, was engaged to Miss Mary Louie of San Francisco on September 3. Miss Louie is an overseas Chinese. She has received degrees of B. A. from the University of California and M. Ph. from the University of Michigan. She and Peter met in the same class of Advanced Statistics at Ann Arbor and both have common interest in research work on public health. The wedding is planned for June.

Wedding Bells for GAA "Children". - Alberta Quon, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Quon (Lily Ho, 1923), was married in October in Beverly Hills, California, to Mr. Ben Gim, a New York lawyer. Mr. and Mrs. Gim are living on Riverside Drive in New York.

Robert (Peh-ying) Wei, son of Dr. and Mrs. Hsioh-ren Wei (Ying-bao Liu, 1923), was married to Lee-chung Kung in August. They have an apartment in Princeton, New Jersey, where Robert is assisting in the mechanical engineering department of the university.

Chi-chang Hsu, son of Dr. and Mrs. Shu-hsi Hsu (Grace Liu, 1921), was married last April to Ujjala Deb, of the Indian Consulate General's staff. They live in Great Neck, New York, where Mr. Hsu is working as an engineer.

U B C C C NEWS

A 345-acre site near Taichung, in Taiwan, has been granted to the Board of Directors of the new Tunghai (東海) University and building is about to begin. The college is to be opened in September 1955 with a class of 200 students.

Dr. William P. Fenn, Executive Secretary of UBCCC, is on a nine-month tour

of colleges and other institutions in the Far East. He left in September, will return to the States for a month in the spring, and will then go back for another few months. Mrs. Fenn is accompanying him on the trip, which is including Japan, Korea, Formosa, the Philippines, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Thailand and Malaya. During part of the year, Dr. Fenn will be making a study of Silliman University in the Philippines for the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions. Miss Mary Ferguson is in charge at the New York office during Dr. Fenn's absence.

Miss Abigail Hoffsommer (Ginling faculty, 1931-36) has joined the UBCCC staff as Secretary for Publicity.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The new members of the Executive Committee for the term 1955-1957 as elected by mail ballots last summer are:

Recording Secretary - Miss Abigail Hoffsommer
Corresponding Secretary - Mrs. Harry Lee (Yueh-shan Dju)

We are happy to announce that the goal of \$1500 for the Cora D. Reeves Scholarship Fund has been more than realized (\$1600) and wish to thank all who contributed.

The Executive Committee wishes all members and friends of the Ginling Association in America a very Happy New Year!

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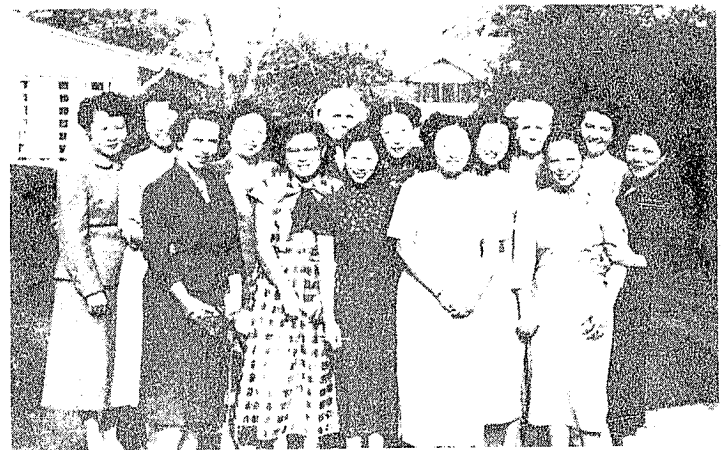


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December 1955

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

We have had a very good year. I have enjoyed excellent cooperation from the officers as well as the members. In general we have accomplished a great deal towards further promotion of fellowship among Ginling faculty members, alumnae and friends. In particular, I am happy to report the following concrete accomplishments:

Smith Relations Contacts with alumnae and students of Smith College have been made on both local and central levels. Recently representatives of the Smith alumnae groups and student organizations met several of us, including our Smith representative. Means of furthering the Smith-Ginling friendship have been discussed and definite plans made.

Usually a Ginling representative is invited to attend the annual Smith alumnae reunion in June. However, this past June two Ginling Association members went to Northampton and participated in all Commencement and reunion activities. Our representatives had a wonderful time and Smith people expressed their delight in having us. We hope that this will become a permanent feature.

Washington Reunion Our youngest chapter, Washington D.C., was hostess at our annual reunion this year. Most of the chapters were represented. Those who could not come sent greetings and messages. I wish to express my personal gratitude to the Washington chapter for affording us such excellent and warm hospitality.

Reeves Scholarship Fund Our goal of \$1,500 has been more than reached. A detailed report is submitted in this issue.

Reeves Estate In January 1955, Miss Mary Ferguson of UBCCC (the United Board) invited Mrs. New and me to her office. There we met Miss Gibson, Treasurer of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Methodist Board of Missions, to which Dr. Reeves left her estate. Miss Gibson told us that the Reeves estate had been settled and that the amount was set at about \$30,000. The section of the will which is of interest to the GAA is:

...All the rest, residue and remainder of my estate, of whatsoever nature and wheresoever situate, I give, devise and bequeath to the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, a New York corporation (address), to be used by said Division, or its successors, for Ginling College in China. In the event that for any reason Ginling College shall cease to function, or if, in the opinion of the responsible officers of the Division, or its successors, the money cannot be properly or profitably spent for Ginling College, then I direct that it shall be expended in such manner for the furtherance of work on the foreign field under the jurisdiction of the said Division as the

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responsible officers of such Division shall from time to time in their absolute discretion determine.

Miss Gibson invited us to make suggestions, through the United Board, concerning possible means of making good use of this fund.

On February 12, 1955, members of the Executive Committee, the Committee on Reeves Scholarship Fund, those who were close to Dr. Reeves and all who might be interested in this matter were invited to meet in New York for a special meeting. Those who could not attend were invited to send in their suggestions. All suggestions were given careful consideration. Afterwards, the opinions were grouped and sent with the notices for the Annual meeting to be held in Washington, to all members of the Association for further consideration.

At the Annual meeting, the various suggestions were again carefully considered. Local chapters that were not represented sent detailed statements as to how they felt that the Reeves estate could best be used. From all these, the Annual meeting adopted several suggestions to be presented to the Woman's Division through the United Board. A letter, incorporating these, has been sent to the UBCCC.

Ying-bao Wei (1925), President

Financial Report - August 1954 - May 14, 1955

Income:

Balance forward (1951-1954)	\$253.66
Membership dues:	
42 paid \$2.00, 8 paid \$4.00, 1 paid \$5.00	121.00
Total income	\$374.66

Expenditures:

1. Travelling expense (Nancy H. Kuo)	\$ 7.50
2. Postage etc. (Mrs. Shangu Y. Lee)	6.58
3. United Board (400 Newsletter, postage, envelopes)	45.74
4. Ginling directory, stamps, etc. (Mrs. S. Lee)	112.00
5. Travelling expenses (February meeting)	70.72
6. Telegrams etc. (Mrs. Wei)	16.76
7. United Board (5000 letterheads)	45.40
8. United Board (Mimeographing, stencils, mimeograph paper, postage, etc.)	40.94
9. Present to Miss Ferguson (Dr. T. F. Yu)	6.00
10. United Board	10.09
Total expenditure	361.73

Summary: Total income	\$374.66
Total expenditure	361.73
Balance	\$ 12.93

Summary of membership dues collected in the past four years:

Year	No. of members who paid dues
1951-1952	121 (two paid 2 year dues)
1952-1953	132 (four paid 2 year dues and one paid 3 year dues)
1953-1954	86
1954-1955	84 (eight paid 2 year dues)

Total number of members: 163 alumni, 92 faculty

THE GINLING ASSOCIATION IN AMERICA
CORA D. REEVES SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Mrs. Daisy Wu	\$ 25.00	Mrs. Lin Chung Ying Kao	\$ 5.00
Miss Helen O. Ingraham	5.00	Dr. Dorothy Ma	25.00
Miss Adelaide Gundlach	100.00	Miss Eva Spicer	10.00
Mrs. Siu-ying Hu Hsu	75.00	Miss Abigail Hoffsommer	10.00
Dr. Evelyn Woodward	25.00	Los Angeles Group	106.40
Miss Pauline L. Sage	5.00	Young Ming Kuo Chu	1.40
Miss Katherine Schultze	5.00	Dr. Reed	25.00
Miss Catherine Sutherland	25.00	Hannah Phang	25.00
Sie Sisters	50.00	Miss Wei	2.00
Mrs. S. K. Nagal	50.00	Dr. Hackett	10.00
Miss Mary E. Ferguson	10.00	Miss Scharle	5.00
Mrs. Franklin L. Ho	5.00	Miss Lindquist	8.00
Mrs. B. C. Nangle	10.00	Gloria Nyi	15.00
Mrs. Lucy Lin	4.00	Jarnice Lew	5.00
Mrs. Daniel Yang	1.00	Mrs. Lin	5.00
Miss Gueh-djen Hsiung	20.00	Beulah Kwok	5.00
Miss Ruth Wei	10.00	Westchester Smith Club	125.81
Miss Mary Chen	10.00	Nancy Huang Kuo	10.00
Mrs. Dji-shuh S. Chen	10.00	Philadelphia Chapter	25.00
Mrs. Lily Ho Quon	100.00	Gwan Yuen Li	8.00
Miss Ching-Yi Wu	60.00	Mrs. Lewis Li	20.00
Miss Ruth Chester	15.00	Ying Chang Chu	20.00
Miss Laura Yu Shen	1.00	Mrs. Edwin S. P. Kwah	20.00
Mrs. Nora Ching Chun Hsiao	1.00	Mrs. Ettie Chin Hang	20.00
Miss Fu Tung Liu	1.00	Mrs. Richard Jen	5.00
Mrs. Helen Tao	1.00	Y. Y. Wang	21.00
Mrs. Clara Chen	1.00	M. B. Leavens	6.00
Mrs. Barbara Wang	1.00	Miss Rebecca W. Griest	15.00
Mrs. Dao-yaing Liu	1.00	Mrs. Peter Shih	3.00
Miss May Yang	1.00	Mrs. M. H. Loh	5.00
Miss Shui Mei Li	1.00	Mrs. Dean Walker	5.00
Mrs. Ming-djang Liao	5.00	Mrs. C. K. Chao	5.00
Mrs. W. S. New	35.00	Mrs. Robert Yuan	5.00
Miss Alice Chang	3.00	Mrs. Earl Shih	5.00
Mrs. Grace Liu Hsu	10.00	Mrs. H. Whittington	15.00
Mrs. Emily C. Mills	25.00	Mrs. Y. C. Tsui	10.00
Mrs. T. F. Tsiang	10.00	Mrs. William Chang	10.00
Dr. T. F. Yu	25.00	Dr. Y. C. Chu	25.00
Mrs. H. R. Wei	5.00	Mrs. Wellington Lee	10.00
Miss S. M. Chen	5.00	Mrs. T. S. Ma	10.00
Mrs. Z. T. Ing	10.00	Mrs. Y. Y. Huang	10.00
Mrs. George Rounds	5.00	Mrs. C. M. Chang	5.00
Mrs. Frederica Hiltner	25.00	Mrs. Lilliath R. Bates	15.00
Miss Mei Yu Dju	15.00	New York Chapter Sales for	
Bank interest	4.45	Reeves Fund	232.31
		TOTAL	1633.97

(This statement is as of May, 1955)

40th Anniversary The 40th Anniversary celebration took place on May 14, 1955, in Washington, D. C., our baby chapter in the Capital serving as host. The program started off with a devotional service in the Chinese Community Church with an address by Mrs. W.S. New. The central theme of her talk was advice to retain what we have received from Ginling and to press on forward. Centering around this main theme were all the hymns selected and sung, Bible verses chosen and read, and testimony talks given by representatives presenting the developments of five decades of Ginling life. Finally the service was concluded by a prayer led by Mrs. Lawrence Thurston.

A business meeting immediately followed the devotional service with Mrs. H. R. Wei, our National President, in the chair.

The anniversary dinner started at 7 o'clock the same evening in the China Doll Restaurant owned by Mr. and Mrs. John Jung. We took the opportunity to celebrate Mrs. Lawrence Thurston's 80th birthday at the same time. The occasion saw the presence of some 60 people, among whom were, of course, our guest of honor, our much beloved Mrs. Thurston; the representative of our first class, Mrs. W. S. New; representative of the UBCCC, Miss Abigail Hoffsommer; representative of Nanking University, Washington Chapter, Mr. S. C. Chang; representative of our "brother-in-law" or "sons-in-law", Dr. H. R. Wei; representative of Smith alumnae, Mrs. Lynn Eldridge; and many other guests and family members of our own Ginling alumnae, who had come from seven different states of the country.

Ginling campus pictures in colors were displayed in the dining hall. They helped to recall the good old days. There were altogether five tables. On the table for each seat there was placed a small Ginling flag, with purple background and Chinese characters in white for "abundant life".

The head table was set against a background of flowers and a Ginling flag. As we walked into the hall, there stood a big flower basket. This was a gift from the proprietor of the restaurant.

Grace was said by Miss Evelyn M. Wamsley; Grace Chu delivered the opening address of welcome to the guests and out-of-town alumnae members. May Huang was the mistress of ceremonies. Greetings came from different chapters: Mrs. Kuo-chun Chao on behalf of Boston; Mrs. Z. T. Ing, New York; Miss Gueh-djen Hsiung, New Haven; Mrs. Frank F. L. Chen, Chicago. They were followed by Mrs. S. C. Chang, Miss Vera Barger, Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Thurston, Miss Hoffsommer, Mrs. Wei, each of them giving us a few words of inspiring greetings. Then Mrs. New, Mrs. T. S. Ma, Mrs. Wellington Lee and Mrs. Chen-hwa Hsiao took turns in giving us an interesting picture of the life as found on Ginling campus representing several different periods. These stories were really refreshing as far as our memory of Ginling goes. Miss Loretta Pan read for the gathering a number of written greetings from chapters and members who were unable to be with us that evening.

Two birthday cakes, one following the other, each with 40 lighted candles, were brought in and placed on the head table in the middle of the celebration. The first one was for Ginling and the second one plus the first was for Mrs. Thurston. "Happy Birthday to You" and "Long Life to Our Ginling" were cheerfully sung. A group picture was taken before the party broke up. Merry laughter was everywhere.

Early that morning a sightseeing tour had been organized. Four carloads of out-of-town people went to see the Washington Monument, Jefferson Memorial, Congress, the White House and other historic places. The entire group later met in the Chinese Community Church for a picnic lunch. Husbands who drove the people around were found good chauffeurs and infinitely patient and ever-ready. They deserve a Ginling medal. Don't they?

FOUNDERS' DAY CELEBRATION

On the weekend of Nov. fifth Ginlingers in many places will be celebrating our Founders' Day in their respective localities while joining in spirit to pray for our Alma Mater and the beloved ones far away.

New York Chapter will have luncheon on Sunday, the 6th, in China House, 125 E. 65th St. A large turnout is expected.

New Haven Chapter will celebrate on the 5th at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Franklin Ho.

The Philadelphia group will have luncheon the same day in downtown Philadelphia.

Chicago will meet the same day, probably in the home of Miss Studley.

Washington D. C. chapter will have a party on the 6th.

Taiwan Ginling group will meet the first week of November.

Hongkong Ginling Association will have its grand reunion on Founders' Day.

LOCAL CHAPTER NEWS

Washington D. C. The Washington Chapter was formally established a year ago on Founder's Day November 7th, 1954. We had 14 members to begin with. An executive committee was formed with Sie Wen-tsiu (1924, Mrs. Grace Chu) as chairman, Pan Ren tsiu (1940) secretary, and Tan Tsui-yong (1942, Mrs. Moneson Jung) as treasurer.

The first meeting was held in the spacious and lovely country house of the Timothy Mars (Lu Shuh-yin 1928). The second meeting was held in Mrs. S. C. Chang's equally charming home. Both meetings were well attended. About 36 people came. At both meetings we called a brief business meeting after a buffet dinner and a social hour for all. Membership has grown from 14 to 19.

The National Committee of the Ginling Association in America had suggested holding the Ginling 40th Anniversary Celebration in Washington D. C. and we thought the idea was a splendid one. We accepted the honor and extended our invitation. Promptly we started to work with several committees appointed to take care of programming, dinner, decoration, devotional service, and accommodations for the out-of-town alumnae. An emergency meeting was duly called just before the big event to assure coordination and team work. Our chairman, Grace Chu,

indeed proved to be a great leader. Everything was just fine. We take our hats off to her.

The Washington chapter is one year old by now. We would like to see a new chapter born soon, to take over the honorable name "the baby chapter".

News About Washington Ginlingers:

Two new babies were born. Liu Ning-yuan - (Mrs. Robert Ing, 1951) gave birth to a baby girl last April. Lu Hsiao-chin (1950, Mrs. Kwang Pao Chang) gave birth to a baby boy in October. Hearty congratulations to the new mothers and new fathers.

Mrs. Henry L. Wen (溫宋閑賢) is now visiting her in-laws at 2207 Observatory Place N. W., Washington, D.C. She will stay until Christmas, then return to her San Francisco home.

Submitted by Dju Mei-hsien + (Mrs. Y. Y. Huang, 1937)

Boston The Boston Chapter of the Ginling Association held its first meeting this year on Saturday, September 17th at the home of the Rev. and Mrs. Peter Shih (Shih Yuen-ying 1929). Counting husbands and children, 22 people were present at the lavish and delicious supper prepared by Mrs. Shih. We were especially happy to have with us Mr. and Mrs. Abraham New. Mr. New is the nephew of Mrs. Way-sung New; as Children's Worker, he is serving on Rev. Shih's staff at the Chinese Christian Church of New England, in Boston.

Dzo Ging-ru (Mrs. M.H.Loh, 1932) had a visit from Dr. Zung-nyi Lo (1924) and Sie Wen-chiu (Mrs. Grace Chu, 1924) this summer, when they were here for a Wellesley reunion.

Dr. Shiu-ying Hu Hsu (1933) has completed work on the first volume of the Flora of China.

Congratulations to Hwang Ding-djung (1949, Mrs. N.C. Yang) who received her Ph.D. in June. She is at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology as a research associate.

Dr. and Mrs. Hsien Wu (Yen Tsai-yuen 1921) went to Pennsylvania in June to see their daughter Christine receive her M. D. from the Women's Medical College. She is now interning at the Germantown Hospital. Their son Ray, has finished his theses for the Ph.D. at the University of Pennsylvania and will receive his degree in February. He is working at the Public Health Institute in NYC under a Damon Runyon Cancer Fund Fellowship in bio-chemistry. Their youngest son is working for his Ph.D. at M.I.T., in physical chemistry, and Dorothea is continuing in her position at the Harvard-Yenching Institute.

The Whittingtons spent the summer fossil-collecting along the West Coast of Newfoundland. They stayed in fishing villages accessible only by boat, and came back full of enthusiasm for the beautiful climate, gorgeous scenery, and friendly and hospitable people in this little-known region beyond the reach of roads, electricity, or "running water".

Submitted by Dorothy Whittington

Chicago We celebrated Ginling Founders' Day last year (1954) on November 7 at Miss Studley's house. Ten members of our chapter were present and we sent a telegram to New York to greet them on this memorable occasion. After the dinner, we settled a few business items and agreed to meet twice a year: once during the summer and once for Ginling Founders' Day.

A picnic party held by the joint force of the Ginlingers and members of the Nanking University Alumni was planned for July 16. Unfortunately, the weather man didn't cooperate with us and it was raining hard that day. We wound up on Miss Studley's porch. Djou Gi-hsing (1939, Mrs. Frank Chen) who attended the Annual Reunion of the Ginling Association in Washington reported on it.

We had two informal gatherings during the past few months, both for the purpose of seeing Mrs. Waysung New when she passed through Chicago: once in April, and the other time in July when she came to Chicago for the National Education Association's 97th Annual Convention.

Our secretary Hung Ching -chun (1946, Mrs. C. M. Hsiao) and her family moved to Pittsburgh in September.

Submitted by Djou Gi-hsing (1939, Mrs. Frank Chen)

Philadelphia We met in Princeton October 1st for luncheon. Seven members with husbands and children were present. An election for new officers took place. Our new chairman will be Huang Nan (1937, Mrs. Peter Kuo) and secretary, Wong An-chen (1946, Mrs. H. C. Lin).

We have a new member, Mrs. K. S. Sie (Lucy Tang, 1919).

Mrs. Stanley Chin (husband of Djan Bao-chiu and brother of Ettie Chin) died April 27th after a prolonged illness.

New Haven New officers for the year 1955-56 are:
Hsiung Gueh-djen (1942), President; and Ma Yee-ling (1951), Secretary.

Wen Tong-geng (Lucy W. Lin, 1940) received her bachelor of Divinity degree in June at the Yale University Divinity School. She is now the Graduate Secretary for Foreign Students, Dwight Hall, Yale University. Tong-geng also took part in the 1941 class reunion of Smith College in Northampton last June during their graduation week and she spoke to a Smith group in Watertown, Conn. as a guest speaker in May.

Kwei Hwa-chen (1952) also graduated from Yale University Nursing School in June. She is now teaching in Providence, R.I.

Mr. Matthew Fong, husband of Ma Yee-ling, was programme director of the World Conference of Older Boys in celebration of the Centennial of World's Alliance of YMCAs in Paris this summer.

The New Haven chapter was invited by the Smith College Club there to a tea on the 23rd of October.

Submitted by Ma Yee-ling (1951, Mrs. Matthew Fong)

New York 1. The New York chapter has two major events since last winter.

Fifteen Ginling girls were guests of the New York Smith Club at their annual luncheon April 23rd in the Hotel Pierre, Fifth Avenue; we heard President Wright of Smith talk on the problems of higher education today.

2. A picnic lunch was held in the lovely home of Dr. Chu Ying-chang at Queens Village, Long Island. Two old friends from out-of-town were with us that day: Mrs. Walter G. Hiltner of Seattle, Washington, (Frederica Mead 1915 - '22) and Ho Chang-chi (Mrs. Albert Quon 1923) of California.

Wedding bells rang merrily for Lin Chung-djih (1947) on June 6th in N. Y. Mr. Stanley Tien was the lucky man. The newlyweds are now living in Washington, D.C.

The H. R. Weis (Liu Ying-bao, 1925) were the happiest and busiest parents last summer. They rushed from college to college to watch honors and degrees heaping on three daughters and a daughter-in-law. And to top it all, a grandson, their first, arrived on July 6th. Reported by Lin Chung-ying (1947 Mrs. F. T. Kao)

Los Angeles We had our annual picnic party on Aug. 14th at Mrs. Albert Quon's (Ho Chang-chi, 1925) with our families all attending. We had barbecued chicken and a wonderful time.

Hu Wei-ching (1950, Mrs. Marcus Gih) formerly of Oregon, is the new member of our chapter. She has three children and her husband is a minister.

Another newcomer, Tsu Bin-hsin (1950), just arrived here from Hongkong. She is studying in the Fuller Seminary of Pasadena, Calif.

We are very sad to hear about the death of Dr. Y. L. Mei (husband of Kiang Nan, 1933) who passed away after suffering injuries in an automobile accident.
Reported by Li Hwei-fen (1934, Mrs. Henry Nyi)

Hong Kong Ginling Association Lu Ching-wei (1943) reported from Hong Kong that there were about 80 Ginlingers in Hong Kong. They do not have a formal organization. They meet four times a year in addition to the annual big meeting -- the Founders' Day celebration. At every meeting three or four persons are named to be the preparatory committee for the next meeting. About thirty turn up for each meeting. She hopes those who know her will write and give her our news. Her address is:

Mrs. Ching-wei Lu Gien, 32 Braga Circuit, (Ground Floor), Kadooris Ave., Kowloon, Hong Kong.

Taipei Ginling Association The Taipei Ginling is still working on the Girls High School which they had taken on as their major project to ease the over-crowded school situation there. The school was registered as Houshen Girl's Middle School. Here is a letter from Taipei appealing for help from us fellow Ginlingers in America.

Taipei, Taiwan
July 27, 1965

Dear Sisters:

A lot of water has gone over the dam since we parted hands from our dear Alma Mater. We think of you often, hoping that everything is well.

Most of us have made our homes here for more than six years. Life here perhaps is not so colorful and sumptuous as yours over there, but ours is just as exciting and enjoyable. It is gratifying to watch the appreciable progress made here, particularly in the political and economical fields. Contrary to what you may have gathered from the world's press reports, the situation and outlook here is quite optimistic. There is no wavering of spirits, no hesitation in steps. Everybody pitches in to do his or her part. We Ginling Girls in Taiwan have resolved to set up a girls' middle school to ease the crowded school situation caused by the rapid increase in population.

This project has been duly reported to you and we were very much encouraged by your enthusiastic endorsement. Unfortunately, we have not been able to make much progress so far, mainly due to shortage of funds. All of us here have donated our meager share to the sinking fund. We are also planning to hold a white elephant sale on our Founders' Day, with a view to take in enough to start the wheel rolling.

Sisters, after living abroad for a number of years you must have in your possession many modern gadgets. Any used wearing apparels and household appliances, worth very little to you over there, can still be sold for a fair price here. Won't you send us anything you can spare, to help in our efforts towards a good cause? Donations in cash will, of course, be even more welcome.

This educational project may sound too ambitious. But we have faith in God, in ourselves, you are included, and in many kind and good souls around us. We particularly are pinning a great hope in you. Someday when the Houshen (厚 生) Girls' Middle School's contribution to China's younger generation is realized, you will be proud that you had helped in making it possible.

Please send your parcels to any one of the following three addresses:

Chen Cheng En-tae, 3 Lane 32, Lin-yi St., Taipei
Lai Sun Teh-fang, 1 Lane 400, Pai-an St., Taipei
Kuo Chang Mei-teh, 15 Wen-chow St., Taipei

With our warmest regards,

Sincerely yours, (Signed)

Chen Cheng En-tze, Chairman, Preparatory Committee for the Houshen Middle School

In response to the letter, the New York chapter sponsored a used clothing drive which resulted in seven packages of coats, suits, shoes, appliances, and knick-knacks totaling well over 400 lbs. These were sent by S. S. Hai Huang as relief packages free of charge by courtesy of the China Merchants Steam Navigation Co. The Taipei group may get it for a Christmas sale. If the result of the sale is good, other local chapters may consider undertaking to sponsor another clothes drive. We will keep you posted. The N. Y. chapter chairman, Szetu Dju (1935, Mrs. Z. T. Ing) thanks all of you who have kindly sent packages to us and hope that you will help again whenever we need you. Thank you.

PERSONAL NEWS

Chang Bing-i (1932, Mrs. H. S. Fan) and her family have just moved from Oshkosh, Wisconsin to St. Louis, Mo. Mr. Fan is teaching at Washington University. They have two children, Jan, 6, and Celeste, 3.

Dziang Sin-bao (1935) has moved from Missouri to Chicago, Ill. She is doing research in the medical department of Northwestern University at a hospital located in Chicago.

Chao Yung-en'41 is studying library science at Illinois University.

Swen En-lien (Ruby, 1928) who was injured last summer by a truck as it backed out from an alley, is still on crutches. Miss Catharine Sutherland says that it may take several more months until Ruby can go back to her work.

Lin Pei-feng (1943, Mrs. Chin Pao-tung) has a new baby boy, Yong, born July 31st. There are two older boys, aged 5 and 3. Pei-feng is still teaching modern dance.

Wei Dien-dzi (1939, Mrs. P. T. Sie) was asked to return to be on the faculty at Hartford Seminary in September.

Pan Ren-tsiu (1940) has left Washington, D. C. for New York. She is now doing research at Columbia University.

The T. S. Ma (Dju Gieh-fang, 1934) left New York early in July for two months in Europe. In mid-July, Dr. Ma presented a paper at the International Microchemical Convention in Vienna. Later, he attended the Congress of International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry in Zurich, Switzerland.

Miss Helen Loomis, who was home on her furlough since November, 1954, returned Oct. 29 to her post as area field worker for the Methodist Church in Burma, Sumatra, Borneo, and Malaya. She had visited Ceylon, India, Pakistan and England on her way here. Her present address is 12 Yoona Road, Kuala Lumpur, Malaya.

Huang Yen-hwa (1942) was married to Mr. Chao shan Kuang on September 10th in the vicinity of Washington, D. C. The newlyweds are now residing in Lafayette, Indiana where both are doing research work at Purdue University.

Miss Eva Spicer had a four and a half months of furlough beginning last May from

her teaching post in Nigeria, Africa. She spent two weeks in France and Switzerland with her sisters, sight-seeing, resting and visiting friends. She is now back in Africa and expects to have Miss Edith Haight with her for one term. Miss Haight (Physical Education Dept. 1933-37. We should remember the dances we did!) is giving one term of her sabbatical year to teaching in Nigeria.

Dr. Ruth Chester reported from Pakistan that she had a queer accident during the summer of 1954. She fell from a bicycle and fractured a vertebra. She was in a cast for two months and had difficulties in sitting for long for quite some time after that. That is why we have not heard from her for a long time, but she is now fully recovered. The first-year chemistry textbook and a book of laboratory directions on which she had worked very hard were all finished and came out in book form at the end of last August. These she will use for her class in the fall term.

Wu Yu-ching (1947) who got her MSW (Master of Social Work) from McGill University's School of Social Work, Montreal, Canada, is now studying at Western Reserve University School of Applied Social Science. She is studying Child Welfare and Mental Hygiene there on a UBCCC scholarship. She hopes to go back to Taiwan to resume her work at the Hwa-kuang Child Welfare Center there soon.

Mrs. Y. T. Zee New (1919) beginning this fall becomes the student counselor and residence head at Mary Lyon Hall, Western College for Women, Oxford, Ohio. Mrs. New was among the 107 guests from 27 different countries invited to be platform guests at the 97th annual convention of the National Education Association held in July, 1955, in Chicago. Mrs. New, the only Chinese woman, was unexpectedly asked to fill a speaking and head-table vacancy at the formal banquet held during the proceedings and spoke briefly in response to a toast, "on behalf of all the educators in other lands." Using the theme that "variety is the spice of life," she developed the idea that foreign educators -- a variety of them -- provide spice to American food for thought.

Peter New, son of Mrs. T. T. Zee New, was married to Miss Mary Sue Louie of San Francisco on June 25th in the First Congregational Church in the quiet lakeside community of South Haven, Michigan.

Blanche Ching-yi Wu writes from Blacksburg, Virginia:

"On Nov. 6, I had a very simple celebration in memory of our Founders' Day. A granddaughter of G. C., her /fiance/ "grand-son-in-law to be", and the /Y.Y./ Lohs were invited. One of the refreshments was "birthday noodles" (turkey chow mien plus ten other ingredients). (We gave) a special prayer for the past history, present situation and future hope and all Ginlingers were specially remembered of course."

Ten New York members of Ginling Association greeted an old friend, Sie Wei-peng (1930, Mrs. Li Chao) at a luncheon in a mid-town restaurant when she was in town for a brief stay. The Li Chao's are here from Taipei, Taiwan, heading for the Dominican Republic in South America where Mr. Li is Minister of China.

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Merry Christmas ! Happy New Year !

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GINLING ASSOCIATION IN AMERICA

Newsletter #10, April, 1956

ATTENTION!

ANNUAL MEETING, 1956

Date - Sunday, June 17
Place - New York City
Theme - "Ginling Women Face Life in the United States"
Speaker - Frank W. Price

Mark the date now! A detailed program will be sent to you when it is ready.

OFFICERS 1955 - 56

President - Ying-bao Liu Wei
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(Mrs. Peter) 1937
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(Mrs. Harry) 1937
Recording Secretary - Eleanor W. McCurdy
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Newsletter Editor - Shangu Ying Lee
(Mrs. Wellington) 1941

WE COMMEMORATE OUR FOUNDERS' DAY

On the first weekend of November, 1955, Ginlingers in many places all over the world were commemorating the Fortieth Anniversary of the founding of our Alma Mater. The details of many of the gatherings are not available. But wherever there is a group of a few Ginling girls, there is a get-together of some sort. Following are reports of some of the meetings.

BOSTON: A full report of the Founders' Day celebration of the Boston Chapter is given in a separate section of this newsletter.

"The Boston Chapter also had a meeting on Saturday, January 7, 1956, at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Deane Walter. Mrs. Walter entertained us very lavishly at a turkey supper, and Mr. Walter showed some color slides of pictures he took at the Founders' Day meeting. Everyone had a wonderful time."

Reported by Dorothy Whittington
Secretary, Boston Chapter

CHICAGO:

"We had a nice, quiet dinner party on the evening of November 6 to commemorate our Founders' Day. Miss Ellen Studley, who is in charge of the Chicago center of the Chinese Student and Alumni Services of the United Board was kind enough to let us use her house, as she has always done in the past. There were ten of us. We sent a telegram to the Ginling Association National Committee to greet them on this memorable occasion. The meeting also served as a welcome party to two new members: Mrs. Hsu Djang Ching-oh (Faculty 1930-'37, '46-'47) who was with the Home Economics department in Ginling and who came from Hong Kong last year; and Djiang Sin-bao (1935) who moved recently from St. Louis to Chicago. She is now doing research work at Northwestern University.

"We have also lost four members. Gwoh Kai-chu (1947), who moved to Nevada with her family, has found the weather wonderful there. But she is lonely and hopes maybe the Seattle chapter will contact her. Hung Ching-chun (1948), our secretary, moved to Pittsburgh, Pa. in September. She is expecting a second child. Miss Yang Dji-shin left Chicago last summer to take up library science at the University of Illinois. We have lost track of Huang Dji-tsung (1948) and will appreciate any information about her.

"The local Smith Club has invited us to join it as members. We have decided that the president of the Chicago chapter of the Ginling Association will join it to represent us all. The Chicago Smith College Career Club also invited us to take part in their Christmas party, December 20. We will do our best to keep up such treasured relationships between the two groups.

"The Chicago Chapter would like to extend a standing invitation to all Ginling sisters to be our guests whenever they are in this area. Please get in touch with us."

Reported by Djou Gi-hsing (1939)
Chairman, Chicago Chapter

LOS ANGELES:

"Gathering to commemorate Ginling's Founders' Day were some twenty friends, alumnae and former faculty members, and several University of Nanking alumni. Hosts for the happy event were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nyi (Li Huai-fen 1934) at whose home all enjoyed a delicious Chinese dinner.

"Dr. William Hummel, former University of Nanking faculty member, recalled Nanking days for all present and delighted the group with a short talk on 'Chinese Philosophy.'

"This annual event serves to bring together Ginling friends scattered throughout the Southland, some living some 30 to 40 miles from the heart of Los Angeles. Always there is a close bond that ties the group, and everyone present leaves with a happy feeling that she had been fortunate to be associated with Ginling."

Reported by Mrs. Edwin Kwoh
Secretary L. A. Chapter

NEW HAVEN:

The New Haven Chapter met Saturday, November 5, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Franklin Ho for a Founders' Day celebration.

NEW YORK:

"The New York Chapter met to commemorate Founders' Day on November 6, at the China House in midtown Manhattan. The celebration started with a delicious luncheon prepared by the following hostesses: Mesdames H. C. Chang, William Chang, K. C. Chen, S. H. Hsu, T. F. Tsiang, David Tung, G. P. Waung and W. R. Wei.

"A business meeting followed at which the new officers for 1956 were elected. They are:

Chairman	Sie Wen-mei (Ruth Zia 1931)
Treasurer	Yu Tsai-fan (1932)
Secretary	Yuan Ai-lien (Mrs. F. C. Ong 1948)

"Caroline Tsou, daughter of Chu Ying-chang (1931) and Mr. Y. L. Tsou, played a lovely piece on the piano. Mrs. W. A. McCurdy shared with us her precious memories of the last Founders' Day Celebration at our Alma Mater. Then Miss Abigail Hoffsommer took us all back to Nanking by showing us moving pictures of Nanking scenes and a short version of 'The Ginling Story'. More than thirty were present at the meeting.

"Telegrams, letters and cards from friends and fellow members who could not join us on this memorable occasion were read.

"The New York chapter had a social gathering on March 11, at the home of Mrs. M. Searle Bates. Hostesses for luncheon were Mrs. Bates, Mrs. J. Horton Daniels, Mrs. W. A. McCurdy and Mrs. J. Claude Thomson. The occasion made an opportunity to wish godspeed to Dr. and Mrs. Shu-hsi Hsu (Liu Wen-chang 1921) who have been transferred to Peru where Dr. Hsu will be ambassador.

"A tea for Smith alumnae in the New York area will be given by the New York chapter of GAA at the China Institute on April 18."

Reported by Szetu Dju Ing

WASHINGTON, D.C.:

"In November, on the fortieth anniversary of the founding of our Alma Mater, we gathered for a luncheon party at the home of the Timothy Mars (Lu Shu-ying 1928)--famed 'Moon Gate Farm'. Quite a large group turned up and we had a wonderful time visiting one another and talking about old days.

"On February 20, the Washington D. C. Chapter met again to have its annual election. The new officers are:

President	Lu Shu-ying (Mrs. Timothy Mar 1928)
Treasurer	Shen Wei-yu (Mrs. T. W. Kao 1937)

About fourteen members and husbands attended. We voted unanimously for financial help to the 'Hou-seng' girls' school in Taipei. We will contact all parties concerned to work out a way to solicit funds for the establishment of the school."

Reported by Dju Mei-hsien (Mrs. Y. Y. Huang)

(Editor's note: Outgoing acting president-secretary Dju Mei-hsien--Mrs. Y. Y. Huang 1937--who had gallantly shouldered the responsibility of keeping the chapter running since both its president and secretary moved to New York last fall, got out of office just in time to get her family moved to larger quarters.)

TAIWAN:

"It happened that we had chosen the same day for our Founders Day celebrations as the rest of you, that is the 6th of November. More than thirty members attended, comprising about half of the Taipei Ginling family. We started off with religious devotions, continued with a pantomime depicting some aspects of the cherished past, and ended with a feast. But there was nothing like the banquet of the good old days, in the gymnasium overlooking the 'Ginling Mirror', with long rows of distinguished guests, college celebrities, and other old, familiar faces.

"We had our election in November, by secret ballot. Our new officers of the 7th term are as follows:

General-Secretary	Sun Teh-fang (Mrs. M. T. Lai 1945)
Deputy General-Secretary	Gan Bih-yuen (Mrs. C. C. Wei 1933)
Chinese Secretary	Hou Wan-ru (Mrs. C. H. Chen 1938)
English Secretary	Gan Bih-yuen
Treasurer	Hsiao Su (Mrs. H. P. Chen 1934)
Business	Lin Hsiao-hwa (Mrs. Y. Y. Liu 1938)
Social	Chin Shun-ying (Mrs. M. S. Chen 1948)
	Lan Chien-bih (Mrs. B. C. Ma 1933)
Publication	Ku Chu-wen (Mrs. Ma)
	Tseng Shuh-chao (Mrs. S. W. Hu 1943)

"Our unborn school (which has been five years in expectancy) has already got a name, 'Hou-sheng' (Abundant Life), though not yet a campus, etc. We have been doing all we can to raise funds, which though coming in slowly, are coming in steadily.

"Now, bits of personal news: You will be interested to learn that Lee Pao-chen (1943 Mrs. S. P. Ma) had another baby boy last June; Tseng Shuh-chao (Mrs. C. W. Hu 1943) became a proud mother last May; Yang Ching-chung (Mrs. S. K. Hu 1941) gave birth to a beautiful baby girl, her third child; Chin Shun-ying (1948 Mrs. M. S. Chen) had another baby boy added to her growing family.

"Chang Hsiao-sung (Mrs. Chao Lien-fan 1926) is now skipper of her family boat, upon departure of her husband, Dr. Chao, who is on the staff of FAO in Rome, in faraway Italy. Gan Bih-yuen shares her fate, for her husband, Mr. Chao-chi Wei is staying another year in Iowa City.

"Have you heard that Mrs. Meyer (nee Harriet Cogswell, Prof. of English) has come back to China, this time in our midst? Sun Teh-fang met her at a party the other night, and though neither had had previous knowledge of the other, they chatted like old chums--of Ginling, no doubt. Miss Priest has settled down as Controller of the new Tunghai University, but we have not been there to visit her yet.

"We have seen and heard very little of Sun Shuh-chuan (Mrs. C. N. Chow 1937) ever since she assumed principalship of Taiwan Girls' High School. Cheng Mei-ying (Mrs. Y. S. Tsiang 1937) is doing very well, shuttling daily between her home in North Taipei and her Department of Home Economics, Taiwan Normal University, in South Taipei...."

Reported by Gan Bih-yuen, Secretary
Ginling Association in Taiwan

PERSONAL NEWS

Tien Ching-sing (1945) and her husband, Rev. D. D. Su, wrote their Christmas letter from Stuart, Nebraska where D. D. is now the minister of two churches:

"On top of his work of the two churches, 'D. D.' had been out in the Spring on an across-the-state speaking tour under the auspices of the Synod of Nebraska and the Board of Foreign Missions. He also attended meetings of the Synod Council, the Synod Annual Conference, the area Evangelism Conference, and the Presbytery Conference in the fall. As chairman of the committee of evangelism he had organized a school of evangelism for the Presbytery. Ruth, like most ministers' wives, besides household work and cooking at home, helps with the church work. She is director of the church choir. She also gives free piano lessons to some children and high school girls of the two churches. She often accompanies 'D. D.' on his parish visitations and serves as his chauffeur on Sunday mornings."

Miss Eva Spicer's Christmas letter arrived late in February. "This term has been memorable because Edith Maight was with me for the greater part of it, and it was a great joy to have her.....She fitted in very well, though I think she was pretty shocked at some things. We are rather formal in some ways, and everything is done pretty much by classes rather than individual work. Also the primary schools have fairly crude conditions.... But, in spite of all the shocks she made a real contribution to the College in many ways, and I am sure that some of the students realized more about the

purpose behind the physical activity than they had ever done before."

The Spicer-Haight team set out at half-term in a new car which Miss Spicer owns but "cannot drive" to see Eastern Nigeria. Miss Haight left November 20 and Miss Spicer started to wind up the term. She spent her Christmas at Jos with her nephew and his family. But her holidays are interrupted by conferences and meetings and she says, "one does not have much uninterrupted rest, but still it is a change."

During the past few months we suffered the loss of two very dear friends of Ginling. Both of them knew Ginling long before most of us did. With their loss fades away a little more of the old Ginling legend which inspires those of us who know only the new Ginling era of later years.

Mrs. Grace Hwang Cheo (Huang Chung-chen 1912) passed away December 18, 1955 in Long Island, New York after a long illness. She had an operation early in the summer which seemed to be successful. But, a few months later, she succumbed to a recurrence while convalescing in Jamaica, where she had made her home with her daughter and son-in-law. She is survived by her mother and a brother, both now in Europe, three sisters, two sons and a daughter and five grandchildren.

Mrs. Cheo's relationship with Ginling dated back to 1912, the so-called pre-Ginling era, while Ginling was not yet officially established. Always high in spirit, she had seldom missed a Ginling gathering since Ginling Association in America was organized five years ago.

Miss Helen Y. M. McCoy, who taught mathematics and physics in Ginling from 1920-1924, passed away on New Year's Eve, 1955 in Omaha. For her last few years, Miss McCoy had been almost helpless and had been in an Episcopal Home nursed by an Episcopal sisterhood.

Miss McCoy's health was never robust, and for some years she had been an invalid. Her years in China were the major interest of her life. She kept in touch with former students; she interested her sisters in knowing Chinese students in this country.

FOUNDERS' DAY PROGRAM, NOVEMBER 1956 - BOSTON CHAPTER
DEDICATED TO WU YI-FANG "IN TOKEN OF OUR
ADMIRATION, GRATITUDE AND AFFECTION".

"We had an unusually fine meeting for Founders' Day at the new home of Mrs. Hsien Wu (Yen Tsai-yun 1921) which was much admired. The delicious luncheon served by Mrs. Wu was concluded with a birthday cake, brought by Shiu-ying Hu Hsu (1933), to celebrate the fortieth anniversary of Founders' Day. In the glow of the lighted candles on the cake, we all stood round and sang, 'We are from Ginling', and then Mrs. Thurston was asked to blow out the candles. After the cake had been cut and served, the meeting was called to order by Mrs. Chao (Sie Hsien-gieh 1944), who was substituting for Mrs. Yuan (Chen I 1947). Mrs. Yuan unfortunately, had to be out of town, but she had planned a memorable program, dedicated to Dr. Wu Yi-fang.

MEDITATION:

"I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."

"For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body; so also is Christ."

"For the body is not one member, but many."

"And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it."

INTRODUCTION:

"The celebration of U.N.'s 10th anniversary in the early part of this year particularly reminded me, and maybe some of you, too, of one outstanding person who has been dear to all of us Ginling girls - our beloved president, Dr. Wu Yi-fang. Dr. Wu was a member of the first graduating class of our school and in 1928 she received her Ph.D. from the University of Michigan. Since that time she has been the president of Ginling. For all these fateful years Dr. Wu devoted herself to Ginling and under her able leadership, thousands of Ginling graduates were produced who are known for their spirit of co-operation and responsibility, their efficiency and qualities of leadership. Their achievements in many professions and their individual and group efforts in support of the College certainly are an impressive tribute to one of her successes.

"Dr. Wu is also internationally known not only as a great educator, but also as a prominent leader in the Christian movement, and as a stateswoman. She was chairman of the National Christian Council for 11 years, including all the war years, and she was also chairman of the National Committee of the Y.W.C.A.. During the war she gave her services unselfishly to various organizations engaged in war work. In 1938 she was the leader of the Chinese Delegation to the International Missionary Council that met in India. She was the first woman to preside at the meeting of the People's Political Council, and was acclaimed as the best presiding officer of the Council. She was

appointed to the Chinese delegation to the first Conference of the United Nations at San Francisco in 1945, and received international recognition for her contribution during that Conference. These and other honors and responsibilities have come to Dr. Wu because of her extraordinary gifts of mind and personality, and because of her Christian devotion and spirit of unselfish service. We Ginling girls are indeed very proud that during these years she was our leader; to her, and to many of her graduates who have followed her footsteps in serving humanity, we are dedicating this Founders' Day in token of our admiration, gratitude and affection."

REMINISCENCES OF DR. WU:

A. Pre-Ginling Biography; Citation (Mrs. Lawrence E. Thurston)

(The following biographical notes were dictated to Helen Loomis by Dr. Wu in 1936.)

Yi-fang Wu was born in Wuchang in Hupeh Province the third child in a family of four. Her grandfather and father were both government officials in that province and both were scholars. Because her father was an only child, the family was comparatively small. Her grandfather died at the age of forty-two, only a year after her father's marriage, so she knew only her grandmother. When she was seven, she began to study with a tutor, in the Chinese custom, with her brother who was two years older. Had it not been for this brother, perhaps she would not have had the opportunity for study, at least at this early age. At the time she began to study, her sister, who was five years older than she, was considered too grown up to study with a man teacher, and therefore, following the conventional system learned to embroider.

When Yi-fang was eleven, word came that a school for girls was opening in Hangchow, the home-town of her mother's mother, and that her mother's youngest sister had gone to study there. Upon hearing this news, Yi-fang's sister wanted very much to enter that school. Before this time, the sister had been reading a magazine which her father took, published by Liang Chi-chao, who was one of the foremost promoters of constitutional government and of modern education, and she had been much influenced by her reading. After much persistent asking on her part the grandmother finally permitted her to go; and it was thought best for Yi-fang to accompany her sister.

The girls remained for two and a half years at the school in Hangchow (1904-06), which was the first Chinese Private School for girls except a few in Shanghai. The school was started by a group of young men who were promoting modern education. Most of the girls there had caught the new idea of equality between men and women. They no longer wanted to be merely the toys of men, but desired to enter the professions and to take part in the public life in serving their own country. They had reacted against the conventional ways of women's lives, and so had

put away their rouge, powders, and fancy dresses. They wore plain, dull colors and dispensed with all the frivolities of life. When Yi-fang and her sister had finished the primary grades, the sister wanted to study English. She felt that in this modern age of close contacts with western civilization she must have English as an instrument. So, because they had some relatives in the Catholic Girl's School, called the "Morning Star Girls' School", in Shanghai, they entered that school. This school had been established purely for non-Christian students, and no attempt was made to preach Christianity. But the rules were very strict and progress in English very slow, so the older sister did not like the life there. Before finishing the spring term, they returned home to Wuchang where they continued studying English and mathematics with a tutor.

The next spring (1908), when Yi-fang was fifteen years old, the girls went to Laura Haygood, a Methodist Girls' School, in Soochow. Before they finished their second year there (1910), their father died, so they returned home to Wuchang. Then they stopped going to school for a time. Because she had relatives in Hangchow, their mother moved the family to that place. When the Revolution took place in 1911 (when Yi-fang was eighteen) and local trouble was expected in Hangchow because of the large number of Manchu residents, the family moved to Shanghai with other relatives.

The brother had been studying in Tsing Hua College in Peking, but he came to Shanghai at the time of the Revolution because the school closed. He died very suddenly, and the mother who had not been very strong physically, could not overcome her sorrow and passed away about a month after his death. A few days later, the older sister died, leaving Yi-fang and a younger sister alone with their grandmother. At this time Yi-fang was not quite nineteen, and her sister was nine years younger.

After this series of tragedies she could see very little meaning or value in life and merely existed for the sake of her grandmother and her younger sister. When general conditions became more settled, they moved back to Hangchow with the family of the mother's sister, who took her sister's children as her own. During 1913, Yi-fang attended Hangchow Union Girls' School as a special student. She spent the years 1914-1915 in Peking because her grandmother and sister moved there with her uncle's family. She taught English in the Government Girls' Normal School. It was during the time she was teaching that she came to feel some value in life for herself. At the same time she realized very strongly that she needed more study in order to be able to help others. One of her teachers in Hangchow, Miss Nourse, called to the faculty of Ginling College, kept her informed as to the founding of Ginling and its opening in the fall of 1915, but she had no thought of stopping her teaching and coming south. However, it happened that winter that her uncle decided to move to Shanghai, so the two sisters and grandmother came south with them. This was Yi-fang's opportunity to come to Ginling. She entered the college in February 1916.

It was in Ginling that she found the Christian conception of life, and joined the church. According to her own statement there were two factors which brought about this experience. First was her contact with Christian teachers and schoolmates, particularly her classmate Tsu In-djen (later Mrs. W. S. New) and her observation of their lives of actual service to humanity. Students with the newer ideas of education had been thinking in large terms and were expressing their desire to do great things for their country. The Christians, though they may have started with the little things, actually were doing things rather than merely thinking and talking of their ideals. The second factor was her study of science. Ever since she had gone to school in Hangchow, she had been worshipping science as the only thing in this modern age, and she had taken religion to be merely superstition and wanted to ignore all religion. At Ginling, through the study of astronomy and biology, she was brought to realize the mystery of the universe and the limits of science and at the same time she realized that there must be a Law above all other laws.

Commencement Exercises At Smith College

May 1943

President Herbert Davis conferred upon Wu Yi-fang, President of Ginling College, the Degree of Doctor of Laws in these words:

"Dr. Wu Yi-fang, a member of the first class at Ginling College, our sister college in China, who, after several years' teaching experience in Peking, came to this country and completed her graduate training in biology at the University of Michigan. Returning in 1928 to become president of Ginling College, she contributed to its brilliant development until the Japanese invasion in 1937, and since then has overcome the incredible difficulties of moving the college to Chengtu and reorganizing its work on the campus of the West China Union University. A representative of China on many occasions, both in this country, in Canada, in India, and in England, she is widely known for her work with the Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-shek in the development of the New Life Movement and in the national organization of Chinese Women for War Relief, and as one of the five presidents of the People's Political Council."

B. Visitor to America by Mrs. T. D. Macmillan

Mrs. Macmillan told first of Dr. Wu as a teacher in Peking, in a situation new to the basic ideas of academic credit, particularly to the idea of promotion only as a reward for work creditably completed. Dr. Wu maintained standards in her department and was unmoved by opposition and even threats to her safety. Mrs. Macmillan spoke of the impression Dr. Wu made on faculty and fellow students at Ann Arbor, of her relations with Mrs. Morrow and President Neilson at Smith College, and of the presentation of an honorary doctorate degree to her at Harvard's Tercentenary Celebration. She concluded by quoting words of Dr. Wu spoken at a dinner at the College Club in Boston, "I want you to know that life would be impossible for me without Christian faith".

C. Contemporary and Friend by Mrs. Hsien Wu (Yen Tsai-yun 1921)

When I entered Ginling in Sept., 1917, there were six juniors and nine sophomores in addition to the freshman class-21 strong. I had the privilege of being Dr. Wu Yi-fang's contemporary for two years, 1917-1919. Owing to the fact that I was probably the youngest and most frightened freshman Ginling ever had, I refrained from trying to get to know the upperclassmen. Consequently, I lost the opportunity of getting to know Dr. Wu well while in college.

Dr. Wu impressed me as being very different from the other girls, some of whom reminded me strongly of my mission school teachers. She was very quiet, poised, and reserved, and was more like the daughter of an old-fashioned family than a pioneer in women's education. I remember her especially as the president of the Student's Self Government and admired the way she conducted the meetings and the beautiful, literary expressions she commanded.

I am thankful that during the 30 years after Dr. Wu graduated from Ginling, there were many occasions which helped me to get to know her well. I remember her presiding over the Inauguration Meeting of the Chinese Association of University Women which was convened in Shanghai in October, 1947 and at which she was elected its first National President.

My last meeting with Dr. Wu was at a Chinese New Year's dinner given by Mrs. New in her "garage apartment" in Shanghai in early February, 1949 when I was enroute to the U.S.A. When I disclosed that I was trying to get passports for the older children through the Ministry of Education but was not familiar with the procedure, Dr. Wu promptly offered to find it out for me upon her return to Nanking. This she did and wrote me several times about the detailed regulations. The last letter I received was written from the Post Office where she was waiting her turn to mail some parcels. This last incident illustrated very well some of Dr. Wu's outstanding qualities: that of giving generously of her time and energy to be of service to others, and that of putting to good use every available moment of her time. That was perhaps one of the secrets of her being able to accomplish so much for her country as well as for Ginling.

D. As President - the Thirties by Mrs. Loh (Dzo Ging-ru 1932)

Dr. Wu became President of Ginling in 1928 and I entered Ginling as a freshman in that year. On Founders' Day in that year there was a big celebration - for Founders' Day and for Dr. Wu's inauguration to the presidency. To us freshmen it was an unforgettable occasion. Saturday night there was a huge banquet party; Sunday morning there was a beautiful service. I can still see Dr. Wu sitting on the platform in her cap and gown and looking young and beautiful but very dignified among all the dignitaries. We thought that Dr. Wu was too young and beautiful as a college president, but at the same time we were proud to have a young pretty president.

As everyone here knows, Dr. Wu was an excellent speaker. I remember when she gave her inauguration speech her voice trembled a little but the speech was beautiful and moving. As time went on, we found her speech even better and better. One year there was a special occasion when all the students assembled at the chapel of the University of Nanking and the three college presidents in Nanking - the presidents of the Central University, of the University of Nanking and of Ginling College, each gave a speech to the assembly. Dr. Wu's speech was the best of the three.

Early in my first year I learned that Dr. Wu was an efficient hard-working administrator. College opened in September, but I arrived at Nanking in the summer and obtained permission to stay on the campus. It was a hot summer. At night when the heat drove all the people outdoors, one room in the "300" building was always lighted. I learned that was the president's office and I noticed that the president worked late most nights. I wondered then what kept the president so busy and how she could stand the oppressive heat. Soon after college opened, I learned that Ginling was registered with the government that summer. This was not an easy task; it meant much red tape to go through and numerous papers and reports to be prepared. It was a tremendous job but Dr. Wu accomplished it within a short time and gave Ginling a new status in China when it began a new academic year.

Dr. Wu was an efficient worker. She also imparted her efficiency to her students. I recalled one day she asked me and two other girls to her office when we were out walking. She was sorting some programs and she asked us to help to do the work. Talking to us while we worked together, she made us see that in doing even a small easy job like this we could work with greater speed and efficiency if we had a systematic plan.

My class had the privilege of having Dr. Wu as our class advisor. In our first year soon after the class was organized, Dr. Wu let us know that she would like to be our class advisor because we were her first freshman class. So we invited her to be our class advisor. Personally I had the pleasure of having frequent chances to come near Dr. Wu because in my sophomore year I was elected class president and in my junior year I served on the Students' Self-government Organization as chairman of the "400" dormitory and Dr. Wu was the advisor of that Organization. Whenever we brought a problem to her for advice, Dr. Wu never told us what to do or not to do. She would always help us see the problem from different angles and explore all the possible solutions, and then she would leave us free to make our own decision. This was a new experience to me who came from an old Chinese family where everything was planned and decided for the children by the parents. It was in my college years that I began to learn to make independent decisions.

Coming in contact with Dr. Wu, we were always impressed by her quick thoroughness in thinking. She saw the different phases of any situation the minute it was presented to her. In dealing with people,

she was thoughtful and considerate and was always able to maintain her equanimity. During our four years in college we admired her - we even worshipped her. But sometimes we criticized her too. We used to think that she was too much concerned over everything in college. I remember at the Dr. Sun memorial service one Monday morning Dr. Wu told the students to have mosquito nets ready as the hot season was near. After the service some students commented that they could not see why a college president should be concerned over such trifles. Years later when I myself was Dean of the Practice School I began to understand why things that seemed insignificant to us students then were important to the president because to the head of a college or a school nothing that concerned the students was too small or unimportant to have her attention.

E. As President - the Forties by Mrs. Yang (Hwang Ding-djung 1949)

Mrs. Yang spoke briefly of the important work Dr. Wu was doing in politics at this time, as well as being an educator, and of her work for the benefit of the Chinese people, in particular the rights of Chinese women.

CONCLUDING PRAYER FOR DR. WU by Rev. Deane Walker

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GINLING ASSOCIATION IN AMERICA

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THE FIFTH ANNUAL REUNION

The fifth annual reunion of the Ginling Association in America was held June 17, 1956, in the College Club Room in the Hotel Belmont Plaza in New York City. The New York Smith Club kindly let us use their new center for the gathering. It was an all day event and a memorable occasion for the forty-odd Ginlingers and their families who attended.

The weather was cool and breezy for a change, and by 10 A.M. the club room entrance was bustling with laughter and greetings. Fifteen out-of-towners were warmly received by the New York hostesses and a busy session of visiting began. Every one was overjoyed to see Mrs. W. S. New, who only a couple of days earlier had telegraphed to say she could not attend because of some family affairs. She was able to make a last minute change of schedule and come to the meeting.

New Haven was represented by Wei Djen-dzi (Mrs. P. T. Sie, 1939) and her husband. She was kept busy all the time by visiting girls she had not seen for ten to twenty years. Washington, D.C. representative Lu Shu-ying (Mrs. Timothy Mar, 1928) brought us the final consent of her chapter to provide candidates for the next president. Hu Siu-ying (1933) and Shih Yun-ying (Mrs. Peter Shih, 1925-27), Boston representatives, brought us greetings from their group. Philadelphia was represented by Huang Nan (Mrs. Peter Kuo, 1937) who is also treasurer of the national committee. Special mention should be made of the fact that she was in the midst of house moving and had to interrupt it to be present at the meeting. Such is the true spirit of Ginling.

We were sorry that representatives of the Princeton group, Lucy Tang (Mrs. Kai-shen Sie, 1919) and Dan Gung-tai (Mrs. Sha-lee Soo, 1944) were unable to attend at the last moment because of illness. The other two chapters that were not represented, Los Angeles and Chicago, sent special messages and greetings. Los Angeles also sent us an invitation to hold our 1957 reunion there.

There were also Wu Yu-chin (1948) from Cleveland, Ohio; Miss E. M. Walmsley from Winchester, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Tang (Djang Chung-ying, 1934) from Madison, N.J.; Mrs. Daniel Yang of the English Department from New Haven; and our old friends and guests of honor, Dr. and Mrs. Frank Price. Three members of the second generation, all teen-agers, kept the party lively with laughter. They were Robert Yang, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Yang, Benyonne Lee, daughter of Dju Yueh-shan (1937) and Mr. Harry Lee, and Ronald Li, son of Niu Yu-hwa (1937) and Dr. Lewis Li. Their mothers are chums and so are the children.

We all missed two familiar faces that seldom missed any of our meetings. Szetu Dju (Mrs. Z. T. Ing, 1935) had to forego the honor of being one of the few who never missed an annual reunion. She was recuperating from an operation in a New York hospital. The other was Dju Gioh-fang (Mrs. T. S. Ma, 1934) who was also in a hospital but for a very different reason -- she had given birth to a baby girl a few days previously.

As we stepped into the club room, we were greeted and tagged by Sie Wen-mei (Ruth Zia, 1931), N. Y. chapter chairman, and her committee. Yuen Ai-lien (Mrs. F. C. Ong, 1948), the secretary, registered us. Then, last but not least, came the greetings from Yu Tsai-fan (1932), a veteran treasurer, who never misses a chance to collect revenue! Bau Sieu-tsung (Mrs. William Chang, 1940), the hospitality chairman, was working quietly behind the scenes. James Ma, brother of Dr. Ma Yueh-ching (1930), made himself useful by taking pictures here and there for the meeting. Dr. Ma herself was away in Kentucky on a new job.

The devotional period started promptly at 10:45. Since there was no piano, all singing of hymns was led by Miss Kathleen Bond. Dr. Frank Price gave his talk in Mandarin and brought back memories of many a sermon we had heard long ago. The talk, most appropriately, was on the subject of how people in exile longed to return to their home land.

After the devotional, we marched in groups of fours and fives out of the hotel and three blocks uptown to Freeman's Restaurant where the luncheon was held. The dining room was cool and comfortable and handsomely decorated with Ginling flags and flowers. We seemed to have the whole restaurant to ourselves. We had a nice Chinese meal and the service was excellent. We joined in a vote of thanks to the New York chapter chairman, Sie Wen-mei, who supervised the arrangements for the reunion, and also to Gwei Hwei-gun (Mrs. Mooson Kwank, 1943), chairman of the Food Committee.

While we were eating, Liu Ying-bao (Mrs. H. R. Wei, 1925), our national chairman, introduced all the guests and out-of-towners to us, and expressed thanks on behalf of all to the New York chapter which was acting as the hostess for the Ginling annual gathering for the third time. Then Dju Yueh-shan (Mrs. Harry Lee, 1937), the corresponding secretary, read messages of greeting from those who were unable to join us in person at this gathering. Among these were letters from Wu Dzing-yi (Blanche Wu, 1923), Alice Chang of Honolulu, the Hongkong Ginling Association, the Taiwan Ginling Association, and telegrams from Dju Mei-hsien (Mrs. Y. Y. Huang, 1937) and a group of Seattle Ginling girls (Hsiung Mao Yen-wen 1925, Wang Dzo Yu-lin 1937 and Mrs. Frederica Mead Hiltner).

The business meeting commenced at two in the afternoon after we were back at the College Club Room. Thanks to the hours of hard preparatory work by our president and her cabinet members, business was quickly and satisfactorily disposed of. (A report will be found in a separate section.) A vote of thanks to the outgoing president and corresponding secretary was followed by a thunderous ovation. Mrs. H. R. Wei, our out-going president, it will be recalled, has served the Association in various capacities continuously since its inception in 1951. Furthermore, she has frequently mobilized her whole family to work for the Association whenever extra help was needed.

After a recess, during which cold drinks and cake were served by the New York chapter, the mistress of ceremonies, Lin Chung-ying (Mrs. Frederick Kao, 1947) opened the program session.

The topic of our program - "GINLING WOMEN FACE LIFE IN THE UNITED STATES"- had been chosen by our program committee. Different chapters were requested to present various phases of the subject, after discussion and study. These were -

I. KEEPING HOUSE.....(Washington, D.C.) Presented by Lu Shuh-ying

Lu Shuh-ying, a mother of four, who not only manages a farm but also plays an active part in community organizations and social activities, presented to the group three full pages of household hints that she had compiled during the

years that she has kept house in this country. This included twelve general items, nine kitchen hints and four medical hints. The mimeographed sheets she distributed at the meeting were pocketed by all for future reference and application. We regret that we cannot include these sheets with our newsletter because of lack of space, but if you want them, please get in touch with the News Editor.

II. GETTING AND HOLDING JOBS.....(Chicago, Ill.) Report mailed in by Dziang
(A) (Chiang) Sin-bao (1935)

1. Problems Before any procedure is taken for the task of job hunting, we found, some important facts must be realized.

First, we must know our own abilities as well as limitations so that we know what kind of jobs we can handle most satisfactorily. Then all the efforts should be concentrated toward looking for that kind of job. It happens that sometimes in one's special field there are very few jobs available resulting in such keen competition that even the Americans find it hard to obtain a job. Under such circumstances some people turn to taking a special training course in some other line in which the situation of supply and demand is just the reverse. Their subsequent success warrants all the efforts spent in thoroughly preparing themselves for the jobs they wanted.

Another important fact is that in looking for jobs we are competing with Americans. It is only natural that the prospective employer picks the American candidate out of the two equally trained and experienced applicants. It is wiser to prepare for the worst so as not to become too discouraged in case the result is not as what has been expected.

2. How to Get a Job The first step is to learn of the existing openings. This may be done with the help of friends and college professors who usually know their students very well and are willing to help. Other sources are advertisements in the newspapers and professional journals or employment agencies. It is better to work on several openings at the same time. The prospective employers should be contacted as soon as possible either by telephone or by writing. Important and specific details of one's training and experiences should be clearly given. References should be included also. Interviews are very important and proper care should be given to appearance and conversation. Response to an offer of a job should be definite as to "yes" or "no" and also should be given as soon as one can make the decision.

It is better to accept a job the nature of which may not be exactly what one is looking for than to be jobless. One can always look for something better while holding one job.

3. How to Hold a Job Holding a job depends much on individual characteristics. Only a few will be mentioned here:
 Perform the work to the best of one's ability.
 Learn to get along with people, both supervisors and subordinates.
 Be tolerant of the prejudices and unequal treatment as shown by some American employers.

II. GETTING AND HOLDING JOBS.....(New Haven, Conn.) Presented by Wei Djen-dzi
(B) (Georgiana Sie)

Starting with definitions of "job", the New Haven group concentrated on ways of finding "a situation or employment". Covering the "common approaches" of application-making through agencies, advertisements, friends, and letters, they went on to possibilities of "creating" jobs. An example given was that of Wen Tong-geng's (Lucy Lin, 1940) religious work among Asian students on the

Yale campus. Example of a job finding a person with unusual qualifications was that of Georgiana Sie's (Wei Djen-dzi, 1939) Nursing School Training Program at Hartford Seminary.

To keep a job, a person should keep up to date through reading, listening (over radio and TV) and personal contacts; keep aware of needs in her field; and keep improving her oral and written English.

Qualities to develop include:

Humbleness	Sense of humor
Courage	Sense of duty and professional ethics
Interest in people	Common sense
Sincerity	Open-mindedness
Intellectual honesty	Taking any job, big or small, seriously
Sound attitude toward life	Harmonious relationships with colleagues

Deep conviction in God and people: Trust, less anxiety
 Outside interests and skills (as music, arts, sports)
 Broader social contacts (church, club, societies of learning)

In conclusion, individual differences and differences in the particular job situation require: flexibility, alertness and adaptability. Basic principles are the Golden Rule: "Do to others as ye would have others do to you"; and Abundant Life: Jesus said: "I came that they may have life, and may have it abundantly. I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd layeth down his life for the sheep." Therefore, let us follow our motto of Ginling and brighten whatever corner we may be in by bringing a more abundant life to the people whom we work for, and abundant life and fuller satisfaction through it ourselves.

III. RAISING A FAMILY.....(Philadelphia, Pa.) Unfortunately unforeseen circumstances prevented this topic from being presented.

IV. LIVING IN A COMMUNITY.....(Boston, Mass.)

A. Working Women Living in a Community - Presented by Hu Siu-ying

B. Housewives Living in a Community - Presented by Shih Yun-ying

Due to the fact that the speakers were both rushed to their home-bound train before the meeting was over and we have not been able to contact them up to now, we regret we could not give an account of their inspiring talks.

BUSINESS MEETING

I. FINANCIAL REPORT - May 1955 to May 1956

Balance brought forward from 1954-1955	\$ 12.93	
Income:		
Contributions (Sutherland, Bowles & Thurston)	30.00	
Membership dues:		
140 @ \$2.00 and 8 @ \$4.00	<u>312.00</u>	\$ 354.93

Total Income (brought forward from previous page)		\$354.93
Expenditures:		
United Board - for postage	\$ 30.72	
Other postage	9.00	
United Board - for mimeographing	94.16	
Other mimeograph expenses	21.41	
Traveling expenses	35.01	
Secretarial expenses	10.00	
Smith Club entertainment	30.00	
Mrs. Wei - long distance call and telegrams	10.00	240.30
Balance - May 1956		<u>\$114.63</u>

II. SPECIAL REPORTS

Smith-Ginling - Ma Dju Gioh-fang reported that on both the local and the national levels relationships have developed nicely this year; the Chicago, New Haven, Washington and New York chapters have each had pleasant social affairs with their local Smith clubs. On the national level, Mrs. McKeever and Mrs. Ma, both acting as liaison people appointed by their respective executive committees, have had frequent contacts. Undergraduates at Smith took the initiative in attempting to revive interest in Ginling on campus. In accordance with a motion made at the last annual meeting to combine a meeting and a rally at Smith in March, Wen Tong-geng (Lucy Lin 1940) and Pan Ren-tsiu (1940) went to Smith at that time, and though much of the original plan for conferences and displays had to be changed because of an unavoidable turn in events, they met with an enthusiastic student group. Wei Liu Ying-bao and Sie Wei Djen-dzi went to the Smith campus for graduation weekend which was the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the Smith Alumnae group.

1957 Meeting - Invitation from Los Angeles Lee Dju Yueh-shan read a letter from Mrs. Beulah Kwoh, president of the Los Angeles chapter, bringing greetings for the occasion and inviting the 1957 Annual Meeting to come to their city. The letter suggested that a questionnaire be sent to all members to get an idea of how many could consider making the trip which could be a combination of business and pleasure. This matter was placed in the hands of the new Executive Officers.

News from Outside the U.S.A. - Lee Ying Shan-gu read a letter of greeting from Hongkong. A Ginling Association has been organized there and Mrs. D. Y. Lin elected president. More than 60 had attended their New Year's party and they expected to have another large gathering this month.

From Taiwan - Shangu also reported on our gifts to Hou Sheng Middle School in Taiwan, from two sources: the clothing sent to them to sell and our sale of Christmas cards - together totaling approximately \$706.00.

She then gave a report on several letters received from Taipei, and read one written on June 7th by the president, Swen Teh-yang (Mrs. Lai 1945). This brought greetings from the group there; it told us of the great educational needs on Taiwan and what the Ginling alumnae are doing and hoping to do by way of meeting these needs. Mrs. Lai said that a Board of Directors of Ginling College in Taiwan had been established and registered with the Ministry of Education. She asked three things of us by way of help with this undertaking: (1) that with the alumnae living in fourteen countries we raise \$100,000 in three years to help with the proposed school, (2) that we recommend candidates from the American Association for the position of principal of the school, and (3) that we assist and support them in their attempt to

secure the Reeves and the Frances Grace Smith bequests for their use.

Mrs. Wei, president, reported that she had called together the members of the executive who were in New York City on May 18, and they had read and discussed the first few of these letters. Since the group lacked information on the bequests and the charter sufficient to reply to the letters, they wrote to Dr. William P. Fenn, of the United Board, asking his help in the matter. This letter and Dr. Fenn's reply to it were read to the Annual Meeting. Regret was generally expressed that we could not live up to the expectations of the Taiwan group and the president was asked to write them at once giving them a resume' of the discussion of the afternoon.

(1) The Association wished to extend greetings to the Taiwan group and to express our understanding of the great needs confronting them. We wished to assure them of our continued interest in this important work even though we cannot assist to the extent expected.

(2) A copy of the Executive's letter to Dr. Fenn and his reply to it are to be sent to Taiwan. The information contained in the latter will help to clarify questions about the bequests and the charter. Ginling College is "in trust" with the United Board.

(3) Since the Association is not incorporated, it is not possible for it to raise funds outside of its own immediate circle. The Reeves Scholarship Fund was raised among members and it took quite some time to achieve the goal set. Our own financial positions are not such as to enable us to give personally so generously as would be necessary to get even a small part of what is requested.

(4) It was suggested that a campaign for funds would not be in accordance with our purpose as an Association. The Statement of Purpose was read: "The purpose of the Association shall be to foster the Ginling fellowship amongst those in America and to lend each other mutual support."

Incorporation - The possibilities of incorporation had been brought up last year and Boston had been requested to investigate its advisability. Their report and a brief discussion led to the conclusion that this step would involve too much detail and expense and it was therefore laid on the table for the time being.

The Reeves Scholarship - This now amounts to \$1,633.97. It was

VOTED that this money be given to the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia as a Scholarship Fund to be kept in United States currency, interest therefrom to be used to help students in Tunghai University on Taiwan and the students using it to be told of Dr. Reeves and her services to the women of China.

Election of Officers - Mrs. Emily Case Mills gave the report of the Nominating Committee. In accordance with the desire expressed last year that we move in the direction of decentralizing the official body, the committee had turned to the Washington chapter for its two new officers. Mrs. Y. Y. Huang will serve as president and Mrs. K. C. Eng as corresponding secretary.

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President - Dju Mei-hsien Huang (Mrs. Y.Y.) 1937
 Treasurer - Nan Huang Kuo (Mrs. Peter) 1937
 Corresponding Secretary - Beh-yun Yen Eng (Mrs. K.C.) 1943
 Recording Secretary - Eleanor W. McCurdy (Mrs. W.A.) F 1948-50
 Newsletter Editor - Shangu Ying Lee (Mrs. Wellington) 1941

PERSONAL NEWS

Liu Wen-chang (Mrs. Shu-hsi Hsu 1921) left with her husband for Lima, Peru during the summer. Dr. Hsu is the new Chinese Ambassador there.

Yu Hsien-tsai (1943) who had been for many years in Bangkok, Thailand, with the United Nation's Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East, arrived in New York in July. She will study at the Columbia School of Library Science on a Ford Foundation fellowship.

The Samuel Mills (Emily Case of Physical Education Department) have bought a house in the suburbs of New Haven, Conn. and moved there at the end of June. Emily's Manhattan apartment has long been a center of Ginling activities. The New York group will certainly miss the generous hospitality of Sam and Emily and their tireless devotion to the Ginling group.

Wang An-chen (Mrs. Jimmy H. C. Lin 1946) has moved from Levittown, Pa. to Lowell, Mass. where she hopes to join the Boston chapter. Mr. Lin is now with CBS-Hytron in Lowell.

Philadelphia Chapter -(Reported by Wang An-chen, Secretary) "Our local chapter had a picnic luncheon gathering on June 2nd at the home of Mrs. Theodore Wang in Philadelphia. Originally the picnic was scheduled for Fairmount Park, but due to rain we changed to Mrs. Wang's home. About twelve were seated for dinner. New officers were elected as follows:

Chairman - Dan Gung-tai (Mrs. Sha-lee Soo 1944)
 Secretary-Treasurer - Mrs. Shih-kang Tung (Miss Wu Yuen-ching
 of library dept. 1936-37)"

Los Angeles Chapter - New Officers for 1956-58 are:

Chairman - Mrs. Edwin Kwoh (Faculty 1947-48)
 Secretary-Treasurer - Kiang Nan (Mrs. Elizabeth Mei 1932-33)

Editor's note: We regret that due to lack of space, changes of addresses cannot be included in this issue. However, in view of the many changes that have taken place during the last few months, there will be a revision of the Directory to bring it up to date. We expect to complete the work in the near future. Please help us by sending in pertinent information.

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GINLING ASSOCIATION IN AMERICA

NEWSLETTER # 12

SPRING 1957

ANNUAL REUNION NOTICE

TIME: Saturday, May 25, 1957

PLACE: Yale University, New Haven, Conn.

PROGRAM: Friday evening, May 24 and
Saturday morning, May 25 Registration

Saturday, May 25

11:30 a.m.

12:00 noon

Devotional Service

Lunch

2:00 p.m.

3:00 p.m.

Business Meeting

Sight-seeing in 3 groups

A. Yale University

B. Art Gallery

C. Yale Medical Center,
Science Buildings

6:00 p.m.

Dinner

Special program

EXPENSES: Accommodations will be taken care of by the New Haven chapter

Lunch -- the New Haven chapter has invited us to be
their guests

Dinner \$1.50 each

The theme for the devotional service will be "Ginlingers in America facing the future". At the dinner, we will present a survey of the Ginlingers in America, with information of what they have done and are doing here in this country. With the help and cooperation of you all, we plan to collect information during the reunion so that we will be able to compile a pamphlet to be distributed among ourselves and friends who are interested in us.

We hope to see a big turnout this time. Please arrange it so that you can be with us that important weekend.

A more detailed notice will be sent to you so that you can reserve accommodations for the weekend. For the time being, please jot down the date and reserve it for the Reunion.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

For the purpose of putting the chairmanship rotation system into practice, the Washington Chapter was appointed by the Executive Committee of the Alumnae Association to take over the new responsibility. It is an honor to the Washington Chapter as well as to me personally to have a chance to serve the alumnae group. As the executive members are scattered in two cities, decisions are arrived at after consultation through correspondence, long telephone calls and hurried meetings whenever chance permits. This means, of course, the whole thing requires a little more time than in the past and the process of making any decision is bound to be delayed somehow. However, with the able assistance of our former chairman, Mrs. H. R. Wei, and other executive members, I am able to report to you on the following developments:

All our chapters in this country celebrated the Founders' Day on November 4th, or the 3rd, a day earlier. The Taiwan Alumnae group also celebrated with the opening of their middle school on November 4th.

The New Haven Chapter was kind enough to offer us their headquarters as the site of our 1957 annual reunion. Later on, invitations also came from Los Angeles and Chicago. After careful study and consulting of different chapters, we decided that, much as we would like to accept the Los Angeles invitation, the practical problem of distance and time prevents us from doing so. The New Haven Chapter's offer was accepted. We would like to save the invitation from Chicago for another year, if the Chicago chapter so permits.

Many of you may remember that after Dr. Cora D. Reeves' estate was settled, in 1955, the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Methodist Board of Missions, to which Dr. Reeves left her estate, kindly asked us to make suggestions, through the United Board, concerning possible means of making good use of this fund. A special meeting was called February 1955 for this purpose and the results of the meeting were again carefully discussed at the annual reunion that year. Several suggestions were adopted and presented to the Woman's Division.

The Executive Committee of The Woman's Division has now (April) taken formal action, namely:

"That in recognition of the Ginling Association in America, we grant to that association from the principal of the bequest of Dr. Cora D. Reeves....

"1. A principal grant of \$5,000 for a Christian high school for Chinese girls in Taiwan.

"2. A principal grant of \$1,000 to be used for a welfare fund on which needy Ginling alumnae, former students and former faculty members may draw for loans or grants in case of extreme need or emergency.

"3. A principal grant of \$1,000 for scholarship aid for Chinese women, either in the proposed Taiwan high school or elsewhere.

"The balance of the principal of this bequest to be held for two years and at that time its further use be considered."

"Since the will stipulates that this bequest be used for work in foreign fields, the attorney for the Woman's Division has advised that items 2 and 3 be administered by the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia...."

While I am looking forward to seeing you all at the coming reunion, allow me to send my warmest regards to you and your family.

Mei-hsien Dju Huang (1937)
President

CHAPTER NEWS

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WASHINGTON, D.C.---Submitted by Hsi-en Ing ChangFounders' Day Celebration

On November 4th, 1956, Ginling Founders' Day, the Washington Chapter members and their families were happily gathered at the beautiful home of Beh-yuen Yen Eng (1943). We not only had and excellent dinner that wound up with Anita's (Beh-yuen) delicious dessert, but also were fortunate to be able to welcome Miss Sue-ning Chu, Mrs. C. C. Lai, Miss Janet Beh, and Mrs. Konin C. Shah (Hwang Hsing-ping 1950) as our new members.

Our chairman, Mrs. Timothy Mar (Lu Shu-yin 1928), opened the meeting with a prayer and scripture reading. It was decided at this meeting that we will send to our fellow Taiwan alumnae two rolls of 35mm color films. We hope to receive some color slides of the growing Hou-seng Middle School. We were indeed grateful to Mrs. Konsin C. Shah for bringing us a very much treasured present from Taiwan, our Ginling College emblem.

The following were new officers elected for 1956-57

President---Mrs. Edward Chao (Ling Wan-yu 1940)
Secretary---Mrs. Tennyson Chang (Ing Hsi-en 1938)
Treasurer---Mrs. Konsin C. Shah (Hwang Hsing-ping)

Chinese New Year's Party

This took place at Mrs. C. P. Li's (Tang Han-chih 1922) new home in Alta Vista, Md. Alta Vista is a perfect discription of this charming residence.

We were very much honored to have Liu Lin-sen, our former faculty member, and his wife present at this gathering. They are now residing at 3827 Davis Pl., N.W., Washington 7, D. C.

Two-thirds of the members and their families were present. Chien-wei Lan Chang (1930, Mrs. Sing-chen), who is connected with the V.A. Hospital in Buffalo, N. Y. brought two American friends of hers who were once in China. Mrs. Chang will assume her new post as Chief of the Pathological Lab of the V.A. Hospital at Fort Howard, a short distance from Baltimore.

Some more personal news

It is rumored that, Shu-yin Lu Mar (1928, Mrs. Timothy) will be teaching in one of the Universities near Washington. Congratulations!

Wedding bells are chiming merrily these days here in Washington. Miss Ailing Ley is still a blushing bride of three months. The lucky man is Mr. Ying-buh Woo. Miss Lota Li, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Li, is busy getting her trousseau ready.

With much sorrow, we shall have to bid our beloved friend Beh-yuen Yen Eng (Mrs. K. C., 1943) a bon-voyage soon, for the Eng family will be leaving for Germany in August. We wish her a pleasant journey and a speedy return!

BOSTON

Since the last issue of the News Letter, the Boston Chapter has had four meetings.

September 30, 1956---At the home of Dr. and Mrs. Hsien Wu (Tsai-yun Yen Wu 1921)

Founders' Day Meeting

It was on November 4th, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Chen. There were nineteen members and their families and a special guest, Mrs. Richard Chute, president of the Smith Club in Boston. On occasions like this, the members of the Boston Chapter are specially appreciative of their peculiar privilege in having with us Mrs. Lawrence Thurston, the first president and a Founder of Ginling. She told us many of her precious experiences.

January 27, 1957

It was at the newly purchased place of Professor and Mrs. H. B. Whittington, 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ Sheperd St., Cambridge. They have remodeled and decorated the house with such ingenuity and Chinese taste that it captured our admiration. A delicious turkey dinner was served. A happy memory was carried home by all.

March 17, 1957

A very lively and enjoyable meeting was held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Kuo (Yen Hsiao-mei 1942). Twenty-four attended including seven children. A very delicious dinner was served with "huin-twan soup" as appetizer.

Personal News

The Robert Yuans and the E. S. Shihs are to be congratulated for new additions to their families. The Hsien Wus have a daughter-in-law added to their family.

Several families have purchased new homes:

H. L. Kuo, 45 Hemingway St., Winchester, Mass.
M. L. Loh (Dzo Ging-ru 1932) 331 Albermarle Rd., Newtonville, Mass.
Hsien Wu (Yen Tsai-yun 1921) 28 Adams St., Brookline, Mass.
Robert Yuan (Chen I 1947) 103 Shawmutt St., Quincy, Mass.

New Jobs:

Miss Griest is head of a new department for coordinating the work of volunteers in the State Hospital in New Hampshire.

Mrs. MacMillian has accepted an appointment from Harvard University for participating in the fund-raising project of the University.

New Researches and New Achievements

The Whittingtons are now in Europe on a Guggenheim Fellowship searching for Trilobites.

Hsien-gieh Sie Chao (Mrs. K. C. 1944) has made a new discovery in biochemistry.

Shiu-ying Hu Hsu (M.Y. 1933) has published a volume of the Flora of China and the second one is ready for the press.

Yun-ying Shih (Mrs. Peter 1929) is helping her husband in building a new church as the Chinese Church in New England.

NEW YORK---submitted by Yi-yu Tang Wang

Founders' Day Celebration

More than forty Ginling members and their families gathered in the hospitable apartment of the H. R. Weis Sunday noon, November 4th, to commemorate our Founders' Day. Grace Chu (Wen-chiu Sie Chu 1924) acted in the place of her sister, Sie Wen-mei (1931) and served a delicious luncheon. Wen-mei, our chairman, was absent because of work. Dr. Christopher Tang, husband of Djang Chun-yin (1934), gave a short and inspiring speech afterwards. The new officers elected for the year 1956-57 were:

Chairman --- Gieh-fang Dju Ma (1934)
Secretary--- Yi-yu Tang Wang (1936)
Treasurer--- Yu-hua Niu Li (1937)

We were all happy to welcome Lee Yoong-ching (1934 Mrs. Kenneth Nieh) to join our group. She just arrived from Hongkong to join her family in this country, 422 Liberty Rd., Englewood, N. J. The Theodore Wangs (Tang Yi-yu 1936) who just moved into the Greater N. Y. area from Philadelphia were another happy addition to the chapter. We drafted Yi-yu at once to be our secretary for the coming year.

Smith Annual Spring Luncheon

Ten Ginling girls joined the Annual Spring Luncheon of the Smith College Club of New York at Hotel Pierre, March 9th. This annual luncheon is the Club's chief activity of the year for raising scholarship funds for the College.

Chinese New Year Party

We had a Chinese New Year's luncheon party at the home of Mrs. M. S. Bates. Mrs. Bates, Mrs. Daniels, Mrs. W. P. Mills, and Mrs. Frank Price were the hostesses. About thirty were present including husbands and children. Mrs. Susan McKeever, Liason

officer of Smith Alumnae Council, came all the way from Pehlam, Westchester County to be our special guest. Mrs. Clementine Tangeman of New York Smith Club was unable to attend due to illness.

Dr. Yu Tsai-fan (1932) gave us an exciting lecture after lunch. It was about her successful research on the treatment of gout, which was considered a "forgotten disease" for many centuries.

We decided that New York chapter should meet again at the end of Spring.

SEATTLE

The Ginling Association does not have an organized chapter in Seattle, Washington. However, with the recent addition of another Ginling member, Dan Gung-gieh (1944) from Taiwan, the number was boosted to four and they started to hold informal gatherings. Mrs. Walter Hiltner (Frederica Mead) was the hostess of a dinner party on December 8. There were four guests: Yen-wen Mao Hsiung (1925), Dan Gung-gieh, Yu-lin Dzo Wang (1937) and her husband, Mr. Wang Ting-hsien. After the dinner in a Chinese restaurant, the group went to Mrs. Hiltner's beautiful home for dessert and talked about Ginling. Mao Yen-wen wrote, "Mrs. Hiltner showed us many Ginling pictures which made all of us homesick...reminding us of the years we spent in Ginling...."

We hope they will organize into a GAA chapter.

GREATER PHILADELPHIA AND NEW JERSEY---submitted by Yuen-ching Wu Tung

Founders' Day Party

We met on November 4th at the home of Gung-tai Dan Soo (1944, Mrs. Shaolee) in Princeton to commemorate Founders' Day. Hostesses for the happy event were Mrs. Soo and Princeton Ginling group. About forty people, including family members and guests, turned up.

The meeting also served as a welcome party for two new members, Pei-lan Shen Chen (1942 Mrs. Timothy) and Hsiao-lan Chen Mote (Mrs. Frederick W.) The latter had just moved to Princeton. We started with a prayer, followed by luncheon, and ended with a business meeting.

Due to the fact that Philadelphia is about fifty miles from Princeton and the travelling is proving to be a problem, it is hoped that the New Jersey group can set up a chapter of its own.

There is going to be another meeting late May or early June.

Personal News

The J. L. Mas (Djang Feng-ya 1948) had a new baby daughter last September.

NEW HAVEN---submitted by Tong-Ken Wen Ling

Founders' Day Party

We celebrated Ginling Founders' Day on November 3, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Franklin Ho. There were eight of us. A wonderful lunch was served at noon time. At two-thirty, the business meeting got started. The discussion was so lively that we forgot about time until one of us mentioned that we must try to get home before the Yale football crowd came out. We decided to meet again at Chinese New Year.

Chinese New Year's Party

This took place at Tong-ken Wen Lin's (Mrs. Francis, 1940) apartment. There was great enthusiasm in the discussion because the New Haven group had invited the Ginling Association in America to hold its 1957 Annual Meeting here in this city. It was decided that May 25, Saturday, would be a good day. Invitations would be sent out to all members soon. The New Haven Chapter hopes to play host to many Ginlingers and their families and friends that day.

Some Personal News

Yi-ling Ma Fong (Mrs. Matthew, 1951) has moved to San Francisco where Mr. Fong is to be ordained as a Congregational minister. They plan to go back to Hongkong where Mr. Fong will be working with the YMCA.

Nien-Shih Liu Chu (Mrs. Ernest) gave birth to a baby girl, Clara, her first. Mr. Chu is a research fellow in the Yale Botany Department.

We are exceedingly happy to welcome to our chapter Mrs. Emily Case Mills. Our family life will be made more abundant because of her presence among us.

HONGKONG

July Meeting

New officers for the year of 1956-1957 were elected at the meeting. They are:

<u>Chairman</u>	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Treasurer</u>
Ho Gieh-yu (1943)	Ho Chang-ling (1928)	Chang Li-hua (1951)
Tsui Ya-lan (1929)	Shen Wen-yen (1945)	Liu Mu-lan (1944)

The group also decided on the following:

1. To send a gift to Mrs. Thurston
2. To raise HK\$1,000 to give to the Ginling Alumnae in Taiwan for their Middle School

3. To invite all the representatives of all the University Alumni Associations of China Christian Universities Alumni Association (CCUAA) to Ginling Founders' Day banquet.
4. To raise another HK\$600 for Chung Chi College Scholarship Fund next year. The HK\$600 they raised this year has been granted to our Ginling granddaughter Yu Hwei-lan for 1956-1957.

Personal News

Tsui Ya-lan (Mrs. D. Y. Lin 1929) and Liu Mu-lan (1944) are the chairman and secretary of the above mentioned CCUAA this year.

TAIWAN

Founders' Day Celebration

The Ginling group in Taiwan celebrated Ginling Founders' Day on November 4 in Taipei. It was also the occasion on which they welcomed Ambassador H. H. Hsu (husband of Liu Wen-chang, 1921) on his home visit before he assumes his post in Lima, Peru; and Lin Chung-ying (Mrs. Frederick Kao 1947), in Taipei for a short visit from New York. They also said good-bye to Chen Yueh-mei (Mrs. L. W. Han). Dr. Han had already left for Thailand to assume the post as Ambassador to Thailand. The whole group, after luncheon, went to the new campus of the Ginling Middle School to witness the opening ceremony of the school.

Personal News

Mrs. Huai-fen Li Nyi (Mrs. Henry, 1934) visited Ginling Middle School in Taiwan in October 1956.

ADDITIONAL PERSONAL NEWS

Dr. Ruth Chester spent a wonderful summer vacation with a group of friends in Kashmir. It was 7,000 ft. up the Pahlgam where they rented tents and camped for seven weeks. She also went on side trips and once lived in a house boat for three weeks. They saw glaciers and she took many pictures of the beautiful sights. "I should not be at all surprised if next summer should find me there again, although it is my last summer in this part of the world and there are still many places I have not seen." We hope this means that we will have Dr. Chester back with us at the end of 1957.

Ying Kung-ming (Mrs. T. C. Kaung 1941) and her family arrived from Taiwan in this country last winter. The Kaungs (three children) are now settled in a lovely apartment in 102-50 62 Rd., Forest Hills, Long Island, N. Y.

Dan Gung-gieh (1944) arrived from Taipei early last October. She is a welcome addition to the Ginling group in Seattle. Address: 1827 25N, Seattle 2, Washington.

Huang Yen-hwa (Mrs. C. S. Kwang, 1942) and her husband moved at the beginning of this year to Ithaca, N. Y. where they are working at Cornell University. Address: 109 Summit Ave.

Dju Yueh-shan (Mrs. Harry Lee, 1937) started teaching at a girls school in midtown Manhattan last fall. She is doing well and likes being back in her own field---Physical Education.

Miss Harriet Whitmer joined forces with Miss Ellen M. Studley last fall to keep the Midwest Chinese Student and Alumni Services going. Our Chicago Chapter has taken advantage of the hospitality of 5408 S. Blackstone Ave. (HQ of the Services) during the more than three years of its existence. We are sure Miss Whitmer helps strengthen the ties of these two organizations.

Lin Chung-ying (Mrs. Frederick Kao, 1947) left with her husband for Taiwan last fall on a speaking tour of his. She attended the Founders' Day celebration of the Taiwan Ginling Group in November. The Kao family is expected to be back in New York in April.

We heard that Chen En-tse (Mrs. C. T. 1931) and her family arrived in this country from Taiwan last year and is now residing somewhere in Texas. Anyone who knows her address please inform us.

Miss Abigail Hoffsommer, who just returned to New York after a seven-week trip which took her to the Philippines, Hongkong, Taiwan, Japan and Korea saw many Ginlingers and has quite a bit of news for us. An excerpt of her report follows:

"I am, as some of you know, editing the United Board's news sheet, "New Horizons", as well as some of its other publications, and it was my good fortune to be sent on this trip so that I might become better acquainted with the institutions which I have been writing about.

"The Christian colleges in Asia in which the United Board is particularly interested are: Silliman University in the Philippines; Chung Chi College in Hongkong; Tunghai University at Taiwan; and Yonsei University in Korea.

"I want to tell you about the happy meetings I had with Ginling groups and individuals at many points along the trip. This started in Los Angeles where seven of us had luncheon at the home of Beulah Kwoh.In Honolulu my travelling companion and I stayed overnight with Wang Yin-ying (Mrs. Frances Y. Lum 1936), who was a charming hostess though very busy with her medical work (delivering a baby while we were there). She and Dr. Lum took time out to take us sightseeing; we also had lunch in a fine Chinese restaurant with Alice Chang and Yin-ying.

"My next visit with Ginling alumnae was in Hongkong, where Mrs. D. Y. Lin (Tsui Ya-lan 1929) is chairman for this year. A group of alumnae met at Chung Chi College on a Sunday noon for luncheon and brought with them husbands and children. Li Hwei-lin (1936) came over from Macao for the day.

"When I arrived in Taipei I was surprised to be met at the airport by a delegation of four Ginling Alumnae! How did they know when I was arriving? We had a very fine luncheon and after that several of us went over to the middle school which has been started on the former ARCI property at the edge of the city. Two classes were in session while we were there: one in sewing; the other in singing.

"At Tunghai, Marina Yu is ably carrying on the Ginling P.E. tradition and raising her young children as well.

"One of my biggest surprises was to meet Cheng Gin (1935) in Seoul, Korea! I certainly was not looking for any Ginling alumnae there, and she was not looking for me! She is on the executive committee of an international women's club which was having luncheon at the home of my hostess in Seoul, and there we met. Cheng Gin's husband, Mr. Tang Wu, is the minister in the Chinese Embassy at Seoul. She is well known among the non-Korean group there for her painting!

"In Seattle Dzo Yu-lin Wang and her husband were my most cordial hosts at their attractive little home...."

A Brief Report on the
Taipei Ginling Middle School

After years of preparation, the Ginling Alumnae Association in Taiwan finally reported the establishment of a Ginling Middle School for Girls. It was formally opened on Founders' Day, November 4, 1956. Hsu Siu-ying (1930) is the principal. For the first year, only two classes are in session, Junior High School first year and Senior High School first year, with about 85 students in all. A piece of property with many buildings situated near Taipei city was purchased for a total of US\$34,000. The amount is to be paid in three installments, the first having been paid with a bank loan. The other two payments are due within the current year.

A campaign to raise funds was started by the Taiwan Ginling group last fall. It is hoped, says chairman Lei Swen Dei-fang (1945) that "...alumnae in 14 countries will help us out and raise one hundred thousand U.S. dollars, if possible, within three years..."

As it was inadvisable, because of legal difficulties, to do fund-raising except on a strictly personal basis, we requested the Taiwan group not to send us campaign books. Nevertheless, many of us in various parts of the country were drafted as fund-raising representatives and campaign books were sent us in spite of our advice.

After a thorough study of the whole problem, the Executive Committee decided to advise the members not to use the campaign books. The Committee's decision consists of the following:

1. We are in full sympathy with the plan of establishing a Christian middle school for girls under the sponsorship of our alumnae organization in Taiwan. (We showed our sympathy in action by participating in their White Elephant Sale and the Sale of Christmas Cards.)

2. As the Taiwan program developed and new problems came up, we offered to try to help answer questions about situations here concerning which the Taiwan group lacked adequate information.

3. With respect to the financial campaign for Ginling Middle School, Mrs. Wei wrote to Taiwan last June, "We realize that the need is great and we wish you success. But we regret we are only able to do very little to help, such as we did last year for Hou Sheng. Our membership is loose, consisting of friends of Ginling, and former students as well as the alumnae group. We are sorry that we cannot live up to your expectations; we are not incorporated and therefore cannot raise funds."

4. Upon receipt of campaign pamphlets from Taiwan, the Executive Committee decided that all those who received such pamphlets were to be advised to send them to Mrs. Huang in order to avoid possible involvement in legal difficulties. However, each local chapter would be advised to "decide for itself the proper way to raise funds to support the middle school." The funds thus raised should be collected by the National Treasurer so that the contribution would come from GAA as a whole.

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A detailed report on the correspondence exchanged on the subject of the middle school project in Taiwan, as well as pertinent background information is with your local chapter chairman. Please consult it to get a clear picture of the matter.

Seventh Annual Gathering, New Haven, Conn., May 25, 1957



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GINLING ASSOCIATION IN AMERICA

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ATTENTION!

ANNUAL MEETING, 1956

Date - Sunday, June 17
Place - New York City
Theme - "Ginling Women Face Life in the United States"
Speaker - Frank W. Price

Mark the date now! A detailed program will be sent to you when it is ready.

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WE COMMEMORATE OUR FOUNDERS' DAY

On the first weekend of November, 1955, Ginlingers in many places all over the world were commemorating the Fortieth Anniversary of the founding of our Alma Mater. The details of many of the gatherings are not available. But wherever there is a group of a few Ginling girls, there is a get-together of some sort. Following are reports of some of the meetings.

BOSTON: A full report of the Founders' Day celebration of the Boston Chapter is given in a separate section of this newsletter.

"The Boston Chapter also had a meeting on Saturday, January 7, 1956, at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Deane Walter. Mrs. Walter entertained us very lavishly at a turkey supper, and Mr. Walter showed some color slides of pictures he took at the Founders' Day meeting. Everyone had a wonderful time."

Reported by Dorothy Whittington
Secretary, Boston Chapter

CHICAGO:

"We had a nice, quiet dinner party on the evening of November 6 to commemorate our Founders' Day. Miss Ellen Studley, who is in charge of the Chicago center of the Chinese Student and Alumni Services of the United Board was kind enough to let us use her house, as she has always done in the past. There were ten of us. We sent a telegram to the Ginling Association National Committee to greet them on this memorable occasion. The meeting also served as a welcome party to two new members: Mrs. Hsu Djang Ching-oh (Faculty 1930-'37, '46-'47) who was with the Home Economics department in Ginling and who came from Hong Kong last year; and Djiang Sin-bao (1935) who moved recently from St. Louis to Chicago. She is now doing research work at Northwestern University.

"We have also lost four members. Gwoh Kai-chu (1947), who moved to Nevada with her family, has found the weather wonderful there. But she is lonely and hopes maybe the Seattle chapter will contact her. Hung Ching-chun (1948), our secretary, moved to Pittsburgh, Pa. in September. She is expecting a second child. Miss Yang Dji-shin left Chicago last summer to take up library science at the University of Illinois. We have lost track of Huang Dji-tsung (1948) and will appreciate any information about her.

"The local Smith Club has invited us to join it as members. We have decided that the president of the Chicago chapter of the Ginling Association will join it to represent us all. The Chicago Smith College Career Club also invited us to take part in their Christmas party, December 20. We will do our best to keep up such treasured relationships between the two groups.

"The Chicago Chapter would like to extend a standing invitation to all Ginling sisters to be our guests whenever they are in this area. Please get in touch with us."

Reported by Djou Gi-hsing (1939)
Chairman, Chicago Chapter

LOS ANGELES:

"Gathering to commemorate Ginling's Founders' Day were some twenty friends, alumnae and former faculty members, and several University of Nanking alumni. Hosts for the happy event were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nyi (Li Huai-fen 1934) at whose home all enjoyed a delicious Chinese dinner.

"Dr. William Hummel, former University of Nanking faculty member, recalled Nanking days for all present and delighted the group with a short talk on 'Chinese Philosophy.'

"This annual event serves to bring together Ginling friends scattered throughout the Southland, some living some 30 to 40 miles from the heart of Los Angeles. Always there is a close bond that ties the group, and everyone present leaves with a happy feeling that she had been fortunate to be associated with Ginling."

Reported by Mrs. Edwin Kwoh
Secretary L. A. Chapter

NEW HAVEN:

The New Haven Chapter met Saturday, November 5, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Franklin Ho for a Founders' Day celebration.

NEW YORK:

"The New York Chapter met to commemorate Founders' Day on November 6, at the China House in midtown Manhattan. The celebration started with a delicious luncheon prepared by the following hostesses: Mesdames H. C. Chang, William Chang, K. C. Chen, S. H. Hsu, T. F. Tsiang, David Tung, G. P. Waung and W. R. Wei.

"A business meeting followed at which the new officers for 1956 were elected. They are:

Chairman	Sie Wen-mei (Ruth Zia 1931)
Treasurer	Yu Tsai-fan (1932)
Secretary	Yuan Ai-lien (Mrs. F. C. Ong 1948)

"Caroline Tsou, daughter of Chu Ying-chang (1931) and Mr. Y. L. Tsou, played a lovely piece on the piano. Mrs. W. A. McCurdy shared with us her precious memories of the last Founders' Day Celebration at our Alma Mater. Then Miss Abigail Hoffsommer took us all back to Nanking by showing us moving pictures of Nanking scenes and a short version of 'The Ginling Story'. More than thirty were present at the meeting.

"Telegrams, letters and cards from friends and fellow members who could not join us on this memorable occasion were read.

"The New York chapter had a social gathering on March 11, at the home of Mrs. M. Searle Bates. Hostesses for luncheon were Mrs. Bates, Mrs. J. Horton Daniels, Mrs. W. A. McCurdy and Mrs. J. Claude Thomson. The occasion made an opportunity to wish godspeed to Dr. and Mrs. Shu-hsi Hsu (Liu Wen-chang 1921) who have been transferred to Peru where Dr. Hsu will be ambassador.

"A tea for Smith alumnae in the New York area will be given by the New York chapter of GAA at the China Institute on April 18."

Reported by Szetu Dju Ing

WASHINGTON, D.C.:

"In November, on the fortieth anniversary of the founding of our Alma Mater, we gathered for a luncheon party at the home of the Timothy Mars (Lu Shu-ying 1928)--famed 'Moon Gate Farm'. Quite a large group turned up and we had a wonderful time visiting one another and talking about old days.

"On February 20, the Washington D. C. Chapter met again to have its annual election. The new officers are:

President	Lu Shu-ying (Mrs. Timothy Mar 1928)
Treasurer	Shen Wei-yu (Mrs. T. W. Kao 1937)

About fourteen members and husbands attended. We voted unanimously for financial help to the 'Hou-seng' girls' school in Taipei. We will contact all parties concerned to work out a way to solicit funds for the establishment of the school."

Reported by Dju Mei-hsien (Mrs. Y. Y. Huang)

(Editor's note: Outgoing acting president-secretary Dju Mei-hsien--Mrs. Y. Y. Huang 1937--who had gallantly shouldered the responsibility of keeping the chapter running since both its president and secretary moved to New York last fall, got out of office just in time to get her family moved to larger quarters.)

TAIWAN:

"It happened that we had chosen the same day for our Founders Day celebrations as the rest of you, that is the 6th of November. More than thirty members attended, comprising about half of the Taipei Ginling family. We started off with religious devotions, continued with a pantomime depicting some aspects of the cherished past, and ended with a feast. But there was nothing like the banquet of the good old days, in the gymnasium overlooking the 'Ginling Mirror', with long rows of distinguished guests, college celebrities, and other old, familiar faces.

"We had our election in November, by secret ballot. Our new officers of the 7th term are as follows:

General-Secretary	Sun Teh-fang (Mrs. M. T. Lai 1945)
Deputy General-Secretary	Gan Bih-yuen (Mrs. C. C. Wei 1933)
Chinese Secretary	Hou Wan-ru (Mrs. C. H. Chen 1938)
English Secretary	Gan Bih-yuen
Treasurer	Hsiao Su (Mrs. H. P. Chen 1934)
Business	Lin Hsiao-hwa (Mrs. Y. Y. Liu 1938)
Social	Chin Shun-ying (Mrs. M. S. Chen 1948)
	Lan Chien-bih (Mrs. B. C. Ma 1933)
Publication	Ku Chu-wen (Mrs. Ma)
	Tseng Shuh-chao (Mrs. S. W. Hu 1943)

"Our unborn school (which has been five years in expectancy) has already got a name, 'Hou-sheng' (Abundant Life), though not yet a campus, etc. We have been doing all we can to raise funds, which though coming in slowly, are coming in steadily.

"Now, bits of personal news: You will be interested to learn that Lee Pao-chen (1943 Mrs. S. P. Ma) had another baby boy last June; Tseng Shuh-chao (Mrs. C. W. Hu 1943) became a proud mother last May; Yang Ching-chung (Mrs. S. K. Hu 1941) gave birth to a beautiful baby girl, her third child; Chin Shun-ying (1948 Mrs. M. S. Chen) had another baby boy added to her growing family.

"Chang Hsiao-sung (Mrs. Chao Lien-fan 1926) is now skipper of her family boat, upon departure of her husband, Dr. Chao, who is on the staff of FAO in Rome, in faraway Italy. Gan Bih-yuen shares her fate, for her husband, Mr. Chao-chi Wei is staying another year in Iowa City.

"Have you heard that Mrs. Meyer (nee Harriet Cogswell, Prof. of English) has come back to China, this time in our midst? Sun Teh-fang met her at a party the other night, and though neither had had previous knowledge of the other, they chatted like old chums--of Ginling, no doubt. Miss Priest has settled down as Controller of the new Tunghai University, but we have not been there to visit her yet.

"We have seen and heard very little of Sun Shuh-chuan (Mrs. C. N. Chow 1937) ever since she assumed principalship of Taiwan Girls' High School. Cheng Mei-ying (Mrs. Y. S. Tsiang 1937) is doing very well, shuttling daily between her home in North Taipei and her Department of Home Economics, Taiwan Normal University, in South Taipei...."

Reported by Gan Bih-yuen, Secretary
Ginling Association in Taiwan

PERSONAL NEWS

Tien Ching-sing (1945) and her husband, Rev. D. D. Su, wrote their Christmas letter from Stuart, Nebraska where D. D. is now the minister of two churches:

"On top of his work of the two churches, 'D. D.' had been out in the Spring on an across-the-state speaking tour under the auspices of the Synod of Nebraska and the Board of Foreign Missions. He also attended meetings of the Synod Council, the Synod Annual Conference, the area Evangelism Conference, and the Presbytery Conference in the fall. As chairman of the committee of evangelism he had organized a school of evangelism for the Presbytery. Ruth, like most ministers' wives, besides household work and cooking at home, helps with the church work. She is director of the church choir. She also gives free piano lessons to some children and high school girls of the two churches. She often accompanies 'D. D.' on his parish visitations and serves as his chauffeur on Sunday mornings."

Miss Eva Spicer's Christmas letter arrived late in February. "This term has been memorable because Edith Haight was with me for the greater part of it, and it was a great joy to have her.....She fitted in very well, though I think she was pretty shocked at some things. We are rather formal in some ways, and everything is done pretty much by classes rather than individual work. Also the primary schools have fairly crude conditions.... But, in spite of all the shocks she made a real contribution to the College in many ways, and I am sure that some of the students realized more about the

purpose behind the physical activity than they had ever done before."

The Spicer-Haight team set out at half-term in a new car which Miss Spicer owns but "cannot drive" to see Eastern Nigeria. Miss Haight left November 20 and Miss Spicer started to wind up the term. She spent her Christmas at Jos with her nephew and his family. But her holidays are interrupted by conferences and meetings and she says, "one does not have much uninterrupted rest, but still it is a change."

During the past few months we suffered the loss of two very dear friends of Ginling. Both of them know Ginling long before most of us did. With their loss fades away a little more of the old Ginling legend which inspires those of us who know only the new Ginling era of later years.

Mrs. Grace Hwang Cheo (Huang Chung-chen 1912) passed away December 18, 1955 in Long Island, New York after a long illness. She had an operation early in the summer which seemed to be successful. But, a few months later, she succumbed to a recurrence while convalescing in Jamaica, where she had made her home with her daughter and son-in-law. She is survived by her mother and a brother, both now in Europe, three sisters, two sons and a daughter and five grandchildren.

Mrs. Cheo's relationship with Ginling dated back to 1912, the so-called pre-Ginling era, while Ginling was not yet officially established. Always high in spirit, she had seldom missed a Ginling gathering since Ginling Association in America was organized five years ago.

Miss Helen Y. M. McCoy, who taught mathematics and physics in Ginling from 1920-1924, passed away on New Year's Eve, 1955 in Omaha. For her last few years, Miss McCoy had been almost helpless and had been in an Episcopal Home nursed by an Episcopal sisterhood.

Miss McCoy's health was never robust, and for some years she had been an invalid. Her years in China were the major interest of her life. She kept in touch with former students; she interested her sisters in knowing Chinese students in this country.

FOUNDERS' DAY PROGRAM, NOVEMBER 1956 - BOSTON CHAPTER
DEDICATED TO WU YI-FANG "IN TOKEN OF OUR
ADMIRATION, GRATITUDE AND AFFECTION".

"We had an unusually fine meeting for Founders' Day at the new home of Mrs. Hsien Wu (Yen Tsai-yun 1921) which was much admired. The delicious luncheon served by Mrs. Wu was concluded with a birthday cake, brought by Shiu-ying Hu Hsu (1933), to celebrate the fortieth anniversary of Founders' Day. In the glow of the lighted candles on the cake, we all stood round and sang, 'We are from Ginling', and then Mrs. Thurston was asked to blow out the candles. After the cake had been cut and served, the meeting was called to order by Mrs. Chao (Sic Hsien-gieh 1944), who was substituting for Mrs. Yuan (Chen I 1947). Mrs. Yuan unfortunately, had to be out of town, but she had planned a memorable program, dedicated to Dr. Wu Yi-fang.

MEDITATION:

"I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."

"For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body; so also is Christ."

"For the body is not one member, but many."

"And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it."

INTRODUCTION:

"The celebration of U.N.'s 10th anniversary in the early part of this year particularly reminded me, and maybe some of you, too, of one outstanding person who has been dear to all of us Ginling girls - our beloved president, Dr. Wu Yi-fang. Dr. Wu was a member of the first graduating class of our school and in 1928 she received her Ph.D. from the University of Michigan. Since that time she has been the president of Ginling. For all these fateful years Dr. Wu devoted herself to Ginling and under her able leadership, thousands of Ginling graduates were produced who are known for their spirit of co-operation and responsibility, their efficiency and qualities of leadership. Their achievements in many professions and their individual and group efforts in support of the College certainly are an impressive tribute to one of her successes.

"Dr. Wu is also internationally known not only as a great educator, but also as a prominent leader in the Christian movement, and as a stateswoman. She was chairman of the National Christian Council for 11 years, including all the war years, and she was also chairman of the National Committee of the Y.W.C.A.. During the war she gave her services unselfishly to various organizations engaged in war work. In 1938 she was the leader of the Chinese Delegation to the International Missionary Council that met in India. She was the first woman to preside at the meeting of the People's Political Council, and was acclaimed as the best presiding officer of the Council. She was

appointed to the Chinese delegation to the first Conference of the United Nations at San Francisco in 1945, and received international recognition for her contribution during that Conference. These and other honors and responsibilities have come to Dr. Wu because of her extraordinary gifts of mind and personality, and because of her Christian devotion and spirit of unselfish service. We Ginling girls are indeed very proud that during these years she was our leader; to her, and to many of her graduates who have followed her footsteps in serving humanity, we are dedicating this Founders' Day in token of our admiration, gratitude and affection."

REMINISCENCES OF DR. WU:

A. Pre-Ginling Biography; Citation (Mrs. Lawrence E. Thurston)

(The following biographical notes were dictated to Helen Loomis by Dr. Wu in 1936.)

Yi-fang Wu was born in Wuchang in Hupeh Province the third child in a family of four. Her grandfather and father were both government officials in that province and both were scholars. Because her father was an only child, the family was comparatively small. Her grandfather died at the age of forty-two, only a year after her father's marriage, so she knew only her grandmother. When she was seven, she began to study with a tutor, in the Chinese custom, with her brother who was two years older. Had it not been for this brother, perhaps she would not have had the opportunity for study, at least at this early age. At the time she began to study, her sister, who was five years older than she, was considered too grown up to study with a man teacher, and therefore, following the conventional system learned to embroider.

When Yi-fang was eleven, word came that a school for girls was opening in Hangchow, the home-town of her mother's mother, and that her mother's youngest sister had gone to study there. Upon hearing this news, Yi-fang's sister wanted very much to enter that school. Before this time, the sister had been reading a magazine which her father took, published by Liang Chi-chao, who was one of the foremost promoters of constitutional government and of modern education, and she had been much influenced by her reading. After much persistent asking on her part the grandmother finally permitted her to go; and it was thought best for Yi-fang to accompany her sister.

The girls remained for two and a half years at the school in Hangchow (1904-06), which was the first Chinese Private School for girls except a few in Shanghai. The school was started by a group of young men who were promoting modern education. Most of the girls there had caught the new idea of equality between men and women. They no longer wanted to be merely the toys of men, but desired to enter the professions and to take part in the public life in serving their own country. They had reacted against the conventional ways of women's lives, and so had

put away their rouge, powders, and fancy dresses. They wore plain, dull colors and dispensed with all the frivolities of life. When Yi-fang and her sister had finished the primary grades, the sister wanted to study English. She felt that in this modern age of close contacts with western civilization she must have English as an instrument. So, because they had some relatives in the Catholic Girl's School, called the "Morning Star Girls' School", in Shanghai, they entered that school. This school had been established purely for non-Christian students, and no attempt was made to preach Christianity. But the rules were very strict and progress in English very slow, so the older sister did not like the life there. Before finishing the spring term, they returned home to Wuchang where they continued studying English and Mathematics with a tutor.

The next spring (1908), when Yi-fang was fifteen years old, the girls went to Laura Haygood, a Methodist Girls' School, in Soochow. Before they finished their second year there (1910), their father died, so they returned home to Wuchang. Then they stopped going to school for a time. Because she had relatives in Hangchow, their mother moved the family to that place. When the Revolution took place in 1911 (when Yi-fang was eighteen) and local trouble was expected in Hangchow because of the large number of Manchu residents, the family moved to Shanghai with other relatives.

The brother had been studying in Tsing Hua College in Peking, but he came to Shanghai at the time of the Revolution because the school closed. He died very suddenly, and the mother who had not been very strong physically, could not overcome her sorrow and passed away about a month after his death. A few days later, the older sister died, leaving Yi-fang and a younger sister alone with their grandmother. At this time Yi-fang was not quite nineteen, and her sister was nine years younger.

After this series of tragedies she could see very little meaning or value in life and merely existed for the sake of her grandmother and her younger sister. When general conditions became more settled, they moved back to Hangchow with the family of the mother's sister, who took her sister's children as her own. During 1913, Yi-fang attended Hangchow Union Girls' School as a special student. She spent the years 1914-1915 in Peking because her grandmother and sister moved there with her uncle's family. She taught English in the Government Girls' Normal School. It was during the time she was teaching that she came to feel some value in life for herself. At the same time she realized very strongly that she needed more study in order to be able to help others. One of her teachers in Hangchow, Miss Mourse, called to the faculty of Ginling College, kept her informed as to the founding of Ginling and its opening in the fall of 1915, but she had no thought of stopping her teaching and coming south. However, it happened that winter that her uncle decided to move to Shanghai, so the two sisters and grandmother came south with them. This was Yi-fang's opportunity to come to Ginling. She entered the college in February 1916.

It was in Ginling that she found the Christian conception of life, and joined the church. According to her own statement there were two factors which brought about this experience. First was her contact with Christian teachers and schoolmates, particularly her classmate Tsu In-djen (later Mrs. W. S. New) and her observation of their lives of actual service to humanity. Students with the newer ideas of education had been thinking in large terms and were expressing their desire to do great things for their country. The Christians, though they may have started with the little things, actually were doing things rather than merely thinking and talking of their ideals. The second factor was her study of science. Ever since she had gone to school in Hangchow, she had been worshipping science as the only thing in this modern age, and she had taken religion to be merely superstition and wanted to ignore all religion. At Ginling, through the study of astronomy and biology, she was brought to realize the mystery of the universe and the limits of science and at the same time she realized that there must be a Law above all other laws.

Commencement Exercises At Smith College

May 1943

President Herbert Davis conferred upon Wu Yi-fang, President of Ginling College, the Degree of Doctor of Laws in these words:

"Dr. Wu Yi-fang, a member of the first class at Ginling College, our sister college in China, who, after several years' teaching experience in Peking, came to this country and completed her graduate training in biology at the University of Michigan. Returning in 1928 to become president of Ginling College, she contributed to its brilliant development until the Japanese invasion in 1937, and since then has overcome the incredible difficulties of moving the college to Chengtu and reorganizing its work on the campus of the West China Union University. A representative of China on many occasions, both in this country, in Canada, in India, and in England, she is widely known for her work with the Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-shek in the development of the New Life Movement and in the national organization of Chinese Women for War Relief, and as one of the five presidents of the People's Political Council."

B. Visitor to America by Mrs. T. D. Macmillan

Mrs. Macmillan told first of Dr. Wu as a teacher in Peking, in a situation new to the basic ideas of academic credit, particularly to the idea of promotion only as a reward for work creditably completed. Dr. Wu maintained standards in her department and was unmoved by opposition and even threats to her safety. Mrs. Macmillan spoke of the impression Dr. Wu made on faculty and fellow students at Ann Arbor, of her relations with Mrs. Morrow and President Neilson at Smith College, and of the presentation of an Honorary Doctorate degree to her at Harvard's Tercentenary Celebration. She concluded by quoting words of Dr. Wu spoken at a dinner at the College Club in Boston, "I want you to know that life would be impossible for me without Christian faith".

C. Contemporary and Friend by Mrs. Hsien Wu (Yen Tsai-yun 1921)

When I entered Ginling in Sept., 1917, there were six juniors and nine sophomores in addition to the freshman class-21 strong. I had the privilege of being Dr. Wu Yi-fang's contemporary for two years, 1917-1919. Owing to the fact that I was probably the youngest and most frightened freshman Ginling ever had, I refrained from trying to get to know the upperclassmen. Consequently, I lost the opportunity of getting to know Dr. Wu well while in college.

Dr. Wu impressed me as being very different from the other girls, some of whom reminded me strongly of my mission school teachers. She was very quiet, poised, and reserved, and was more like the daughter of an old-fashioned family than a pioneer in women's education. I remember her especially as the president of the Student's Self Government and admired the way she conducted the meetings and the beautiful, literary expressions she commanded.

I am thankful that during the 30 years after Dr. Wu graduated from Ginling, there were many occasions which helped me to get to know her well. I remember her presiding over the Inauguration Meeting of the Chinese Association of University Women which was convened in Shanghai in October, 1947 and at which she was elected its first National President.

My last meeting with Dr. Wu was at a Chinese New Year's dinner given by Mrs. New in her "garage apartment" in Shanghai in early February, 1949 when I was enroute to the U.S.A. When I disclosed that I was trying to get passports for the older children through the Ministry of Education but was not familiar with the procedure, Dr. Wu promptly offered to find it out for me upon her return to Nanking. This she did and wrote me several times about the detailed regulations. The last letter I received was written from the Post Office where she was waiting her turn to mail some parcels. This last incident illustrated very well some of Dr. Wu's outstanding qualities: that of giving generously of her time and energy to be of service to others, and that of putting to good use every available moment of her time. That was perhaps one of the secrets of her being able to accomplish so much for her country as well as for Ginling.

D. As President - the Thirties by Mrs. Loh (Dzo Ging-ru 1932)

Dr. Wu became President of Ginling in 1928 and I entered Ginling as a freshman in that year. On Founders' Day in that year there was a big celebration - for Founders' Day and for Dr. Wu's inauguration to the presidency. To us freshmen it was an unforgettable occasion. Saturday night there was a huge banquet party; Sunday morning there was a beautiful service. I can still see Dr. Wu sitting on the platform in her cap and gown and looking young and beautiful but very dignified among all the dignitaries. We thought that Dr. Wu was too young and beautiful as a college president, but at the same time we were proud to have a young pretty president.

As everyone here knows, Dr. Wu was an excellent speaker. I remember when she gave her inauguration speech her voice trembled a little but the speech was beautiful and moving. As time went on, we found her speech even better and better. One year there was a special occasion when all the students assembled at the chapel of the University of Nanking and the three college presidents in Nanking - the presidents of the Central University, of the University of Nanking and of Ginling College, each gave a speech to the assembly. Dr. Wu's speech was the best of the three.

Early in my first year I learned that Dr. Wu was an efficient hard-working administrator. College opened in September, but I arrived at Nanking in the summer and obtained permission to stay on the campus. It was a hot summer. At night when the heat drove all the people outdoors, one room in the "300" building was always lighted. I learned that was the president's office and I noticed that the president worked late most nights. I wondered then what kept the president so busy and how she could stand the oppressive heat. Soon after college opened, I learned that Ginling was registered with the government that summer. This was not an easy task; it meant much red tape to go through and numerous papers and reports to be prepared. It was a tremendous job but Dr. Wu accomplished it within a short time and gave Ginling a new status in China when it began a new academic year.

Dr. Wu was an efficient worker. She also imparted her efficiency to her students. I recalled one day she asked me and two other girls to her office when we were out walking. She was sorting some programs and she asked us to help to do the work. Talking to us while we worked together, she made us see that in doing even a small easy job like this we could work with greater speed and efficiency if we had a systematic plan.

My class had the privilege of having Dr. Wu as our class advisor. In our first year soon after the class was organized, Dr. Wu let us know that she would like to be our class advisor because we were her first freshman class. So we invited her to be our class advisor. Personally I had the pleasure of having frequent chances to come near Dr. Wu because in my sophomore year I was elected class president and in my junior year I served on the Students' Self-government Organization as chairman of the "400" dormitory and Dr. Wu was the advisor of that Organization. Whenever we brought a problem to her for advice, Dr. Wu never told us what to do or not to do. She would always help us see the problem from different angles and explore all the possible solutions, and then she would leave us free to make our own decision. This was a new experience to me who came from an old Chinese family where everything was planned and decided for the children by the parents. It was in my college years that I began to learn to make independent decisions.

Coming in contact with Dr. Wu, we were always impressed by her quick thoroughness in thinking. She saw the different phases of any situation the minute it was presented to her. In dealing with people,

she was thoughtful and considerate and was always able to maintain her equanimity. During our four years in college we admired her - we even worshipped her. But sometimes we criticized her too. We used to think that she was too much concerned over everything in college. I remember at the Dr. Sun memorial service one Monday morning Dr. Wu told the students to have mosquito nets ready as the hot season was near. After the service some students commented that they could not see why a college president should be concerned over such trifles. Years later when I myself was Dean of the Practice School I began to understand why things that seemed insignificant to us students then were important to the president because to the head of a college or a school nothing that concerned the students was too small or unimportant to have her attention.

E. As President - the Forties by Mrs. Yang (Hwang Ding-djung 1949)

Mrs. Yang spoke briefly of the important work Dr. Wu was doing in politics at this time, as well as being an educator, and of her work for the benefit of the Chinese people, in particular the rights of Chinese women.

CONCLUDING PRAYER FOR DR. WU by Rev. Deane Walker