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ANNUAL REUNION ISSUE

Winter 1957-58

The President's Message

On behalf of the Executive Members of the GAA I wish to send our warm greetings to all of our former Ginling faculty members and Ginling sisters, wherever you are, and to wish you success and good health for the auspicious year 1958.

Following a decision of the Executive Committee, I have just taken over the Presidency of GAA from Mrs. Y. Y. Huang (Chu Mei-sien) for the rest of her term until June, 1958. This was voted on as an expedient measure to relieve Mrs. Huang of her over-burdening duties both in the office and at home. In accepting this responsibility I have relied upon invaluable assistance and wise counsel -- not only from executive members but also from all Ginling sisters -- which, I hope, will be constant in coming. I deem it an honor to serve this body.

Needless to say, our Ginling Alumnae in Taiwan should be congratulated on their achievement in establishing a middle school in Taipei. Theirs is a supreme example of the Ginling spirit in action and of how a high resolve could reduce all odds. It is, therefore, up to us all to do a share to help the school grow and expand. We can extend to them, in whatever measure, our moral and material assistance. You will likely agree with me that it is not asking too much for such a worthy cause. Meantime, I am trying to obtain some photographs or color slides as well as a detailed report of the new school and make them available for our annual meeting in the coming summer. With these materials I hope that a much greater interest will be automatically stimulated.

In our next newsletter we shall notify you of the date and place for our annual meeting, and we all look forward to another big and happy reunion of our Ginling Family.

Shuh-yin Lu Mar (1928)
President

FOUNDERS' DAY REUNIONS

I. PRINCETON CHAPTER - submitted by Chen Shen Pei-lan

The Princeton Chapter of the Ginling Association met on November 3rd at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Chow (Mao Yu-tung 1948) for a luncheon party. It was a beautiful day with autumn hues all around.

About one o'clock every family arrived with some delicious dishes. Soon we had a wonderful Chinese dinner. There were nineteen adults and nine children present. We welcomed Mrs. Loos to our local chapter and were especially glad to have two Smith friends and their families with us. After dinner, we had a short business meeting while the children were playing in the backyard and the husbands were drinking tea in the livingroom. Mrs. Timothy Chen (Shen Pei-lan 1942) gave a short report on the happy annual reunion at New Haven last May. We talked about old times and celebrated the 42nd anniversary of our Alma Mater.

Dr. and Mrs. Chow were most hospitable and we had a wonderful afternoon. The members present were:

Mrs. George W. Loos, Jr.
Mrs. Chow Mao Yu-tung
Mrs. Mote Chen Hsiao-lan

Mrs. Tung Wu Yuen-ching
Mrs. Soo Dan Gung-tai
Mrs. Chen Shen Pei-lan

II. LOS ANGELES CHAPTER - submitted by Elizabeth K. Mei, secretary

November 2, 1957

Home of Mrs. Lily Quon, 1211 Laura Way, Beverly Hills.
Pot-luck luncheon in observation of Founders' Day.

Present: Dr. Martha Hackett; Lily Quon; Beulah Kwoh; Mrs. Louis Mertins (Esther); Mrs. Hannah Phang; Elizabeth Mei.

The Los Angeles Chapter had its Founders' Day Luncheon in the new home of Lily Quon. The table was beautifully decorated with pink roses and set with her exquisite chinaware. Dr. Hackett returned thanks for us. We appreciated having Mrs. Mertins drive from Redlands to attend the meeting, a distance of over 30 miles. After the delicious dinner with maid service, a brief business meeting followed:

1. Mrs. Kwoh read correspondence from New York headquarters.
2. It was moved and seconded to re-order another 12 cases of Kathryn Beich "Crumble Golden" in order to continue the Sale of Candy Project for the benefit of the Ginling Girls' Middle School.
3. It was moved and seconded that in view of the successful Sale of Candy by the L. A. Chapter, a letter be sent to New York Hqt. recommending every Chapter to give it a try.

III. WASHINGTON, D.C. CHAPTER - submitted by Janet Beh, secretary

The Washington Chapter of GAA met on November 3, 1957, at the new home of Mrs. T. T. Mar, 1901 Chapman Road, Hyattsville, Md. Many of the members were unable to attend because of the Asiatic flu. Those present were Mrs. Mar, Mrs. C. P. Li, Mrs. Richard Jen, Mrs. Florence Jung, Mrs. K. C. Shah, Miss Sue-Ning Chu, Miss Janet Beh, and Mrs. Tennyson Chang who presided at the meeting for Mrs. Edward Chao, the chairman, who was home with the flu.

The candidates for the officers for 1958 were nominated. The result of a post-card voting produced a crew of inexperienced hands. Marie Shah was elected the chairman, Janet Beh the secretary, and Lotti Chi the treasurer. They hope to serve with the inspiration and assistance of their able predecessors.

Washington Ginlingers are to meet again around the Chinese New Year.

Mrs. Richard Jen became a grandma when a baby boy was born to her daughter Eudora; named Richard Paul after both grandfathers. Baby boy born to Mrs. Nancy Ing on August 28, 1957 was named Michael. With Lotti Chi and Marie Shah in line to receive their bundles of joy next year, the Ginling sisters in Washington plan to give them a baby shower at their next gathering.

The two proud mothers to see their daughters enter college are Mrs. Tennyson Chang and Mrs. T. T. Mar. Miss Meris Chang is attending Wisconsin University majoring in Physical Therapy. Miss Yvonne Mar is at the University of Maryland where her mother is teaching.

Mr. T. T. Mar is going to Formosa for a visit. We are looking forward to seeing color slides and pictures of Ginling Girls' Middle School which he has been requested to bring back.

Mrs. Y. Y. Huang resigned from the national presidency of the GAA and assumed the position of national secretary which became vacant with Mrs. Ernest Eng's departure for Germany. Mrs. T. T. Mar has consented to take over the work of the national president. Mrs. Huang recently moved into a new home which she graciously offered as the place for our next meeting.

Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. David Lu who lost her 9-year-old son in an accident. We pray God be with her in her grief.

IV. NEW HAVEN - submitted by Nien-Si L. Chu

Founders' Day Party

On November 9th, six members gathered at the home of our chairman Mrs. Francis Lin (Tung-Ken Wen 1940) to celebrate Founders' Day. An excellent lunch was served and wound up with two of us fighting over the fish head. After the business meeting was over, Mrs. Nangle gave an interesting talk on the structure of the township of Woodbridge where she resides and on some reminiscences of the recent local elections in the New Haven area.

We were exceedingly happy to welcome to our group Miss Helen Ren (1946) who just came from England this year. However, we missed very much two former active members, Mrs. Franklin Ho and Mrs. Daniel Yang, who recently moved to New York City and Kentucky respectively.

Our next meeting will be a family gathering, a luncheon-picnic at the house of Mrs. Nangle at Woodbridge, Conn. on May 24, 1958. All alumnae are welcome.

Some Personal News

Dr. and Mrs. Franklin Ho are making their temporary residence in New York City during the academic year while still keeping their home here in New Haven. Their youngest child, Pauline, entered Wesley College this fall as a freshman.

Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Yang and family moved last September to Berea, Ky. where Dr. Yang is now in the treasurer's office at Berea College.

We are very proud of Dr. G. D. Hsiung (1942) for her promotion to Research Associate at Yale Medical School.

Mr. and Mrs. Ping-Teh Sie have adopted a daughter, Mei, a pretty girl of three and a half years old. Congratulations.

Mrs. Chu-Chi Fang bought a house in Stamford, Conn. at 655 Newfield Ave.

Mrs. Homer Lin is back in Hartford after visiting her son in England.

V. CHICAGO CHAPTER - submitted by Chiang Sing-pao

For our Founders' Day celebration the members of the Chicago chapter gathered together on November 3rd at 5408 S. Blackstone, the residence of Miss H. M. Whitmer and Miss E. M. Studley. There were nine altogether, including Miss Studley and Miss Ray. We had a very delightful dinner party. Miss Whitmer, our honorable hostess, decorated the table with colorful fall leaves amid candles of purple and white. It was a most beautiful and meaningful centerpiece for this big occasion. We had a combination of delicious Chinese and American dishes. Every one present liked the food and was most grateful to our hostesses.

After dinner we had a grand time visiting each other, for it is not often that we can do so as most of us are scattered far and wide either in the city or in the suburbs. Amid our laughter and jokes our discussion naturally turned to the future. Realizing that it is just as hard for the midwesterners to go to the east for our annual meetings as for the easterners to come here, we suggest that we extend one of our social meetings next year to all alumnae living in the midwest area.

Miss Whitmer will make a survey of the alumnae in this area, and notices will be sent as soon as the date is decided. Meanwhile we would like very much to have responses and opinions regarding our suggestion.

Now some news about the members:

Mrs. Ming-djang Lu Liao (1940) and her family will move to their big new house in the suburbs about the first of December. Her new address will be: 128 S. Chestnut St., Park Forest, Ill.

A son was born to Mrs. Ming-yien Djang Wu (1948) last July. She now has two little boys.

Mrs. Dao-ying Yin Liu (1948) is expecting her second child sometime in February.

Dr. Frances Yung-z Liu (1925) has left Chicago for Detroit. Her present address is: 642 Glynn Court, Detroit 2, Mich.

Mrs. Lily Hsiung Cheng (1949) has moved to Pennsylvania. Her present address is not available.

Mrs. Ding-djung Hwang Yang (1949) has been here since last year. She and her husband are both doing research work at the University of Chicago. Her address is: 1169 E. 61 St., Chicago, Ill.

Miss Ruth Chang (1930) has just come here from Hongkong. She is working in the library of an osteopath college in Chicago. Her address is: 5416 S. Dorchester, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Ai-mei Lo Lee (1947) has moved into the city recently. Her address is: 1401 Hyde Park Blvd., Chicago, Ill.

VI. BOSTON CHAPTER - submitted by Dorothy Whittington (based on notes taken by Cheng Ying-huan (1940) and Mrs. T. D. Macmillan)

The Boston Chapter of the Ginling Association celebrated Founders' Day by a luncheon meeting at the home of Mrs. Hsien Wu.

The chief program of the day was provided by Mrs. T. D. Macmillan who showed slides of Ginling College loaned by Miss Rebecca Griest. It was especially appropriate that the scenes related in detail the events of the years 1937-39, for the knowledge that the program in which we were taking part on November 3, 1957, was in reality exactly twenty years from the celebration in 1937 (Nov. 4), lent special significance to our meeting. Mrs. Macmillan read excerpts from the reports of the celebration of 1937 in Nanking, Shanghai, Wuchang and Chengtu - recalling to us the way in which Dr. Wu Yi-fang met the crisis in those days.

Various pictures flashed back numerous activities of Ginling from the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese war to the autumn of the following year when college reassembled and reopened in Chengtu; the clothing project in Shanghai organized by Mrs. New, Red Cross work in Wuchang,

and the removal of the library. Especially were we thrilled to see the heroic committee (Miss Vautrin, Mrs. Tsen and Mr. Francis Chin) who stayed on the campus in Nanking. We saw the preparations they made to endure military siege and to receive refugees, and we had glimpses of this vast horde, which at one time reached the number of 10,000 on our Nanking campus.

Finally, we reviewed the trek from Hongkong of the largest organized group of Ginling faculty members and students; by train to Hankow, by river steamer to Chungking and finally, by ramshackle bus to Chengtu. A few slides showed life at the temporary campus and the rural work undertaken by Ginling groups including the cooperative scheme which Li Tzu-djen directed.

For fifty minutes, the Boston group found itself with the Ginling family at large, as significant and inspiring pages of our College history were brought back vividly, together with their spirit of courage and faith. A galaxy of illustrious names was mentioned, and shrieks of delight burst from the audience when familiar scenes and faces were recognized on the screen; apparently everybody enjoyed the program enormously.

VII. NEW YORK CHAPTER - submitted by Wang Tang Yi-yu, secretary

The 42nd Founders' Day of Ginling College was celebrated by the New York group on November 3, 1957 in the home of Mrs. M. Searle Bates. The weather was fine and about forty people - members and their families - gathered at 1:00 p.m. for a luncheon meeting. Delicious birthday noodles, and many kinds of dishes were served with tasty homemade apple pies winding up the sumptuous dinner. Everyone was delighted with the after dinner program in which Mr. Wellington Lee, husband of Ying Shangu, showed us slides he had taken on his mission to the former British Togoland in West Africa last year. As a result of the plebiscite held under United Nations supervision, British Togoland has now become a part of the new State of Ghana.

Shortly before the meeting was closed, Miss Mary E. Ferguson of the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia, came in to say goodbye to us. She was leaving for the Far East in a few days to visit the Board-related institutions in Asia; and to attend the second college presidents' conference in Tokyo. A group picture was taken by Mr. Theodore Wang with a Polaroid camera, which produced a printed picture within a few minutes, thus enabling Miss Ferguson to take along a copy which she can show the Ginling girls she might see on her trip.

The new officers elected for the year of 1957-1958 were:

Chairman -- Sie Wen-chiu (Mrs. Grace Chu)
Secretary -- Yu Hsien-tsai (Mrs. Helena Chen)
Treasurer -- Dju Yueh-shan (Mrs. Harry Lee)

OTHER PERSONAL NEWS

****Mrs. W. S. New** spent a very interesting summer visiting various friends. Her letter, dated September 7, 1957, follows:

Mrs. W. S. New's Odyssey of Ginling Reunion

"Instead of attending summer classes and lectures as usual, I made my 1957 summer a unique one by allowing myself to be invited as house guest of several Ginling fellow alumnae in various states. The length of stay varied from one to nine days. Indeed, I felt myself richly rewarded.

"The following are the members who acted as hostesses to me from spring vacation to September 8, 1957. Spring vacation: Dayton, Ohio - Miss Zung-nyi Loh; Dr. Francis Liu and Dr. Sing-pao Chiang - Chicago, Ill. members of Ginling alumnae. Summer vacation: June, Boston - as a house guest of Siu-ying Hu Hsu, five days; Daisy Yen Wu, four days, Ging-ru Dzo Loh, dinner and Hwei-lan Ong Siu, dinner. Auburndale - Mrs. Thurston and Miss Calder, two days. July - New Hampshire, Rebecca Griest, picnic; and Boston, Eva Macmillan, lunch. August - New York City, Grace Zia Chu, two days including a Ginling party given by Grace. Hempstead, L. I. - Dr. Gwen-yuen Li, one day; New Jersey - Ih-yu Tang Wang, one day; New York City - Gieh-fang Dju Ma, baby's first birthday; Mrs. T. F. Tsiang, dinners; Dr. Yu Tsai-fan; dinner and show; Loretta Pan, dinners and the hospitality of her apartment; Chiang-dji Yu Chang, dinner. Washington, D. C. - Shu-ying Lu Mar and Mei-hsien Dju Huang, joint dinner at Mrs. Mar's new home. August 30-September 8 - Louisville, Kentucky - house guest of Dr. Dorothy Ma. We spent the last evening together under the beautiful moonlight; reminiscent of the Mid-Autumn Festival.

"To each and all of my hostesses, I am very much indebted, for their generous hospitality to another fellow alumna who has wandered for twenty years without a home. But I found 'Home, Sweet Home' in the hearts of those great souls who are willing to share their joys with others along the road. Don't you want to try a similar adventure?"

**** We heard from Mrs. New again at the end of November.** She spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. W. A. McCurdy and Miss Adelaide Gundlach who arranged for her "a most blessed 3-day program" at Berea, Kentucky. Mrs. New visited Dr. Dorothy Ma at Louisville, Ky. again after that.

**** Miss Marion J. Ewing, who taught in Ginling in 1922-1923, died in Claremont, California last July 26.**

**** Miss Marguarite S. Warfield, who was on the Ginling faculty briefly in 1916, died May 14, 1956.** Although she did not find any of her former students or acquaintances in the New York group, she had attended the meetings in New York many times.

**** The Frederick Kaos (Lin Chung-ying 1947) are back again after a visit to Formosa last year.** They are now living at: 1004 Bryant Avenue, New Hyde Park, N. Y.

** The Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Su (Tien Ching-sing 1945) have moved from Stuart, Nebraska to: Presbyterian Community Church, Minatare, Nebraska.

**Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Tien (Lin Chung-djih 1947) announce the birth of a son, Ronald, their first, the first week of September. Chung-djih, who is a many-sided career woman, plans to resume her career after a brief rest. She is, in addition to being a well-paid draftsman, a professional interior decorator and a licensed real estate agent.

** Since the completion of the Morningside Housing project, Ginling population in the uptown, westside Manhattan area has almost doubled. Old timers in the area are: the G. P. Waungs (Gwoh Hsing-hsiung 1926), Mrs. T. F. Tsiang, Tsu Dji-ying 1945, the Ong Fen-chings (Yuan Ai-lien 1948), Pan Ren-tsiu 1940, the M. Searle Bates, the J. Horton Daniels, Miss Helen R. Downes; Miss Abigail Hoffsommer; the W. P. Mills and the Frank Prices. The newcomers include: Miss Fukuen Liu, Grace Chu (1924), Ruth Sie (1931), the Z. T. Jngs (Szetu Dju 1935), the T. S. Mas (Dju Gieh-fang 1934), the Franklin Hs, Dr. Tsai-fan Yu and the H. R. Weis (Liu Ying-bao 1925). We expect this area, in the years to come, to be the center of Ginling activity of New York.

** The H. B. Whittingtons are back in Boston after having spent their sabbatical, from last January to September, in Europe. The countries they visited include England, Wales, Norway, Denmark, Germany, France, Austria and Switzerland.

** Wedding bells are ringing for Betty Wei, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. R. Wei. She is to be married to Mr. Richard Meung-ta Liu on December 21 at 3:30 p.m., in the Park Avenue Christian Church in New York City. It is indeed happy news for all of us. Betty used to help with Ginling secretarial chores when her mother held various posts in the Ginling Association. She is a very devoted Ginling daughter.

One of the many showers given to Betty was a kitchen shower given by Mrs. T. S. Ma in her new apartment at the end of November. Most of the guests attending were Ginling friends of the Weis. Our best wishes, Betty!

** Ginlingers in Taipei, Taiwan reported that Ginling Girls' Middle School is now augmented to five grades. There were only two, first year Junior High and first year Senior High, when the school first started last year. The enrollment also has increased from 82 to about 400.

** The new chairman of the Taiwan Ginling Alumnae is Mrs. K. S. Hu (Yang Ching-chung 1941).

** The new president of the Hongkong Ginling group is Mrs. Gan Loh Chin-wei (1943).

Correction: in the last issue of the Newsletter, the post that Lucy Lin (Lin Wen Tung-gen 1940) holds at Yale University was erroneously reported as that of Student Chaplain. Her official title is: Graduate Secretary to Yale University Christian Association - working among foreign students.

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GINLING ASSOCIATION IN AMERICA

NEWSLETTER #15

Spring 1958

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE COMING ANNUAL REUNION

We are very happy to announce that the Washington Chapter has extended an invitation to the members of GAA to hold our Annual Meeting this year in Washington D.C. The invitation was accepted with much appreciation and gratitude. We hope that many of our members will be able to come to this happy reunion.

Date: Sunday, May 25, 1958.

Place: Washington D.C.

Program: May 24 8 P.M. Meeting of the members of the Executive Committee

May 25 10 A.M. Registration

10:30 - 11 A.M. Memorial Service for Mrs. Thurston

11 - 12:30 P.M. Business Meeting

12:30 P.M. Luncheon

2:00 P.M. Special Program

Theme - "Ginling Middle School"

We are hoping to have Mrs. Paul Meyer, former Ginling faculty member recently back from Taiwan, and Mrs. Siao-sung Chang Chao, class of 1926, to be our special guest speakers. Color slides of Ginling Middle School recently taken in Taiwan will also be shown.

The invitation together with a detailed program showing the exact addresses for the meetings will be sent to you soon. In the meantime we hope that you will reserve this date, May 25. We are looking forward happily to seeing you; until then our best wishes to each one of you.

Shuh-yin Lu Mar
President

The Ginling Alumnae Association in America will wish to make a gift in memory of Mrs. Thurston to aid in the education of Chinese women. Please send your suggestions to the President, or bring them to the business meeting on May 25.

II MRS. LAWRENCE E. THURSTON DIES

Matilda Calder Thurston, a founder and first president of Ginling College died at her home in Auburndale, Massachusetts, on April 18, 1958. Mrs. Thurston, who had been in poor health for some months, would have been 83 in May.

Memorial services will be held on Sunday, April 27, at 2:00 p.m. in the Wellesley Hills (Mass.) Congregational Church. Mrs. Waysung New, of Ginling's first class, will take part in the service.

A missionary in China for nearly 40 years, Mrs. Thurston's first missionary service was in Turkey under the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions (Congregational-Christian), at Central Turkey College for Girls, Marash, 1900-1902. In 1902 she married Lawrence E. Thurston, and went with him to China to find a suitable location for the Yale-in-China Mission. Mr. Thurston's illness brought the couple home in 1903, and Mr. Thurston died in 1904. For the next two years, Mrs. Thurston traveled in the United States as a Secretary in the Student Volunteer Movement. From 1906 to 1911, she was again in China, helping in the hospital and teaching in the boys' school of the Yale mission in Changsha.

In 1913 she was appointed by the Presbyterian (U.S.A.) Board of Foreign Missions to Nanking, where she, with a group of representatives from the Northern Baptists, Disciples of Christ, Northern and Southern Presbyterians, laid plans for a union college for women in the Yangtze valley. Appointed its president in 1913, Mrs. Thurston had the satisfaction of welcoming Ginling's first class two years later, and, in 1928, of turning over the presidency to Wu Yi-fang, member of Ginling's first graduating class. Mrs. Thurston remained at Ginling as President Emeritus in an advisory capacity, teaching, and supervising building construction, until 1936. In 1939 she again returned to China, but was repatriated late in 1943 after the Japanese occupation of Nanking.

Since 1943 she made her home in Auburndale with a sister, Helen Calder, who survives. Also surviving is a brother, William Calder.

Mrs. Thurston was a graduate of Mt. Holyoke in the class of 1892, and had a Litt.D. (1925) from that institution. She was co-author with Dr. Ruth Chester of "A History of Ginling College".

III WELFARE FUND COMMITTEE

A three-member Welfare Fund Committee has been appointed by President Shu-ying Lu Mar. It consists of Ying-bao Liu Wei (1925); Gieh-fang Dju Ma (1934) and Wen-chiu Sie Chu (1924). Requests for help should be referred to the committee for consideration.

IV WE NEED A LOST AND FOUND COLUMN

It is not a particularly easy job for us to keep track of the whereabouts of members. People move about a great deal and oftentimes they forget to report their change of address. Then, the different - and frequently unorthodox - ways of spelling the Chinese name,

the use of Christian names previously not generally known, and the change of name as a result of marriage are factors that further complicate the matter.

From time to time, members are "lost", and now and then, lost members are "found", or new members are "discovered". Our Chicago chapter, for instance, mentioned in our last newsletter that so and so had moved to Pennsylvania but her new address was not known. But shortly a note came to your editor supplying the new address of Mrs. Lily Djeng-ning Hsiung Cheng (1948): 33 Hillside Ave., Upper Darby, Pa. The writer, Mei Yuen-hung (1948), now Mrs. Ting-hung Ling and describing herself as "the busy and frantic mother of two small children, girl 2½ and boy 1", also gave her own new address: 117 West 7th Street, Marion, Ind.

Similarly, a former member of the New York Chapter, who had been "lost" for more than two years, was "found" not long ago when Anchen Wang Ling (1946) wrote to say that Vera Kwan (Gwah Tsung-kuan 1952) wonders why she has not been on the Ginling mailing list for about three years although she was once the New York Chapter secretary! We were happy to know that Vera got married last May and gave birth to a girl on February 11. Vera's new name and address: Mrs. Sherman Lee, 1905 Parker Street, Berkeley 4, California.

Sometimes it takes a little guesswork to identify a person. Chao Yung-en (1941) wrote on her Christmas card that she met briefly a Mrs. Siu at a Chinese students' party in Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas, who said she was a Ginling Sociology department graduate. Since we have only one Mrs. Siu in the directory and she was a sociology major, all signs pointed to Ong Hwei-lan (1937). We took a chance and sent the last newsletter to Mrs. Siu at Kansas State College, although officially she had a Boston address. A few days ago, our Boston Chapter reported that the Siu's are connected with Kansas Wesleyan University. We are in need of an officer-in-charge-of-directory who does nothing else but track down "lost" members.

Sometimes we have to write to far away places to find up-to-date information. Dr. Ruth Chester in Pakistan and friends in Hongkong and Formosa have in the past helped us locate Ginling members in this country! Recently Mrs. Frederica M. Hiltner, reporting on her trip from Omi-Hachiman, Japan, wrote about the three other members in Seattle Washington, where she had lived until August 1957. All three addresses were new to us. Our mailing office had been faithfully sending newsletters to the old addresses. We need your help.

Many people have complained about our misspelling and other minor inaccuracies in their addresses. In most cases, this has been the result of piecing together information from various indirect sources. We do not like it any more than you do, but that's the best we can do when direct information is not available.

V MESSAGES FROM AFAR

Dr. Ruth M. Chester from Lahore, Pakistan

"My mind is still quite full of the very interesting trip I had this summer. Since it was my last chance to see India I got my courage up at last and tried to see as much as I could. I was gone ten weeks and a day. India is a big country and we went clear to the Cape so we saw something of its different sections, which are very different from each other...."

"In about six months I shall complete my teaching and prepare to start home. I plan to leave here sometime in April, go by steamer to Hongkong and visit friends there, then on to Taiwan to see more old friends, and then finally home across the Pacific. Dates are not yet settled in detail but I expect to reach home not later than the first of August and possibly earlier. My sister's address will always reach me: % Mrs. W. B. Stimson, 55 West Afton Avenue, Yardley, Pa. I shall be there at least for a time, but later plans are not settled. I shall be retiring, but hope to find something useful and interesting to do...."

Dr. and Mrs. Lewis Smythe from Silliman University, the Philippines

"We are out here in the Philippines for a year's sojourn during Lewis' sabbatical leave from the College of the Bible. The United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia asked Lewis to come out to Silliman University to help integrate its program of rural community development and student and faculty interest in the betterment of rural life. It seemed a tremendous assignment for the short time available, but with the very fine cooperation of local personnel, they are moving along more rapidly than he at first dared hope, and work has already been started in five areas.....I am helping with the student health service at Silliman University Mission Hospital, and finding many of the problems the same as with the young people at Berea College...."

"We plan to return home via Europe next summer, stopping briefly at Allahabad, India to visit the Allahabad Agricultural Institute, and at Geneva, Switzerland to see the set up of the World Council of Churches....."

Mrs. Frederica Mead Hiltner from Omi-Hachiman, Japan

"Some of you have known of my going in August, via a freighter, to the Omi Brotherhood in Omi-Hachiman, Japan for a year of service. You may not know, however, that my interest in this "experiment in interdenominational, interracial Christianity" dates back to 1914 when Mother and Margaret and I visited here en route to China. So last winter, as my second term of office as president of the Christian Friends for Racial Equality was about to come to a close, I obeyed that impulse and wrote asking if I could be of use, and here I am!...."

"I wish I could tell you in a few words the story of this Christian experiment that has grown from one man teaching in a government school in this conservative inland province of Shiga and sharing his faith with his students at his lodging, to the largely self-supporting mission that is today. About 400 workers are members of the Brotherhood, receiving a living wage and putting profit into extending the work of the Kingdom. They have opened eleven churches and YMCAs in rural centers. They have a wonderful architectural bureau here in Omi with branch offices in Karuizawa, Osaka, Fukuoka and Tokyo. This Bureau has built in the last 52 years over four thousand buildings, including churches, YMs and YWCAs, office buildings, homes, schools and colleges. One of these colleges is the International Christian University. The Mentholatum and Airwick factory which employs 170 people is another big source of self-support.....A TB Sanatorium has pioneered in treating that disease that has taken such a terrible toll in Japan...."

"Because of Merrell's (founder of the Brotherhood) illness and my trip to Karuizawa and Tokyo, my work so far has not been very productive. I have been reading up on the history of the Brotherhood, enjoying a group of Mrs. Hana Taguchi's (landlady) friends in an English Conversation class Tuesday mornings, coaching many youngsters who are eager for a chance to improve their English, and getting acquainted with the lovely people of the Brotherhood...."

Miss Eva D. Spicer from Eastern Nigeria, Africa

We heard indirectly that Miss Eva D. Spicer, who is now principal of the Women's Training College, Old Umuahia, Eastern Nigeria, Africa, is retiring after this semester. She is planning to make a trip to the States to visit friends either this coming summer or early next fall.

VI REPORTS FROM DIFFERENT CHAPTERS

A. NEW YORK CHAPTER

A Spring Festival gathering of the New York Chapter was held Sunday, February 23, at 1 p.m. at the China House in midtown Manhattan. More than 60 person - 22 members and their families - attended, and it was a big success. We were very happy that Mrs. Porter McKeever, Chairman of Smith Alumnae Committee for Ginling, could be with us.

The special features of the day included a temporary nursery with baby sitters; door prizes, and free dinner for children under six and anybody over 70. Many parents did avail themselves of this opportunity and brought their young offspring. But only one person was qualified for free dinner at the other end of the yardstick. He certainly fooled us all, for he is a youthful-looking man and we thought he had to pay for quite a number of years to come.

Lunch was served, under the able supervision of Grace Chu, by hostesses - Mrs. H. R. Wei (Liu Ying-bao 1925); Mrs. Florence Hsieh (Li Ru-tsang); Pan Ren-tsiu (1940), sie Wen-mei (1931). There were Nanking duck, curried chicken, turkey (contributed by Yu Tsai-fan), vegetables and salads.

After a short business meeting, a well-planned program began. Part one featured the talent show of our second generation. Chopo Ma, 11, son of the T.S. Ma (Dju Gieh-fang 1934), recited two poems that he wrote especially for the occasion (poems attached at the end of N. Y. news). Paul Chang, 11, son of the C. William Changs (Bau Sieu-tsung 1940) played two pieces on the piano. Terry Chen, 6 year-old daughter of Hsien-tsai Yu Chen (1946) danced a hula, and the four Wang sisters, daughters of the Theodore Wangs (Tang Ih-yu 1934), sang a Rose song in Chinese.

After showing of slides of Peking and other resort places, two short movies, the Tin Soldier and the Ugly Duckling, were shown to the delight of both young and old. Door prizes were distributed at the end of the meeting.

Miss Mary E. Ferguson, who had left New York for the Far East the day after we had our Founders' Day reunion, came back in time to take part in this meeting. She gave a short talk about the Ginling girls she met at Taipei and gave a very encouraging picture of the Ginling Middle School and its work.

CHOPU MA'S POEMS

Current Events

Sputniks galore, the headlines are screaming,
The household goods are clean and gleaming,
The Economy's bad, there's quite a recession,
Poor Ike is getting and giving concession,
The Democrats' crying with quite some bliss,
There's a depression around, there shouldn't be this!

I'll end the story right here and quick,
Because it's loaded with politics thick.

Spring

I wish it were April now,
The birds would sing,
And daylight would bring
No inkling of a row.
The flowers decked with red and bloom,
Would make a stately sight.
There wouldn't be a thread of gloom,
Or any thought of night.

B. BOSTON CHAPTER

"We had an especially lively and enjoyable meeting in January at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Yuan in Quincy. Fifteen people were present, among them Hu Shiu-ying (1933), whom we were happy to welcome back from her round-the-world tour to attend the Ninth Pacific Science Congress meetings in Bangkok. (She will tell us more about her trip and show pictures at the meeting in March, so I'll report on that later). After a wonderful lunch, to which everyone brought something delicious, Prof. Whittington showed color slides taken on the Whittingtons' seven months (sabbatical) trip last year to England, Wales and the Continent.

"Our new chairman for this year is Mrs. M. H. Loh (Dzo Gin-ru 1932) Mrs. Paul Siu (Ong Hwei-lan 1935) has moved to Kansas, where Mr. Siu is teaching at Kansas Wesleyan University. Her address is 131 W. Kirwin St., Salina, Kansas."

--Submitted by Dorothy Whittington
(Secretary)

C. NEW HAVEN CHAPTER

"The New Haven Chapter is going to hold a picnic party at Mrs. Benjamin Nangle's place at Woodbridge May 24th, and hopes that those who can come, come and join us in our fun.

"We are very happy that the Mortensons, (Mr. and Mrs. Ralph, nee Esther Tappert) are back in this country and have settled down here in Conn. Mr. Mortenson was in Asia where he worked with the American Bible Society Service for Overseas Chinese, travelling all over Southeast Asia. He is now back in this country, with the Ways and Means Department of the American Bible Society, working out from New York, but doing a great deal of travel in this country, too. Mrs. Mortenson devotes much of her time to gardening and says she is enjoying her new-found pleasure in gardening a great deal. She welcomes us all at her home anytime. Their address is 1881 Cheshire Street, Southington, Conn. RFD #1.

"Congratulations to Wei Djen-dzi (Mrs. Ping-teh Sie 1939) on her promotion to associate professorship at the Hartford Seminary Foundation. She is becoming an authority in religious education with younger children. May, Djen-dzi's adopted daughter since last June, is doing wonderfully well under the loving care of her wonderful mother and kind and patient father."

--Submitted by Tong-geng Wen Lin (1940)
(Chairman)

E. CHICAGO CHAPTER

"Ying Dao-ying (Mrs. Fu-ju Liu 1948) had a baby girl born Jan. 19, '58. Her little son, David, is most happy with his baby sister, Diana.

"Professor C. Y. Tsao, who taught chemistry at Ginling and is now here as an exchange professor from Formosa, was entertained by our group here at Thanksgiving time. She is at Purdue University, LaFayette, Ind., 710 State St.

"Lu Ming-djang (Mrs. C. K. Liao 1940) and family are happy in their new home they have built for themselves at 128 Chestnut, Park Forest, Ill. This is a new suburb of Chicago that is very much on the map, bringing visitors from foreign lands, as well as other states to learn how to build homes and to organize community living. Ming-djang is always on hand for our gatherings here in Chicago."

--Submitted by Miss Harriet M. Whitmer

VII PERSONAL NEWS

*Anchen Wang Lin (1946), who moved to Chelmsford, Mass. more than a year ago, has resumed her work in her own field, being now a part-time social worker at the Child Guidance Clinic in Chelmsford. Anchen is the proud mother of two fast-growing boys.

*Yen-wen Mao Hsiung (Helen 1925) who had made her home in Seattle, Washington for many years, suffered a severe case of retina detachment (lost eyesight) while visiting relatives in Indiana last fall. An operation at the Presbyterian Hospital in New York about four months ago proved to be a failure. On the advice of the Boston Retina Association, she was operated on again last February 17th. It will take at least three months before the results can be determined. She is now recuperating at Massachusetts General Hospital's Storrow House, in Lincoln, Mass. Sisters of the Boston chapter have been helping her in one way or another during her present ordeal. She can be reached in care of Mrs. Daisy Wu (Yen Tsai-yuen 1921), 28 Adams St. Brookline, Mass.

*Big Sisters' Reunion Old friends who like to get together and reminisce about the good old days should do what our six big sisters did during the New Year's holiday. Miss Loh Zung-nyi (1924) started it by inviting five of her schoolmates to spend the vacation with her at her Dayton, Ohio home. Present at the happy reunion were:

Tsu Th-djen (Mrs. Way-sung New)	1919 from Oxford, Ohio
Liu Yung-sze (Frances)	1925 from Detroit, Mich.
Sie Wen-chiu (Mrs. Grace Chu)	1924 from New York City
Dju Mei-yu	1930 from Columbus, Ohio
Ma Yueh-ching (Dorothy)	1930 from Louisville, Ky.

They enjoyed it so much that they hope to repeat it next year in Ma Yueh-ching's new ranch house in Louisville, Ky.

*New Arrival - Dr. Siao-sung Chang (Mrs. L. F. Chao 1926), dean and professor of Psychology Department for many, many years, is now in the States on a visit which will last several months. She arrived in the early part of January and has been visiting friends and relatives in Los Angeles and Berkeley, Calif; Lawrence, Kansas; St. Louis, Mo.; and Jacksonville and Chicago, Ill. She arrived at her destination, Ann Arbor, Ill., on Feb. 3rd. She will do some work in psychology at the University of Michigan, and expects to return to Taiwan in July. Dr. Chang has promised to attend our annual reunion of 1958. Her address until the end of April is: 517 East Ann Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

*Outstanding Achievement - We are most privileged to receive a copy of a special message written by Tsai-yuen Yen Wu (Daisy, Mrs. Hsien Wu 1921) to her children upon the completion of formal education of all the five Wu children - one doctor of medicine, two doctors of Philosophy, and two masters of science. It is an outstanding document from which all of us can take courage and inspiration. We wish to pay our highest tribute to Mrs. Wu by quoting the following paragraphs:

"Throughout the 27 years of your multiple schooling, I was with you in spirit during every one of your more important examinations and it was a real comfort when on December 4 Ying Victor telephoned to say that he had successfully passed the oral examination on his thesis. (Editor's note: he was appointed a post-doctoral fellow in chemistry at M.I.V.) I am grateful to acknowledge that all of you have done well in your examinations throughout the entire period of schooling. From now on, you are not only on your own but are gradually assuming responsibilities as leaders in your professions and heads of your young households. You will exercise judgment and use your talents to the best advantage. There will be no formal examinations as such but everything you do, be it or small, will be an examination in itself. The grades you make will not be recorded on a card in the letters of the alphabet nor in percentage, but your ultimate success will be measured in terms of your ability to secure and hold important jobs, your progress and accomplishment in research, your capture of awards and prizes (always keep the prospect of the Nobel Prize in sight). I shall continue to be with you one and all, in spirit, in all your endeavors, probably more than ever before. I fervently hope and pray that every one of you will always strive for the very best in life and achieve your noblest aspirations.

"God has been gracious to our family in bestowing upon us all manifold blessings. I am confident He will continue to guide and protect us. He will not fail us if we only try to do our part and do not fail Him. Let us entrust ourselves to His loving care."

* Mrs. Way-sung New (Tsu Ih-Djen 1919) planned to attend the National Deans of Women's Convention at St. Louis March 26-30. From the convention, she expected to go to Kansas City to visit her son and daughter-in-law.

*Dan Gung-gieh (1944) is now working as secretary for one of the professors in the School of Fisheries at the University of Washington. Her address is: 4508 16th N.E., Seattle 5, Washington.

*Li Chi (1931) who has been connected with the "Current Chinese research Project" in East Asian Studies, Institute of International Studies, University of California, Berkeley, Calif. was in New York in early April, as a delegate to the tenth annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, April 1-3, in the Sheraton-McAlpin Hotel. She presented a paper entitled "Tai-yü and Yin-yü in Chinese Poetry". Under the general heading of "Studies in Chinese Communist Terminology" Li Chi had two monographs published in July 1956. They are: Preliminary Study of Selected Terms and General Trends of Chinese Linguistic Changes Under Communist Rule. Mrs. Searle Bates and members of the New York Chapter had a tea for Li Chi during her short visit here.

*Evelyn Walmsley will be returning this spring from a year in Greece where she has been teaching at Pierce College, near Athens.

*Mary Katherine Russell is at home and under the doctor's care at 1030 Edwardsburg Avenue, Elkhart, Ind. She would be happy to hear from her Ginling friends.

*Ella Hanawalt writes that she is retiring from Milwaukee Downer in 1959.

*Mary Lamberton and her sister Ann have returned from Puerto Rico after two years stay there. Their address: 817 Columbia Ave., Lancaster, Pa.

*Trip to the Far East - Miss Alice L. Butler (1920-25), a member of the Western College Far East Seminar, who spent part of the summer of 1957 on an air trip to the Far East, visiting and studying Japan, Okinawa, Taiwan, Hongkong, Thailand, Singapore and the Philippines, wrote the following interesting report on Ginling people she met during the trip. ".....I expected to see Ginlingers in Taipei and Hongkong only but it seemed that at nearly every stop there were Ginling or Nanking connections. Even in Cambodia where several of us had gone to see Angkor Wat, we met Mr. and Mrs. Olin Stockwell and a Mr. Weber, formerly with the U.S. Air Force; and both Mrs. Stockwell and Mrs. Weber had taught at Ginling in Chengtu.

"We reached Taipei early in the morning but not too early for Chang Siao-sung (Mrs. L. F. Chao 1926), Chang Mei-deh (Mrs. K.T. Kuo 1925), Pearl Chen (Mrs. C. Y. Lin 1924) and Yang Ging-djung (Mrs. S.K. Hu 1941). They were my hostesses for the day. Mary Djuh-djung Chen (1923) lived too far from the city to be at the airport that day but she joined us later. We visited the Ginling High School and met the principal who seemed to be a very fine person doing an excellent job. I am told that the school is recognized by the people of the city as excellent. After a delightful lunch at Mrs. Kuo's home, we joined the seminar group at the very interesting museum where many art and archeological treasures from the mainland are on exhibit. A model of the city of Nanking interested my group as we pointed out the beauty spots and

land marks we remembered.

"From the museum we went to a Ginling Alumnae tea where girls from the classes of 1923 to 1951 came together to talk about the many things they are doing in Taiwan, for they are active in educational and civic affairs. That evening the seminar group was entertained at dinner by the Ministry of Education and Dr. Chang Siao-sung was one of the educators invited to meet the American visitors.

"In Hongkong Mrs. D. Y. Lin arranged for Ginling Alumnae to have a table at a dinner given by the International House Association for the Western College group. There I met eleven Ginlingers. Ivy Ho was the only one of my particular period at Ginling, but there were members of classes between 1922 and 1950. The students of the Western party were asked to sing and did and then the Ginling group were called on and I think you'd have enjoyed hearing us do 'We Are from Ginling'.

"The Seminar drove one day out to Chung Chi College where Dr. and Mrs. D. Y. Lin explained the plans for the college and showed us the buildings. An excellent lunch was served also. In Taiwan we had visited Tung Hai College where again we had lunch and Miss Elsie Priest showed us the buildings.

"Other former Nanking residents whom I met were Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Roy in Hongkong and Dr. and Mrs. Lewis S. C. Smythe at Silliman University in the Philippines."

Ginlingers will be saddened to learn of the death of Miss Florence G. Tyler on Jan. 25, 1958. Though never on the staff, Miss Tyler's work in this country as Ginling Committee and Board member covered a twenty-year period. Some years ago, Miss Tyler gave the major portion of her library to Ginling; throughout the years she was Ginling's ardent champion and supporter.

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SEVENTH ANNUAL REUNION

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MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR MRS. THURSTON

The Seventh Annual Reunion of the Ginling Association in America was held on Sunday, May 25, 1958 in Washington, D.C. The business meeting (10:45 - 12:30) and annual luncheon (1-2:30) took place at the Peking Restaurant, 711 13th Street, N.W. The memorial service for the late Mrs. Thurston was held at the Chinese Community Church, 1007 L Street, N.W. An informal discussion with tea and refreshments served us by our gracious hostess, the Washington chapter, wound up the day's program.

Present at this annual meeting were nine members from out of town. They were: Dr. Siao-sung Chang (Mrs. L. F. Chao 1926) from Taiwan; Blanche Ching-yi Wu (1923) from Blacksburg, Virginia; Dr. Hu Siu-ying (Mrs. Hsu 1933) from Boston, Massachusetts; Mrs. Nicholas Raspa (Alice E. Morris) from Villanova, Pennsylvania; Mrs. Emily Case Mills from Orange, Connecticut; Wen Tong-geng (Mrs. Lucy Lin 1940); and Sie Wen-chiu (Mrs. Grace Chu 1924), Yin Kong-ming (Mrs. T. C. Kaung 1941), and Pan Ren-tsiu (Loretta 1940) from New York. Members of the Washington chapter who attended the annual meeting include: Tang Han-chih (Mrs. C.P. Li 1922), Lu Shuh-yin (Mrs. T. T. Mar 1928), Lan Chien-wei (Mrs. S. C. Chang 1930), Li Hwei-yuen (Mrs. Julia Lu 1932), Hwang Chun-chu (Mrs. Eugenie Jen 1933), Dju Mei-hsien (Mrs. May Huang 1937), Shen Wei-yu (Mrs. Suzanne Kao 1937), Lin Wan-yu (Mrs. Vera Chao 1940), Lu Hsiao-chin (Mrs. K. P. Chang 1950), Beh Jin-ann (Janet, Practice School), and Soong Sai-pao (Mrs. Sally S. Wen, Practice School). In addition, we were honored by the presence of the following "sons-in-law" of Ginling, relatives, and friends at the annual luncheon: Mr. T. T. Mar, Mr. Y. Y. Huang, Mr. Tsung-wu Kao, Mr. Sing-chen Chang, Mr. Kwang-pao Chang, Mrs. Lotta Chi, lovely daughter of Tang Han-chih, Mr. Nicholas Raspa, Miss Winnie Chu, Dr. and Mrs. Clarence B. Day, General and Mrs. T. F. Bogart, Miss Vera Barger, Mrs. Paul Meyer (Harriet Cogswell), and Mrs. J. Frederick Larson (Elizabeth Frost).

It was cloudy on the morning of May 25th, but cool and pleasant. Shortly before ten o'clock three early birds (Dju Mei-hsien, Yin Kong-ming, and Pan Ren-tsiu) broke the heavy slumber of Peking Restaurant on Thirteenth Street. As the employees of the restaurant began arranging the spacious dining room for us, Ginling sisters teemed in, all in high spirit and bubbling with anticipation. Greetings were exchanged. Many were chatting exuberantly with someone directly in front of them but nodding spasmodically at people here and there a few yards away. There were many people to see and talk to. Indeed, we could talk all day long if we had the opportunity!

Amidst the hustle and bustle, we were suddenly struck by the absence of two elder sisters who, since the inception of GAA, have been a source of inspiration and a personification of Ginling spirit to us. Their contribution to GAA as an organization and to its various activities throughout the years has been such that their occasional absence from an annual meeting is conspicuous to their younger sisters and admirers.

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They are Mrs. Way-sung New (Tsu Ih-djen 1919) and Mrs. Hsioh-ren Wei (Liu Ying-bao 1925). We learned later that both had good reasons for their absence. Mrs. New was tied down by her duties at Western College in Ohio (she had made a trip to the East to attend memorial services for Mrs. Thurston held on Sunday, April 27, 1958 at the Wellesley Hills Congregational Church in Massachusetts). Mrs. Wei and her family were coming to Washington, D.C. but were delayed in Greenville, Georgia. It was thoughtful of Mrs. Wei to send us a telegram to inform us of her delay and to extend us her greetings.

We were fortunate that the presence of Dr. Siao-sung Chang from Taiwan at our annual reunion compensated for the absence of Mrs. New and Mrs. Wei. Some of us who had not seen Dr. Chang since Chengtu days were surprised to notice that she did not look one day older than she had in West China in the 1940's. Later in the meeting and in numerous contacts afterwards we were further impressed by her exuberance, her capacity for endless activities, her drive and productivity, and, most of all, her devotion to the cause --- indeed, our common cause: our Ginling Middle School in Taiwan! (Two reports submitted by Dr. Chang follow in this issue.) Those who enjoyed Dr. Chang's company during her visit in this country feel much indebted to her for the encouragement, inspiration, and the revitalization of Ginling spirit which she brought us.

At about ten forty-five our national President, Mrs. Shuh-yin Lu Mar, called the business meeting to order and got us back to a serious mood. Beh Jin-ann, Secretary of the Washington chapter who registered us at the entrance, gave a short speech on behalf of the Washington chapter to welcome us to the meeting. We were lucky to have Mrs. Emily Case Mills serve as recording secretary pro tem. Many things were discussed and voted on and we covered a lot of ground in two hours. It certainly took the organizational and executive skills of Shuh-yin as chairman to conduct the meeting so smoothly and the competence of Mrs. Mills to produce the minutes in such fine form (see later section of this issue). The success of the business meeting was due partly to the national executive committee meeting held the night before at Mrs. Mar's residence. It was in this committee meeting that many ideas were suggested and topics discussed in detail and organized in written form by Mrs. Mei-hsien Dju Huang, national Corresponding Secretary, to be presented to the annual business meeting the next day. Present at this executive committee meeting were Mrs. Grace Chu, New York chapter chairman; Dr. Hu Siu-ying, Boston chapter chairman; Mrs. Lucy Lin, New Haven chapter chairman; and Dr. Chang Siao-sung, representative of Ginling alumnae in Taiwan. Mrs. Mar presided over the meeting.

The business meeting successfully concluded, we had a short recess. Guests were received at this point. At about one o'clock our annual luncheon began. There were altogether 37 people, including seven distinguished guests at the speakers' table. After Mrs. Huang had read greetings from Los Angeles chapter, Boston chapter, Formosa Ginling alumnae, Miss Helen Calder (sister of the late Mrs. Thurston), Mrs. Homer Lin, and Mrs. H. R. Wei, the President gave the following introduction to the guest speakers before each one rose to speak:

"Miss Vera Barger is an old friend of Ginling. She was the principal of National Physical Education in 1920-1927. This school later became affiliated with Ginling as a major in our physical education.

"General and Mrs. Bogart are new friends to us but old acquaintances to the Ginling alumnae in Taipei. Their untiring efforts had contributed a great deal toward the materialization of the dream of establishing Ginling Middle School. As our alumnae in Taipei wrote, 'Mrs. Bogart is a great friend of ours. We are sure you will love to meet her.'

"Dr. and Mrs. Clarence Day are old friends of the Chinese. As early as 1915 when Ginling was just opened, Dr. Day was right in the city of Nanking, studying Mandarin. Later he went to Ningpo to work for three years before taking up the position as head of the English department of Hangchow University. There he worked 33 years and did not leave China until 1951.

"To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Meyer we extend our hearty welcome today to join our Ginling Association in this country. Mrs. Meyer, well-known to us Ginlingers as Miss Cogswell, was on Ginling faculty in 1926 and later in 1929-1931. Like Mrs. Bogart, Mrs. Meyer is another great friend of ours who helped so much with the work of Ginling Middle School. She was not only a member of the Board but taught English at the school. We are glad that Mr. and Mrs. Meyer are going to settle down in Washington, D. C. for a while. We surely hope to see them often.

"Mrs. J. Frederick Larson is a niece of the late Mr. Lawrence Thurston. She came all the way from North Carolina to attend our memorial service for Mrs. Thurston as a family representative."

Mention should be made of Mrs. Meyer's inspiring speech on Ginling Middle School. She appropriately called Ginling Middle School a "God school", which was launched in faith and was an outgrowth of faith. Starting with 53 girls a year and a half ago, it had grown to an enrollment of 300 today, with an estimated enrollment of 500 this coming fall, she continued. The miraculous growth of Ginling Middle School was an answer to prayers. The school had no support whatsoever: no church, no mission, no Ford foundation. And yet it grew. It belongs to God. Mrs. Meyer then pointed out the critical need of schools in Taiwan as five per cent of the population is under 16 years of age. In conclusion, Mrs. Meyer said, "Whatever is done for Taiwan is done for China."

Following the good food and good speeches, we sang cheerfully three familiar Ginling songs. Then we feasted our eyes on the color slides of Ginling Middle School shown us by Mr. T. T. Mar, a top notch amateur photographer who took the pictures himself on his trip to Taiwan. Dr. S. S. Chang's explanation of these slides helped to bring the school closer to us than ever before. We were tickled to see Yang Chin-chung (Mrs. S. K. Hu 1941) so prosperous in some of the pictures. Incidentally, she is the new president of our Ginling Association in Taiwan.

Luncheon over, we left the Peking Restaurant to go to the Chinese Community Church for the memorial service for Mrs. Thurston. It is to be recalled that three years ago in May, we gathered together in the nation's capital for an entirely different occasion: we celebrated the 40th anniversary of our alma mater and the 80th birthday anniversary of our beloved Mrs. Thurston. It was Mrs. Thurston who led us in a prayer which concluded the devotional service on that memorable day at the very same church. The mere recollection saddened us on the way to the church.

Dr. C. C. Hung received us very cordially at his church. The new building looked very impressive to us. The memorial service was attended by 27 people with Mrs. Grace Chu presiding. The service began with scripture reading by Mrs. Chu (John 15: 12-17). Dr. Clarence Day then delivered an inspiring sermon which can be summarized as follows:

With the world getting smaller and the population getting larger, we are going to live closer together. Yet, we do not understand our nearest neighbors and are woefully ignorant of what is going on inside of them. And ignorance breeds indifference, which is an unsanitary state of mind. The fruits of ignorance are ridicule, scorn, and secret fear. Fortunately, there is another side of the picture. Jesus of Nazareth in Galilee so lived and taught and died and rose again that men and women of all ages and races have learned that 1) Knowledge can supplant ignorance and breed RESPECT; 2) Familiarity does not need to breed contempt, but respect can bring UNDERSTANDING; and 3) Understanding drives out all fear, and love brings SYMPATHY. These three: respect, understanding, sympathy are the foundation stones of a new world order where we must live close together and work together and worship together in true Christian cooperation. "These were Matilda Thurston's Christian ideals. She followed Christ."

Following the sermon, tributes were paid to Matilda Calder Thurston first by Mrs. Larson, family representative; then by Miss Vera Barger, friend of Ginling (whose tribute appears in later section); and Mrs. Emily Case Mills, Ginling College American faculty representative, who pointed out the fact that the first women in China to receive the B.A. degree graduated in Mrs. Thurston's time, that she was widely read, and that she displayed great courage, determination, vision, and positive thinking. Mr. L. S. Liu, Ginling College Chinese faculty representative, paid his tribute in a superb Chinese elegy (see separate section). Then we heard Mrs. Way-sung New's tribute on the recording machine in her impeccable English which we admire so much (her tribute was printed and distributed by the United Board before this newsletter). We did not see her this time, but we heard her. Then Dr. S. S. Chang paid her tribute as Taiwan Ginling Association representative followed by Mrs. Shuh-yin Lu Mar as GAA representative (both tributes appear in later section). The memorial service ended with a benediction. We left the chapel feeling more sure than ever that Mrs. Thurston still lived among us and that we must practise her ideals in our daily life.

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Finally, we came to the last item on the day's program. The Washington chapter invited us to a tea at the recreation room in the basement of the Chinese Community Church. We coaxed Dr. Chang into telling us more about Ginling Middle School in Taiwan, which interested us no end by then. Strengthened by tea and refreshments we listened to her, bombarded her with questions, and exchanged ideas until, much to our regret, we realized that we must call it a day. As Ginlingers dispersed in a shower at the church entrance, each felt much rewarded for the time, energy, and expense of attending the annual meeting. The reluctance in parting immediately turned to hopes for the next reunion in which we could pick up where we left off in 1958.

Loretta Fan (Ren-tsiu 1940)
News Editor
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New York 25, N. Y.

(Photograph of the Seventh Annual Reunion is at the end of the issue.)

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

I. Financial Report June 1957 - May 1958

Balance brought forward from 1956-1957 \$ 120.85
(Treasurer: Mrs. Nancy Kuo)

Income:

Membership dues:
1957-1958 (79) 158.00
1958-1959 (16) 32.00

Special contributions:
1957 - Miss Sutherland 8.00
Mrs. Siao Chin 2.00
1958 - Mrs. May Smith 1000.00
Mrs. W. S. New 13.00

Bank Interest: 10.45

Total Income: \$1344.30

Expenditures:

1958 Annual Meeting and incidentals 78.87

1957 - 1958 Newsletters 83.92

Total expenditure: \$ 162.79

Balance - May 1958. \$1181.51

Contributions to Ginling Middle School

Received from Mrs. Nancy Kuo, Treasurer \$ 360.41
(1956-1957)

" " Mrs. T. S. Ma and Mrs. 315.00
Eleanor McCurdy, New York
chapter

" " Los Angeles chapter 100.00

" " Mrs. Gloria Nyi of Los Angeles 132.90
chapter

Total: \$ 908.31

Disposal of above amount (\$908.31):

Forwarded to responsible party through \$ 675.41
Miss Mary E. Ferguson of United Board

To be turned over to Ginling Middle School 232.90
Fund Committee in Washington, D.C.

II. Minutes of the Seventh Annual Meeting

The business meeting was held in Washington, D. C. on May 25, 1958 at the Peking Restaurant at 711 13th Street, N.W., and was called to order by the President, Mrs. Timothy Mar, at 10:45 a.m. Mrs. Samuel Mills was asked to serve as temporary Recording Secretary. Nineteen members were present at the start, and a number of others came in during the session.

Dr. Chang Siao-sung led the group in prayer.

In the absence of the Chairman of the Washington Chapter, Mrs. Marie H. Shah, greetings were extended on her behalf by the Secretary of the Chapter, Miss Janet Beh. She welcomed all those present, with special thanks to members who had come from out-of-town.

Minutes of the last meeting

As the minutes of the 1957 Annual Meeting (G.A.A.'s 6th) had been published in the News Bulletin (See GAA Newsletter #13, page 11) their reading was omitted.

Treasurer's Report

Dr. Yu Ts'ai-fan, Treasurer, was unable to be present, but her report was presented by Mrs. Grace Chu. Balance now on hand in the treasury is \$181.51. In addition, the Association has received a gift of \$1000 from Mrs. May Smith, an alumna who recently visited in the U.S. Miss Loretta Pan reported the circumstances surrounding this very generous and unexpected gift, which is to be used for the publishing of a new Directory and for the Ginling Welfare Fund.

Newsletter

The Editor, Mrs. Wellington Lee, was unable to be present and Miss Loretta Pan, who has been elected as her successor, will present her recommendations later.

Smith - Ginling Liaison

The President stated that a letter from Mrs. Porter McKeever, Chairman of the Smith Alumnae Committee for Ginling, to Mrs. T. S. Ma, the Ginling Chairman of Smith-Ginling Liaison, in February reported that the Smith Alumnae Association had voted to discontinue this committee. Mrs. Ma suggests continued local relations on an informal basis, although the official committee has been abolished.

Reeves Welfare Fund

Mrs. Grace Chu gave the report for this committee, which consists of herself, Mrs. H. R. Wei, and Mrs. T. S. Ma. Of the \$1000 received from the Reeves Estate for the Welfare Fund, a sum of approximately \$400 was disbursed this year for assistance to one of the alumnae who had incurred heavy medical expense. Dr. Hu Siu-ying and Mrs. Lucy Lin have now been added to the Welfare Fund Committee.

Election of Officers

Under the Rotating System for the Executive adopted at the last Annual Meeting, the Boston Chapter has been asked to provide the offices of President and Corresponding Secretary for the two-year term from 1958 to 1960. Mrs. Wu Hsien (Daisy Yen 1921) is the nominee for President, and Mrs. K. C. Chao (Sie Hsien-gieh 1944) for Corresponding Secretary.

*Voted: To accept these nominations unanimously.

Since the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Eleanor McCurdy, elected last year for one-year term has now moved to the South, this position has also become vacant at this time.

* Voted: To ask Mrs. Ralph Mortensen (Esther Tappert), now living in Connecticut, to assume the position of Recording Secretary.

Recommendations of the Executive Committee

The Committee met for several hours the day before this meeting and discussed in detail the matters covered under the eight resolutions offered below. Mrs. May Huang on behalf of the Executive Committee presented the following recommendations:

1. Reeves Scholarship Fund

That the \$1000 now in this fund be invested and the interest of \$40 or so per year be used for two tuition scholarships at the Ginling Middle School in Taiwan.

Dr. Chang Siao-sung, a member of the Taiwan School Board, told of the prizes won by Ginling students after only one half year's work at the school and of the need for scholarship funds so that the best students may be enrolled regardless of financial status.

*Voted: To use the interest of the Reeves Scholarship Fund as tutition.

2. Remainder of the Reeves Estate

That the remaining \$27,000 in the Reeves Estate now be requested by the Association from the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Methodist Board.

Of the original \$34,000 in the Estate, GAA has received to date \$5,000 for the Taiwan Middle School, \$1,000 for the Welfare Fund, and \$1,000 for scholarship aid, for a total of \$7,000.

No formal action was taken by the group with reference to requesting the balance of the funds in the Estate, but it was agreed to leave to the Executive Committee and the Reeves Welfare Fund Committee to sound out the Methodist Board on this matter and to discuss with them proposals for the allocation of the funds as dealt with under Recommendation no. 3 below.

3. Allocation of the \$27,000

That \$5,000 be set aside for the Scholarship Fund, the interest to be used for 10 annual scholarships at the Ginling Middle School; and that the remaining \$22,000 be incorporated in the Reeves Welfare Fund, the interest of \$500 or so annually to be spent as needed for the benefit of alumnae, former faculty, or ex-students of Ginling College in whatever part of the world where they might be.

There was extended discussion of this proposal, with some of those present urging that a larger proportion of the money be devoted to educational purposes as referred to in Dr. Reeves' will, and others who knew Dr. Reeves well stating their convictions that her intention was to devote it to the welfare of Ginling women. Dr. Chang Siao-sung made a special appeal for the needs of the school in Taiwan.

Without formal action it was agreed to refer the question of allocation back to the Committee for further study and exploration, and to leave to the Executive Committee the authority to act on the matter.

4. The May Smith Gift of \$1,000

That one half of the gift be used for issuing the new Ginling Directory, the other half to go into the Treasury; and that Miss Loretta Pan and Mrs. Wellington Lee be asked to work together in the compiling of the Directory.

* Voted: That the money be used first for compilation and publication of Directories and other such special uses by the Association as may be determined by the Executive Committee.

* Voted: That Miss Pan and Mrs. Lee work together on the Directory and that the Ginling alumnae groups in Hong Kong and Taiwan be included.

Miss Pan then made a plea that local chapter chairman keep her informed on news of members, and it was agreed that she, the Editor of the Newsletter, should write each chapter chairman directly for such information.

5. The Thurston Memorial Fund

That the Association aim to raise a fund of \$5,000 in memory of Mrs. Thurston, and that the money be invested, the annual interest to be used towards the salary of the Principal of the Ginling Middle School in Taiwan.

It was reported that suggestions in this connection had been solicited from the Boston Chapter, from Miss Helen Calder (Mrs. Thurston's sister), and from Mrs. Way-sung New. Miss Calder indicated that she liked the idea of devoting the fund to the Ginling Middle School, and that she is holding a \$50 contribution which has already been made. Mrs. New suggested that the money be used as an administrative endowment fund for the school.

* Voted: That the Thurston Memorial Fund be used for the benefit of the Ginling Middle School.

* Voted: That the Boston Chapter be asked to assume the responsibility for organizing the raising of the fund, and also for administering the fund.

* Voted: That the goal for the Fund be \$5,000.

It was agreed that non-Ginling friends of Mrs. Thurston as well as alumnae, faculty and ex-students of Ginling should be approached for contributions.

Dr. Chang Siao-sung made an eloquent appeal for the building needs of the Ginling Middle School, urging that the funds when raised be sent immediately to the School. \$5,000 U.S. money would provide \$200,000 in local currency and would help to meet the most pressing need of a dormitory. Dr. Hu Siu-ying stated that the Boston Chapter believes that the Formosa group should decide what is most urgent. Mrs. Chu pointed out that the real question is whether to send all the funds directly, when raised, or whether to hold them for interest to be sent annually, for the Principal's salary or for general administrative purposes, etc. Final recommendations are to be left to the Boston Chapter to make.

6. Annual Meetings

That in view of the geographical distances involved, annual meetings be held simultaneously, with the same agenda, in the Far West, Mid-west, and Eastern areas.

A recommendation was also presented by the New York Chapter that reunions be held every other year only, and in the locality where the officers are. In the off years a full meeting of the Executive Committee would be held.

* Voted: To recommend to the local chapters that reunions be held biennially instead of annually, in the area where the officers are located, and that simultaneous meetings with the same agenda be held in the other two areas.

7. Ginling Middle School Fund Committee

Various ways of raising money for the Middle School were suggested, including the sending of books, clothes, equipment such as microscopes, maps, etc. Further information is needed as to ways of shipping things to Formosa.

Each local chapter is asked to develop projects for helping the Middle School. The Washington Chapter is designated to form a Ginling Middle School Fund Committee.

That the Association register with the Internal Revenue Bureau in order to obtain tax-exemption in the raising of funds.

Mrs. Mar stated that she had conferred with officials of the Internal Revenue Bureau and that they had suggested that the registration be in the form of a trusteeship of three persons for a "Ginling Fund" rather than for GAA itself. This would make it possible to raise funds for a variety of purposes here as well as abroad.

No formal action was taken on this matter.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted,

Emily Case Mills
Secretary Pro Tem

ANNOUNCEMENTS

I. Membership Dues

The Treasurer invites the attention of the members of the Ginling Association in America to pay their dues (US\$2) for the current fiscal year (June 1958 - May 1959) to their local chapter chairman or direct to her at the following address:

Dr. Ts'ai-fan Yü
Mount Sinai Hospital
5th Ave. at 100th Street
New York 29, N. Y.

Membership dues for the last fiscal year (June 1957 - May 1958) may still be paid the same way as mentioned above.

II. Ginling Directory of 1958

The Editor solicits the cooperation and assistance from all members of the Ginling Association in America in the compilation of a new Ginling Directory in 1958. A questionnaire will be sent to each member soon, calling for pertinent information including Chinese characters of Ginling sisters and their husbands, if married. We hope to make this Directory of 1958 as ACCURATE and SATISFACTORY as possible. Cross references will be used. To help the questionnaire to reach the maximum number of our members in the U.S., it is imperative that those whose addresses have been changed report the change AT ONCE to the Editor at the following address:

Miss Loretta Pan
395 Riverside Drive
New York 25, N. Y.

Anyone who sends in names and addresses of Ginling new arrivals and/or newly discovered Gintlengers in this country will also earn the gratitude of the Editor.

III. Mrs. New's Tribute to Mrs. Thurston

Mrs. Way-sung New's tribute to Mrs. Lawrence Thurston was printed and distributed to each member of the Ginling Association in America in June by the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia.

IV. Color Slides of Ginling Middle School

There are now available two sets of color slides of our Middle School in Taiwan. One set is in use by the Ginling Middle School Fund Committee in Washington, D.C. for publicity purposes, and the other set has been sent to the new President of GAA in Boston. Request of a loan of the second set should be sent to:

Mrs. Daisy Yen Wu
28 Adams Street
Brookline 46, Mass.

TRIBUTES TO MRS. LAWRENCE THURSTON

Someone has said, "An institution is the lengthened shadow of one person."

When I think of Mrs. Thurston, I think of Ginling; and when I think of Ginling, I think of Mrs. Thurston and the wonderful contributions she made, very especially in the lives of young Chinese women.

I want to quote from the memorial minutes sent out by the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia:

"Scores of Chinese women, now doing important and worthwhile work in Nationalist China, in Communist China, in the U.S., and in other parts of the world, are indebted to Mrs. Thurston and to the college to which she gave her life, her ability, her devotion. She is remembered as a gracious, dignified, inspiring leader and friend."

I came to know Mrs. Thurston while the National Y.W.C.A. of China was discussing with her and others a plan to affiliate the Normal School of Hygiene and Physical Education with Ginling and have it become a major in physical education.

I have only pleasant memories of a thoughtful, gracious, understanding person and one deeply interested in the welfare of Chinese women.

She was a pioneer in every sense of the word, in her own country and in the mission field in Turkey and China, in relations to education for girls and women. She graduated from a woman's college in 1896 when relatively few women attended college as compared to the number registered today.

When we think of those lovely college buildings on the Ginling campus, we naturally think of Mrs. Thurston and all she put into them to get her ideals "worked out in brick and mortar, wood and stone."

However, I like best to think of her as she influenced the lives of so many Chinese women and the significant role many of them are playing in various parts of the world today.

In the summer of 1937 I was privileged to visit Ginling and see Dr. Wu Yi-fang in action. I am sure this must have given Mrs. Thurston great satisfaction to know that Dr. Wu would carry on.

Hugh R. Orr has expressed a beautiful and very comforting thought when he said,

"They are not dead who live in hearts they leave behind."

I am sure Mrs. Thurston and all she stood for as our ambassador of good will lives in your heart and in the lives of students who were privileged to know her.

The greatest thing you can do to pay honor to her is to be an ambassador of good will in your everyday lives in Mrs. Thurston's country -- which is now your country -- as she played it in China. There is no area more significant in which to play that role than the national capital area.

Death is part of the drama of life -- for all of us.

"Life is eternal, and love immortal, and death is only a horizon; and a horizon is nothing save the limit of our eyesight."

Vera V. Barger
723 Fern Place, N.W.
Washington 12, D.C.

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又是風和落絮天。
小倉招媳隱前賢。
殊方典冊傳中櫛。
高論絃誦述豆籩。
新泮水。舊賓筵。
并時師友付雲煙。
都將清淚流東海。
誰宮儒林淑媛篇。
德師母 鵲天 輓
劉麟生

Again came the mild May with its gentle
breeze and fallen blossoms.
I remember the time when I first met the
elderly lady
Who invited me to spend quiet days in the
Hsiao Chang Hills.
There I found Western classics and pub-
lications stored for Chinese ladies
And I used to listen to their educational
discussions including the spread of Confucianism.
Again I call to mind the new buildings erected
and social gatherings from time to time.
But, now, where could I find the old professors
and school chums?
They seem to have gone out of existence like
smokes or clouds.
My tears are strewn to the Eastern Sea
And I wonder who is going to write the bio-
ographies of such good scholars and gentlewomen
Whose names will never be forgotten in the his-
tory of Chinese education.

Translated from Chinese by

Mr. Lin-sheng Liu, writer

of the elegy in Chinese

Mrs. Thurston's passing away brought grief to every Ginling alumna. By me the sad news was received with special regret because I had not written to her in time. It was not until April 16th that I mailed a letter to her expressing my hope of seeing her in June. Too late! Yes, too late to reach her, and too late to see her! If I had known that she was to leave us so soon, I would have changed my itinerary and rushed to Auburndale to sit once more in the "spring breeze of her presence", that is, to receive instruction from her store of wisdom.

Though far away from Taiwan this spring, I can represent the alumnae there to express our sense of loss and bereavement at Mrs. Thurston's departure. I wish to say, first, that in the thirty years of her guiding presence at Ginling College, all of us students were lifted higher to the noble principles and lofty ideals by her example, dignified appearance, wise teachings, and recognized achievements. In my opinion, she had consummated the accomplishments of the four areas of "Deh, Jung, Yen, and Kung" (德容言功). Her name in Chinese - "Deh" (德) - meaning "virtue", exactly depicts her noble character; her queenly appearance won the respect of all; her teachings still ring in our ears; and her contribution to Chinese womanhood needs no clumsy exposition of mine. She was and still is the model for us in all these spheres. Let me elucidate the third a little.

In the sphere of "Li Yen" (立言), accomplishment through verbal and written instruction, Mrs. Thurston taught us in and out of class. I particularly profited much from the course of the History of Religion which she taught. I enjoyed her chapel talks, where she explained Christian principles, presented philosophies of life, and made meaningful our college motto "Abundant Life". It was she who, on moonlight nights pointing to the magnificence of the celestial bodies,, made me conscious of the omnipotence of the Creator. It was she who, versatile in both science and arts, enlightened us on the values of wide interests in life. It was she who taught us the importance of developing an all-round personality: morally, intellectually, physically, and socially.

Secondly, Mrs. Thurston stood for truth, goodness, and beauty in word and deed. She not only was convinced of the truth that higher education for women would make them free - not only did she try to convince people of the truth, but she also did something about it and devoted her life to it. The same with goodness. As to beauty, the Ginling campus, the buildings, the equipment and decorations, all of which won for us the incorrect description of being princesses living in palaces, were results of her emphasis on beauty. Is there anyone who does not associate her with the beautiful in life? She was a personification of the love of beauty.

Lastly, I associate Mrs. Thurston with faith, hope, and love. It was these Christian qualities in her which made Ginling College possible, which made the college a force in China, and which will perpetuate the Ginling spirit in her alumnae throughout the world. Mrs. Thurston had faith in us her daughters, she hoped for great things for and from us, and she loved us more than we can realize.

So, in tribute to her, may I summarize my memories of Mrs. Thurston in the ten terms arranged in the three groups above. She had faith, hope, and love; she loved truth, goodness, and beauty; and she had accomplished "Deh, Jung, yen, and kung." May we, her beloved ones, remember her by trying to tread in her footsteps! May we not fail her!

Chang Siao-sung
(class of 1926)

Less than a year ago I visited Mrs. Thurston at her home. She talked cheerfully with me about Ginling and about the hopes she placed in her Ginling daughters. Little did I know that she would be leaving us soon, and it is so difficult to believe that she would return to us no more.

Today, we are here to pay our tributes to her, the founder of Ginling College and the beloved mother of Ginling daughters. It was she who went to China, 45 years ago, to open the virtually sealed gate of the House of Oppression and Confinement for women. With wisdom and vision, she ushered into a world of light where it was possible for us to receive modern higher education, hitherto unknown to Chinese women.

It was she who gave us courage to fight on, and patience to endure in times of trial and tribulation. She also taught us strength after failures and courage to live a purposeful life.

It was she who showed us how to weather the storm of political upheavals in China, and how to play the part of responsible citizenship in difficult times. And how she prayed for China in her predicament!

It was also she who brought us to the presence of God and initiated us into a Christian life abundant in body, mind, and spirit. In her chapel talks, as we remember to this day, she impressed us with the love of God, the greatest thing in this world.

It was she who unassumingly lived a true Christian life, setting a noble example for others to follow, and this was because of her strong faith in God and her unfailing trust in men. This, as we believe today, was the secret of her success in the building of Ginling.

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When we think of all that has done for us, our hearts are filled with gratitude.

And now her battle is over. With victory and glory she has quietly and peacefully retired to the Better Land. For us the work is just begun. It is for us Ginling daughters to see to it that the torch of Ginling, which she assiduously kept burning all these years, shall continue to burn and burn forever. It is for us Ginling daughters to see to it that the future generations of Ginling girls shall carry on the great legacy she left to us. Her sterling character and magnificent example will live in our hearts to give us faith and courage in whatever struggles the future holds for us.

May God help and sustain us! "A sorrow's crown of sorrow is remembering happier things." Yes, we shall always remember the noble things she said to us and did for us. Gone is she beyond return, but she still lives in minds made better and in hearts that continue to love her.

S. Y. Lu Mar
President of Ginling Association in America

OUR GINLING MIDDLE SCHOOL - A GINLING DREAM

Ginling alumnae all over the world have been, and are, dreaming a great dream: that of perpetuating the Ginling tradition and Christian spirit through the younger Chinese girls of Free China, where "for three struggling years with limited facilities they have been striving to establish a high standard of Christian education for girls." Here, in brief, is the content of the dream.

1. The Dream Began. It was around 1952 that, in view of the need for good Christian schools for girls in Taiwan and the extreme importance of the role of women in home and society, a group of Ginling alumnae got together to discuss the possibility of establishing a Christian girls' school to train young girls for useful lives in career and home and to serve China thereby. A preparation committee was elected by the alumnae in Taiwan. It tried to map out a general plan and appointed special committees to draw up the principles and objectives, to consider personnel, to investigate the possibilities of a site, to contact alumnae in other parts of the world, and to explore ways and means of raising the necessary funds. After frequent meetings, regular and special, of the preparation committee at which special committees made reports, after several general meetings of the Taiwan Alumnae Association to which the preparation committee made reports, and after more than one reorganization of the preparation committee - in a word, after a long struggle of three or four years, the dream came nearer to realization.

2. The Dream Became More Real. Following a series of joys and disappointments, successes and failures in interviews and contacts with bankers, merchants, officials landowners, educators, etc., Ginling alumnae in 1955 finally elected a Board of Directors of 15 members as a first step in the registration with the Taiwan Commission of Education. It consisted of nine alumnae and six prominent members of society, half of whom were Chinese. The ratio was later changed to seven alumnae and four American and four Chinese non-alumnae. With the registration of the Board, it was possible to proceed with the plans and to launch on this joint project of Ginlingers. There was no lack of faith and enthusiasm, but the chief obstacle was the shortage of funds. Thus, attempts were made to raise money, in the form of Christmas card sales, Christmas card exhibits, concerts, personal contributions, solicitations with individuals and organizations, children's carnivals, rummage sales and so forth. In many of these attempts the alumnae and friends of Ginling in America and elsewhere helped generously. By the summer of 1956, about \$100,000 N.T. (Taiwan dollars) had been raised. It sounds like a lot of money, but how small an amount it appeared in the face of what was to come will be clear in the discussion following. From a report of the treasurer, we learned recently that so far since the project started, various contributions to the school have totalled \$1,162,530.40 N.T. and \$6,724.51 U.S.

Looking for a site involved much labor and many trips to various locations, including calls on property owners and friends who knew them. Nothing seemed suitable. No property was inexpensive enough. Finally, word reached us that Juddville might be available. It was a piece of land of 8,000 "ping" with houses, situated in the suburbs of Taipei and owned by the ARCI (Aid Refugee Chinese Intellectuals). We were grateful to their general secretary and Board for considering us as a bidder for the property, and how we rejoiced at their decision by unanimous vote to sell it to Ginling at a price of \$,200,000 N.T., one fifth less than that

offered by her competitors! It was to be paid in three installments.

Personnel was one of the most important items for consideration. Following the proposals of the committee on personnel and standards, the Board invited Hsu Siu-ying (1930) to be the principal. We were particularly fortunate in having her ^{head} the school, for as if by magic, within a couple of months, she got the houses repaired, teachers engaged, entrance examinations administered, students admitted, and school opened. Where can we find a more spectacular miracle? Especially when there is not a lot of money around! In fact, she had to be thrifty in everything. In the fifteen months between the opening of the school and my departure for the States, every time I was privileged to visit the school, I found improvement in both physical environment and spiritual atmosphere. Without Christian spirit in the work, how can it be possible?

3. The Dream Came True. On Founders' Day, November 1956, Ginling Middle School for Girls opened officially with an exercise attended by students, their parents, Ginling alumnae, Board members, government officials, and guests. There were two classes (Junior M.S.I. and Senior M.S.I.) of fifty-two students, a number smaller than that which could be accommodated because most girls had entered schools in September. In the second semester that year, eighty-two girls enrolled, thirty-eight of whom were boarders. The enrollment rose to three hundred ~~hundred~~ in the second school year, September 1957. They are in six classes with fifty girls in each: two classes of Junior M.S.I., one of Junior II, two of Senior I, and one of Senior II. Eighty some girls are boarding in the school.

The faculty of the school, many of whom are Christians, are most cooperative and hard-working. I know the five Ginling alumnae there, teaching Science, English and Home Economics and doing administrative and guidance work.

The girls in the school have not disappointed us; instead, they have impressed us as being bright, active, cheerful, courteous, and well-mannered, as seen through actual contact and personal observation. "Lovable" is the word I apply to them myself. As to their academic achievement, they delighted the hearts of Ginlingers with a banner won in the competitive examination given by the hsien (district) Education Board, for ranking first among all the junior middle schools of the hsien in one of the subjects and that before the first school year was over!

4. The Dream Continues. The dream which came true is still going on; full realization takes time. In order to provide a building for triple use as auditorium, gymnasium and dining-room, the Alumnae Association, the Board of Directors of the school, and the Parents Association have launched a campaign on May 11, Mother's Day, for the sum of \$500,000 N.T. (\$12,000 U.S.). The building to be erected with it this summer will be named Tze Ai Tang (Mother Love Hall) to pay tribute to mothers "in a form to develop future mothers of this and coming generations."

Yes, in the dream we see a large auditorium very near. Farther away we see a two-storey school building housing recitation rooms, laboratories, etc. It is our dream also to have the grounds extended to the bank of the Tan Sui River nearby and the athletic field completed. More than these, we dream of our girls not only graduating from the school, but also winning honors in further studies, in home-making, and in their respective careers. Most of all, we dream of them as excelling in womanly virtues and Christian character.

By September 1958, only three months from now, there will be five each of Junior and Senior middle school. Ginling Middle School for Girls will have become a complete middle school with a full six-year course. It will stand among the recognized schools of China as, we hope, a prominent school for girls with high standards of scholarship and character.

The Ginling Middle School for Girls has been the center of activity for Ginlingers. Besides serving as the site for Easter sunrise services, Founders' Day celebrations, and various kinds of meetings, it welcomes with open arms alumnae and friends of Ginling. An alumna even spent part of a summer there with her family. Besides, alumnae are welcome to hold teaching jobs there, to the benefit of all concerned.

In conclusion, I must say that in the past ten years nothing has thrilled and excited me as much as the miraculous happenings in connection with the school. It stands as a manifestation of the spirit of Ginling, the power of faith, and the effectiveness of cooperation. Let us all join in this magnificent endeavor for the education of Chinese womanhood!

Siao-sung Chang Chao

June 1958

(Photographs of the Ginling Middle School are at the back of this issue ---ed.)

June 20, 1958

A LETTER TO GINLING FAMILY IN AMERICA

Dear Members of Ginling Family in America:

It is a real pleasure to be given this opportunity to send you my greetings and a short sketch of my visit in the States. At the start you may wonder what brought me to this side of the Pacific. My answer is: can there be a better way to spend one's Sabbatical year than visiting old friends and getting an education at the same time even for a short duration? In nearly six months of my stay here, I have travelled from the west coast to the east, gone through no less than seventeen states, walked the campuses of nearly twenty colleges and universities, seen dozens of old friends, got introduced to many new acquaintances, but you would not be much interested in these. So let me restrict my account to something which I am sure, will interest you, i.e., my visits with Ginlingers. Chronologically they began in California.

I was met at the airport before daybreak on January 12 by Dr. S. F. Wong, husband of Huang Dji-tsung (Barbara), who took me to their nice home and, with the entire family, entertained me the whole day by showing me scenery and famous sites around Oakland, Berkeley, and San Francisco. It was at their home that I saw for the first time a modern American kitchen completely equipped with all the up-to-date facilities for cooking, garbage disposal, washing, drying, etc. And it was also new for me to see the TV programs and eat at a drive-in restaurant, things I had only read about in Taiwan.

It was with Li Chi that I stayed in Berkeley and spent four very pleasant days. She showed me the University of California and other places and took me to see Lo Ai-djen (Mrs. Teng Gee) and Dzung Hsien-ying (Charlotte). It made me so happy to meet again these old school-mates after a long separation since student days at dear Ginling. Miss Li is doing research at the university, and I plan to be with her and some others again around there on my way home next month.

At Los Angeles, while staying near UCLA with my goddaughter Mary and her sister, who are the daughters of my Ginling classmate, Tsu Dogia (Mrs. C. W. Chang, now in Bangkok), Lee Hwai-fen (Gloria, Mrs. Henry Nyi) came on January 20 and took me to her spacious home to spend the last night of my stay in Los Angeles. As my previous letters had been sent to their out-of-date addresses, they did not know of my being in town until then. The next morning Ho Chang-chi (Lily, Mrs. Albert Quon) brought Djoh Hsiang-lai (Mrs. Li) and drove us in her car around the best parts of town, showing me the University of Southern California and some magnificent department stores. She acted as hostess at a Ginling luncheon at Bullocks, at which it was a happy occasion for me

to meet Mrs. Edwin Kwoh with daughter, Wang Hung-dju (Mrs. Samuel H. Phang), and Dr. Mary Frances Reed, and to tell the group about the Ginling Middle School in Taipei. That afternoon and evening I stayed with Dr. and Mrs. Kwoh and their children and her parents. My only regret was the limitation of time which prevented me from seeing Mrs. Quon's new mansion and some of the other Ginling friends in that area.

I stopped for three days at Lawrence, Kansas to pay a visit to Chao Yung-en (Joan), arriving there in the evening of January 23 in the wake of a snowstorm, the first snow I had seen in ten years since leaving the China mainland in December 1948. It was gratifying to find "my niece" Joan enjoying her life and work among most friendly Americans. With her I visited the University of Kansas, the Kansas State Hospital, the Menninger Foundation, and so forth.

My visit with Miss Sutherland at her home in St. Louis January 26-29 was most pleasant. She and her sister Sena took much trouble to entertain me, to enable me to visit the State Hospital and Washington University in St. Louis, to meet friends, etc. One old friend of mine we called upon was Djang Bin-yi (Mrs. H.S. Fan) of 1932. I was so glad to see her and her family in their new home.

In Chicago where is a chapter of the Ginling Association, I had the good fortune of meeting a number of Ginlingers. As soon as my train pulled in at the station in the late afternoon of January 31, Mr. Wei Chao-chi, the husband of Gan Bih-yun (1933) met me and took me to Miss Harriet Whitmer at S. Blackstone St. We arrived in time to be guests of Djang Lu-deh (Ruth) in a Chinese restaurant, with another Ginlinger present, Li Shui-mei. Of the seven at the table, four were from Ginling and one related to Ginling. Miss Whitmer, faster and more energetic than I, though older, took me to Wilmette to visit a former high school teacher of mine, showed me the University of Chicago, and gave a Ginling tea that Sunday afternoon, present at which were Djou Chi-hsing (Mrs. F. L. Chen), Mr. and Mrs. Hsu Chi-lien, Li Shui-mei, Lu Ming-djang (Mrs. C. K. Liao), Djang Min-yen (Margery, Mrs. Tang Wu), Mr. and Mrs. Yuan whose mother, Wang, Chuon, had studied in Ginling, and others. Djou Chi-hsing had taken me that day to church and dinner with her family in their nice home. The Hsus live on the same street as Miss Whitmer; Mrs. Hsu had taught Home Economics at Ginling before coming to the States. Lu Ming-djang's coming to the tea from miles away where her new home is, was specially appreciated by hostess and guests.

In the three months from February to May, I attended the University of Michigan with the object of refreshing myself in an academic way. At Ann Arbor I was not without Ginling contacts. They began with Mrs. Peter Field, who had taught music in Ginling 1936-37, returned to the Music Department of Michigan, and retired from teaching ten years ago. One day in April, she was hostess at a Ginling dinner for Dr. Florence Kirk and me. Dr. Kirk had come down for the Methodist conference. I went with her to Alma College for a visit lasting a greater part of the week. Being more like our own Ginling in spirit and appearance and thus quite a contrast to the large campus of the University of Michigan, Alma gave me a real change and rest. It was there through Miss Kirk that I heard of Mrs. Thurston's passing away. Liu Yung-sze (Frances) and I had seen each other a couple of times, once when Mrs. Field took me to

a birthday dinner at her nephew's and another time when she called at my rooming house, but it wasn't until the beginning of May when I went to Detroit to attend the Midwestern Psychological Association annual conference that we had a real visit with each other at her apartment where I spent a night. Another good time I had was dinner with Mary Lou New, the daughter-in-law of Mrs. W. S. New. Besides contacts with Ginlingers in Michigan, an out-of-state Ginlinger gave me the most pleasant surprise, and that was Miss Abigail Hoffsommer, who one day descended upon my door from an airtrip in the Midwest.

This account cannot be continued in such a detailed fashion any longer, for after leaving Ann Arbor in May, I have seen many of my Ginling friends in the east who live closer together and know one another's doings better. Space does not allow me to express enough my gratitude to them for their many hospitalities. My week's stay at Oxford, Ohio was divided between Miss Alice Butler in her home and Mrs. W. S. New at Western College. The picnic on the hills, the church service, the chapel talk, the dormitories for girls, the faculty dinner, the beautiful campus --- all reminded me of our own Ginling. Miss Butler, who had taught me psychology when I was a college sophomore, was now as young to me as in those early days when she acted hostess in dormitory "500". Mrs. New has had three successful years at Western as Assistant Dean of Women. Miss Loh Zung-nyi came from Dayton to see me and to attend Mrs. New's big dinner for nearly sixty guests.

At Louisville, Ky., only an hour or so after I had arrived at my high school principal's home, a telephone call came from Ma Yueh-ching (Dorothy) who had been informed by Miss Loh. Dr. Ma took me to dinner and to see her pretty home with a well-kept lawn of several acres where she has entertained groups of Ginling sisters.

In Washington, D.C. I spent a week with Lu Shuh-yin (Mrs. T.T. Mar), the then president of Ginling Association in America, dined with Lan Chien-wei (Mrs. S. C. Chang) and Dju Mei-hsien (Mrs. Y. Y. Huang), called on Mrs. Meyer, and attended the Ginling annual meeting where I was happy to meet nearly two dozen Ginling sisters and many friends, whose names cannot be listed here for lack of space. The business meeting was conducted under able leadership; the luncheon was pleasant and well-arranged; and the memorial service for Mrs. Thurston in the afternoon was solemn and dignified. Mrs. Meyer's excellent luncheon talk on Ginling Middle School of Taipei aroused general interest, which greatly encouraged me in my informal supplementary talks.

My visit to New England started with New Haven, for as early as March or April, Wen Tung-geng (Lucy, Mrs. Francis Lin) had invited me to attend their Chapter meeting in May. It actually took place on May 29 in Mrs. Samuel Mills' (formerly Miss Emily Case) home and beautiful garden. Present were Wen Tung-geng, Hsiung Gueh-djen, Wei Djen-dzi (Mrs. P. T. Sie), Liu Nien-hsi (Mrs. Ernest Chu) and family, Chu Chi (Mrs. C. C. Fang), Lin Chung-cheng (Mrs. K. C. Chang), Mr. and Mrs. Mortensen (formerly Miss Esther Tappert), and Mr. and Mrs. Mills. They were very much interested in what I had to tell about G.M.S. In my over-a-week's stay with Tung-geng, I was given the honor and pleasure of dining with Hsiung Gueh-djen, Dr. and Mrs. Franklin Ho, and Mrs. Nangle (formerly Miss Rawles).

In New York in the first week of June, my stay of the greater part of a week was divided between Mrs. Franklin Ho and Pan Ren-tsiu (Loretta). Dr. Ho gave me the good opportunity of attending the Columbia commencement. It was nice to meet his family and that of Liu Ying-bao (Mrs. Wei Hsioh-ren). Dr. Wei was kind enough to spend the greater part of an afternoon showing me the United Nations buildings. In New York, I had a series of good times, such as meeting Chen Hsiao-lan (Mrs. Fred. Mote) and her husband at the Wei's, dining with Dr. and Mrs. Bates, calling on Dr. and Mrs. Price, being entertained by Ettie Chin (Mrs. Edward Hong), who took me to see Bao Siu-djen (Marguerite, Mrs. C. W. Chang), and being shown New York by Miss A. Hoffsommer. My good time was climaxed by the Ginling luncheon gathering called by the chairman of the N. Y. Chapter, Sie Wen-chiu (Grace, Mrs. S. M. Chu) at Mrs. Wei's. The two gracious hostesses entertained a dozen Ginling sisters at the Wei home, where again I talked about GMS to an interested audience. I was happy to meet Yu Chiung-dji (Mrs. C. M. Chang). Yu Hsien-tsai. (Helena), Chu gioh-fang (Mrs. Ma) and her husband, Chu Yueh-shan (Mrs. Harry Lee), Szetu Dju (Mrs. Z.T. Ing), Ying Shangu (Mrs. Wellington Lee) and her husband, Tang Yih-yue (Mrs. Theodore Wang), Li Ru-djang, Pan Ren-tsiu, Miss Hoffsommer, Yu Tsai-fan, Dju Yu-feng (Mrs. C. T. Chen) and her husband.

I went back to New Haven expecting to attend the Yale commencement, but rain called it off for me. At Boston station, Mrs. T. D. Macmillan met my train and took me to Miss Helen Calder's to spend the night. How I wished I would dream of Mrs. Thurston while sleeping in her room that night! I had the pleasure of meeting Miss Evelyn Walmsley there.

Miss Rebecca Griest's invitation to Concord, N. H. took me to the farthest point of my travels in New England. She showed me the State Hospital where she worked and introduced me to her colleagues. Then she and I went to Boston where she and Mrs. Macmillan were my joint hostesses whose kind hospitality overwhelmed me. They spent several days taking me to schools, friends, churches, Harvard commencement, M.I.T. campus, Wellesley reunion, etc. At Wellesley, I met again Miss Loh and Mrs. Chu, who had gone there for the 1924 class reunion. My nice time in Boston culminated in the Ginling picnic in the Arnold Arboretum, where I met Ginling sisters and told them about G.M.S. They were Hu Siu-ying (Mrs. Hsu), Dzo Ging-ru (Mrs. M. H. Loh), Mao Yen-wen (Mrs. Y. W. Hsiung) Chen Yi (Mrs. Yuan), Shih Yun-ying (Mrs. Peter Shih), Sie Hsien-gieh (Mrs. K. C. Chao), and Tsu Chin-fang (Helen). Miss Griest and Mrs. Macmillan were also present.

In Princeton my host and hostess were Mr. and Mrs. Tung Shih-kang, who took me to visit the chairman of the Princeton chapter of Ginling Alumnae, Mao Yu-tung (Mrs. Chou). We also called on Mr. and Mrs. K. S. Sie in their home in the country, who invited us to dinner the next day. At the Princeton commencement I had the satisfaction of seeing the three Chinese scientists, two of whom are Nobel prize winners, receive honorary degrees of Doctor of Science.

Let me conclude this hurried report on my visit in the U.S. by expressing my gratitude to those of you sisters who have been kind to me as hostesses for shorter and longer periods and my regret to them for being unable to do justice to their kindness in this letter and to others

whom I could not reach for not being able to travel to their town on this trip. Space does not allow me to tell more about those sisters I have seen, but I shall be glad to supply information. One thing I can assure you and take back to Taiwan, and that is, all of the Ginling sisters I have met in the seven chapters in America are doing wonderfully in their jobs and homes and showing the Ginling spirit everywhere. I am taking a rest at Mrs. Mar's in Washington D.C. till the beginning of July when I proceed to the west coast, stopping at Chicago for a visit to Madison and Milwaukee, Wisconsin. My tentative plan is to spend a week or two around Berkeley, California before starting on the long ride home to Taipei. So some of you will be seeing me around before I leave California.

Good-bye!

With best wishes,
Siao-sung Chang Chao

NEWS ABOUT OUR GINLING ALUMNAE IN
TAIWAN AND HONGKONG

I. In Taiwan

A. Memorial Service for Mrs. Thurston

The following is an excerpt from a letter written by Bih-yun Gan Wei in Taiwan to Miss Hoffsommer of the United Board dated May 17, 1958:

"...On receipt of your letter and the short biographical data about Mrs. Thurston, Yang Chin-chung, our current president, arranged a memorial service in honor of our late founder and first president. It happened to fall on Mother's Day, when all mothers are apt to be rather busy. Still, more than twenty attended, and the hall of the China Agricultural Society was filled to its capacity. Chin-chung presided, Chang Mei-teh led us in prayer, Hsu Siu-ying read the scripture, and Lean Chien-pih and her daughter sang a duet. For hymnal singing, we reviewed the recessionals we used to know so well when in college..."

B. Tribute to Mrs. Thurston in Sonnet by Mrs. Pearl Cheng Lin

(Cheng Wei-teh 1925)

To feed our brain you had the mental food
Of how to live abundant Christian life,
How to equip ourselves to meet the strife,
In our future days when among the crude
environment which may affect our mood;
Adversity may come as sharp as knife,
And we'd be enwrapped with temptations rife,
That our destination may not be rued.
Your teachings have gained an important place,
In forming my own life's philosophy;
As now you have ended your mundane race,
You've earned your rest in the eternity;
We've only your ideal to embrace,
It will never fade in our memory.

May 10, 1958
Taipei, Taiwan

C. Fund Raising Campaign for Ginling Middle School

The Ginling alumnae in Taiwan launched another fund raising campaign on Mother's Day for Ginling Middle School. The goal was set at \$ 500,000 N.T. (approximately US\$12,000) for the construction of a dining hall-auditorium-indoor gymnasium to be named Tsi Ai Tang (Mother Love Hall).

The Taiwan Ginling alumnae are also planning for a dance drama in September and a carnival in November at which a rummage sale will be a feature. They welcome old clothes, cosmetics, ornaments, etc. from the U.S.

II. In Hongkong

Memorial Service for Mrs. Thurston

The following is an excerpt from Dr. D. Y. Lin's letter to Miss Hoffsommer of the United Board dated May 22, 1958:

"...I told you in one of my previous letters that Ya-lan and the Ginling alumnae here were organizing a Memorial Service for Mrs. Thurston. The Service took place yesterday at the Student Christian Center. More than forty Ginling alumnae and friends attended. Here are newspaper clippings (Chinese and English), program and printed matter about the Service. It was very impressive indeed, Dr. Roy preached a very good sermon and Ya-lan spoke on the life and work of Mrs. Thurston. While Ya-lan spoke, everyone in the hall including myself was moved to tears.

"We didn't have good picture of Mrs. Thurston but we managed to produce a good-sized one for the occasion from one of the pictures in the History of Ginling College...."

(Photographs of the Memorial Service for Mrs. Thurston in Hongkong are at the end of this issue.)

NEWS IN CONNECTION WITH OUR GINLING MIDDLE SCHOOL

1. Lily Ho Quon Scholarships

The following is an excerpt from Mr. Albert T. Quon's letter to the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia, dated May 22, 1958:

"This will refer to our previous correspondence relating to the money I have contributed to the United Board to establish a scholarship in the name of my wife, Lily Ho Quon, including my letters to the United Board on December 30, 1942 and January 16, 1953. It is my understanding that the fund now consists of \$5,000 of principal plus more than \$1,600 of income which you have allowed to accumulate in accordance with the suggestion in my January 16, 1953 letter.

"It is my desire, and accordingly I hereby so request, and instruct you, that the accumulated income, as well as current income, be applied as follows:

- 1) provide two annual Lily Ho Quon Scholarships of US\$100 to graduates of Ginling Middle School studying at Tung Hai University at Taipei.
- 2) provide two annual Lily Ho Quon Scholarships of US\$100 for deserving students at Chung Chi College in Kowloon.

As to the proper candidates for these scholarships, I will leave the matter to the discretion and good judgment of the Scholarship Committee..."

2. Preparatory Meeting of the Ginling Middle School Fund Committee

The Preparatory Meeting of the Ginling Middle School Fund Committee is scheduled to take place in Washington, D. C. on July 13, 1958 at the home of our former President of the Ginling Association in America, Mrs. Shuh-yin Lu Mar. Fifteen guests (prominent American and Chinese) are invited to attend the meeting at which trusteeship committee will be formed and fund-raising projects discussed. Dr. S. S. Chang has prolonged her stay in the capital until the 14th in order to participate in this significant meeting.

LOCAL CHAPTER NEWS

The following is arranged in the order of receipt of news by the Editor:

I. New York Chapter

More than twenty Ginling alumnae and family members gathered at the home of Mrs. H. R. Wei (Liu Ying-bao 1925) on Sunday, June 8, 1958 at 1 p.m. The meeting served not only as a welcome party for Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Chen (Chu Yu-feng 1933) and Mrs. L. F. Chao (Chang Siao-sung 1926), who came from Taiwan, but also as a farewell party for Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Ma (Dju Gioh-fang 1934), who are going to Europe for the summer. The delicious luncheon was prepared by the hostesses Mrs. Grace Chu (Sie Wen-chiu 1924) and Mrs. Wei. Needless to say, everyone had a hearty meal! At 2:30 p.m. Mrs. Chu gave a short speech welcoming the guests. Mrs. Chao, in turn, told us how our Ginling sisters in Taiwan started the Ginling Middle School. We had the chance to acquaint ourselves with the school buildings and the students' activities through the pictures which Mrs. Chao brought along. Our Ginling alumnae in Taiwan should really be congratulated on their achievement. From Mrs. Chao's very interesting talk, we were especially glad to get the recent news of Dr. Wu Yi-fang, who still remains on the Ginling campus, and of many Ginling sisters whom Mrs. Chao had met during her trip. The party ended at 4 o'clock.

Submitted by Yu Hsien-tsai
(Helena), Secretary

II. Los Angeles Chapter

1. Dr. Chang Siao-sung came by Los Angeles early in January this year. Dr. Chang was at one time Dean of Students at Ginling. The local Ginlingers were glad to see her, and we had a luncheon together.

2. For the benefit of the Taiwan high school, the Los Angeles Chapter launched a "candy drive" last fall, and the sum of \$100 was realized. In addition, Mrs. Gloria Nyi, through a luncheon, talks, and film, raised the sum of \$132.90 single-handed, thus making a total of \$232.90 toward the support of Ginling Middle School in Taiwan.

3. On May 4, 1958 the alumnae and former teachers of the Chinese Christian colleges now residing in Southern California had a grand banquet together. It was the highlight of the year

with 162 present, representing twelve colleges. One of our members, Mrs. Lily Ho Quon, served on the committee which made the occasion a great success.

4. Four Lily Ho Quon Scholarships have been recently established. Two are for students at Chung Chi College in Hong Kong, and two scholarships are for graduates of Ginling Middle School in Taipei to study at Tunghai University in Taichung. (For details please see excerpt of Mr. Albert T. Quon's letter to the United Board on page 29 of this issue. -- ed.)

5. On July 9, 1958 a Pot-Luck Luncheon will be held in the home of Mrs. Elizabeth K. Mei, honoring two of our Ginling sisters. In July Gloria Nyi is taking her three children to live in Hong Kong for one year where they will attend schools. In August Lily Ho Quon is taking a trip to the Far East to visit her aged parents.

Submitted by Elizabeth K. Mei
(Mrs. Y. L. Mei), Secretary

III. Princeton Chapter

1. Shen Pei-lan (Mrs. Timothy Chen 1942) has moved to the following address: 84 Farms Road Circle, Milltown, N. Y.

2. Dan Gung-tai (Mrs. S. L. Soo 1944) is expecting a baby in November. It will be her third.

3. Dr. Siao-sung Chang (Mrs. Chao) was here last week (letter dated June 24, 1958 -- ed.). Mrs. S. K. Tung, Dr. Chang and I had an informal meeting in my house. The other members were away from Princeton. Dr. Chang talked about the Ginling Middle School in Taiwan. I shall present our opinion at our next meeting.

Submitted by Mao Yu-dung
(Mrs. Diana Chow), Chairman

IV. Boston Chapter

1. Since the last issue of our Newsletter, we have had two regular meetings, one on March 30 at the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Hsiao-lan Kuo and the other on May 10 in my home. In addition, we had two picnic parties and a special meeting after

the death of our beloved Mrs. Thurston. We had a number of visitors too during these few months, such as Mrs. W. S. New, Li Chi, Mrs. Chao (Dr. Siao-sung Chang), and Miss Z. N. Loh.

2. Dr. Hu Siu-ying (Mrs. Hsu) will be the Chairman of the Boston Chapter for the next year. She will take on the first of July.

Submitted by Dzo Ging-ru
(Mrs. M. H. Loh), Chairman

3. Recent Meetings:

Like most churches in the United States, the active period for the Boston group of Ginling alumnae is September to May of the following year. During this period we meet regularly every other month. Our meetings have always been enjoyable and profitable. However, this year, from May 10th to June 21st, we have had three meetings, one regular and two special.

On May 10th we had our last regular meeting of the year. It took place in the home of Mrs. M. H. Loh, the Chairman. Eight members including four bringing families were present. A delicious dinner ended up with a beautiful birthday cake around which we sang "Happy Birthday" and extended our best wishes to Miss Rebecca W. Griest, former professor of history in Ginling. The business of the day consisted of the Chairman's reports, nomination of candidates for the President and ^{the} Corresponding Secretary of the Ginling Association in America, election of a representative to the annual meeting in Washington, D.C., and discussion and formulation of messages for her to take to the meeting.

On June 14th we had a special meeting in honor of Dr. Siao-sung Chang (Mrs. L. F. Chao), former professor of psychology in Ginling, now on Sabbatic leave from the National Taiwan University. This meeting took place on top of the Hemlock Hill of the Arnold Arboretum. Among singing birds, large balls of pink, white, and purple rhododendrons, tall hemlocks and small shrubs and wild flowers, we sat on the cushion which Nature has laid for us. After a picnic of chicken, ham, fruits, and cold drinks, Dr. Chang told us thrilling stories of the life and work of our Ginling sisters in Taiwan, especially about their noble project and successful experiences in establishing the Ginling Middle School with the same spirit and motto of our alma mater -- Ginling. She emphatically repeated that this baby institute is the project of Ginlingers throughout the world. It needs our support and prayer for its proper development.

On June 21st we had a Ginling-Smith Friendship Picnic in the Cape Cod home of Miss Marguerite E. Emerson, an alumna of Smith

College and associate member of our Chapter. She was in our organization meeting in February 1952 and her association with us has been congenial and close. In the last two years her contributions to the Ginling Middle School in Taiwan have been admirably generous. The ten members present represented a homogenized Ginling-Smith mixture, with six pure Ginling, two pure Smith, and two Smith-Ginling or Ginling-Smith. After a delicious dinner including homemade desserts and plenty of ice cream, we walked along the seashore. It was too cold for us to have a dip although some of us had courageously brought along our swimming suits. After the party some of us went with Miss Emerson to visit the famous Webster Rose Garden.

4. Personal News:

Our charter member, Mrs. Paul Siu (Ong Hwei-lan), has moved to Kansas. Her letter dated June 5th gave us very good news. "We have been in Salina for almost a year. I miss you and the other Ginlingers. I worked as a clinical social worker at the V. A. Hospital for seven months. I quit because I felt so tired commuting 90 miles every week end...and living in a nurses' dormitory during week days. I saved enough money to help Paul to buy a 5-room house two months ago. It is a ranch house. We grow peach, pear, and apple trees on our back yard." Her address is 1923 South 4th Street, Salina, Kansas.

5. News of the Class of 1933:

June is the month of anniversaries as well as commencements. In every college or university, the class of 1933 has a big time this year. The Class of 1933 of Ginling, though not having a formal gathering, has chosen to celebrate its Silver Anniversary. In January this year, six members of the class met in Taipei. They were: Bih-yun Gan Wei (Class President), Hsia-su Chen, Chien-pih Laan Ma, Yu-feng Chu Chen, Tsu-ying Yao Yang, and Siu-ying Hu Hsu. In sincerity and the spirit of prayer they discussed the ways and means of celebrating the silver jubilee of the class (see photo at the end of this issue -- ed.).

We recalled the joyful days we had in Ginling and evaluated -- in fact, treasured -- the education we received there. Our gratitude to and love of our alma mater were gradually directed to the possibility and responsibility of helping to build up an educational institution of the same quality but lower in rank so that more Chinese girls could, like us, have the opportunity of getting an all-round development of personality and a sound education. We felt that the Ginling Middle School in Taiwan had caught the spirit of Ginling, and we decided to make a contribution of US\$1,000 to this school for the much needed

classroom for the oncoming Junior I's. The responsibility of raising the money is divided among members living in the United States, in Taiwan, and in Hong Kong, the Philippines, and the rest of the world, each to raise one third of the one thousand dollars. The response of the members in the States has been very encouraging. Siu-ying Hu Hsu, 44 Pond Street, Jamaica Plain, Mass. is the class representative in the U.S.

6. Hu Siu-ying's Trip Abroad

In November 1957 the Ninth Pacific Science Congress was held in Bangkok, Thailand. Siu-ying Hu Hsu was invited to participate in two symposia, and she also prepared two additional technical papers on the flora of China. She left Boston on November 2nd, 1957 and on the same day she went from New York to Amsterdam. She stopped in London, Paris, Rome, Jerusalem, Teheran, Karachi, Calcutta, Bangkok, Hong Kong, Macao, Taipei, Tokyo, Wake, Honolulu, and San Francisco. In these cities she visited many Ginling alumnae or Ginling friends. Among them, in addition to the above mentioned classmates of 1933, were Ling-mei Chen Yang in Rome, Feng-chieh Liao Wang and Han-chu Chang Kwang in Hong Kong.

Submitted by Hu Siu-ying
(Mrs. Hsu), new Chairman

V. New Haven Chapter

The New Haven Chapter of the Ginling Association in America was exceedingly happy to have Dr. Chang Siao-sung with them for their May meeting, which was held at the Samuel Mills' residence the day before Memorial Day. Of the nine of us who came, two were first-timers to our meetings, and we were very, very glad to welcome them to our chapter. These two were Lin Chung-djeng (Mrs. Louis Chang) from Stamford, and Mrs. Mortensen (Miss Esther Tappert) from Cheshire. Four of us brought our families. Altogether there were fourteen people at our "picnic" in Mills' living room and porch. After a most delicious supper prepared by several of our members, we had a short business meeting in which we re-elected the chairman and ^{the} secretary for the coming year. Then Wen Tung-geng made a report on the Annual Reunion which she attended with Mrs. Mills at Washington, D.C. After that we were given the best opportunity to hear from Dr. Chang the wonderful "miracle" that has happened in Taiwan: the founding by the Ginlingers of the Ginling Middle School in Taiwan. We were greatly inspired by her report and eager to do our best to enable that "miracle" to be even more wonderful. We decided to have another meeting in September to discuss in detail what we in New Haven can do for the Ginling Middle School.

News has come that Wei Djen-dze and her husband (Mr. Ping-teh Sie) have decided to buy a house and "settle down". They will be moving into the house sometime in July. Henceforth their address will be 224 Oxford Street, Hartford, Connecticut. Congratulations to the Sies!

Dr. Edith Hsiung (Gueh-djen) will be flying to Europe at the end of July to present a paper at the International Congress of Microbacteriology in Copenhagen. She will also travel to ten other countries in Europe and to the World Fair in Brussels. Then she will go to Lisbon to participate in the discussions at another "science conference". We are not supposed to let out all this news before she leaves, but we are too excited to keep it to ourselves any longer. We promise to give a more detailed report when she comes back in September. We are very proud of Gueh-djen and wish we were hired to be her maids to take care of her luggage! But she said we had to provide our own passage if we wanted to go, so we keep quiet towards her but shout to you all about her great accomplishments, knowing that all Ginlingers will be proud to hear the news.

Submitted by Wen Tong-geng
(Mrs. Lucy Lin), Chairman

VI. Chicago Chapter

1. Miss Ruby Swen's Visit

The Chicago Chapter is looking forward to Miss Ruby Swen's visit from Dallas, Texas. She will come sometime this week (letter dated June 23, 1958 -- ed.), and I am hoping that we can have a picnic together.

2. Annual Federation Meeting in Philadelphia

In about the middle of last April, nine Ginling scientists attended the Annual Federation Meeting in Philadelphia of six American research societies. A wonderful dinner was given in their honor by Drs. Nancy and Peter Kuo at their mansion in that city. Those present were:

Mei-yu Dju, 1930, Dayton, Ohio
Tsai-fan Yu, 1932, New York City
Sing-pao Chiang, 1935, Chicago, Ill.
Shih-djung Chen, 1936, Urbana, Ill.
Nan Hwang Kuo, 1937, Philadelphia, Pa.
Mei-ling Wu Chang, 1938, Urbana, Ill.
Gueh-djen Hsiung, 1942, New Haven, Conn.
Eva Hwang Kwang, 1942, Ithaca, N. Y.
Hsien-gieh Sie Chao, 1944, Boston, Mass.

The delicious food prepared by the host and the hostess was beyond description. Everyone enjoyed herself to the utmost. After dinner we had a very pleasant evening visiting each other. Dr. Yu, the Treasurer of our national association, however, did not forget her duty even at such a gay occasion. She collected quite a few membership dues from some of us. Three cheers for her! Among the laughters and relaxing conversation, these Ginling daughters forgot all about the lectures and the papers for which they went to Philadelphia. But the clock soon pointed to the time for departure, and we had to bid farewell to our wonderful host and hostess.

Submitted by Chiang Sing-pao,
Chairman

VII. Philadelphia and Washington Chapters

(No replies received up to July 19, 1958 -- ed.)

SOME MORE PERSONAL NEWS

Mrs. Way-sung New retires.

From a letter written on May 11, 1958 by Mrs. Way-sung New at Western College to our former Editor, Mrs. Shangu Ying Lee, we learn that Mrs. New is retiring this summer. "I wish to announce," she says in the letter, "my retirement from regular academic and administrative work. I have been asked again and again by President and Dean to continue another year, but I feel it is better for me to end up my career. Next year -- 1959 -- is the 40th reunion of my graduating class. I have never stopped a year of service except when I was invalided. After ten years of hospital work, thirty-five years of college and administration, eight years of teaching before college, I feel I better stop. But I shall serve in a different way." She goes on to say, "Siao-sung is here spending a week with me. I am giving a dinner to the whole faculty and staff in honor of her on Friday, May 16 -- over 70 people. I am so glad she can come to Washington, D.C. I regret that I have to stay here...."

Each and every Ginling sister must feel unspeakably proud of our "big sister" Mrs. New for her indefatigable service and illustrious career in the past four decades. She has set a shining example for all of us to follow. Don't we all wish that by the time we retire we could also have a taste -- if only a fraction! -- of her well-earned satisfaction and richly deserved happiness!

Dr. Wu Yi-fang enjoys good health.

News has been received indirectly from a British lady who had seen our president Dr. Wu Yi-fang in person that Dr. Wu is in good health and enjoys her work as President of the Women's Normal College (on the Ginling campus) and, concurrently, Vice Commissioner of Education of Kiangsu province.

Dr. Ruth M. Chester leaves Taiwan on July 21 for the U.S.

Dr. Ruth M. Chester is coming back to the United States on S.S. Flying Cloud of Isbrandtsen Co., leaving Taiwan on July 21 or 22. During her one-month stay in Taiwan, Dr. Chester has seen many of the Ginling alumnae there. It is said that Dr. Chester plans to visit New York and Washington, D.C. upon her return. The Ginlingers who have not seen Dr. Chester for years can hardly wait for the happy reunion!

Ginlingers in Kuala Lumpur, Malaya gave dinner party in honor of Dr. Ruth M. Chester.

From a letter written by Miss Helen Loomis in Kuala Lumpur, Malaya to Szetu Dju (Mrs. Z. T. Ing) on June 11, 1958, we learn that Dr. Chester was there three weeks before. Together with Ping Ling and Tsai Siu-feng (who works with Miss Loomis at Ulu Klang New Village social center), Miss Loomis got some ten or eleven Ginlingers together including Mrs. Paul Feng, who had been on the faculty. Miss Mary Chen of the Class of 1921 was hostess at a dinner party in honor of Dr. Chester. "We hope now," says Miss Loomis, "to organize a Ginling group."

In the same letter mentioned above, we also learn that Miss Loomis is very pleased with the progress at her social center. "Tsai Siu-feng is doing a very good job," she says.

Mrs. Eleanor McCurdy has charge of a gift shop this summer.

Our former Recording Secretary, Mrs. Eleanor McCurdy, writes from Berea, Ky. and tells us that she has charge of the Gift Shop (selling all the college products) at the Wilderness Road theater out in the hills. It is only a summer job as she gets back in as director of a dormitory in September. In addition, Mrs. McCurdy was kind enough to send us the following news:

Mrs. Daniel Yang lives in Berea now. She and her husband and four sons moved there last fall when Mr. Yang became treasurer of the college. Mrs. Yang is taking courses toward a degree in Library Science at the University of Kentucky at Lexington. During the year she went three times a week to Lexington, forty miles away; this summer she is going everyday.

Miss Adelaide Gunlach is retired and lives in Berea. She was in Ohio for some weeks with a sick sister, but is home now and will leave soon for a motor trip west.

Mrs. New will be in Berea in July. She is hoping to attend the drama put on each summer during July and August by the college. It is called Wilderness Road.

Mrs. May Smith visited in the U.S.

Mrs. May Smith (Wang Pi-hsia 1942) was, since last October, twice in this country with her husband, Mr. Stanley Smith, on a business trip. Following their first trip last October they made a very generous contribution of US\$1,000 to the Ginling Association in America. On their second trip last April, May took time off from her busy schedule to visit Huang Yen-hua

(Mr. C. S. Kwang 1942) in Ithaca, Dan Gung-tai (Mrs. S. L. Soo 1944) in Princeton, and Shen Pei-lan (Mrs. Timothy Chen 1942) in New Brunswick. Those who saw May this time all wondered how she kept so young!

Ong Hwei-lan (Mrs. Paul C. Siu 1935) plans to go into private practice.

The following excerpt is taken from a letter written to Mrs. New by Ong Hwei-lan in Salina, Kansas dated May 6, 1958:

"...I enjoyed working on those cases of psychosomatic patients referred to me for social history, to clinical psychologist for personality tests, and to consultant psychiatrist for diagnosis and treatment recommendation. The work was challenging and interesting.... I plan to go into private practice doing family counseling and, later on, dealing with persons with marital conflict, parent-child relationship, and general family adjustment problems. There is only one social worker doing this type of work in this city. There are many psychiatric social workers in the East and West Coast going into private practice, giving case work counseling...."

Mrs. Edward Hong (Ettie Chen) is Long Island Smith Club President.
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Mrs. Edward Hong, who has six/children now, is the President of Long Island Smith Club for the next two years. In the "Guys and Dolls" Golfing Tournament at the Fleetwood Golf Club, she and her husband won the cup last year.

Dr. and Mrs. T. S. Ma (Dju Gioh-fang 1934) sailed for Italy in June.

Dr. and Mrs. T. S. Ma sailed for Italy on June 10, 1958. Dr. Ma will attend the International Conference on Microchemistry in Birmingham, England in the latter part of August. They will tour Europe in their Volkswagen and visit the World Fair in Brussels. Their talented son Chopo is traveling with them. We are delighted to hear that Chopo was awarded a prize again at his school in June -- the third consecutive year -- for ranking first in his class.

Mrs. H. R. Wei (Liu Ying-bao 1925) has another grandson.

Mrs. Wei's big family was blessed with a new addition on May 26, 1958 when Timothy was born. Now Dr. and Mrs. Wei have two grandsons, William and Timothy. As we say in Chinese, to-tzu to-sun, chen hao-fu-ch'i! Kung-hsi! Kung-hsi!

Miss Mary Katherine Russell passed away in April.

A note from Mrs. Sadie P. Russell dated May 8, 1958 informed us of the death of her daughter, Miss Mary K. Russell, on April 18, 1958. (A sympathy card was sent to Mrs. Russell by the Editor on behalf of Ginling alumnae in this country.)

Tang Han-chih (Mrs. C. P. Li 1922) is in Europe this summer.

It is said that Tang Han-chih recently left Washington, D.C. for Europe with her husband where he will attend a conference. Their daughter, Mrs. Lotta Chi, gave birth to a baby girl in June.

Miss Eloise Bradshaw returned from her two-year tour of Europe.

Not long ago the Editor had as house guest Miss Eloise Bradshaw, who for many years represented the Methodist church on the Ginling Board in China. She recalled with pleasure her annual visits to Ginling, which gave not only a deeper acquaintance with the college but also delighted hours with her own girls from Laura Haygood in Soochow, then students at Ginling.

Miss Bradshaw is now enjoying her retirement, which she calls "taking on a set of new tires." Among many contemplated activities she gave top priority to a leisurely tour of Europe, from which she has recently returned. The tour began and ended with Florence, Italy, where she had five months to enjoy the treasures of this art capital of the world.

There were shorter visits to Spain, rich in historical interest and scenic beauty; and to Holland in early May when the Tulip is king and one travels across mile after mile of fields ablaze with color and spends hours in a fairyland park near Haarlem filled with thousands of varieties of such bulb flowers as tulips, hyacinths and narcissus draping the rockeries and reflected in the pools.

From Holland she journeyed to the Scandinavian countries and continued through Lapland to the North Cape to revel in the beams of the Midnight Sun, a tour by bus and steamer which gave her eight days north of the Arctic Circle -- eight days of continuous daylight.

In Paris, to get French life and language, she spent six weeks with a French family, exchanging English instruction for room and board. She then had Christmas in Vienna, home of music; and more than two months in Greece, where she found the Greek people and their problems as interesting as their famous relics of ancient times.

Though traveling alone, Miss Bradshaw says she always found plenty of companionship, especially when having a long sojourn in a YWCA or a few nights in a Youth Hostel. And she found English language so universally understood that she had few travel difficulties anywhere in Europe.

But the most enjoyable aspect of travel, she says, is in retrospect when the tourist is back home, settled down. She thoroughly approves the Biblical description of the Golden Age as the time when "every man will invite his friend under his own vine and fig tree." Her "vine and fig tree" is in Roanoke, Virginia, at 617 Highland Avenue, and she issues a cordial invitation to any Ginlinger who finds herself in that vicinity.

"LOST AND FOUND" SECTION

We seem to have lost track of the following Ginlingers. Can anybody give me a clue as to where to look for them?

Dziang Djao-hsin (Christine Chiang)
Highbaugh, Miss Irma
Tung Chu-lan (Mrs. Hsin-min Chen)
Van Kirk, Miss Ruth
Wright, Miss Harriet B.

-- the Editor --

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS OF APPRECIATION

1. Washington Chapter

Ever since the First Annual Reunion on June 29, 1952, the annual reunion of the G.A.A. has been a big event in the chronology of Ginling family members. It is a day to look forward to and a happy memory in retrospect. The annual reunion provides a chance for us not only to meet old friends and to reminisce about the "Golden Age" we spent at Ginling, but to recapture the Ginling spirit and to strengthen this common bond we all cherish away from home, the Ginling campus, and our motherland. Each year we leave the site of our annual meeting inspired and strengthened. We return to our individual posts with gratitude and renewed faith and enthusiasm. We find that our inheritance from our alma mater is still fresh and is renewed in the events of every day. Therefore, we owe a debt of gratitude to all those

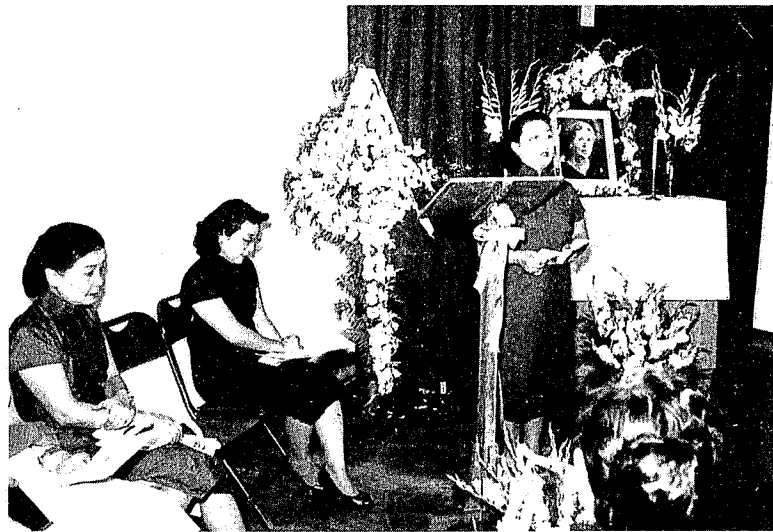
who make it possible every year for us to meet, chat, share, and plan together how best to serve in the traditional spirit of Ginling. This year we turn our thanks to the members of the Washington chapter, especially to the national President, Mrs. Shuh-yin Lu Mar, and the national Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Mei-hsien Dju Huang, and their team of workers for organizing things so competently in Washington, D.C. and for preparing an interesting and significant program such as we had. The husband of Mrs. Mar (Mr. Timothy Mar) and the husband of Mrs. Huang (Mr. Y. Y. Huang) once again helped in many ways before and during the meeting. It seems to be the tradition in the Ginling family that the sons-in-law are loyal and as eager as their beloved wives to make each and every Ginling gathering a success. We feel indebted to Dr. C. C. Hung for letting us use his wonderful church and to all the friends of Ginling who honored us with their presence at our annual meeting. Their participation in the program indeed enhanced the significance of this -- the seventh -- annual reunion in the short history of the Ginling Association in America.

2. Mrs. May Smith (Wang Pi-hsia 1942)

As we turn the pages of this king-size issue (exception!) of our Ginling Newsletter and our new Ginling Directory of 1958 (to be ready this fall), let us not forget that both are the gifts of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Smith, without whose largess our G.A.A. would be financially unable to produce either. May we extend our gratitude to May and Stanley and our prayers for their good health and happiness wherever they go!

3. Local Chapter Chairmen and All Those Who Helped on This Issue

The Editor is especially grateful to the local chapter chairmen who responded to her request for news for their prompt replies. As her time was divided among reporting, editing, proofreading, cutting the stencils (from page 30 on), and collating, she takes the full responsibility of all the errors, irregularities, inconsistencies, etc. which may have appeared in this issue. To each and every one who lent a hand, which greatly expedited the production and distribution of this issue, she takes a deep bow in saying, "Thank you ever so much!"



Tsui Ya-lan (Mrs. D.Y. Lin) speaking at
the Memorial Service for Mrs. Thurston
in Hong Kong on May 21, 1958



Hong Kong Alumnae attending the
Thurston Memorial Service in
Hong Kong on May 21, 1958



Part of the group attending the
Thurston Memorial Service in
Washington, D.C., May 25, 1958



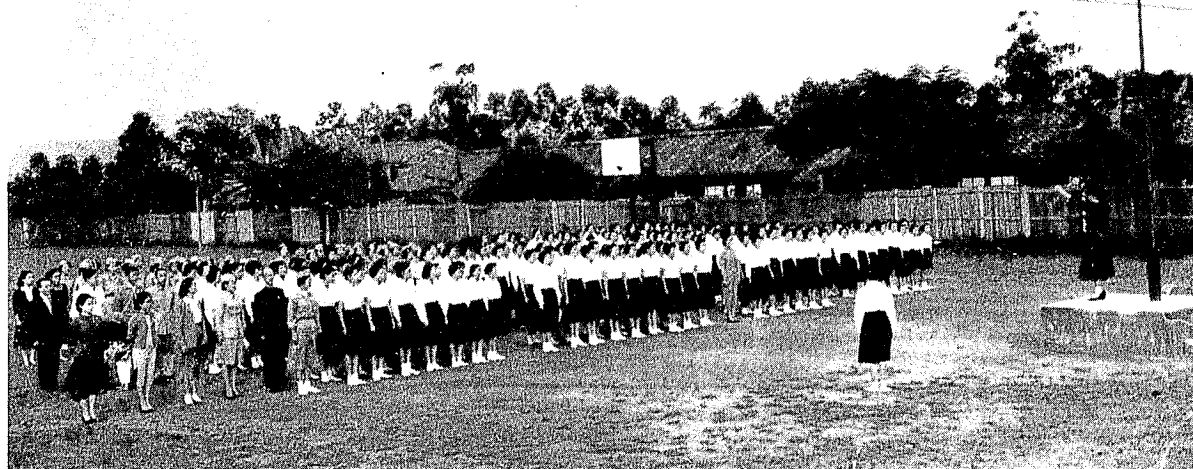
Ginling Scientists who attended the Federation
Meeting of Experimental Biology and Medicine
in Philadelphia, Penna., on April 14-18, 1958



right: Members of class of '33
met in Taipei, January 1958



left: Students march
in uniform at Ginling
Middle School in Taiwan



right: Morning Ex-
ercise at Ginling
Middle School in the
fall of 1957

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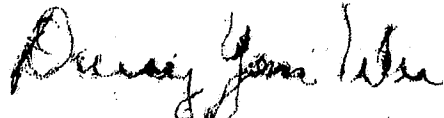
A Message from the GAA President

Greetings to YOU all, teachers, sisters, and friends. First of all, I wish to thank you heartily for having bestowed upon me the great honor of the National Presidency. Although I was slow in accepting it owing to my feeling of inadequacy, physical and otherwise, I have been content since I was finally persuaded to assume office last September. I value this good opportunity of serving my Alma Mater and of being able to keep in closer touch with my old friends and to get to know new ones.

I wish to express my special appreciation of having such an excellent Executive Committee to work with. Although its members are located in two cities, I have had no difficulty in transacting business through correspondence and personal contacts. I had a most satisfactory two-hour meeting with the three members in New York last October when we were able to exchange ideas on various questions and to lay out a preliminary plan for the Enlarged Executive Committee Meeting to be convened next May.

I realize that the GAA is dear to the heart of every member. Your Executive Committee is eager to carry out your wishes and to make it a better and stronger organization. We want every one to be an ACTIVE member and to share fully in the fellowship and the responsibility of the big Ginling family in America. Let us hear from you so that with singleness of purpose we may strive together to attain our aim.

I wish you all a happy and successful year.



Daisy Yen Wu (1921)
President

A Message from Dr. Ruth M. Chester

Westminster Choir College
Princeton, N. J.
October 23, 1958

Dear Ginling friends in America:

After being cut off entirely from Ginling friends for some years, I am greatly enjoying renewing contacts with some of you. I hope that I shall gradually find opportunity to see many more of you.

Besides saying "hello" to you all, I want at this time to tell you a little of the trip I had last summer and the Ginlingers I met along the way. I returned from Pakistan by boat by the Pacific route, so the first stop where I found old friends was Singapore. I was there for most of two days while my boat was in port. Miss Loomis, Tsai Siu-feng (1934), and Chen Pin-ling (1935) met me at the boat and took charge of me from then on. They had all come up from Kuala Lumpur to see me. We stayed overnight at the home of Mary Chen (1921), who has recently retired after many years with the Y.W.C.A. in Singapore. That evening 11 of us gathered for dinner at her home. They included Mrs. Paul Feng, who taught in our music department about 1948; Liu Bih-ru (1925), Yeh Tung-djang (1934), and Wu Shui-hsia (1935); and two special P.E. girls, Hwang Bao-lien and Yao Chen-ya. Different ones showed me the interesting sights of the city and entertained me at tea and lunch. I had a very happy visit with them.

The next stop was Hongkong, and I left the boat there in order to have more time. The high spots of my nine-day stay there were a Ginling dinner with about 23 present and visits to True Light School, Chung Chi College, Hongkong University, and to several of the large refugee camps. Ma I-ling is doing case work among the refugees, and she took me around and told me a great deal about the hardships these people are enduring and the efforts that many people are making to help them a bit. I can't take space to mention all the people I saw there, but I went twice to see Hu Shih-tsang in her home. She had been quite ill in the winter but was much better and continuing to improve. We had a good time talking about old times and old friends, and I know she would want me to pass on her greetings to those who know her.

I flew from there to Taiwan and stopped first in Taipei four days where I seemed to spend most of the time eating -- and such good food! Yang Chin-chung (1941) met me, and she had a very full and very interesting program all arranged. The most important part was the visit to the Ginling Middle School. I met the Senior II class, which is the highest they had then, saw all over the school, and had lunch in the school dining room. I was very pleased with the work they are doing and with the enthusiasm and energy of those who are supporting the school. They are desperately in need of new buildings and were having trouble raising enough money for the barest necessities of space. They were expecting to have about 200 more students this fall, as they planned to take 100 each in Junior I and Senior I to complete the six-year program. I am glad to find a growing interest here in this school and hope we shall all come to feel that it is our Ginling project which we can all help in some way. Tsu Siu-ying makes a fine principal, and we are most fortunate to have her.

The other outstanding event in Taipei was the Ginling dinner attended by 34 ranging from Chen Dju-gün (Mary 1923) down to almost the last class to finish. It was a very jolly occasion, as were the many smaller groups with whom I met during those days. I enjoyed it all very much indeed. Again the numbers are so large that I can't begin to mention names.

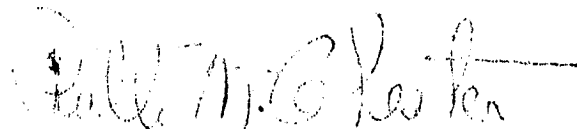
From Taipei I went to Taichung to stay for a time with Miss Priest at Tunghai University. This is another new Christian university, like Chung Chi in Hongkong, and we can feel that they are in a sense carrying on for Ginling and the other mainland Christian institutions. They have a fine campus and a very alert and interesting student body, with all four classes now for the first time. Next June will see their first graduates. While there I also visited one of the famous holiday spots - Sun Moon Lake - and went down to Tainan and Kaohsiung to see the three Ginling girls there. I also had two other short visits to Taipei and finally sailed for home from Keelung towards the end of July.

While my boat was in Japan, I had three days at Lake Nojiri with Dr. and Mrs. Claude Thomson, formerly at the University of Nanking, and Mrs. Hiltner was also there at that time. In Tokyo I had two days with Miss Helen Plaum, who was Dr. Wu's secretary just after the war. From there I came straight on home.

It was a very thrilling experience to see how Ginling lives on in its alumnae, who are doing such splendid work in so many parts of the world. Everywhere I heard great admiration for Ginling girls and their fine spirit of service as well as their capability, and as that is passed on to those they teach and work with, the influence of Ginling will continue indefinitely. I also deeply appreciated the warmth of friendship and loyalty to Ginling which I found all along the way, as people in each place asked about their friends and about Ginling groups and activities elsewhere and always asked me to take their greetings to all Ginlingers everywhere.

I am settled, for this academic year at least, as a "house mother" in one of the girls' dormitories at the Westminster Choir College in Princeton. I have a bed for a guest and would warmly welcome any Ginlinger who can plan to use it. Princeton is a delightful place to visit, so I hope some of you will really come and stay with me.

With warm greetings to you all,



Ruth M. Chester

A Message from Mrs. New

740 North College Avenue
Claremont, California
November 8, 1958

Dear fellow-alumnae:

For the past eight years, many of you have seen me in Ginling gatherings, locally or annually, in season and out of season. Y.T. Zee New seemed to be ever present with the Ginling people, in all directions.

My ears were attuned to the joys and woes of our fellowship, and my eyes witnessed the wondrous spirit of our sisters, loyal to the high calling of our Alma Mater. All of you, in your own unique ways, do endeavor to live up to the highest expectations in this land of freedom. You have been fine examples in whatever community you live; I have heard of praises about your contributions and courage of living. It is indeed rewarding to belong to this group of outstanding daughters of Ginling College.

For me, it was an unusual experience to come into personal contact with some of you who blessed me with your thoughtful hospitality during my travelling summers and winter holidays. They kept me hopeful and cheerful. Your dinners, receptions, and open homes, be they one room or mansion, always charmed me by the genuineness and graciousness of personalities behind these gestures. You have shared with me most generously your struggles, conflicts, defeats and triumphs, heartaches and pathos; I cherish them all with perfect confidence in this unity of friendship achieved by a common bond. I really was the most blessed among you, and I felt indebted to you for such sweet memories for me to cherish when I come away from you.

May you continue to share with many others who come along your way.

This is an unusual year for us Ginlingers. Our bond of fellowship is more strengthened by Siao-sung Chang's coming to us as a messenger of happy news about our courageous sisters in Taiwan. Their contribution and sacrifice for that Ginling Middle School are praiseworthy -- the fruits of their labor are rewarding for the history of our Ginling College. Let us not fail that spirit by giving them our loyal support!

Our late president's departure into Eternity is another warning to us that we who survive shall not miss the chance of giving our

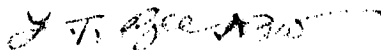
best to the ministry of women's need of Christian higher education in this period of transition.

Dean Ruth Chester's return to her homeland after such a long life service to Ginling and to the mission will add flame to some of our flickering lights. She will be our torch bearer to guide us further along the path of understanding.

My present plan is to learn to live in this area and to get acquainted with the people and environment in this interesting village where one can meet the active retired talents and personalities as well as the vigorous youth on five different campuses. I am on an unscheduled schedule, giving volunteer services where they are most needed. Probably after all my infirmities are gone, I shall be able to render more substantial service.

Your letters or cards will be most welcome. Through the 17th issue of our newsletter I wish to extend to each and all of you a very affectionate greeting for Christmas and the New Year. May Divine truth guide you in all your thoughts, plans, and ideals.

Yours cordially,



Y. T. Zee New

Financial Report

June 1957 - Nov. 24, 1958

Balance brought forward from Mrs. Nancy Kuo,
Treasurer of 1956 - 1957 \$ 120.85

Income:

Membership dues:

1957 - 1958 (87) 174.00
1958 - 1959 (64) 128.00
1959 - 1960 (1) 2.00

Special contributions:

1957 - Miss Sutherland 8.00
Miss Siao Chin 2.00
1958 - Mrs. Stanley Smith (May Wang) 1000.00
Mrs. W. S. New 13.00

Bank interest:

June 26, 1958 10.45
Oct. 9, 1958 7.32

Total income \$1465.62

Expenditures:

1958 - annual meeting and incidentals 78.87
newsletters prior to July 31 83.92
July 31 - Nov. 5 to News Editor for
newsletter and new directory 102.44
to United Board for Christian Higher Education .. 199.46
Miscellaneous 3.05

Total expenditure: \$ 467.74

Balance: \$ 997.88

In accordance with the resolutions passed at the National Executive Committee which met last October in New York with Mrs. Hsien Wu presiding, we are announcing in this issue a list of members who have paid their dues for one or both of the last two years. Moreover, we shall also review membership and privileges in passing:

Membership: "Any alumna, ex-student, faculty member, former Board member in China, or Practice School student, now residing in the United States or Canada, shall be eligible for membership."

Privileges: Annual dues of \$2.00 (since 1951!) shall entitle a member to the privilege of receiving all notices, announcements, and publications put out by the Association, including newsletters, new directories, etc.

Report on Membership Dues

Name	'57- '58	'58- '59	Name	'57- '58	'58- '59	'59- '60
Bao Siu-tsung	x		Ho, Lily		x	
Chang Ching-ming (?)	x		Hsieh, Florence	x	x	
Chang, Ruth	x		Hsiung Gueh-djen	x	x	
Chen Fu-ho	x	x	Hsu Ih-djen	x	x	
Chen Hsiao-lan	x	x	Hu Shiu-ying	x		
Chen I	x		Huang Nan	x	x	
Chen Shih-dzung	x		Huang Yen-hwa	x	x	
Chi Chia-jui (?)	x		Hwang Chiung-chu	x	x	
Chiang Sin-pao	x	x	Hwang Hsin-ping	x		
Chu Chi	x		Kiang Nan		x	
Chu, Maggie		x	Lan Chien-wei		x	
Chu Ying-chang	x	x	Li Chi	x		
Dan Gung-tai	x	x	Li, Gloria		x	
Djan Bao-chiu		x	Li Kuan-yuan	x		
Djang Min-yen	x		Li Yung-ching	x		
Djou Gi-hsin	x	x	Lin Chao-yuen	x		
Djou Meng-tse		x	Lin Wan-yu	x		
Dju Dzwen-hua	x		Liu Fu-tung	x	x	x
Dju Gioh-fang	x	x	Liu Nien-si	x	x	
Dju Mei-hsien	x	x	Liu Ning-yuan	x		
Dju Mei-yu	x		Liu Ying-bao	x	x	
Dju Yueh-shan	x		Liu Yung-sze	x	x	
Dong Nyok-zoe	x		Loh Zung-nyi	x	x	
Dzo Ging-ru	x		Lu Ming-chang	x	x	
Gan Bih-yun		x	Lu Shu-ying	x	x	
Gwan Gieh-yun		x	Ma Yueh-ching	x	x	
Gu Su-ning (?)	x		Mao Yu-dung		x	
Gwoh Hsing-hsiung	x		Mei Yuen-hung		x	

<u>Name</u>	<u>'57-</u> <u>'58</u>	<u>'58-</u> <u>'59</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>'57-</u> <u>'58</u>	<u>'58-</u> <u>'59</u>
Niu Yu-hwa	x		Wei Djen-dzi	x	x
Pan Ren-tsiu	x	x	Wen Tung-geng	x	x
Ren Pei-yu	x		Wu Ching-yi		x
Shen Pei-lan	x	x	Wu Mei-ling	x	
Shen Wei-yu	x	x	Wu Yu-ching	x	
Siao Chin	x		Yang Ken		x
Sie Hsieh-chieh	x		Yang Siu-djen		x
Sie Wen-chiu	x	x	Yen Hsiao-mei	x	
Sie Wen-mei	x	x	Yen Tsai-yun	x	
Szetu Dju	x		Yin Dao-ying	x	x
Tan Tsui-yung	x		Yin Kung-ming	x	x
Tang Han-chih	x		Yin Shan-gu	x	
Tang Lu-djen		x	Yu Chiung-chih	x	
Tang Shih-yen	x	x	Yu Deh-djen		x
Tang Yih-yue	x		Yu Hsien-tsai	x	
Wang An-djen	x		Yu Tsai-fan	x	x
Wang Hung-dju		x			
Barber, J. Minnette		x	Mills, Emily Case		x
Bates, Lilliath	x		Mortensen, Esther Tappert		x
Bond, Kathleen	x		Nangle, Katharine	x	x
Butler, Alice	x	x	Sutherland, Catherine	x	
Chang, Alice	x	x	Whitmer, Harriet	x	x
Chester, Ruth		x	Whittington, Dorothy	x	
Daniels, Mrs. J. Horton	x		Wu Yuan-ching		x
Graves, Stella		x	Yu Shwen-dji	x	
Hazelhurst, Lottie		x	Kwoh, Beulah		x
Hoffsommer, Abigail	x				
Hong, Ettie Chin	x				
Kirk, Florence	x	x			
Loos, Esther		x			
Mills, Mrs. W.P.	x				

("x" indicates membership dues received.)

Submitted by Yu Ts'ai-fan, Treasurer

(Thanks to our indefatigable Treasurer, Dr. Yu Ts'ai-fan, for preparing the above reports. Since signatures accompanying the remittances were in various forms: maiden name and married name, English name and romanized Chinese name in every possible combination, errors may have occurred on the above list. Both the Treasurer and the Editor would appreciate having errors pointed out to them for correction.)

All those who have not yet paid their annual membership dues (1957-58 and/or 1958-59) please send checks promptly to:

Dr. Ts'ai-fan Yu
c/o Mount Sinai Hospital
5th Ave. & E100th Street
New York 19, N. Y.

Kindly identify yourself by the name you used at Ginling, preferably with Chinese characters in parenthesis. Thank you.

Committee Reports

Ginling Girls' Middle School Committee

The Ginling Girls' Middle School Committee is adopting this name as its legal name. There are fifteen members with Col. K. C. Shah acting most ably as Chairman in substitute for his wife, Marie Huang. We have had four meetings since the first one in August which Dr. Chang Siao-sung attended. It was inspiring to have Dr. Chang bring everyone a complete history of the school in Taipei.

The main matter under study is this business of getting registered, so we can raise money and solicit gifts which will be tax exempt. It is an education for all members, as no one has organized an operation like this before and we have to learn how. The result to date is that on the advice of our kind lawyer, Mr. Shaw, who donates his services, we are to use the China Institute in New York as our agent and bank. The Committee here will not register, as we are not actually running the Ginling Middle School in Taipei. And, therefore, we are not able to pass the requirements for asking for tax exempt donations.

Another subject for thought and discussion has been the content of our appeal: how shall we say it to reach hearts and pockets? A small editorial committee was appointed and their work is about to come up for final approval at the November meeting. Then printed circulars will come out and we can get to work. There is a fine spirit in the group and much generous hospitality. Mrs. T. T. Mar, Mrs. Smyth, Mrs. Bogart, Dr. and Mrs. Sing-chen Chang, and Mrs. Y. Y. Huang entertained the Committee in turn, and we have very busy people. This preliminary formality takes lots of time.

Here is the complete list of Committee members:

Mrs. T. F. Bogart (husband: General Bogart was in Taipei two years with the American Military Advisory Group), Mrs. J. Brent (husband: Director of I.C.A. in Taipei for several years), Dr. Sing-chen Chang, Dr. Kan Lee, Mrs. Charles Lowry (prominent in education

in Washington -- on faculty of Mount Vernon Academy), Mrs. Reginald Chutter (husband formerly with I.C.A. in Taipei), Mrs. Y. Y. Huang (Dju Mei-hsien), Mrs. T. W. Kao (Shen Wei-yu), Mrs. Paul Meyer (on original Board of Directors of Ginling Girls' Middle School and taught in it one semester), Mrs. Milton Miles (husband: Admiral Miles, friend of China), Col. K. C. Shah (Chairman), Mrs. George Smyth (husband: General Smyth, Chief of MAAG in Taipei for two years), Miss Elizabeth Beverly (Smith Alumnae Association representative), Mrs. Nelson T. Johnson (husband: former Ambassador to China), Mrs. T. T. Mar (Lu Shu-yin), and Mrs. K. C. Shah (Huang Hsin-ping).

Submitted by Harriet Cogswell Meyer
Secretary of the Committee

Thurston Memorial Fund

It was just about two months ago that the Thurston Memorial Fund was organized and plans were made to solicit contributions from GAA members and relatives and friends of Mrs. Thurston. I am happy to report that contributions have been coming in steadily since. Up to November 13, a total of \$1644.00 in cash and pledges had been received. This represents 32.9% of our goal of \$5000.00 which we hope to attain by April 18, 1959, the first anniversary of Mrs. Thurston's death. We still have a long way to go between now and then, and it is earnestly hoped that every reader of this report will make a prompt and generous response.

The Committee has not resorted to publicity of any kind and has decided to keep operating costs down to the minimum. We believe that our cause is unique and highly personal. We give out of respect, gratitude, and affection to honor the memory of one who meant so much to us in various ways. We wish to carry on her cherished desire of providing higher education for Chinese women by helping to educate young girls and prepare them for college education so that the spirit of Ginling may continue to live and spread and life be made more abundant for untold number of people.

Our belief has been confirmed by the wonderful letters which accompanied some of the most generous gifts. A relative sent in a gift of \$500.00, the largest received so far, because she was a great admirer and friend of our beloved Mrs. Thurston. A long and inspiring/letter paying homage and tribute to our first President came from an alumna who is living in retirement in far-away Singapore, enclosing a check for \$50.00 which she purchased from an American friend. A former Board member sent in \$50. A former faculty member made a contribution of \$20.00; shortly thereafter, she sent in a second check for \$100.00, making hers a "double measure" gift. Examples like these are indeed most heartening and inspiring. They heighten our hope that we can attain, or even exceed, our goal. Our ultimate success will depend entirely on the cooperation and generosity of

every one of you.

I wish to thank all of you who have already given generously to the Fund. May I suggest to the rest that you, too, follow suit in making a "double measure" gift?

Please detach the pledge card at the bottom of this page and send it at your earliest convenience to our Treasurer at the following address:

Mrs. H. B. Whittington
15 $\frac{1}{2}$ Sheperd Street
Cambridge, Mass.

Respectfully submitted,

Daisy Yen Wu
Chairman, Thurston Memorial Fund

GINLING ASSOCIATION IN AMERICA

c/o Mrs. H. B. Whittington
15 $\frac{1}{2}$ Sheperd Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts

My contribution to the THURSTON MEMORIAL FUND
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ments, the last one to be on or before April 1,
1959.

Signed _____

Date _____

Local Chapter News

I. The Boston Chapter

The first meeting of the 1958-59 season was held on Sunday, September 7, at the Whittingtons' home in Cambridge. We observed our usual custom of each bringing a "covered dish" for luncheon at one o'clock.

We were particularly happy to have at this meeting four very "special" guests: Miss Helen Calder (Mrs. Thurston's sister), Prof. and Mrs. Chen (Dju Yu-feng 1933) from Taiwan (Mrs. Chen is a classmate of Mrs. Hsu's), and Miss Loretta Pan, our Newsletter Editor.

Mrs. Hsu (Hu Siu-ying 1933), who was our representative at the Annual Meeting in Washington last May, gave a brief report of that meeting and told us that the Boston Chapter had been put in charge of raising the Thurston Memorial Fund. In view of this great responsibility, we decided that the whole chapter should be the Fund-raising Committee with each member serving also on a sub-committee -- a whole-hearted endeavor!

We were delighted to hear from Mrs. Wu (Daisy Yen 1921) that she would accept the nomination as President of the Ginling Association in America. She said she was influenced by Mrs. Thurston's once saying to her, in another connection, "You are the oldest; you should accept!"

Mrs. Lin (Wang An-chen 1946) reported that a living room in the girls' dormitory at Chung Chi College in Hongkong was being furnished in memory of Mrs. Thurston, and asked for contributions to aid in this memorial.

A short time was spent in "catching up" on where each of us had spent the summer, and in hearing a few words of greeting from our guests.

Founders' Day Meeting: - A very inspiring and unusually well-attended meeting (with one exception, every member was able to be present) was held on Sunday, November 2, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Hsien Wu, where we met for luncheon. The program, in honor of Mrs. Thurston, was opened by Miss Rebecca Griest, who spoke on "The Artist and the Artisans," a tribute to Mrs. Thurston from a faculty member. Miss Griest said that Mrs. Thurston was truly an artist in her conception of Ginling College as a place of beauty, and more important, as an opportunity for the liberation of the mind and the fulfillment of the spirit, and for the making of truly great women.

Miss Griest also spoke of Mrs. Thurston's courage, of her great faith, and of her firm belief that life is of the spirit, and that Ginling and the spirit of Ginling would endure always.

Mrs. Hsien Wu, speaking as a student, paid tribute to Mrs. Thurston's presence of mind and qualities of leadership in a crisis such as the fire which broke out when Mrs. Wu was a Freshman in college. Mrs. Loh (Dzo Gin-ru 1932) and Mrs. Shih (Shih Yün-ying 1927) spoke of Mrs. Thurston's understanding friendship and encouragement, and Mrs. Hsu told how her interest in astronomy had first been stimulated by Mrs. Thurston.

At the business meeting which followed, projects were discussed for the raising of money for the Thurston Memorial Fund, and various committees were appointed by our chairman, Mrs. Hsu. We are planning a big dinner at a Chinese restaurant, the tickets to be sold at one dollar more than the restaurant charges. We are also planning to sell candy and possibly gifts. (We have had an offer of Chinese articles from a former faculty member to be sold as a contribution to the Fund).

Mrs. Wu reported briefly on a most inspiring letter from Mary Chen (1921), enclosing a check for \$50 for the Fund.

The Secretary produced "pledge cards" for individual contributions, and everyone present signed one, making the total in contributions and pledges from the Boston Chapter now \$475. The Secretary also reported that as Treasurer of the Thurston Memorial Fund she had received (exclusive of the Boston Chapter) contributions and pledges from fifteen alumnae, twelve former faculty members, one former member on the Ginling Board, and (through Miss Calder), nine relatives and personal friends of Mrs. Thurston. Contributions have come from as far away as the Dominican Republic, Hawaii, Singapore, and Australia! We hope to hear from everyone else SOON.

Personals:- A son, Peter, was born to Dr. and Mrs. Earl Shih in October. This is their second son and fourth child.

We have "discovered" two new alumnae in the Boston region: Mrs. Ann Wu, '52, 29 Newton Street, Brighton; and Mrs. Jimmy Yu, '52, 30 Traystone Street, Saugus, Mass.

Submitted by Dorothy Whittington
Secretary and Treasurer

II. The Los Angeles Chapter

On August 9, 1958 a potluck dinner was held at the home of Mrs. Beulah Kwoh in honor of our "big sister", Mrs. Way-sung New, who had recently arrived from the East Coast. Ten Ginlingers, together with some of their husbands, were present. We were all thrilled by Mrs. New's report of the activities of Ginlingers elsewhere and inspired by her account of six years of educational service at Western College, Oxford, Ohio. We all heartily welcome her to join our Los Angeles Chapter, and we certainly had a grand gathering.

We had a short business meeting. New officers were elected: Mrs. Elizabeth Mei (Kiang Nan) as Chairman, and Mrs. Hannah Phang (Wang Hung-dju) as Secretary-Treasurer. Both national and local dues were collected.

November 2, 1958 was, of course, a big day for all Ginlingers this year on account of the Thurston Memorial Fund. The Los Angeles Chapter celebrated Founders' Day at the home of Mrs. Gloria Nyi. A Chinese tea party was organized. About ten members and around sixty friends and guests attended that day. The beautiful autumn weather with chrysanthemums in full bloom reminded us of the elaborate celebrations on Founders' Day of our Alma Mater in Nanking.

We started the tea at 3 p.m. The charming wife of the Chinese Consul General, Mrs. M. P. Lee, was invited to pour tea. With Mrs. Elizabeth Mei presiding, the program consisted of an inspiring talk by Mrs. New about our founder, Mrs. Lawrence Thurston, in the early days of Ginling. Kodachrome slides of the Ginling Middle School and motion pictures of Formosa -- kindly loaned to us by the Chinese Consulate -- were shown. Dr. Mary Frances Reed and Mrs. Gloria Nyi both expressed surprises at the tremendous growth of the Ginling Middle School since their visit in Taiwan the year before. Donations in cash as well as a variety of articles were contributed by members and friends. A wonderful spirit of cooperation among members and friends helped to make the occasion a success. A total of \$147.75 was realized for the Thurston Memorial Fund on that day. We hope to increase this amount before sending it to the Headquarters in Boston in April 1959.

Personal news:

1. Miss Irene Liu recently returned to Los Angeles after receiving her Master's degree from Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas.
2. Mrs. Way-sung New is now planning to stay on the West Coast. Her present address is 740 North College Ave., Claremont, California; telephone: National 6-8264. (From Claremont to Los Angeles it is about 30 miles and takes over an hour to reach the center of the city.)

3. Mrs. Lily Quon is expected back in Los Angeles before Thanksgiving. She is traveling with her husband in the Far East, visiting Hong Kong, Siam, Malaya, Formosa, Japan, Hawaii and returning to Los Angeles via Canada. We look forward to her news regarding our Ginling Girls' Middle School in Taiwan.
4. Dr. Mary Frances Reed is back in Los Angeles from her two years of missionary educational work in India. She is now teaching in the Foreign Speech Adult Literary Group of the Adult Education Department of Los Angeles. She is also the Director of the Cooperative Nursery School of the Hollywood Methodist Church. Her present address is 508 South Gramercy Place, Los Angeles 5, California.
5. We are so glad to discover the following new sisters in our chapter:
 - a) Mrs. James Yin (Bernice Ma Bih-ning 1939) - 5177 Maison Ave., Los Angeles 41, Calif. (Eagle Rock) Tel: CI5-8380
 - b) Miss Phyllis Kwan (Gwan Gieh-yun 1948) - 516 So. Normandie, Los Angeles 5, Calif. Tel: DU7-0052
 - c) Mrs. Marcus Gih (Hu Wei-ching 1950) - 617 Parkman Ave., Los Angeles 26, Calif. Tel: DU3-2234
 - d) Mrs. Lawrence Lamb (Dung Shi-ran 1949) - 18103 Dalton Ave., Gardena, Calif. Tel: DA4-4268

Submitted by Hannah Phang
(Wang Hung-dju 1935)
Secretary

III. The Princeton Chapter

Members of the Princeton Chapter and their families celebrated Founders' Day in the charmingly artistic home of Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Mote (Chen Hsiao-lan). Mrs. Mote, the Chairman, and her husband live in a group of faculty houses on the edge of the campus of Princeton University in which Professor Mote teaches Chinese language and history.

After a delicious dinner prepared by the members of the group, there was an informal talk about Mrs. Thurston by one who worked with our first president during all her years at Ginling. This one was, of course, no other than Dr. Ruth Chester. After thirty-four years at Ginling and six and a half at Forman Christian College in Lahore, Pakistan, Miss Chester has "retired" and is now House Mother in a girls' dormitory at Westminster Choir College here in Princeton. Her presence among us is our most important news.

A business meeting followed -- perhaps less quiet than usual as

the rain kept the children indoors. The Thurston Memorial Fund was discussed first. In addition to our individual gifts sent directly to the Fund, it was decided to send most of the balance in our treasury. Concerning fund-raising for the Ginling Middle School in Taipei, Mrs. Mote was asked to investigate two possibilities for future money-raising projects. Those present were Dr. Ruth Chester, Mrs. Chow Mao Yu-tung, Mrs. Mote, Mrs. Soo Dan Gung-tai, Mrs. Tung Wu Yuan-ching, and Mrs. Esther Loos.

Personal news: A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Shaolee Soo on December first. Both mother and baby are doing fine. This is their third child.

Submitted by Esther Loos
Secretary

IV. The Chicago Chapter

For our Founders' Day celebration this year, the members and families of the Chicago Chapter were invited by Dr. and Mrs. Liao (Lu Ming-chang 1940) to a dinner party at their new home in Park Forest, Ill., about thirty miles south of Chicago.

On November 2nd, about twenty of us, packed in three cars, started southward in the pleasant air of the beautiful autumn weather. After about an hour's ride, we arrived at the big new house of the Liaos'. It is located at the edge of a forest preserve. One can enjoy a colorful view of the trees and the shrubs of the preserve as well as their own garden. The interior of the house is also beautifully decorated. We cannot help but admire the artistic taste of the host and hostess.

Soon we were treated to a very delicious Chinese dinner. Both the delicious taste and the elegant variety we shall remember for a long, long time. After dinner we were entertained by Mrs. Chen's (Djou Gi-hsing 1939) elder son and by Mrs. Liao's daughter, who played an accordion solo and a piano solo respectively. Both displayed special music talent that impressed the audience very much.

In the meeting that followed, Miss Whitmer gave a brief account of Mrs. Thurston as one of the Founders of our college. Mrs. Wei (Gan Bih-yun 1933), who had just come to this country from Taiwan about a month ago, spoke to us about the Ginling Middle School at Taipei, which she had served as a Board member. From her talk we got to know much better the present condition of the Ginling Middle School, and each of us pledged some contribution toward the Thurston Memorial Fund and the Ginling Middle School Fund. Finally, the election for the new Chairman took place. Mrs. Wei is our new Chairman!

This has been a special day, indeed, for ten years ago on this very

day Mr. and Mrs. Liu (Yin Dao-ying 1948) were married in East Lansing, Mich. A special cake was served for this happy occasion. Hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Liu!

We were very glad to have with us Miss Dorothea Wu, daughter of Mrs. Hsien Wu, President of GAA. She moved into the Chicago area recently. We certainly hope that she will join us again next time.

New members:

Mrs. Bih-yun Gan Wei (1933) - 1757 W. Sunnyside, Chicago, Ill.
Miss Dzwun-hua Dju (1948) - 5552 Ellis, Chicago 37, Ill.

Submitted by Chiang Sin-pao
Chairman

V. The New Haven Chapter

The New Haven Ginling sisters are very happy and excited to announce the glorious return of Dr. Edith G. D. Hsiung from her trip to Europe. She went primarily to present a paper in Stockholm and to take part in a discussion in Lisbon, but ended in sight-seeing in six other countries. Edith has very generously written a report for the newsletter, so I am not going to tell you what she told us. But we are much more fortunate than you people because we were given the privilege of seeing the slides she took during her trip. I am sure Edith will be more than glad to show them to you too if she has a chance. Maybe for this purpose we can persuade you all to come and pay us a visit.

The New Haven Chapter was very lucky in having Dr. Ruth Chester with them at their Founders' Day celebration held on Saturday, November first. There were nine members, including our four-year-old May, Wei Djen-dzi's daughter. The celebration was held at Edith Hsiung's apartment. Edith cooked a super-duper delicious dinner which we took two hours to eat. (Edith later said we were very "capable", because we were able to eat up the food she had prepared for sixteen people! Wish you were here!) At the meeting after the dinner, we discussed ways to help build up the Thurston Memorial Fund. We decided that it is appropriate to keep to the original idea of soliciting money for this purpose among the Ginling Association members and their friends and friends of Mrs. Thurston. Several of us made contributions then and there. The checks have been forwarded to our Treasurer in Boston.

We also discussed ways of soliciting money here in New Haven for the buildings of Ginling Girls' Middle School in Formosa. Mrs. Nangle told us of her successful efforts for the twenty-fifth birthday of Ginling College some years ago. We think it is worth trying again. The tentative idea is to give a "Bowl-of-Rice" supper at our churches,

during which we will tell about Ginling and the Middle School, show some slides of both perhaps and, if possible, introduce to our American friends the art of Chinese painting by having some artist friends of ours demonstrate. We also plan to bring in some Chinese articles for exhibition and sale for that purpose. The first such supper has been arranged by Mrs. Ralph Mortensen (Esther Tappert) to be held on Dec. 6 at the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Southington, Conn. We shall appreciate any suggestions and moral support from any or all of you so that these feeble attempts may be successful because the need of our Ginling Girls' Middle School is great and urgent. And, if any of you is willing to come and lend us a hand, you are earnestly welcome, for the New Haven Chapter is small.

Then Dr. Chester talked to us about her trip from Pakistan back to the United States, recalling all the Ginling people she had seen, with some of us telling bits of news about some she mentioned and asking questions about those whom some of us knew particularly well. We are very grateful for Dr. Chester's presence and wish to thank her here, reiterating to her that she is always welcome anytime she can be with us.

Wei Djen-dzi very happily announced that her sister-in-law, Gan Bih-yun, together with all but the eldest of her children, had arrived at Chicago from Formosa. Our most hearty welcome to Bih-yun!

Submitted by Lucy Lin
(Wen Tung-geng), Chairman

VI. The New York Chapter

The New York Chapter held its Founders' Day celebration on Sunday, November 2nd, 1958 at 1 p.m. at the Sing Wu Restaurant, 123 Second Ave., New York. Over forty persons attended the gathering. They represented Ginling students, former faculty members, sons-in-law, grandchildren, and friends. After a short devotion led by Mrs. M. Searle Bates, the dinner began. During the meal, Mrs. Ying-bao Liu Wei, Mrs. Gioh-fang Chu Ma, and Mrs. Shangu Yin Lee reminisced about Li-hsiang-fu, Tung-kua-shih, and Hua-hsi-pa -- the three sites in chronological order where Ginling College was located from 1915 through 1950.

The out-going Chairman, Mrs. Grace Chu, made several announcements. Foremost among them was the one to remind those present and those who could not attend of the Thurston Memorial Fund. Then and there several checks were handed to the Treasurer, Mrs. Stella Lee (Dju Yueh-shan). Some reported that they had already sent in their checks and some remarked that they would send their checks directly to Mrs. Hsien Wu (Daisy Yen) at 28 Adams Street, Brookline 46, Mass.

Because of the varied duties, demands, and pressures on each active

member of the New York Chapter (alas! only a handful of the large number of Ginling girls in and around New York can be included as active members), a new slate of officers was not available on that day which is, according to tradition, the day of changing officers. Opinions were expressed, however, that some responsible members might later volunteer to serve as one of the three officers: the Chairman, the Secretary, and the Treasurer. Until a new executive committee is formed, the out-going Chairman will be charged with the safekeeping of all the available records of the New York Chapter.

The Bazaar - In order to raise funds for our Ginling Girls Middle School in Taiwan, the New York Chapter held a bazaar on November 15, 1958 at the China Institute in America, 125 East 65th Street, New York, from 2-7 p.m. Jasmine tea, accompanied by cocktail spring rolls, dates and sesame seed surprises, and fortune and almond cookies, was served to over 150 guests. The ground floor had five sections: Chinese food items, donated articles, individual consignments, and store consignments of cards, jewelry, dresses, gift items, and a great number of other articles. There was a special booth where the American guests' names were translated into Chinese and written in Chinese brush. A nominal fee was charged for each name, and the total gain would be applied to the scholarships. There were five door prizes and our lucky Bau Siu-tsung was the recipient of both the first and the second prizes. A good time was had by all. The Chapter netted \$301.82 for our middle school in Taiwan. Special thanks are in order from the Chapter to the following ladies: Helena Chen (Yu Hsien-tshi), Gioh-fang Chu Ma, Stella Chu Lee (Chu Yueh-shan), Loretta Pan, Yin-bao Liu Wei, Ruth Zia (Wen-mei), and all their assistants. The spirit, the time, the energy, the gifts, and the money which they and the others gave are too many and too much to be described here. To all who helped, a "thank-you" from us all.

Submitted by Grace Chu (Wen-ch'iu)
Chairman

VII. The Washington, D.C. Chapter

Our new officers have been elected by an overwhelming majority. We have Mrs. C. P. Li (Tang Han-chih) for Chairman, Mrs. Robert Ing (Liu Ning-yuan) for Secretary, and Miss Winnie Chu for Treasurer. We are sure that these capable alumnae will brighten the Washington, D. C. Chapter.

Mr. and Mrs. Chi (former Miss Lota Li, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. P. Li) were blessed with a baby girl, Loretta, last June. Col. and Mrs. Konsin C. Shah (Huang Hsin-ping) were also visited by a stork bringing a baby girl, Cecile. They were both June babies, born only ten days apart, and such cute little things too.

Mrs. Suzanne Kao (Shen Wei-yu) has taken a job as broker in the stock market, being the first foreign lady-broker who ever practiced in Washington, D.C. She is happy with her work. We are all proud of her and sincerely wish her success.

Submitted by Marie Shah
(Huang Hsin-ping), Chairman

VIII. The Philadelphia Chapter

(There has been no answer to Editor's requests for news.)

Some More Personal News

Miss Eva D. Spicer will arrive in New York about May 12th.

After five and a half years' successful experience in Nigeria, Africa, serving as Principal of Women's Training Center in Umuahia, Miss Spicer is returning home in London via the Belgian Congo, Northern Rhodesia, Kenya, and Uganda. Arriving in England about March 10, 1959, Miss Spicer will sail for the U.S. on board the Queen Elizabeth on May 7, 1959. She is expected to arrive in New York about May 12th. According to her letter dated December 27, 1958, Miss Spicer plans to be in and around New York area for about three weeks, including her visits to Dr. Chester and the Fenns in Princeton and Mrs. Emily Case Mills in Orange, Connecticut. Then she will go west, visiting perhaps in Ohio, Michigan, and Chicago in June and go to Southern California in July, or vice versa. In Chicago Miss Spicer will stay with Miss Whitmer probably, and in Southern California with Miss Sharp. She also hopes to visit Dr. Hackett if she is around. Miss Spicer will be spending August with Miss Haight in North Carolina. Coming north, she will stop in Washington, D.C. (Sept. 3-10 or 6-13), where she hopes to stay with Mrs. Meyer. She will then go to Pennsylvania, where she will see Miss Lamberton in Lancaster and the alumnae around Philadelphia. The next stop is New England for fall colorings. Miss Spicer will be dividing her time between Boston and New Hampshire (Sept. 20-Oct. 20). She is now booked to go back to England on the Queen Elizabeth, leaving New York on November 4 (possibly a week later). Her last two weeks in the U.S. will be spent in New York.

Miss Spicer's address in England is: 22, Kidbrooke Grove, Blackheath, London S.E.3. Her address in the U.S. is: c/o United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, New York.

We on this side of the Atlantic can hardly wait to see Miss Spicer after so many years!

Chen Shih-dzung married in December 1958.

Chen Shih-dzung (1936), Ph.D. in nutrition at Purdue University, was married on December 21, 1958 in Champaign, Illinois, to Lu Kuo-chin, graduate of the University of Nanking and Ph.D. in microbiology from Oregon State College. During their honeymoon they spent three days in Washington, D.C. After February 1 Shih-dzung will be employed in the College of Home Economics at Cornell University where Dr. Lu is an assistant soil microbiologist. Shih-dzung was for the last six and a half years employed as an assistant professor in home economics at the University of Illinois. Dr. and Mrs. Lu's new home is at 531 S. Meadow Street, Ithaca, New York.

Wu Mei-lin visited Washington, D.C.

Wu Mei-lin (1938) and her husband were in Washington, D.C. for a short visit last summer.

Huang Nan went to Europe.

Huang Nan (Nancy 1937) accompanied her husband Dr. Peter Kuo on a trip to Europe last September. Dr. Kuo was invited to deliver a paper on Dietary Fat and Plasma Lipids at the Third World Congress of Cardiology in Brussels. While in Europe they visited the World Fair, took a boat ride on the Rhine, visited the Volkswagen Factory, and saw many other places. Nancy now drives to work -- happy as a lark -- in the new Volkswagen shipped home from Europe.

Mrs. Thurston's admirer writes.

Miss Eloise Bradshaw, many years on the Ginling Board, wrote last July, enclosing a check for US\$50 for the Thurston Memorial Fund:

"...I have long admired Mrs. Thurston -- ever since I was a Freshman at R.M.W.C. in Lynchburg and she spoke one Sunday at Vespers. She was then from Roberts College in Constantinople, and she gave me my first interest in full-time Christian work. On a visit to Ginling I also discovered that we had a common interest in astronomy. She introduced me to the 'Torchbearer' series of books by Alfred Noyes, which I acquired and continue to enjoy...."

Mrs. Frank C. Gale passed away.

In answering our questionnaire last fall, Mr. Frank C. Gale informed us that his beloved wife Ailie May had passed away on March 27, 1958.

Surviving Mrs. Gale are her husband, three sons, three daughters-in-law, one "precious" Chinese daughter, Mary, seven grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren. Mrs. Gale was a medical missionary in China. From the time she was carried out of China on a stretcher at Hong Kong in 1950 to enter upon retirement she never regained her vitality. In her last four years she processed Christmas cards and made beautiful scrapbooks to be mailed to former missionary colleagues then at work in other countries of Africa, India, Pakistan, Malaya, Thailand, Formosa, Japan, and Costa Rica. She mailed more than 60,000 Christmas cards and received countless letters of appreciation from the recipients.

News from Ginling Alumnae in Hong Kong

1. Spring re-union tea party was held on March 8, 1958 at three p.m. in True Light Middle School kindergarten. It is our tradition here that we take turn to be hostesses at the Ginling gatherings except the Founders' Day celebrations for which the officers are responsible. This time our fellow alumnae teaching at True Light invited us to a sumptuous tea. The hostesses were: Ch'en Chien-ch'ing, Huang Hsiu-ch'ing, Shen Yun-chen, and Nieh Wan. As Nieh Wan is the Home Economics Department head at True Light, we were privileged to enjoy the refreshments prepared by expert hands at the Home Economics Room at True Light.
2. Thurston Memorial Service was held on May 21, 1958 at the Student Center of Christian Universities and Colleges. More than thirty attended the service. The hall was decorated with purple and white flowers. The atmosphere as well as the service was most impressive.
3. A dinner party was given at Princess Garden Restaurant in Kowloon on May 31, 1958 to welcome Dr. Ruth Chester in Hong Kong. We had two tables of feast amidst which each was revitalized by happy reminiscences of her college days.
4. Our annual meeting was held at 3 p.m. on September 13, 1958 at the home of Huang Shu-hua (Mrs. Li Wen-chien). This meeting had a two-fold purpose: to elect new officers (1958-1959) and to welcome Lily Ho (Mrs. Albert Quon) in Hong Kong. Five new officers were elected, and they are (in the order of the number of votes cast): Lu Ching-wei (1945), Wang Ching-ch'ing (1936), Huang Shu-hua (1947), Teng Chen-mei (1944), and Ho Ch'ang-lin (1928).
5. Founders' Day celebrations were held at 6 p.m. on November 8 at the home of Teng Chen-mei (Mrs. Chung Kuei-en). Thirty-three people were present, including daughters of Ginling and sons-in-law and

grandchildren of Ginling.

6. A welcome dinner party was given on December 8, 1958 in honor of our big sister Chen Chu-chün, who was on a short trip to Hong Kong for conferences. Again we met at the home of Huang Shu-hua. As this party was arranged upon a very short notice, less than twenty of us (mostly from Hua-hsi-pa) had the good luck of seeing Miss Chen. We asked her about the Ginling alumnae in Taiwan.
7. In addition to regular meetings every year the Ginling alumnae in Hong Kong give a full scholarship of HK\$600 to a coed at Ch'ung Chi College in Hong Kong. This scholarship has continued four years, and the recipient will be graduating in June 1959. Although we are not too many in Hong Kong, we hope to continue our efforts towards meaningful projects.
8. To honor our memory of Mrs. Thurston, we in Hong Kong have tried to raise HK\$2,000 to furnish the spacious lounge at the women's dormitory of Ch'ung Chi College. Besides hanging up Mrs. Thurston's picture, we also put up lanterns of the designs of Nanking days. Before we realized our goal of HK\$2,000, however, the women's dormitory was opened. Our generous Huang Shu-hua came to our rescue by lending us the money for the project, and we are trying to reimburse her within the year 1959.
9. Hong Kong Rediffusion recently invited us to give a program. Seven of us went and sang a chorus with Mrs. Yeh directing. If this can continue, we may be able to raise some money to serve as welfare fund for our association.
10. There are more than sixty alumnae in Hong Kong at present, but their addresses are not all available. As soon as I receive all their answers, I shall send you a complete list for your new directory.
11. News from Nanking:
 - 1) Dr. Wu wrote me, asking me to send her best regards to you all in the U.S. She reports that she is in good spirit and lives comfortably, and she asks us not to be worried about her. She has recently bought a car. Her address is: No. 20, 4th Lane, Chungshan Road East, Nanking. She has been informed of the death of Mrs. Thurston, and has passed the news on to Ginling alumnae in Nanking. She enclosed several pictures too.
 - 2) Mrs. Shao, Dr. Chang Hsiang-lan, Dr. Wu Mou-yi, and Mr. Ming Hsia-ch'ing are still working on Ninghai Road campus. They are all in good health. My younger sister often goes to visit them.

- 3) Mrs. Ch'eng (Ch'eng shih-mu) also wrote me personally, asking me to send you all her best regards. Although eighty years old, she writes with a firm hand. She was much grieved at the news of Mrs. Thurston's death. She sent special regards to Mrs. New.

(The above was translated from a letter to the Editor from Lu Ching-wei -- Mrs. K. Y. Kan --, President of Ginling Association in Hong Kong, dated January 22, 1959. Four group pictures were enclosed which will appear in one of our newsletters in the near future.)

"Lost and Found" Section

Our mail to the following members has been returned. It will be deeply appreciated if any of you can inform us of their new addresses:

Chow Sing (Mrs. C. M. Tan)
Fan Chang-sung (Mrs. C. C. Wen)
Gwan Ying-chien (Mrs. J. S. Chiao)
Gwan Yun-feng (Mrs. Rocky Szetu)
Han Hsiang-mei (Mrs. H. H. Chang)
Ho Li-nan (Mrs. Chan-chow Mo)
Hwang Cho-wu (Jean)
Kwei Hwa-chen
Lu Bao-kang (Mrs. Ralph Chun)
Shen Yu (Mrs. P. K. Chao)
Giang Gwoh-ying (Mrs. Er-hu Shih)

Mrs. Jack B. Byrne (Alice Settlemyer)
Mrs. A. B. Lewis (Christine Hall)
Mrs. Charles N. Lindquist (Dorothy Stendel)
Dr. Margaret Smythe
Mrs. James Claude Thomson (Margaret Cook)
Mrs. Rodolfo Vilaro (Audrey Galpin)
Miss Mary Watson

Impressions from My European Tour

Gueh-djen Hsiung

An unexpected opportunity was afforded me to present a paper on "Variation in Viruses" at the 7th International Congress for Microbiology at Stockholm, Sweden, in August. At the same time, I was invited to participate in a discussion on "Enteroviruses" by the 6th International Congress for Tropical Medicine and Malaria at Lisbon, Portugal, in September. Since both Congresses were held in Europe about a month apart, I decided to take a tour of some of the European countries between the meetings.

On a typical hot summer day I said "Good bye" to my friends at the International Airport in New York and left the United States by plane.

After 14 hours of a smooth flight across the Atlantic Ocean, I arrived in Copenhagen, Denmark. This charming, clean city certainly makes a lasting impression upon tourists. Asincere and friendly welcome makes every visitor feel at home. It was interesting to note that bicycles are the chief means of transportation for people of all ages. The weather was so cool that a feather quilt was comfortable at night. This may account for some of the great energy that all Danes seem to possess. From Copenhagen my trip extended to North Sealand for glimpses of castles, and here I had my first real Scandinavian "Smørrebrød." Smørrebrød consists of a table about three yards long completely covered with a variety of open sandwiches made of all kinds of meats. The taste as well as the sight of the food was beyond description.

My second stop was Stockholm, Sweden, where I attended the Congress for Microbiology. Dr. and Mrs. C. P. Li (Tang Han-chih) were also at the meeting. It is always pleasant to see somebody from home when a stranger is in a foreign country. I was very pleased to see them and we had a nice visit. The old city of Stockholm has remained the center of the tourists' attraction. The narrow cobble stone streets certainly make it necessary for visitors to wear comfortable shoes. Since I was anxious to visit the laboratories and attend the conference, I was limited to a city tour and a boat ride.

Oslo, Norway, is a quiet city for a capital. Woolen goods and silver enamel jewelry are the famous handicraft products of the Norwegians. Fishing and skiing are the main national outdoor activities. The people are hard workers deprived of many luxuries. I was most fortunate in having a Norwegian friend who extended to me all the hospitality of this colorful country. Marta, a mother of six children, traveled all night by boat so that she could meet me at Bergen (city on west coast of Norway) where my plane was to land. After a three-

hour boat trip, we arrived at Stord, an island of 6 square miles where Marta's family lived. I tremendously enjoyed my visit on the island and I felt that I was in another world, especially every morning when Marta's husband brought in fresh crabs, lobsters, and fish from the sea -- virtually their backyard. While on the west coast, we traveled to Stavanger by boat and saw a lot of the famous beautiful fjords.

My next stop was Amsterdam, Holland, the city of canals. A characteristic sight here is to see the Dutch scrub their front steps daily before the stores open. The visit to Volendam and Marken Island was interesting, as in these small communities native costumes are still common. Boys and girls up to seven years wear the same dresses and long hair except that the boys wear blue aprons with white prints whereas girls wear other colors too. Diamond-cutting is well-known in Holland, and its cheese products are famous exports. Dutch windmills are to be seen all over the countryside.

I arrived at Brussels airport on a cloudy day and by train I reached the city terminal where I missed the agency representative. To tell the truth, he was expecting to meet a man! (All my plane tickets, hotel reservation, and tourist agencies were arranged through the travel agency in New York.) My visit to the famous World Fair was not too exciting. My time was very limited, so I was only able to see the outer view of the huge buildings of the exhibitions. It was impossible to cover the "Fair" within one or two days. One could easily get lost in the thick crowd, especially if one does not speak French. Two languages, French and Flemish, are used in Belgium, even on street signs. A trip to historic Waterloo, Napoleon's battlefield, was of some interest.

The Grand Hotel de Louvre, where I stayed in Paris, is centrally located. Paris is a beautiful city of wide avenues and boulevards. The construction of monuments, towers, municipal buildings, and churches is magnificent. Notre Dame, Versailles, and Fontainebleau are centers of attraction to tourists. What struck me most in Paris was to see people carry long loaves of bread home by the armload. Fruits are used in France for dessert, and they are all sweet.

It was a bright sunny day when I arrived in London. What a difference after five days in Paris! The British seemed to me so gentle and dignified. The House of Parliament, the Tower of London, and St. Paul's Church are places of interest. Changing guards in front of Buckingham Palace really attracted tourists. I was surprised to see that many bombed areas were still unrepaired. Windsor Castle and Hampton Court are interesting places if one has time to visit.

Bern, the capital of Switzerland, is relatively small, but its grace and charm are evident to the tourist. The people are extremely

friendly and courteous; during the first hour of arrival, one can hardly believe that he or she is in a foreign land. The Swiss are so economical that they have utilized almost every inch of available land for farming. The day starts at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 6:00 p.m. for every working man. The scenery on train ride from Bern to Geneva was beautiful. I spent several hours taking pictures of famous Lake Geneva. Switzerland is world famous for its watch industry. One can find a watch store in almost every street in each Swiss city.

I flew from Geneva to Madrid, Spain, by Swissair. It was such a contrast as soon as the plane reached the Spanish border, all we could see looking down was a dry desert country. The city of Madrid is newly developed with big buildings and broad streets. Because of warm weather they have four hours of "siesta" at mid-day, and supper is usually served at 9:00 p.m. El Escorial, where Spanish kings are entombed, is an interesting sight, and the monastery (Valle de los Caidos) is a giant construction built into a mountain cave. I discovered that the Spanish people were most kind and patient even as they tried to understand me when I "talked" with my fingers.

In Lisbon, Portugal, most of my time was taken up at the Congress, so I did not have much of a chance to tour the city. However, the warm welcome, various forms of entertainment, and the many conveniences offered by the local representatives certainly impressed every delegate of this successful meeting. Although the city of Lisbon is on the same latitude as New York city, it has a rather tropical climate. The Portuguese are world famous for their bull fights (so is Spain). I was pleased to see one. The trip to Sintra was memorable. There is a castle situated on the top of a mountain facing the ocean. The beautiful Portuguese mosaics and porcelain tile facade still remain.

My trip to Europe ended when I left Portugal by plane. Because of some engine trouble, the plane was delayed at Santa Marie, one of the Azores, for 16 hours but finally landed safely at New York International Airport. For six weeks there was no worry, no work, no cooking, and no house cleaning; I certainly had a nice vacation.

Facts, Figures, and Stalemate

Progress Report on the New Directory

In the 16th issue of Ginling newsletter, I am afraid that I made too optimistic an estimate about the appearance of our new directory timewise. I thought that with your cooperation the editing of the directory, although single-handed, should not take too long (provided that the printer does not take long either). I regret to report that up to the beginning of February 1959 the work on the directory has remained at a standstill. Many of you may have wondered why you have not yet received a new directory. I hope you find an answer in the next paragraph.

On September 21 and 22, 1958, I sent out new directory questionnaire together with the Thurston Memorial Fund plea to everyone on our mailing list, both in this country and abroad, with a view to bringing all the addresses up to date as well as checking the spelling and romanization in English and Chinese names respectively. In all, I mailed 187 envelopes addressed to alumnae and former students of Ginling, each envelope containing a self-addressed stamped envelope for return mail. Of these, eleven were undelivered for removal without leaving a forwarding address. 115 members filled out the questionnaire and returned it to me, for which I was very grateful. Sixty-one members, however, have not responded to date. On the former faculty list, I mailed 87 envelopes, also with self-addressed stamped return envelopes enclosed. Of these, seven were undelivered, one asked to be dropped, and 42 filled out the questionnaire and returned it. The remaining 37 have not been heard of. In short, a total of 98 out of 274 on our mailing list in October 1958 did not supply the information requested for our new directory.

Since the compilation of a directory takes time, especially when only one person is working on both the newsletters and the directory, and the printing of a directory costs money, it seems rather unwise to send the draft copy of a new directory to a printer with almost one third of the entries incomplete or inaccurate.

Now the next question is: when can we eventually have a new directory? I am hoping against hope that after reading this issue of the newsletter those who have kept the self-addressed stamped return envelopes will be good enough to send me a reply, preferably containing the information requested in the questionnaire. If I do not hear from you by April 1st, may I take the liberty of putting your name and address in the new directory exactly as they stand now in the 1955 directory? If you want to avoid errors in your entry which may cause your hair to stand on end, the only way is to send in

what you wish to see in the new directory concerning you.

One thing I am certain: when you do receive the new directory, those of you who have supported this once-in-four-or-five-years project will find their time and effort in supporting it richly rewarded.

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Announcements

1. Mrs. Harry B. Whittington (Dorothy) has been elected our Recording Secretary. Our tireless and dependable Mrs. Whittington has been serving as the Secretary-Treasurer of the Boston Chapter and, concurrently, the Treasurer of the Thurston Memorial Fund. It is the good fortune of the Association to secure the services of Mrs. Whittington in this important phase of its history.
2. Loretta Pan will not be able to continue as News Editor after May 1959 by which time she will have served one year not only as editor of the newsletters during the past year but also as editor of the 1959 directory to replace the 1955 one. It is important that recommendations for a new News Editor be sent as soon as possible to our President at the following address:

Mrs. Hsien Wu
28 Adams Street
Brookline 48, Mass.

3. Those who have moved since last October and those who may move in the next few months kindly notify the Editor of their new addresses.

Chinese New Year Greetings

Kung-hsi fa-ts'ai! May the year of pig bring you and yours good health and rich satisfaction!

(The last stencil was cut on the third day of the Chinese New Year -- Ed.)

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