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JUEL P. HARBISON
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W. Albert Harbison Rec. Nov. 16

November 13th, 1922.

Dr. J. E. Williams, Vice President,
University of Nanking,
Nanking, China.

My dear Dr. Williams:-

In response to the call which you made
at our office and the information which you gave
in regard to the work of Nanking University, we
take pleasure in enclosing herewith our Estate
check for \$100.00 for the current expenses of the
work of the College.

With earnest wishes for the continued
growth and success of this institution in evangeli-
cal Christian education, and with best wishes to
yourself personally, we are,

Very sincerely yours,

ESTATE OF SAMUEL P. HARBISON

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Enc.

By *W. Albert Harbison*

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November 22, 1922.

Mr. W. Albert Harbison,
Farmers' Bank Building,
Pittsburgh,
Penns.

My dear Mr. Harbison,

Your letter of November 13 enclosing check for One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for the current expenses of the work of the College is received. I appreciate deeply your interest and cooperation in this work.

Under separate cover I am enclosing bulletin of the Agricultural volume, copy of a general list of publications and also one of the older seed lists. The fuller bulletin left you gives details of all the Departments of the University. This Fall our total enrolment is 1080 Chinese students, 412 in College grade.

Thanking you again for your cooperation, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Vice-President.

JEW:LB

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December 8th, 1922.

Mr. W. Albert Harbison,
Farmers Bank Building,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. Harbison:-

I knew that Dr. Williams had acknowledged your good gift of \$100.00 for the current expenses of Nanking University, but nevertheless I should have written you earlier.

President Bowen and Vice-President Williams have been carrying a heavy load in connection with Nanking. I suppose Nanking has been the most successful of any of the union institutions in China. Mr. Speer and I had only a day there and that was in August, but it was a great joy to us to see the many evidences of the fine piece of work that was being done there. It is largely, as it is in the U. S., that the students' fees cover but some 30% of the cost and that the very success of an institution brings added financial problems. Dr. Bowen writes that they have been able to receive only one-third of the applicants this past Fall and he says he does not know of a single phase of the work but the financial one which does not show that the institution is in the best condition it has ever been in its history. Our Finance Committee met this morning and the Board of Trustees meets tomorrow and we are trying to work out some plans constructively to help Dr. Williams to secure what is needed now both for current expenses and for the housing of students and faculty men today on the ground, but very inadequately provided for. It has been a real imposition the course that has been followed these past years in asking the American staff to work in their homes and to use every available room in their houses that their own families did not require, for outsiders. You will see from this that your gift has been very greatly appreciated.

Very sincerely yours,

Treasurer.

Edward S. Harkness

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Harkness

CHAS. W. HARKNESS.
EDW. S. HARKNESS.
26 BROADWAY.
NEW YORK.

Edw. S. Harkness

June 15th, 1914.

Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.,
Mr. Samuel Cochran,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Sir:--

In response to your letter of June 10th to Mr. Edward S. Harkness, Mr. Harkness has asked me to write you and say that he will give \$1,000 towards the \$15,000 fund for equipment of operating room, dispensaries, etc., and will send the check when it is required. When writing for the check, kindly indicate to whom it is to be made payable.

Yours truly,

E. W. Coffey
Sec'y.

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Edw. S. Harkness

Nanking

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June 20th, 1914.

Mr. L. L. Coffin,
26 Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Coffin:-

Dr. Sam Cochran has just been in my office and has reported the gift of Mr. Edward S. Harkness of \$1,000.00 for the equipment of the operating room, dispensaries, etc. in connection with the Medical Department of the University of Nanking. Dr. Cochran had to leave the city to meet an appointment and has asked me to kindly acknowledge this gift which he and we all appreciate very much, especially in view of the very meagre equipment which the Medical School now have and which all feel must be enlarged if they are to meet the work of that district. They are planning to make this enlargement immediately and we should be very glad to forward this to the field at once upon its receipt from you.

Yours very sincerely,

Treasurer.

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Harboring

June 26th, 1914.

Mr. Edwin S. Harkness,
26 Broadway,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Harkness:

I thank you for your letter enclosing check #8728 on the Seaboard National Bank for \$1,000, this amount in payment of Mr. Harkness' pledge of June 15th toward the \$15,000. fund for the equipment of the operating room and dispensaries of the Medical Department of the University of Hanking. We shall be very happy to report this to the Board at its next meeting July 8th at which time we are to have report from the architect, Mr. Bellows, who through Mr. Severance's generosity has been in Hanking this past spring studying the conditions there prior to the completion of the new buildings for the University.

In behalf of the Board,

Yours very sincerely,

Treasurer Hanking University.

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June 28th, 1915.

Mr. Edward S. Markness,
26 Broadway,
New York City.

My dear Sir:

In the absence of Mr. Russell Carter, the Treasurer of
Hankin University, I beg to acknowledge receipt of your note of June
25th with check for \$250. to be applied to the Medical Department of
the University of Hankin. Your note and check will be referred to
Mr. Carter on his return next week.

Very truly yours,

For RUSSELL CARTER, Treasurer

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July 8th, 1915.

Mr. Edwin S. Harkness,

26 Broadway,

New York City.

Dear Mr. Harkness:

I have the pleasure of acknowledging the receipt of your check for \$250.00, No. 10288 on the Seaboard National Bank, your contribution toward the Medical Department of the University of Nanking. I know from letters received in the past month from both President Bowen and Dr. Williams the anxiety that they are having this year in caring for the budget of the Medical School of the University. Last year the generous gifts that Dr. Cochran secured when home upon furlough were used to meet what otherwise would have been a very heavy overdraft in the running expenses of the Medical School and as there was no one home this year from the University who could personally secure from the University's generous friends such gifts to tide over the present year, they have been very fearful lest January 1st, 1916, the close of their year, would find them quite seriously embarrassed in this department of their work. I am sure that they will be greatly pleased to receive word that you have again remembered their needs and are sending this \$250.00 to help upon the budget of the year.

Very sincerely yours;

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EDW. S. HARKNESS.
26 BROADWAY.
NEW YORK

for Edw. S. Harkness

December 2, 1916.

University of Hanking,
Russell Carter, Esq., Treasurer,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

In response to Dr. J. M. Williams' recent visits at this office and subsequent letter of November 17th to Mr. Edward S. Harkness, in an effort to interest him in the fund of \$50,000.00 for the equipment of the Medical School in connection with the above University, I am requested by Mr. Harkness to say that he will be very glad to give \$5,000.00 to this fund when it is needed.

When you are ready for the check, if you will be kind enough to let me know, I will forward Mr. Harkness' check in payment.

Yours very truly,

E. W. Coffin
Sec'y. m

K/PM.

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Dec. 9, 1916.

My dear Mr. Spoor:

Mr. H. W. Coffin, Secretary to Mr. Edw. S. Harkness, writes under date of December 2nd, but the letter was not opened until this morning on account of my absence from the office, as follows:

"In response to Dr. J. M. Williams' recent visits at this office and subsequent letter of November 17th to Mr. Edward S. Harkness, in an effort to interest him in the fund of \$50,000.00 for the equipment of the Medical School in connection with the above University, I am requested by Mr. Harkness to say that he will be very glad to give \$5,000.00 to this fund when it is needed.

"When you are ready for the check, if you will be kind enough to let me know, I will forward Mr. Harkness' check in payment."

Very sincerely yours,

RC:M

Treasurer

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Dec. 9 , 1916.

Mr. Edw. S. Markness,
26 Broadway,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Markness:

May I in behalf of Dr. J. E. Williams and the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking thank you for your offer just received through Mr. Coffin to give \$5,000 toward the fund of \$20,000 needed for the equipment of the Medical School in connection with Nanking University. It is vital to the future of the medical work at Nanking that this more adequate equipment be secured. Mr. Williams before sailing secured \$5,000 from an old classmate of his, available one-half now and one-half within ninety days, and the Board of Trustees are directing themselves to secure the balance of this sum in the immediate future. The Board has committed itself to the securing of the full amount so that I am very sure that the full amount will be made available shortly and that such remittances as are received on this account will be made available upon the field at once as received in order that they may start part of the work immediately.

My absence from the office a few days on account of sickness is the explanation of the delay in the acknowledgment of your gift.

Thanking you for this continuance of your generous interest in Nanking, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

RC:M

Treasurer

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Dec. 11, 1916.

Rev. J. E. Williams, D. D.
Kiang-nan, Nanking, China.

My Dear Dr. Williams:

"Some men's works will follow after them". We have just received advice from Mr. Coffin as follows:

"In response to Dr. J. E. Williams' recent visits at this office and subsequent letter of November 17th to Mr. Edward S. Harkness, in an effort to interest him in the fund of \$10,000.00 for the equipment of the Medical School in connection with the above University, I am requested by Mr. Harkness to say that we will be very glad to give \$5,000.00 to this fund when it is needed.

"When you are ready for the check, if you will be kind enough to let me know, I will forward Mr. Harkness' check in payment."

I know you will be mighty glad to receive this word making \$10,000 of the \$25,000 secure now, all of it through your efforts while at home.

Mr. Richards has been awaiting word from you as to your success in securing the balance of the salary of Mr. Baillie's proposed assistant. He has been 'phoning me to learn whether I had heard anything definite from you as to the balance of the salary and as to when the \$500 which he had promised for three years should be made available. I told him that I thought this was one of the things you were hoping to round up in Chicago or St. Paul or at least en route and we doubtless would hear from you before you sailed. As yet, however, nothing has come to hand covering this and it may be that your hands were so full of other things that you were not able to secure the balance of this before sailing.

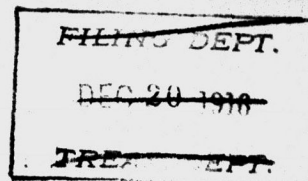
With very kind regards to yourself and all the good people at Nanking, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

RC:M

Assistant Treasurer

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December 16, 1916.

Mr. Edward L. Harkness,
26 Broadway,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Harkness:

It is a great pleasure to acknowledge in behalf of the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking, your check for \$5,000 upon the Seaport National Bank in full payment of your pledge toward the \$50,000 fund being raised for the equipment of the Medical School at Nanking.

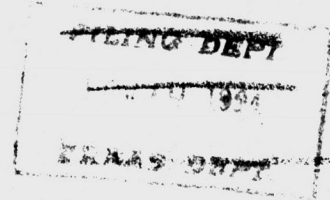
I have already written to Dr. Williams of your sympathetic response to his letter to you in behalf of this need.

Yours very sincerely,

RC:M

Treasurer

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November 3, 1924.

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Mr. Robert E. Ingersoll
Mr. J. E. Williams
Dr. Eric M. North

A letter from Dr. Bowen, dated October 2nd, received this morning,
reads as follows:

"We have been expecting a cablegram about the science building. We are glad to learn from Dr. Williams that Mr. Harkness had promised \$5,000 so there will be between \$4,000 and \$5,000 still lacking, which we hope will be coming through soon. We are all ready to start building the day after we receive word, as the contract has already been let and we are only waiting for the final word about the total amount being pledged.

We received the cablegram about the Language School building and are having a meeting about it this afternoon. Practically all of us now are very clearly of the opinion that we should not put up the dormitory at this time but should put up the recitation building. There are only forty-two, both first year and second year students, in the Language School and we anticipate there will not be the crowding there was some years ago. Moreover, since then a good many houses have been built and some people have gotten used to having Language School people with them and are asking for them, so we feel that we can probably, without any inconvenience to the community, handle the housing of the students in the future, while the recitation building is very inadequate and unsatisfactory. Since, however, the main plea for this fund was made on the housing question, and therefore for a dormitory, the committee will probably feel that the matter should be referred to the Trustees for final decision before switching over from the dormitory to the school building, but we are all very clear on the matter.

Hoping that Dr. Williams is meeting with much encouragement and that the various items will be largely cleared up before the middle of November, and with very kindest regards,
Cordially yours,

A. I. Bowen".

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Mr. Robert E. Speer
Mr. J. E. Williams
Dr. Eric A. North

Nov. 3, 1924.

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Perhaps you have had word from him; if not, you will want to
see this excerpt.

Treasurer University of Nanking.

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DR B A GARSIDE=

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UNIVERSITY URGING ACCEPTANCE OF POSITION THERE FEBRUARY
STOP HAVING TONSIL OPERATION TUESDAY MORNING STOP IF
SATISFACTORY WITH YOU WOULD PREFER TO POSTPONE DECISION
UNTIL I CAN CONFER WITH ASSOCIATES CONCERNING LEAVING HERE
IN MIDDLE OF FISCAL YEAR AND OTHER CONSIDERATIONS=

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Nanking

University of Nanking

October 27, 1933.

Professor F. F. Harper
Agricultural Economics Building
Cornell University
Ithaca, N. Y.

My dear Professor Harper:

I should have acknowledged before this your night letter of October 17th. I trust that your tonsil operation was not too trying an experience, and that you have now fully recovered from its effects.

We recognize, of course, the necessity of your withholding a final decision regarding the invitation to come to Nanking, until you have had an opportunity to confer with your associates. If this is likely to delay your decision very long, it would be well for us to cable Nanking telling them of the probable delay. But if you will be able, without undue haste, to reach a decision during the next week or so, I will await further word from you before cabling the field.

Very sincerely yours,

BAG:PW

B A GARSIDE

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AMBASSADOR
HOTEL

14TH & K STREETS, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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November 1, 1933

Mr. B. A. Garrido
Sec. Associated Boards
150 Fifth Ave.
New York City

Dear Mr. Garrido:

I regret that this delay has been necessary in answering definitely the invitation from Nanking University. Due to the fact that as yet I have been unable to confer with Dr. S. F. Warren, head of the Department in which I am at present employed, I still feel reluctant to give a definite answer.

When I returned to my duties about ten days ago, Dr. Warren was in Washington and was expected to return within a day or so. His return was successively delayed. It was necessary that I come to Washington this week in connection with my work, so I felt certain that I could see Dr. Warren here. However, he returned to Ithaca suddenly only

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

a few hours after my arrival and I was unable to get in touch with him before he left. I shall return to Ithaca Sunday and hope to be able to see him immediately at that time, after which I can send you at once my decision.

In connection with the invitation from Nanking, I would appreciate any information that you may be able to give me on two points.

1. Would they expect me to arrive in Nanking in February or leave here in February?
2. What was meant by that portion of the cable sent to Nanking last spring that refers to a total of twenty two thousand U. S. dollars?

Sincerely Yours

F. A. Harper

P. S. Please send your reply to my Ithaca address.

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TRANSFER

University of Nanking

November 8, 1933

Mr. F. A. Harper
Agricultural Economics Building
Cornell University
Ithaca, New York

My dear Mr. Harper:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 1st written from Washington. We understand the circumstances which have combined to delay your final decision on the invitation from Nanking. We will await further word from you.

You ask specific information on two points: —

First, it is my understanding that the field would expect you to arrive in Nanking in February. That is the time when the work of the spring semester is beginning; and I believe it is also the time when the men working in the field of agriculture are beginning their plans and projects for the spring. Since it takes approximately four weeks to make the journey from Ithaca to Nanking, you would need to leave fairly early in January. The exact date for the beginning of the spring semester is not known but it is during February.

Your second inquiry calls attention to a very stupid blunder in my letter of October 14th. The cable I am quoting from reads correctly as follows.

RECOMMEND HARPER, CORNELL TWO YEARS,
SALARY APPROXIMATELY EIGHT THOUSAND
CHINESE DOLLARS AND ONE THOUSAND U.S.
DOLLARS ANNUALLY PLUS TRAVEL TWENTY-
TWO HUNDRED U.S. DOLLARS.

My secretary, in copying this cablegram into the letter in some way wrote "twenty-two thousand U.S. dollars" instead of "twenty-two hundred U.S. dollars" as the original cablegram reads, and I failed to note the error when I signed the letter.

Very sincerely yours,

B A GARSIDE

BAG:MP

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NEW YORK STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION
CORNELL UNIVERSITY
ITHACA, NEW YORK

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS AND FARM MANAGEMENT

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November 11, 1933.

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Mr. B. A. Garside
Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Garside:

Concerning the invitation from Nanking, I regret that it seems unwise for me to leave here in the middle of this fiscal year. To arrive in Nanking for the second semester would necessitate my leaving the United States about the first of January.

The situation in our extension staff here has changed appreciably since last summer, leaving us short handed. Four of the eight men who last year were on full time duty have left and as yet we have been able to replace but two. With this situation, I feel that it would be unfair to the work here to leave at the present time.

I regret that this answer seems necessary, because I am still as interested as ever in the program that Professor Buck wished me to help with.

A copy of this letter is being sent directly to Professor Buck.

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Sincerely yours,

F. A. Harper

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November 18, 1933

Dr. F. A. Harper,
Cornell University,
Ithaca, New York.

My dear Dr. Harper,

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 11th.

We are very sorry indeed that the situation is such that you will not be able to go out to Manking in January. But we quite appreciate the seriousness of the factors that prevent your leaving your work at this time. I hope that it may be possible at some later date to renew the proposal.

I have cabled your decision to the field, and have also written Dr. Chen and Mr. Buck.

With best wishes for the continued success of your work at Cornell, I am

Very cordially yours,

BAG/G

B A GARSIDE

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