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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY
CHENG TU, SZECHWAN
CHINA

AMERICAN OFFICE



150 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

TRANSFER

To the Members
of the Board of Governors:

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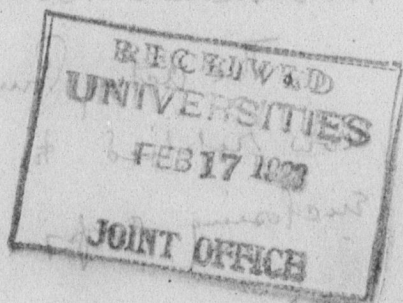
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~~documents~~ ^{letters} are enclosed for your information.

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Very truly yours

Joseph T. Beech



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Joseph Beech, D.D., *President*
James L. Stewart, D.D., *Vice-President*

James M. Yard, D.D.,
Representative in America



WEST CHINA

UNION UNIVERSITY

TRANSFER

CHENG TU, WEST CHINA
150 Fifth Avenue, New York

Feb. 15, 1928.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

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Very truly yours,

(Signed) Joseph Beech.

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FEB 15
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The Official petition from the Bureau of Education of the Province of Szechuan to the Provincial Government concerning the registration of the West China Union University.

We have the honor to forward to you the application from Mr. Lincoln Dsang, Vice-President of the West China Union University for the registration of that university with the government, together with statements of the organization, courses, regulations and teachers' qualifications, in three forms. This application has been before our office. After an investigation we feel that the courses, equipment, etc. are all well in harmony with the regulations of the government except the fact that they have a foreign president and a Chinese vice-president. This is in harmony with the regulations promulgated by the Board of Education in Peking but conflicts slightly with Class two of the regulations of the Nationalist government, as published in the Daily Papers. According to our investigation the said university has been established by funds contributed by foreigners. It is the duty of the President to raise this fund. Therefore it is necessary for the present to have a foreign president, but the administrative authority is in the hands of the Chinese vice-president. Although the name is not in full agreement with the regulations of the Nationalistic Government yet the arrangement does not really conflict with them. We have therefore given our answer to the University to this effect. We will also keep their application for further investigation and information. We have the honor to forward to you a copy of the application together with the statements of conditions, courses, and regulations, in three parts, for your examination.

Awaiting your reply.

Signed, Commissioner of Education.

The Reply from the Bureau of Education of the Province of Szechuan to the Petition made by the Union University for Registration.

#12620

Your application for the registration of your University with the Government has been received. We have pleasure in informing you that everything reported in your application is well in harmony with the regulations promulgated by the Government. Therefore we are pleased to forward it to the Provincial government for further investigation and approval, requesting the authorities to forward it in due time to the authorities of the Central government.

Dec. 3rd, in the sixteenth year of the
Republic of China.

By order of the Bureau of Education
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Acting Commissioner of Education,
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Charge to the account of China Union Universities, 150 Fifth Ave.

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J. C. WILLEVER, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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WEST CHINA	

Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

May 29, 1928

Dr. Joseph Beech,
129 Oakhill Ave.
Delaware, Ohio

TRANSFER

Legal representatives Hall Estate require immediately following information
West China Total plant assets total current income stop our records show
only portions stop Please mail immediately all further information you can stop.
Also send correct membership Senate and answer whether or not religious
instruction and worship are compulsory.

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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY
CHENG TU, SZECHWAN
CHINA

Home address after June 15th

Dixon Illinois
239 W. Chamberlain St.
150 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

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AMERICAN OFFICE

TRANSFER

WEST

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May 29/35

Dear Mr. Garfield:

Here the information asked
The figures are practically the same
as given Mr. Davis - except land values
which inadvertently were figured on the
cost of a Chinese acre instead of English.
Have taken the figures mostly from 1926
averages. Cost of buildings are in
round numbers slightly below cost
in most cases. Some of the Colleges well
below cost as exact cost not available
here. Other items are I judge self
explanatory. Mission Hospitals used as
Clinic Centers indicated but omitted.
With these added our plant outfit is
not far short of \$1,000,000 in value to
day. Our building program has been
heaviest during these radical times.
Three buildings completed last yr or another
being erected now, C.W.S. College.

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If wanted for Hall Estate affairs I am
on call here. Wire if needed -

Am due in Providence R.I. June 17th
will stop in N.Y. enroute there perhaps,

Certainly returning Circ. 19th June.

May go to Boston on the 16th. These
facts that you may know my movements,

Has Mr Johnson & Mr Davis returned.

Had a letter from Mr. Chase which
stated no special objects provided
for in their recent meeting aside
from Harvard & Yenching claims.
& needs.

What are the prospects there you
Shantung University with
for Tsingtau under the Japanese
I see them vacating sometime hence
if at all "unless" forced or "faced".
But.

Had quite a time at N.C. The
Methodists are a Great Company
capable of great things at
times though Conservative in Constitutional
affairs. Right, Joseph Beech

Send you word copy of minutes, when ready

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West China



Union University



CHENG TU, WEST CHINA

Plant Assets

Land, 150 acres , average cost @ \$300 per acre,	
present value, minimum, \$450 , ---	\$ 67500
Estm. Improvements , roads, culverts, trees, grading, --	10000
	<u>\$ 77500</u> \$77500

30 Teachers Residences, aver cost with improvements \$3500-	\$105000
18 College Buildings , cost of 18 bldgs (1 erecting \$8000)	406000
Equipment , Furnishings, Library , Museum, estm. cost	67000
	<u>\$578000</u> -578000

2 Estm cost Clinic Hospitals , Medical School (Mission s)	65000
Foreign Children's School , on campus, (Mission owned)	40000
Total value Land and cost of buildings , improvements	
and equipment for same, (exclusive of	
Hospitals and For. Childrens' School \$105000)	\$655500
Estimated increase values due increasing costs construction	\$115600
Estimated total value land, buildings, equipment etc	<u>\$771100</u>

Current Annual Expense and Income.

Teachers' salaries , 52 men, 7 women @ \$3000, @ \$1500 (F.M.B. direct)	\$127500
Current maintenance and Salaries , Board Governors ,	27000
Current Tuitions , University and associated schools	
Mission grants acct tuitions , rents (1926-7)	11190
Upkeep properties and dormitories' expense (Missions direct)	
with insurance and taxes, through them , estm .	9800
Total , based on last normal year , 1926	<u>\$175490</u>

Note. Quite a number of the teachers provided direct by the Missions are temporarily off the field. The movement back has been rather marked of late but Consuls reluctant to allow women to make the journey through the disturbed regions beyond Ichang.

Senate members . When last reported there were fifteen Chinese members of the Senate . The March Minutes lists thirteen foreign members. A majority must be Chinese. See March 1st Minutes for Officers. J. Taylor, S.C. Yang Chairmen , R.L. Simkin , T.H. Chen Secretaries.

Religious worship has not been compulsory in the University for the past three years . Worship in all University Schools has been on the voluntary basis for a year and a half.

Religious instruction has not been compulsory for a year and a half.

The University is registered (provisionally , awaiting a settlement of the national issues relative authority) with the Provincial Bureau of Education and recognized by the Government of the Province. We have been protected during this period of unrest and radical agitation and have continued to operate throughout the period, with reduced attendance due to three causes. Scrutancy in admitting, danger of travel, financial distress.

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June 5, 1928

Dr. Joseph Beech,
129 Oakhill Ave.
Delaware, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Beech:

Thanks for your letter of May 29th and also your card of June 1st.

Immediately after the receipt of your letter I went to work preparing a statement for West China, giving the information asked for by Mr. Robillard at the instruction of Mr. Johnson and Mr. Davis.

We sent Mr. Robillard the following material:

- A. A copy of the printed pamphlet giving the Constitution and By-laws of the Board of Governors.
- B. A list of the officers and members of the Board of Governors.
- C. A list of the officers and members of the Senate.
- D. A statement of Permanent Assets and Liabilities.
- E. A statement of Current Income and Expense.
- F. The latest edition of the printed University Catalogue.

Of this material the parts requiring the greatest amount of study were the two statements of permanent assets and liabilities and of current income and expense.

In each of these statements I followed the figures you gave. I am sorry that in our statement of plant assets and liabilities we were not able to prepare balance sheet such as was submitted for most of the other Universities. I hope that our New York office and the office of the Bursar will soon be able to bring our books in agreement so that the records here in New York will show the total amount received by the University for its plant and the objects for which these funds were disbursed. Such information is repeatedly asked for by individuals and organizations interested in the University and contemplating contributing to its support, and it is extremely embarrassing for us to have to admit that our records are inadequate.

Our summary of current income and current expense differs from your total estate of \$175,490.00 by about \$500.00 since we were able to give the exact figure for cash received and disbursed through the Board of Governors for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1926. That year our office handled

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\$26,495.35 instead of \$27,000.00 which was the amount estimated. Thus the estimated total income and disbursements for the year was \$174,985.35. One item in this statement which worries me somewhat is the estimated figure of \$3,000.00 for each man on the staff and \$1500.00 for each single woman. While this is the figure generally accepted by Mission Boards in estimating the total cost of maintaining missionary families and single missionaries respectively, these amounts considerably exceed the average shown on the budgets of the other Universities where actual figures for each missionary appointee are recorded. As nearly as I can estimate after a rather hasty check over the budgets of the other four Universities, they show between \$2,000. and \$2,500. as the average for a married man with a family, and between \$1000. and \$1,250. for single workers. These figures in each case include not only salaries but such special items as outfit allowances, travel and medical attention. Rent, of course, is not included except in special cases because the Universities provide residences for most of their staff. I am a little anxious, therefore, lest the Trustees may consider these figures for your West China staff a little high, yet I forwarded them as you gave them to me both because there are no other sources of information available and because I think you have used this same basis in previous reports to the Trustees and it would not be well to make any change now. I do hope, however, that it will be possible for your financial officers on the field, when they prepare budgets in the future, to include, or else to send in some supplementary document, an actual statement as to the amount of salary travel and other allowances the cooperating Boards are expending for each of their workers on the staff. This information also is constantly asked for here in New York and approximations are not very convincing.

My report to Mr. Robillard had been sent in before your card of June 1st arrived so I was not able to include the item of \$10,000.00 to \$15,000.00 needed for the completion of the museum wing of the Library-Museum Building. Is this an obligation which the University is required to meet in order to fulfill the conditions under which some gift has been received, or is it merely an urgent need which must be met before the Library-Museum Building is completed? If it belongs in the former class, of course it is a definite liability which should be included in any future financial statements.

We certainly hope you may have some success in presenting this building need to the Harvard Yenching Institute Trustees in Boston. I am afraid, however, I am afraid, however, that as yet they have not felt in a position to make any commitment or hold out any hopes for other institutions or for other work than that carried on in Peking under the auspices of the Institute. Possibly the settlement of this portion of the Hall Estate which we hope may be accomplished in the next few weeks will give the Harvard-Yenching Institute broader scope and larger powers.

Mr. Johnson and Mr. Davis have now both returned. They were evidently in New York last Tuesday because Mr. Robillard mentioned, when he was here, that afternoon, that he had been meeting with them in the morning. I understand that the two of them will also be in New York on Thursday or Friday of this week.

As far as we can judge from reports from the field, the work at Shantung Christian University has not been seriously embarrassed by the Japanese movements in the city and province. Acting President P.C. Kiang cabled us that life and property at the University are safe but that there

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has been some interruption of class room work. A temporary discontinuance of class room activities was, of course, unavoidable during the disturbances, but I am hoping that the University will be able to finish up the spring term in some sort of fashion. It may be, of course, that they will adopt the policy they used last year of closing the spring term some weeks earlier and of having the students return correspondingly early in the fall to finish off their work. The whole province has been so disturbed and in such a state of suspense during the past year that the work of the University has been seriously handicapped. I hope that now that the Nationalists have come and the Japanese threat has passed its crisis the work at Cheeloo will go forward on a more normal basis.

We note in this morning's Times that Bishop Wilson passed away yesterday. He has been in ill health so long that the news was not entirely a surprise, much as we regret to have it come.

We hope we may see you in New York later in the month.

Very cordially yours,

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E A GARSIDE

P.S. We are returning herewith your copy of the Senate Minutes of March 1, 1928.

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West China Union University.

June 8, 1928

Dr. Joseph Beech,
129 Oakhill Avenue
Delaware, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Beech:

I have recently been in communication with the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society to see what is the present status of their budget appropriation of \$1,000.00 for this year's West China budget. You will remember that at the last meeting of the Board of Governors there was some expression of doubt as to whether the Baptist women would continue this gift during the year 1928.

Miss Burr tells me that the \$1,000.00 they have given the University annually for the last three years has come to them as a specific gift from a certain Baptist lady who has been keenly interested in the work in West China, particularly the work you are doing for women. This donor's original pledge was fulfilled when she paid her thousand dollars last year. Miss Burr states that she has been trying to get the donor to continue her thousand dollar pledge but has thus far been unsuccessful. Miss Burr feels that if we were to send to her an interesting statement showing what work for women is being done in West China at the present time she could forward this statement with very good effect. She also agrees with me that you can provide the most accurate and most interesting information on this subject and that a letter coming from you would carry more weight than one from anyone else. Will it be possible for you to write Miss Burr such a letter, telling in an interesting way of the work West China is doing for women, and if possible, adding material in the nature of pamphlets and pictures which would help carry conviction? Her address is Miss Frances K. Burr, 276 Fifth Avenue, New York.

No further word from our friends in the Hall Estate. I understand that both of them have been in the city this week and have been hoping for some word from them, but apparently they are lying low until they are ready to make some definite announcement.

Very cordially yours,

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July 23, 1928

TRANSFER

Dr. Joseph Beech,
239 W. Chamberlain St.,
Dixon, Ill.

My dear Dr. Beech:

In accordance with the action of the West China Executive Committee and my conversations with you, we sent Mr. Albertson on July 12th the following cable:

"WIRE AT ONCE FULLEST OR LATEST INFORMATION AT HAND CONCERNING EXPENDITURES CADBURY BUILDING. IF NOT COMPLETED WHAT IS THE AMOUNT REQUIRED IN ORDER TO COMPLETE? IF YOU HAVE NOT FACTS PLEASE REQUEST SMALL REPLY BY TELEGRAM TO US."

On July 17th Mr. Albertson replied as follows:

"CADBURY BUILDING REPORTED TO BE COMPLETED. I (WE) HAVE NO INFORMATION COST OF BUILDING. AT YOUR REQUEST HAVE TELEGRAPHED REQUESTING SMALL TELEGRAPH LATEST INFORMATION CONCERNING EXPENDITURES"

As yet we have had no word from Mr. Small. Whenever such a cable does arrive I will forward it to you promptly.

Very cordially yours,

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July 27 1923.

Rev. Joseph Beech D.D.
239 West Chamberlain Street,
Dixon, Ill.

My dear Dr. Beech,

I have just received from Dr. Stubbs a copy of letter which he has written to you, together with certain papers regarding the matter of Registration. The subject appears to have revived again in a somewhat acute form.

I should be very glad to be advised by you as to what action you think that I had better take. I have reason to think that Sir Joseph is at some summer resort; anyhow, he was away from Toronto a few days ago.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY
CHENG TU, SZECHWAN
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My dear Garfield

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Getting home after "Executive" I plunged into getting a house in shape to live in and moving what we had bought into it. Day night I have toiled and have not written you statements of travel as promised - With confusion a bit removed, will get at it soon. Criminal, perhaps, not to have written you that I caught up with Mr. Davis at Pittsburgh and got the information I sought in very satisfactory fashion. Every thing is closed up and in the Courts with no long delay expected before announcement will be made. I know only the West China section of it perhaps that had better be in camera until

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The report is out or at least until I
can see you in N.Y.

Have today written Mr. Hildreth on the
5th floor, Transportation Dept. asking
for information re Sailings from N.Y.
+ Montreal for England about end
of first week in Sept. and the
procedure to get through Russia to
China. If you will take an interest
in the matter + see him regarding it
extra speed and care may result it
will be appreciated.

Say! the Yankees have had their Mascot!
You should have made the Western trip with
them.

"Negotiations" "War" in Szechuan
The day in Chengtu just now. Both may be
settled before I can get started or both go
on in the same old way - "On Again, Off Again"
Who is Moore Bennett in Ang. Atlantic who drags
the Protestant Missionaries in North China so gleefully?

With best wishes - F. + Joseph Beech

Mr. Albertson writes he is remaining in Shanghai till after the Meeting of Comm.
He needs Chengtu's financial situation budget. 2. Willing plan? The whole
is easy.

華西協合大學醫科

West China



Union University

WEST
CHINA

Faculty of Medicine

Office of the Dean

Chengtu, W. China

6 Aug 1928

Rev Joseph Beech
150 Fifth Avenue, N.Y. City. USA.

TRANSFER

Dear Dr Beech:

Yours of June 19th just to hand, and will reply immediately. Am on Behludin, having come up July 27th. Dr Lewis is in my bungalow, where I have my "office", so I immediately read him your letter, since it is not long since we discussed the problem of Dr Hu's salary, when I helped him to copy the annual estimate sheets (for 1929). These went off on the last mail and should be available in the Board Office.

As to Dr Hu and Family:

1. I sent a detailed record of his personal history and qualifications to the Matheson St Church, Providence, VIA the Parish Abroad Dept in N.Y. Dr Chenoweth has a copy without doubt. I will repeat however what I remember: Dr Hu was member of and educated in the schools of the American Board Mission, Shansi; graduated from the PUMC in 1918; took postgrad work and was instructor in PUMC for about 5 years; became professor of Biochemistry in Hopei University, Paotingfu, N. China, which he had to leave owing to military disturbances. Was engaged by Huchow Union Hospital for one year. Made a fine record there as acting medical superintendent during evacuation period. Accepted my repeated invitation to come to us in summer 1927.

Mrs Hu also an American Board product. Highly cultured; and a charming personality; was a teacher in the N. China Language School Peking (having Miss Ruth Fraser as a pupil). Oldest boy in High School; two others boy and girl in primary and kindergarten. Extremely nice children. (I sent family photo before)

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| M\$1250. | 2. Salary commenced Sept. 1, 1927 at M\$125 for ten months to 1 Aug '28 |
| 1700. | 3. Transportation from Huchow to Chengtu M\$1700. pd out of gain ex |
| 1620. | 4. Salary from Aug 1 '28 @ M\$135 monthly change |
| 725. | 5. Increase of M\$10 @ month after Aug 1st '29, -i.e M\$145 @ mo. |
| 100. | 6. Rent to Oct 1 '28 will be M\$100. UU let him have part of your hs |

M\$5425.
Needed to end of '29

None of salary hitherto covered by available funds; travel and some months salary borrowed from Loss and Gain a/c. This fund is badly needed by Finance Committee for other needs.

I am going down to Chengtu tomorrow for a day. Am getting two grads off for PG at PUMC. Here we have been mostly occupied with getting local good will; Dan Dye had a messy time getting up, but no more trouble since then. Present are: Taylors, J. S. Lewises, Dyes, Simkins, Brethorst-Lybarger, Rackham-Small-SHL,

The Exec Comm decided to repair wind torn roofs including yours. Crawfords is the worst. I was sure that you would approve of saving your place from utter ruin. Bark is up 250% but we are "mittefah". But it pays to be here in this wonderful air.

Please give my love to your family and all the UU -ers you see. Less than 50% are on field, of MEM.

Yours ever Harry Kitchin

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West China Union University

West China

Faculty of Medicine

Chengdu, W. China

Office of the Dean

8 Aug 1938

Rev Joseph Beech

150 Fifth Avenue, N.Y. City, U.S.A.

Dear Dr Beech:

Yours of June 15th just to hand, and will reply immediately. Am on vacation, having come to only 27th Dr. Beech is an my uncle, where I have my "office", so I immediately read him your letter, since it is not long since we discussed the problem of Dr. Beech's salary, when I helped him to copy the annual estimate sheets (for 1938). These went off on the last mail and should be available in the Board Office.

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2. Salary commenced Sept. 1, 1937 at \$125 for ten months to 1 Aug. 38. 3. Transportation from Hachow to Chengdu \$1700. 4. Salary from Aug. 1, 1938 to 1 Aug. 1939 monthly. 5. Increase of \$100 10 months after Aug. 1, 1938 - i.e. \$125 10 mo. 6. Rent to Oct 1 '38 will be \$1500. Until then have part of your part.

None of salary matters covered by available funds. Travel and some months salary borrowed from Hachow and Hachow. This fund is being needed by Finance Committee for other needs. I am going down to Chengdu tomorrow for a day. Am getting two extra off for 19 at HMC. We have been mostly occupied with getting local good will; we had a messy time but no more trouble since then. Present ones: Taylor, J. Dyes, Shimada, Brotherton-Lyons, Hockman-Snell-SH. The Exco Comm decided to resign wind rain roots in your. Overboard is the worst. I was sure that you would be saving your place from water ruin. This is at 3300 but we are "mistaken". Let it pay to be here in this beautiful air. These give my love to your family and all the love then 50% are on field, for life.

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Yours ever
Harry Johnston

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West China Union University

August 7, 1928

Dr. Joseph Beech,
239 W. Chamberlain St.,
Dixon, Ill.

My dear Dr. Beech:

We were very glad to receive your letter from Dixon and to learn that you were able to see more of Davis in Pittsburgh. It is certainly good news that things are moving along satisfactorily within the Hall Estate, even though, as yet, no tangible results have appeared. We will all await with bated breath the forthcoming announcement. I seem to read between the lines that you are at least fairly well satisfied with the prospects for West China. We sincerely hope our surmise is correct.

We have this morning received the following cablegram from Albertson:

"CADBURY COST OF BUILDING JUNE 30TH OF THIS YEAR MEX.\$35,000.
EXCLUDING ARCHITECTS BUILDERS SALARIES. RETURNING TO STATION. ALBERTSON".

Our New York records show that the following amounts have been expended for architect's fees:

Previous to 1926	\$ 489.70
June 2, 1927	1,162.80
	<u>\$1,652.50</u>

Our New York records do not show the amount expended on the field for builders' salaries. Have you any information available which will enable you to estimate this latter item? If not, can we assist in any way in helping you to secure these facts?

I have been in touch with the Transportation Department of the Methodist Board and find they are following up the matter of the arrangements of your sailing. They tell me they have written you fully and are now awaiting your further instructions. If there is anything more we can do about the matter please let us know.

I am glad to have the information you pass on regarding Mr. Albertson's plans also regarding West China's hopes for the united financial campaign. I suppose that all our colleges are Chinese enough that they make out their statements of needs as a basis for bargaining rather than as a summary of their absolutely essential and irreducible require-

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ments. I trust that when you get back to Chengtu you will be able to convince our friends at Chengtu that millions do not fall so easily here in America as is sometimes supposed.

Sorry I do not know anything about Moore Bennett who takes a poke at Protestant missionaries in the August "Atlantic". Apparently the mission enterprise, like the Ford industry, must thrive on the knocks it gets.

The Yankees have certainly lost their mascot or their luck, or possibly their ability to play base ball, haven't they. As soon as they get back to New York I shall have to go out and cheer them up a bit.

We hope that we may see you here in New York before you once more set sail for the wars.

Cordially,

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B A GARSIDE

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West China Union University

December 7, 1928.

President Joseph Beech,
West China Union University,
Chengtu, Szechwan,
China.

My dear Dr. Beech:

We have just received from Mr. F. C. Atherton a check for \$1800.00, accompanied by a letter which reads as follows:-

"I enclose herewith check in favor of the Treasurer of the West China Union University for \$1800.00. This is a gift of \$600.00 each from the Juliette M. Atherton Trust, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Richards, and the writer in a response to an appeal from Dr. Joseph Beech, President of the University. The disposition of the fund is to be subject to his direction.

Upon receipt of this, will you kindly communicate with him and ascertain from him just how he wishes this fund applied."

We have placed the \$1800.00 in our Suspense Account and await your instructions.

Dr. North had a long talk with our good friend, Homer Johnson, about a fortnight ago. We are now hoping that a final distribution of the Hall Estate Fund will be made early in January. We have all grown so accustomed to having these funds dangling about a month or two ahead of us that we no longer get excited about them. Possibly this time, however, the Trustees may surprise us by doing something definite.

With all good wishes, I am,

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Very cordially yours,

B A GARSIDE

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Chengtu, West China
January 26, 1929.

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My dear Sir Joseph:

The accompanying letter calls for certain qualifications, additions or explanations which in the nature of things should be more personal lest implications not intended be drawn by some less conversant than yourself with conditions and circumstances here.

We are holding up new standards here calling for not only devotion to high ideals but disinterestedness in pursuit of them that implies no criticism because of non arrival at our goal. Aid, especially financial, too freely given may hinder more than withholding and deprive its recipients of the discipline of responsibility which precludes subserviency and fits them for higher trust. Aid withheld may eventuate in distrust ruinous to our work, to us and to those in whose hearts it is generated. To receive this amount of money suddenly and to use it without getting into one or other of these pitfalls calls for the exercise of our best judgement.

This implies - as I mentioned in conversation with you - that the fund be held in the Boards' Treasury (Private in so far as the Circulation of the Boards' Minutes are concerned) until such time as the wisest possible determination of its income has been arrived at.

Reasons back of my suggestions are in part as follows: The income from the Harvard Institute will benefit the Arts Faculty by removing Chinese and Museum Dept. expenditure now chargeable

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thereto - also Chinese Library expense. The increase to the other Departments by the elimination of these will be considerable. Second - If the income from One Hundred Thousand dollars is applied to the Current Budget, directly or as I propose by relieving the current budget of the Governor's obligations there will be another increase of considerable proportions. Third - If announcement is made of the Reserve fund for the Medical School there will thereby be pressure to withhold the present allotment to Medicine now included in the budget. Consequent upon this there will be another increase.

To guard against the absorption of these increases without any appreciable gain in efficiency will not be easy. By my recommendations I have put off the problem till 1930. It may be desirable to extend that date to a later time, at least in part. We have several fine buildings - marble halls we might designate them - with pine benches and fittings that cheapen the entire outfit. Students shiver while they study in the library and "no lights" preclude its use in the evening. We are not bereft of the smaller pieces of apparatus, but lack of equipment in buildings and the cost of such has prevented installing many larger pieces of apparatus or machines.

We need to fit our buildings with furnishings and equipment, we need to properly equip the teaching end of our work, we need to add highly qualified Chinese to our staff, we need, and must then, increase the wages of our present teachers, and common decency demands that we pay some of our workers and servants better. The latter of these had better move by degrees. Emphasis on the former will allow us to do it by natural and proper degrees.

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With a limited budget to meet current usage, I have always felt uncomfortable that my salary allowance had been a reducing factor. On this account I got my Atherton and Richards friends to pay \$1800. to the University the past two years that I might reduce in part that charge. Whatever may be the relation of myself to the University in future, I deem it inadvisable to make foreign salaries a charge thereto. There has been no criticism hitherto by those who understood, but the vice president's report this year complained of the small amount they had left for current use. Since that feeling chimes in with my own, I hope you will avail yourself of the opportunity to remove or lessen the Board's charge on the appropriations from the Boards of Missions - and when doing so provide that the bulk of the gain thereto to the departments be applied to equipment and additional staff.

I am endeavoring to form our organization so as to give guidance in these matters as conditions now are the more reason for not dumping this extra income suddenly upon us.

Please wire me if we may expect your compliance to suggestion (1) in the other letter, with approximate amount available. This will enable us to place orders earlier. We will begin work by preparing a list of needs in their order of urgency.

The war in Szechuan held me two weeks in Chung King and illness after arrival here has kept me indoors or in bed a good part of the time since arriving two weeks ago. The mid year vacation is upon us - also the Mission Conferences and the campus is deserted. Otherwise things seem much as of yore - there is no occasion for downheartedness. Trusting that Lady Flavelle is now in good health and the New Year adds not to your years, I am

Very respectfully
(signed) Joseph Beech

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P.S. I sorrow to learn of the passing from us of my good, wise
and angelic friend Prof. William North Rice. Heaven is surely
enriched.

J. B.

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Chengtú, West China

January 26, 1928 1929

Sir Joseph Flavelle, Bart.,
Chairman of the Board of Governors,

My dear Sir Joseph:

Very sorry to note your absence from the Board Meeting in October due to the illness of Lady Flavelle. I ardently hope that she has recovered and that you could be at the January Executive meeting.

A telegram from New York received a few days ago confirmed my statement in conversation at Toronto and in letter from London. I will forthwith write or wire gratitude to Mr. Davis and Mr. Johnson. Let me thank you most heartily for your co-operation.

Until we hear from the Harvard Institute of Oriental studies re the terms of the three hundred thousand dollars "ear marked" for us we cannot do more than plan, in a general way, for its use. That I am already doing by working out possible courses of action which I believe will be in harmony with donor's purpose and make it serve the highest ends.

Re the two hundred thousand granted direct to the Board I beg leave to suggest the following:

1. That interest accruing on this principal up to and including the year 1929 be sent to the field as soon as possible to provide (a) badly needed furnishing and equipment for our Buildings

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(b) Needed equipment for the teaching departments

2. That beginning with 1930, One Hundred Thousand Dollars be set aside for endowment of the Medical College (with possible inclusion of Dental College) the yearly income used to supply a fund for (a) the salaries of qualified Chinese Professors, including living quarters, (b) additional teaching equipment.

3. That beginning with 1930, or shortly thereafter, One Hundred Thousand Dollars be set aside as an endowment fund to meet the Board of Governors direct obligations, now chargeable to the Annual Appropriations from the Mission Boards

Under (2) I suggest that no releases be made until called for - the fund being retained in the Boards Treasury.

The action suggested under (3) will meet a Criticism occasionally met with and will automatically increase the annual budget for the field by this amount, allowing most of the Boards' contributions to be available for field use.

With very kindest wishes

Very Respectfully

(signed) Joseph Beech

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Re

Prof Weidner, Dr Hu, Altherton Estate Gift, Hall Estate

CHENGDU, WEST CHINA

Jan 29/29

Dear Mr. Garrison:

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I have your letter re Prof Weidner serving in one of the China Universities. Time expense in getting to and from Chengdu puts us out of consideration if Prof. Weidner expects to include a world tour in his year of leave.

Re yours of Oct 9/28 dealing with Dr Hu's support.

Dr Hu was taken on by the M.E.M. for University work.

His salary is expected from Special or Designated Gifts which will come - to the M.E.M. field treasurer through the M.E. Bd Designated Gift Dept. Our University treasurer is not involved in the deal.

Thanks for your Minutes of Supervisory Comm. Oct 3/28 and also for Central Office Secy-Treas report Sept. 30/28

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Re yours of Dec 7th asking instructions re \$1800 from the Altherton Estate. This was given under the same terms as a like gift reported about a year or eighteen months ago - my to apply on my salary account (which might include, I suppose, expense acct on behalf University) Disposition might await over pending receipt of travel acct which will reach you shortly.

Thanks also for telegram ~~unsigned~~ - confirming Mr Davis' Statement re West China share in Hall Estate \$300000 H.S.O.S. \$200000 O.S. Direct
Was delayed my arrival in Chengdu, during which

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time I was in Chungking. There is a lull in the fighting, but
fears lest it be resumed on a larger scale.

A bad cold contracted on the road has shut me
indoors a good share of time since arriving 16
days ago.

Affairs at the University seem fairly normal with
a good representation of the foreign staff here.

Thank Miss Lincham for her letter re Metric System
Charts, and express my good wishes to her & Miss Lane
under their appropriate titles, worthily bestowed.

kindest to you also' - Very truly, Joseph Beech

P.S. Mr. J.C. Atherton has sent to Mr. W.A. Main, Shanghai
at my request \$500 to complete the Atherton Bldg. acct.
Mr. Albertson should report this - with complete Bldg.
Statement - to you in near future. Will urge him
to harmonize accts, or complete them, so that
H.Y. & Chengtu offices can mutually respect each
other - JB



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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

CHENGDU, SZECHWAN

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MAR 18 1929

AMERICAN OFFICE

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150 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

Dear Mr. Gariside:

Bad says in China the past year kept me from putting check No 1291 to the use intended. viz. Publicity - that is the publication of a book on W.C.U.U. The times were out of joint. I have now sent this to Dixon to be placed there in bank on interest - until I can put it to the use intended.

I may use \$100 of this in paying for the publication by Morse on the Medical School - but of that later. This simply to explain the delay & to assert my responsibility for this check.

Very truly
Joseph Beech

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JAN 30 ^{Chinese} 1929

Published in the Shanghai paper and seen
in Chengtu that China Church Universities
gets 12 millions Gold - West China
Union University listed as one of the
receiving institutions. So goes
my attempt to keep the news
under the sod until a scramble
could be sidetracked. Some
will say "fine" - many more "Imperialism"
and repeat "Twelve Millions Gold"
as evidence. That we get a
paltry 1/2 million few except close
friends will believe. Can't you
get us what the news implies
at least 2 millions?

JB
My cold is better out the city yesterday for first.
Now comes a big red card from the four
military lords of this region now in Chengtu.
Gen. Liu Tien-hsi to a Dinner. I am
back in Chengtu this say.

West China



Union University

CHENGDU, WEST CHINA

Feb 8 - 1929

My dear Dr. Anderson:

I have been "indoors" most of the month since my arrival here, but I have managed to get a letter or two to Sir Joseph dealing with University affairs, mainly the Hall Estate grants, which doubtless he has communicated to you or to the Executive, so I will not repeat on that subject except to say that I hope your satisfaction runs parallel with mine, and not far behind, in that my mystic remarks to the Board re this matter have assumed realistic expression.

Aside from Harvard's Yenching Foundation, I believe we were given favored treatment.

I used Professor George D Hubbard, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio to very good advantage in seconding my efforts through Mr. Homer H. Johnson, Trustee, Cleveland, O. Professor Hubbard was in West China for a short time a few years ago. The Board may recall that I asked for and secured a small

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contribution for his expenses in connection with the
service ^{then} rendered us. He has fully repaid it
in his enthusiastic support to my efforts in this
matter. A resolution from the Executive, in gen-
eral terms, thanking him for information given
and for the endorsement of our appeal would be
most fitting.

Sir Joseph has also co-operated most loyally
and I am sure his relations with the Trustees
and the University have been a highly con-
tributory factor in the recognition accorded
us. I surmise it will be difficult to get
the Chairman to entertain a motion of
appreciation and thanks to him for his
effective aid, but if technicalities can be waived,
the President, member of the Board in absentia, would
crave the privilege of moving it for unanimous
adoption.

Thank you for copies of the Executive & Board min-
utes. Items for our attention, Correlation 821, Regis-
tration 824, Women's College 828, Mr Powell's letter.
Exec. Min. 694 will have consideration as
soon as possible. I was sorry to note the
absence of Sir Joseph for the reason given.

I am also in receipt of yours of Nov 19

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regarding classification, salaries, pensions etc. of teachers, and the form of Senate minutes.

The first of these questions relates itself quite intimately with the subject under the Governor's Minute 821, Correlation. Two of our staff Mr. Lincoln Dsang & Mr. Donald Fay represented the University at the Correlation Meeting last Spring at Shanghai. It was inevitable that Coast classification with its corollary claimed salaries should be one of the first rebounds of the correlation idea. They, at the Coast, have proceeded with their salary scale quite apart from standards in other branches of mission work. We have followed a course diametrically opposed to that, but with emphasis on correlation & comparison I fear we are at the cross roads and will be compelled to follow the crowd, - ignorance will no longer be bliss. However, I will do what I can

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to emphasize service rather than salary thus keep-
ing as near to the wish of the Board as is
possible. The matter is made the more difficult
by the fact that we should at this time add
men from other universities to our staff as
the "inbreeding" that now prevails ought not
to continue.

The minutes were planned with a two fold
purpose - a suitable and standard size for
binding. We have ours in bound copies
on the shelves, with the years on the back
This we have found very satisfactory.

At the same time - unfolded, open, the
double page meets the standard files.
However, I will have your suggestion
considered, especially if the reasons
above mentioned do not commend them-
selves to your judgment.

Our plan of organization is, and perhaps
should be, so dissimilar to that which pre-
vails elsewhere that we must approach
the question of registration, as it relates
to organization, - in a manner suitable to
our conditions. The matter is not so urgent
as to call for precipitate action. We are
making progress in understanding first.
Very truly - J. C. H. Reed

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Union University

CHENGDU, WEST CHINA

Mar 4 - 1929

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That letter and a copy of the financial statement, will I trust comply with your request under Minute 821 (b). The Council placed West China for \$900,000 in a total budget of over \$30,200,000. We placed West China over \$8,000,000.

Since these figures were compiled I have learned that two other universities have a budgets of over \$9,000,000 each.

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of mind - success might be as bad.

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(including Ginling Woman's College) Soochow, St John's Woman's
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of the total asking of over \$30,200,000 is allotted to
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Extracts from letters received from President Beech.

Dated Feb. 8 1929.

The President suggests that special resolutions of thanks should be accorded by the Executive Committee to Professor Hubbard, of Oberlin, and to Sir Joseph Flavelle, for their services in connection with the Hall Bequest.

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CHENGDU, WEST CHINA
Mar 16/29

My dear D Anderson,

I am enclosing Minutes 2292 - 2324 with the following numbers crossed x for your information or consideration: 2292, in most cases this went direct to the Missions and through them to their Boards, but it might help, if the Board of Governors sees it wise, for the Governors to second this request, to the Mission Boards, as in some cases the men have not returned or been appointed. 2295, 2297, 2298, 2299, 2301, 2303, 2311, 2321, 2323. Perhaps the above comment will suffice for most of these numbers. Mr Albertson promised to send the material re Correlation forward to you with copy of the covering letter prepared, I hope you will receive it along with a letter that I wrote quite recently, that it may constitute an answer to your Board Minutes re this subject.

At a meeting of the Registration Committee I outlined the constitution of the Board of Directors and it will come before the Senate on the 22nd. While the following is not final - it will give you advance information of what is

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Proposed. The main items are as follows:

that ~~the~~ recommend the organization of a Bd of Directors to be formed as follows -

- (1) One member appointed by the following Church bodies in
Szechuen - Am Baptist, Church Mission, Friends
Methodist Episcopal, United Church Canada. All Chinese 5
- (2) One member each representing the Cooperating Organizations
who are constituent members of the Bd of Governors
In order that the women may be duly represented the
W F M S, the W M S and the Baptist Women's Society
are added to the five General Boards. 8
- (3) Three members representing & appointed by the
Alumni 3
- (4) Three members representing appointed by the
Board of Governors 3
- (5) (a) Two members Co-opted by the Bd of Directors
(more if necessary to create Chinese
majority) Voting, Total $\frac{2+}{21+}$

~~Other~~ Members of the Administrative staff
may be co-opted without votes.

The personnel indicated under (1), (3), (5) shall
not be members of the Staff. Exceptions to this
rule may be made under (2), (4) when in
their judgment of the appointing body it is called
for in order to give them the representation
they desire.

The matter will go forward in regular form within
the next week with request that you cable approval.
With all good wishes Respectfully Joseph Seesh

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April 6, 1929.

My dear Dr. Beech,

I am enclosing a confirmation copy of the cablegram we are sending today.

Sir Joseph wrote us earlier in the week that he would be in New York today, and asked that we arrange an informal meeting of such members of the Board as we could get together to discuss the points covered in your two letters to him under date of January 26th concerning the use of income from the Hall Estate endowment funds. We therefore had an informal meeting this morning with Sir Joseph, Dr. Huntington, Dr. Sutherland, Dr. Franklin and myself present.

The group were all heartily in favor of your proposal for using the income from the Hall Estate direct endowment this year for the furniture and equipment you describe in your letters. Since, however, the Executive Committee at the January 22nd meeting allotted a part of this income to meet the threatened deficit in this year's current budget, we found that we had at most only about G.\$6,000. available for such a purpose. Also it was the thought of the group that inasmuch as the budget already approved for this year is considerably larger than it has been before, possibly some of the items for equipment and furnishings are already provided for. The final decision of the group was to approve the appropriation of G.\$7,500. from this year's income from the Hall Estate endowment for the purchase of the furnishings and equipment needed. This will be about 3/4 of the total income from this source. The action provided as a matter of form that this appropriation was made subject to the approval of the West China Senate to this method of using the income. No doubt such ratification has already been given.

I added to my cable the statement that you are authorized to draw on us at the rate of not to exceed G.\$2,500. for each of the next three quarters. This will be about the rate at which we will receive this income. The group also asked that you send us in due course details as to the purchases made.

The group felt that your proposals as to the use of the income in later years should come to the Executive Committee at the meeting next month. We had just received from the Harvard Yenching Institute a statement as to the conditions under which they will pay over their income. I append a copy of the letter herewith.

With all good wishes, I am
B A GARSIDE

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Enc. 2.

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Chengtu, West China,
April 10, 1929.

Sir Joseph Flavelle, Bart.,
Toronto, Canada.

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Dear Sir Joseph:

Deprived of Secretarial help I find it convenient to inflict my none too legible chirography on my friends, an infliction for which the composition provides little compensation and makes heavy demands upon your good natures.

The Minutes of the Senate, enclosed, for the most part call for no interpretation beyond that contained in the Minutes. Minute 2335 defines the Eastern terminal of the "East and West Road". The point indicated in the minute is shown on the enclosed map by "Q" near building "77". To extend this road to this point will be a matter of years as it crosses a sect on of property adjoining graves of the family of the owner and other families who have shown no inclination to yield the lands to us during many years of effort. We will do well to extend the road Eastwards to the point marked "X" near building "6". On the map I have indicated a small section of land south of Building "77" belonging to the Board of Governors. The Senate reserved this section when the M.E. Mission bought the property as it seemed within the bound of hope at that time that we might secure the grave land and might wish to extend the road Eastward to "V" or beyond. Developments in that direction make it desirable to divert traffic. To extend the road beyond "X" or "Q" might invite, it, even more than at present, through our campus. When we took over this triangular piece of ground the C.M.S. were expected to take the section south of the road. Failing to get the farms marked "X" the transfer was not made to them. It is a problem to know how to use it to advantage for University purposes. The M.E.M. have offered the section "77" to the Women's College. In case the sale is consummated it would be advantageous to them and to the Board to transfer this property of about $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres to them. You may remember they desired to purchase section "82". I believe they are convinced now, that it would be unwise for the Board to dispose of that part of the "Central Plot". Should they desire the section south of "77" I would heartily recommend the Sale to them as a favour to both parties.

I have not forgotten the request made by the Hon. Mr. Rowell re deeds, etc. We are having all available deeds photographed and located on a map of the University layout. This will delay somewhat but when in form it will furnish most of the information the Board desires. Will you be so kind as to give him this message as opportunity offers.

In the Minutes of Feb. 21/29, Minute 2327 indicates a new problem which registration presents. A theological school cannot be registered or constitute a part of a registered institution.

This, with many other problems, is being carefully surveyed and a solution sought that will provide the safest and happiest way through the untravelled terrain of registration of a complex institution like the West China Union University. I have recently written Dr. Anderson forwarding Minutes for the organization of a Board of Directors. Outside of the University staff we are very short of material with which to construct such

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a Board. While not perfectly in harmony with the letter of your desires re non staff participation, we have acted in accord with the spirit of your request, and have given representation where rights demand and where interested co-operation is sought.

Not least among the problems which may come with registration is the undigested cargoes of government dispatches that pour in upon us. Provincial schools are independent enough of Nanking to ignore many of these mandates. We comply where compliance involves no sacrifice of essential principles, and just delay, linger and wait when it would. Change is the order of the day. Where the "wait" can linger long enough the Mandate is often changed or forgotten. I add a few of these dispatch titles to indicate their character.

Feb. 3rd - "Order from Nationalist Govt. requiring those in charge of school discipline and teachers of Sen Wen's three Principles to apply for examination to be conducted by the Party Examination Commission".

Feb. 27 - "Order demanding that the above be complied with

Mar. 1 - "Order stating that all educational studies, administrations and institutions must be under supervision of Board of Education.

Mar. 7 - "Order from Nanking Govt. stating Military training must be added to school curriculum.

Mar. 21 - "Order Nat. Govt. requiring all Mission Schools teach the "Three Principles" (Teacher must be Party member) and hold a weekly memorial to Sen Yat Sen.

Order from the 21st army requiring all schools to teach the "Three Principles".

Mar. 28 - "Order from Bureau of Education requiring Military Training.

Order from Bureau of Education re order from Central Training Dept. urging Military training.

Apr. 4 - "Order giving revised detailed regulations re conduct of Military training.

Apr. 8 - "Order from Nanking prohibiting communism and Nationalism. (This is a brand opposed to Nanking Nationalism).

Apr. 8 - "Order from Nanking re Supervision of Military training. Military supervisors will be sent by the Govt. to enforce Military Training - (Supervisor a Party Man - The School must pay for the service).

During the period quoted Feb. 1 - April 8 Orders for school holidays for commemoration "Death of Sen Yat Sen", Burial Day of Sen Yat Sen, Commemoration of Inauguration of Province Nationalist Govt.

Our friends - The Friends - are much perturbed re the orders for Military study and training. A letter from Mr. Silcock intimates that they might be compelled to withdraw in case of University compliance. I do not take the orders as seriously as some do. Nonconformity - will I judge - bring no severe penalties, especially as we are not registered with Nanking

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With kind greetings to Lady Flavelle, and with all good wishes,

Very respectfully,

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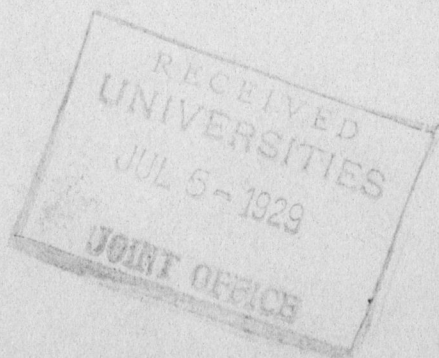
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Union University

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CHENGDU, WEST CHINA

Apr 16/29

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My dear Mr. Garside:

1. Re Yours Jan 5th with record of Miss Lillian W. Mansfield coming for a year or more of service here. If the matter ^{of her coming} can be agreed upon with the full consent of our Chinese members you will receive a cable in which case get Pres. Gov. Exec approval, salary included in budget. She should be here by 10th Sept. ^{at latest.}

Write Baptist. M.E. & Canadian Bods re outgoing parties with whom she can make river journey from Shanghai -

Re Yours of Jan 24/29

2. Prof Bernard C. Ewers of Pomona College,

our remembrance may make a visit here possible - but if he can visit the West without expense to us except entertainment we could use him to advantage here in Chengtu for such work as he outlines.

Re Prof H.G. Weidner, Berea O.

3. In view of expense & true distance here I judge ^{Prof. W.} ^{Prof. W.} visiting here is not feasible, although would like him to try out his ideas providing ^{labor} for students & students for labor.

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Re - Prof R.F. Piper

4. I doubt if we have could make the best use of Prof Piper especially as so much of our work done in Chinese that the English foundation is not such as to stand what he would like to put on it. Should he come without charge to us we might make good use of him for a term -

I think there comments reply to yours of several dates - for which I thank you though it seems doubtful if we can hope for any of them except possibly Mr Mansfield, as noted.

We are at work on finances in response to cable notification of \$7500 for equipment. Within the next ten days we will also map out proposed expenditures for 1930 for special equipment, the details of which will be called in order to get to you in time for May execution.

I hear nothing re the specifications for the \$300,000 from the Harvard Trust Fund. Are we expected to go forward in the expenditure of the income of this fund? If so, when will it be available? How, and will there be conditions that will limit our plans? Some mail has gone astray - If you have written, write again or better, wire main import. Yours cordially
All well - Going nicely; At peace to date Joseph Beech

These people
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also
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New York

Reply to Cable Received re \$15,000 for Equipment.
Translation of Cablegram.
Details by letter.



Pajij	--	Gold \$ 7,500
yoza		for this year
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mozeb		Medical School (Medical Dental College)
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oxozb	✓	\$1,950
uxugc		Normal Training School (Cadbury)
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Sent from Chengtu,

April 27th, 1929.

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Please send this copy to Mr. Garin for confirmation
of the cable sent him.
Roberto J. Garin

Chengtu apr 27/29

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to Mr. Boardman

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April 27th, 1929.

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It will be to our advantage to have

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(Cadbury)

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West China Union University

April 17, 1929

Dr. Joseph Beech,
West China Union University,
Chengtu, Szechuan, China.

My dear Dr. Beech:

Your letters of January 29 and January 30 reached our office some days ago. It is good to know that you arrived safely in Chengtu.

We note your comments re Professor Weidler, also your further explanation regarding Dr. Hu's support.

We also note your instructions regarding the \$1800.00 received from the Atherton Estate. I presume that the proper procedure will be to report the receipt of this money to the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors when it meets in Toronto next month and to ask them to designate this \$1800.00 to apply on your salary account.

Unfortunately the Chinese papers in Shanghai overstated the amount of the Hall Estate gifts to the various Universities in China. The total received by the Universities direct amounted to only about two and a half million gold, to which is added the \$1,800,000.00 held in trust for these institutions by the Harvard-Yenching Institute. The endowment of the Harvard-Yenching Institute itself amounts to approximately four and one-half million gold, but not all the income from this Institute endowment will be used in China. I am afraid that the exaggerated reports which have reached our different Universities will greatly complicate the problem of using the income from the Hall Estate funds to the best advantage. When our Chinese colleagues begin thinking in terms of twelve million dollars gold it will be all the more difficult to induce them to put forth their utmost efforts to secure a few thousand dollars silver to help along with the support of our Universities.

Our office must by all means get to Mr. Albertson before he leaves for furlough all the information we can possibly secure from our books regarding the West China plant accounts so that he will be able to bring with him when he returns to Canada such additional facts from the West China records as will make it possible for us to get together and work out a final division of our West China plant funds.

We are sorry that you were suffering with such a cold when you wrote in January. I sincerely hope that your health throughout the winter has been better than this initial start.

With all good wishes, I am

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Very cordially yours,
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Chengtu, West China,
April 27th, 1929.

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There is lack of appreciation in some quarters regarding the teaching essentials of these groups. "Mark Hopkins on one end of a log and a student on the other" represents the conceptions of not a few regarding that much abused term "education". Unfortunately the "log" is lost sight of and only "Mark and the Student" are on the horizon. This failure to discern the equipment values in scientific and professional education no doubt operated in reducing the call from \$22,500 to \$15,000 during this year.

The question of the permanent division of the Hall Estate income between the Professional and General University work will come up for consideration next Senate meeting.

The past few weeks - since the knowledge of the income became public - has convinced me of the advisability of some sort of automatic control of our resources. The tendency to spread, to add personnel, to divide departments is natural and perhaps desirable, but in view of our future resources, dangerous to efficiency in the many departments to which we are already committed. When this tendency is added to the lack of first hand knowledge regarding the cost of scientific and professional education - aside from personnel - you can easily understand that united action on such a proposition as this cable represents, or as the proposition to give to the Medical-Dental College onehalf the endowment income involves, is beset with difficulties.

Our need for personnel will be very pressing soon if my fears re the return of Missionaries are not dissipated. Eight members of the staff leaving this year and next are quite uncertain regarding their return. Every failure to do so will involve or demand the engagement of teachers here. This will make heavy inroads on our future income. It lends added reason to the call for equipment at this juncture.

The War in this province, except for the sacrifice of some life and hardship on the people; stoppage of mails, etc., appears to be of the cheap comedy type. Such was the first acts if my informants are correct. All quiet here and work going along well.

With every kind regards and respects,

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London, Ont. Canada.

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For next year request Science Faculty \$2350, Medical Faculty \$2150 (2375)
Dentistry \$1500, Miscellaneous \$1500. Will Board authorize (us) draw
entire \$15000 during this year? It will be to our advantage to have
united shipment to save as much as possible, duty(and) freight. Telegraph
if this meets with approval."

In case you have not heard from this cable, war may have prevented
its transmission, will you kindly secure action as soon as possible.

The reasons back of the cable are as follows. Furniture, including
heating and light for some of the buildings, especially those that have
been recently erected, claimed the major part of the special grant of
\$7500 for this year. We are pushing on the expenditure of this fund
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the needed furniture. We also want the heating plants and lighting units
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ours. It would pay the Board to borrow on their assured income from the
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dollars' worth of apparatus in one shipment, have it personally escorted
by one of our men who will return this Autumn. Better freight rates could
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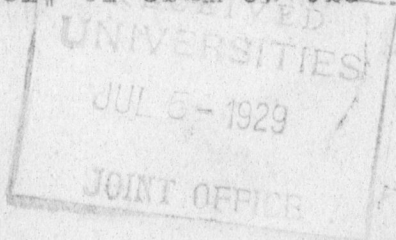
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My dear Gairside

Thanks, Yes! we did receive
the Diplomas in Good Condition.

Re your letter and the use
of the \$1800 from Mr Atterton.
You say, apply on my Salary
acct. If Salary acct can, in
this connection, include travel
it might be well. You remember
saying that I would need to come
to U.S.A. in 1930 in connection with
the United Program, and I am com-
pelled to add owing to Mrs Dead's
state of health. It looks as if my ab-
sence and the responsibility she
feels because of it contributes toward
her present condition + creates

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reasons hard to withstand for my
return, for a year or two, in the
not distant future. If the call
to come should become imperative,
the means for travel would be
most desirable. I keep sufficient
for travel on that account.

I have just about finished
the piece of work for which
I came out this time. Will send
results to you in form of New
Constitution, soon. But this out
of the way, a critical situation in
the Medical Faculty comes up. They
are about ready for anything owing
to their financial situation. Hall
income not withstanding. Money or
the gallstone is their slogan.

You will get the echoes in time. The
visiting Secretaries will get them on arrival.

With best wishes
John J. Beck

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F. C. ATHERTON
P.O. BOX 2990
HONOLULU, HAWAII
CABLE ADDRESS "ATHERTON"

TRANSFER



June 15, 1927.

Mr. William O. Gantz, Treasurer,
West China Union University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Following receipt of a letter from Dr. Joseph Beech, re final payment on account of the Atherton Memorial Building at West China Union University, I cabled you on June 10th as follows:

"FORWARDING NEXT WEEK TWENTYFIVE
HUNDRED DOLLARS"

I therefore enclose herewith draft for this amount in favor of the University.

Dr. Beech writes that he has not yet received final statement of the cost of the building and that when this is at hand a final accounting can be made, which is perfectly satisfactory to us.

Referring to a fund set aside by my sister - the late Miss Kate M. Atherton - I would state the principal of this fund has been invested in Honolulu Iron Works Company 7% Bonds amounting to \$2500, same being payable this date. I am accordingly enclosing herewith check for this amount, also. The interest on these bonds has been deposited twice yearly in a savings account at the Bank of Hawaii, Limited, of Honolulu, drawing interest at 4%. The amount standing to the credit of this account at the present time is \$1308.24, to which will be added 6 months interest on June 30th. After that date these funds will be withdrawn and forwarded to you.

I suggest that it might be advisable to add this accumulated interest to the principal, so that the annual income will be larger. However, if Dr. Beech would rather take the accumulated income for the library or for some special instruments or equipment for the hospital, I will be glad to abide by his decision in the matter.

Yours very truly,

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June 13, 1927

Mr. William G. Jones, Treasurer,
Columbia University,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Yours of June 1st

Following receipt of a letter from Mr. Jones,
dated June 1st, regarding the account of the
Columbia University, I called on Mr. Jones
and discussed the matter.

Very truly yours,
HUTCHINSON

I have discussed the matter with Mr. Jones
and he has agreed to the following:

The Board of Trustees has not yet received
statement of the cost of the building and the
land on which it is situated, which is
approximately \$1,000,000.

Referring to a fund set aside by the
Board of Trustees - I have advised the
principals of this fund that the
Columbia University has not yet received
statement of the cost of the building and
the land on which it is situated, which
is approximately \$1,000,000. The Board of
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Mr B A Garvise
Staff

THE
WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY
REQUESTS THE HONOR OF YOUR PRESENCE AT
THE
FIFTEENTH ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES
AT THE
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JUNE 23RD AND 24TH, 1929

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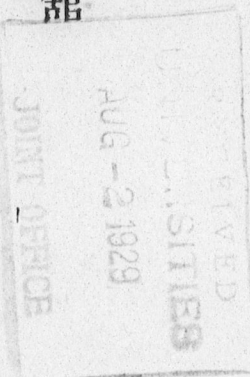
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West China



Union University

CHENGDU, WEST CHINA
July , 25, 1929.

Mr. B.A. Garside,
Asst. Treasurer,
150 Fifth Ave., New York City.

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TRANSFER

My dear Mr. Garside:

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Items for the university aside from travel, and "holdups" account for approximately \$240 of the total bill. I will appreciate it if you will check the F.F.M.A. advances to me enroute and let me know if they are not as recorded in the statement.

Thanking you for your favors in connection with my long and lingering journey, I am,

very truly yours,

Joseph D. Beech

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

West China

Union University



CHENGDU, WEST CHINA

July 25, 1929

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Asst. Treasurer,
150 Fifth Ave., New York City.

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Joseph R. Garbide

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Joseph Beech , Travel Account

New York to Chengtu, via England, Berlin, Moscow, Mukden, Dairen,
Peking, Tientsin, Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Chungking,
Sept. 7th. 1928 to Jan. 12th. 1929.

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Date,	Rec'd. G- Dollars,	Item,	Paid Currency,	Paid G Dollars,
Sept. 5,	\$155.00	S.S. Ticket, N.Y- Southampton, (M.E.B.F.M.)		\$155.00
" 8-14		Steamship travel to "		1.50
" 5-	300.00	Cash from Asst. Treas. B.A. Garside. (passpt-photos		10.00
Aug 1		U.S. Passport, State Dept. Charge		10.00
Sept 5		British passport visa at New York		12.00
" 3-7		Hotel and meals (part) " " "		1.60
" 7		Taxi, bags, tips		7.50
" 8-14		Steamship tips, charges		1.50
" "		" chair		3.00
" 14		Railway , so hamptin -London, and baggage		1.80
" "		Train meals		10.80
" 29		Chinese Gov't visa and taxi (At Paris)		
" 14		Total in gold Dollars-		--\$214.70
" 14		Items in England, (Two Weeks)		
" 15		London , Taxi and Bags	£, S, D	
" 15-17		To Chinese Convention, Seer Green	3/0	
" 17		Hotels , 9/6, 12/6, 9/6	4/10	
" 15-17		RY Birmingham and return, to Cadburys	1/11/6	
" 17		Meals	1/7/4	
" 17-20		Hotel, tips (Birmingham trip)	1/6/0	
" 21-27		" London, (and laundry)	1/17/3	
" 17-27		F.F.M.A. cable acct. To and fr. Moscow	2/12/0	
" "		Cables to Paris to Lihen , Chinese,	1/15/5	
" 18-28		Miscel Exp, Tips, Taxis, Busses, cars	3/8	
" " "		Meals (part)	1/3/0	
" " "		Replacing key	3/0/0	
" " "		RY, London to Berlin, via Paris	2/0	
" " "		Purchase travel checks	5/10/0	
" " "		Meals enroute Berlin , at Dover	6/0	
" " "		Baggage charge	6/0	
" 24	\$243.00	Total in Pounds St-ling	3/6	
" 24	\$243.00	Received from F.F.M.A. (Mr. Silcock)	21 /11 /6	\$104.82
" 24	\$97.20	pounds sterling, 50/0/0		
" 29		Received at Berlin from F.F.M.A., £ 20.		
" 29		Paris to see Lihen for Univ. staff.	Francs.	
" "		Hotel two nights and meals	255	
" "		Tips and bags	65	
" "		Train meals to Berlin	155	
" 30 to		Total in Francs	475	\$ 19.00
Oct. 6	\$795.20	side trips at own expense.		
		Total Received to Berlin		\$338.52
		Total Expended to Berlin		

-- Totals carried forward --

Delayed in Berlin 18 days owing to difficulties
in securing Russian visa .

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Joseph Beech, Travel Account, cont'd.(2)

	Rec'd \$		Marks,	Paid \$
	\$795.20	Brought forward from sheet (1)		\$338.52
Oct. 6		Berlin taxi	3.50	
" 6-24		Berlin Hotels, 18 days, tips	115.60	
" 8-23		Five telegrams to and from Moscow	49.50	
" 10		Passport photos for Russian visa.	6.00	
" 6-23		Laundry (part)	21.20	
" 24		Meals	100.00	
" 20		Polish visa and carfare	4.80	
" 23		Russian visa	47.60	
" "		Cablegram US den	104.00 (40)	
" "		Railway and sleeper tickets, Blin-Mukden	837.90	
" 24		Taxi	2.50	
" -6		Train meals to Moscow	20.20	
		44444 Total Berlin-to Moscow, Mks	1219.20	\$290.29
" 26-29 Nov. 5		Moscow to Mukden	Roubles	
" 27 MOSCOW		" train tips, bags, taxi	4.40	
" 27-9		" hotel	12.82	
" "		" taxi	2.60	
To Nov. 5		" and train meals and tips	59.00	
" "		Excess railway fare	2.50	
" "		Manchurian visa	1.00	
		Total roubles	82.32	\$ 42.65
" 6		Mukden to Peking via Dairen	Yen,	
" "		Japanese visa and taxi	1.00	
" "		Mukden hotel meals and baggage	6.80	
" "		Railway and sleeper to Dairen	22.25	
" 8		Telegram to hotel and tips	1.10	
" "		Hotel and meals, Dairen	14.50	
" "		Steamer, Dairen-Tonku, bags and tps	21.00	
" "		Telegram to Peking	2.00	
" "		Rwyfare and car charges Tanku-Peking	10.60	
		Total yen	79.25	\$ 37.52
" 9-18		Peking-Shanghai-Nanking-to-chengtu - Mexican		
" "		Peking hotel and laundry	13.00	
" "		Telegrams to Shanghai and US	6.85	
" "		RY and boat ticket to Shanghai	98.30	
" "		Extra charges enroute to Tanku	2.20	
" "		Tientsin hotel and taxi, meals	7.00	
" "		Tanku baggage and taxi	2.00	
" "		" Extra night on boat and meals	10.50	
" "		Telegram to Shanghai	1.00	\$ 65.82
" 24 \$150.00		Shanghai, Received from Mr. Main). /	140.85	
Nov. 18 to		Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow		
Jan. 12		Ichang, Chungking, Chengtu	Mex. 89	
		Express on Trunk from US	67.89	
		Hotel and trips to colleges, 14.35/1566,	30.00	
		Steamboat ticket to Hankow	66.00	
		Expense at Nanking, Univ & Govt	8.50	
		Steamboat ticket, Hankow - Chungking	195.00	
		Hankow hotel and tips	16.50	
		Extra charges on steamers, H&I& Ckg.	29.50	
		Carriers abd baggage transfers to Chtu	105.00	
		Escort charges	12.00	
		Road boy, 1/2 wages and tips	8.50	
		Total Mex. Shai- Chengtu	538.89	\$251.82

\$945.20 --- Total Received . / / Total Paid----- \$1026.62 { 240* }
 31.42 Due Joseph Beech, Balance Paid by H. B. Albertson { 186.62 }

*See accompanying letter, dated July 28/29. Joseph Beech
 to Mr. Garrison

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West China Union University

July 26, 1929

Dr. Joseph Beech,
West China Union University,
Chengtu, Szechuan,
China.

My dear Dr. Beech:

This will formally acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 16. Although we have been slow in sending any formal acknowledgment of this letter we have at least tried to follow up all the matters you discuss therein.

Use of income from Harvard-Yenching Institute Fund. I trust that Dr. Anderson and Dr. Endicott have already supplied you with minutes of the recent West China meetings, together with the various documents submitted at these meetings. If this has been done you will already be in possession of all the information available as to the use of income from the Harvard-Yenching Institute Trust Fund. On April 6 I sent you a copy of Mr. Boyden's letter of March 30 giving the general policy of the Institute as to the use of the income from the trust fund they are holding for the various Universities.

I am enclosing herewith a later letter on this same subject written by Mr. Hollis, Secretary of the Institute Trustees under date of July 2.

You will note that the Institute is taking a very decided stand that the income from the \$1,900,000 Trust Fund should be used by our different colleges for building up new work in the departments of Chinese language, literature and history, and not for relieving in any way the expense of the work previously done in these fields in the past. I believe the Institute would also approve the expenditure of this income for such purposes as the purchase of library books in the field of Chinese language, literature and history. It seems to me that our Universities would have to do some extremely thoughtful planning if they are to utilize this substantial addition to their budgets for the development of so restricted a field of work without placing so much emphasis in this one field as to make it very top heavy. It is easy to picture the dissatisfaction that all the other departments would feel if the Chinese departments had such ample funds and everyone else was working on a starvation allowance. I am sure that you have already received full information as to the approval by the Governors of your drawing G\$15,000 during this year to meet the needs for furniture and equipment as described in your cablegram of

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April 27. We have already received a draft drawn by Mr. Main for G\$5,000. Contrary to the request in our cablegram, this draft was drawn payable on demand instead of at three days. Fortunately we had a sufficient cash balance in our checking account to meet the draft without embarrassment. However, as we have requested before, we would very much appreciate it if you will see that in future all drafts for substantial amounts are drawn payable at three days instead of on demand. It would mean a substantial loss of income to West China each year if we were required to keep a large amount of our reserve funds in our checking account to meet unexpected demand drafts rather than in a savings bank where they draw a much larger rate of interest and can be withdrawn at any time they are needed.

We note your comments regarding Miss Mansfield, Dr. Ewer, Professor Weidler and Professor Piper. Miss Mansfield has informed us that she is planning to spend next year in Japan. It seems extremely unlikely that any of the other three could arrange to make the trip to Chengtu.

I hope that you are enjoying a restful summer and that this letter will find West China beginning a very peaceful and happy academic year.

Very sincerely yours,

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B A GARSIDE

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West China Union University

August 2, 1929.

Dr. Joseph Beech,
West China Union University,
Chengtu, Szechuan, China.

My dear Dr. Beech:

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 22nd.

We will be glad to follow your wishes to apply the \$1,800. from Mr. Atherton on your salary and travel account. I am sure that if you return to America in 1930 the necessary adjustments to cover the expense of travel at that time can easily be made.

We have all been disturbed to know of Mrs. Beech's ill health since you left and can appreciate the great strain that your separation placed on you both.

We have been very much interested in your reports of development since you arrived in West China and in the other material coming from Chengtu either through official or unofficial channels. I am sorry that financial problems are becoming so acute for I had hoped that the Hall Estate funds would tide us over for a year or two until a united appeal for all our China colleges could be launched. The fact that our friends, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Davis allocated such a large fraction of the Hall Estate funds to the Harvard-Yenching Institute trust account for use only in strengthening our departments of Chinese cultural studies has resulted in bringing a great deal less relief to the general financial situation of our institutions than we at first hoped.

With warmest of good wishes, I am,

Very cordially yours,

B A GARSIDE

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I have indicated additions to complete list & crossed out unnecessary duplication
CHINA UNION UNIVERSITIES

Fukien Christian University
University of Nanking

Shantung Christian University
Peking University

West China Union University

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Nanfushan, New York

150 Fifth Avenue, New York City

ERIC M. NORTH, Secretary

B. A. GARSIDE, Acting Secretary

West China Union University



Telephone
Chelsea 2130

August 12, 1927

Dr. Joseph Beech
350 N. Sandusky Street,
Delaware, Ohio

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TRANSFER

Dear Dr. Beech,

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The list follows:-

- and Dental*
- (g) House B*
- Memorial*
- (r) Gateway, Riverside*
- (a) ~~R. M. Whiting Memorial~~ - ~~Administration Block~~ *adding.* ✓
 - (b) Cadbury Educational Building (Teachers Training School) ✓ (Normal School)
 - (c) Scattergood Middle School Building Fund ✓
 - (d) ~~Scattergood Middle School Site~~ ✓ *No such. Simply, Middle School Site*
 - (e) Medical College Building (Fund) ✓
 - (f) Undistributed Building Operations ✓
 - (g) House "A"
 - (h) Coles Clock Tower, Clock & Bell. ✓
 - (k) Gateway House "B"
 - (m) Residences *(none other than "A" & "B", except temporary)*
 - (n) President's House (not erected)
 - (o) Lamont Library (Library)
 - (p) Science and Medical Laboratory Equipment
 - (r) Gateway, ~~main~~ entrance (Administration Bldg)
 - (s) Atherton Memorial Building of Biology and Preventive Medicine (Atherton Memorial Building) (Biology Building)
 - (t) Middle School Chapel
 - (u) ~~Post office & Tea Shop Bldg.~~
- With best regards I am

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Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

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CHINA UNION UNIVERSITIES
Shantung Christian University
University of Nanking
West China Union University



Telephone
Chicago 3130

CENTRAL OFFICE
150 Fifth Avenue, New York City
ERIC M. NORTH, Secretary
D. A. CARPIS, Assistant Secretary
West China Union University

Cable Address
Nanking, New York

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CHENGDU, WEST CHINA
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WEST CHINA

Please get to it
Dr. You will have had
attention to the
reception of the
any questions. Now is the accepted time

My dear Mr. Gaiside

6000 ft up on "White Deer Mt." the
mt. is fine, the white deer is at its base -
an "isolated island". But over beyond, 17,000 ft
elevations say "Come if you dare" and still
more lofty ones announce "free ice all
the year" with no analogies to Kilmallock.
A month here is worth a year down on
the muggy plain. Forty two of us have this
year sheltered in bark shacks that
relate us to the life that was & still
is in these spots of high living.

Yours of April 17 kindly acknowledged
Thanks for the State Estate news. Yes! I
have had my share of sitting on the
Safety Valve re. uses of money, but so
far have carried my program through
with hardly a decimal point removed. The
Harvard-Yenching funds still trouble us.
Here it is known we have \$300,000,
and the income about \$15,000. The
moves to force up salaries & add

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men faster than conditions justified or good
sense decided has been with us + still
is. Two weeks ago it looked as if the
head of the Dept would bluff it through,
but the status quo ante still prevails.
It begins to look as if ^{the} Chinese Dept might
create a precedent for salaries all
through + so sink us. I am asking
the H. Y. S. to give us free reign in the
use of funds for Archaeological research
+ the purchase of valuable finds which
very soon will be above our reach even
if found. The development of Chinese study
will be the more normal + healthy because
of the call for funds for museum + research.
As Chinese study budget increases we can
cut down on Archaeology if required to do so.
Back this up with the Harvard Trustees
if you have personal opportunity to do
it without seeming to intrude. Urge
them to send delegates to W.C. with the
Peking representative - or as soon as possible
we will see them through safely.

All going well here - just now we have beaten the bolshevik crowd to what seems a stand still in the M.E. Univ. hospital affair. The three chief generals combined to squelch them. The hospital has had 26000 patients



TRANCE

West China Union University

October 10, 1929

Dr. Joseph Beech,
West China Union University,
Chengtú, Szechuan, China.

My dear Dr. Beech:

I believe I have not formally acknowledged your letter of July 25 with which you enclose your travel expense account from New York to Chengtu via Europe.

We are impressed by the fact that you managed this extended peregrination at a very low cost. Too bad you were caused so much trouble by the leisureliness of our Soviet friends.

The accounting we received from the Friends Service Council agrees with your figures as regards the number of pounds sterling advanced. You figure the equivalent of £70. as \$340.20, whereas the Friends Service Council, in making their remittance, estimated a gold equivalent at \$339.92, a difference of 32¢. Since, however, your disbursements on the Continent are figured at the same rate as your receipts from the Friends Service Council, I think we should let your figures stand.

I presume that Mr. Main charged against the general West China Union University account the \$150 you received from him in Shanghai. I presume also that the \$81.42 paid you by Mr. Albertson came from general University funds. We are, therefore, sending Mr. Albertson, at this time, a check for \$231.42 to reimburse his general budget account for these two remittances.

Very cordially yours,

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West China Union University

November 14, 1929

Dr. Joseph Beech,
West China Union University,
Chengtu, Szechuan, China.

My dear Dr. Beech:

I suspect that you have already received, either from Sir Joseph or from other members of the Board of Governors, some intimation of Sir Joseph's intention to give West China a special contribution of G\$10,000 for the equipment so urgently needed by your hospital staff.

On October 24 Sir Joseph wrote Dr. Endicott, sending a check for \$10,000 which he instructed be turned over to West China as a contribution of the United Church of Canada. Dr. Endicott has now handed us the check and the fund has been set up on our West China books in the Plant Section as a special capital fund from the United Church of Canada for hospital equipment.

In writing Dr. Endicott Sir Joseph makes the following statement:

"You will be good enough to have a clear understanding that this is an extra amount over the normal appropriation which would be made for improvements and betterments in hospital equipment. The purpose of the subscription is not to take the place of the amounts which would be used from current resources, but as an extra, to help to take up the slack which has occurred over these disturbed, as well as preceding years. If you will be good enough to have this matter clearly understood by the men on the field, I will appreciate it."

The field is accordingly authorized to draw on us at any time, and in any amounts you may direct, up to G\$10,000 for purchases you may be making from time to time in accordance with Sir Joseph's wishes for the use of his gift. I would appreciate it if you would ask Mr. Albertson to be sure that drafts are drawn at three days instead of at sight as has occasionally happened in the past. As you know, we keep the bulk of our West China current funds on deposit at four and one-half per cent interest and transfer funds to our checking account as required. For this reason unexpected sight drafts are apt to cause some frantic scurrying about. We now have our savings accounts quickly available, and in a pinch can handle sight drafts for any amount authorized by our office, but the three days drafts are a great deal simpler to handle. If Mr. Albertson finds that

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there is any decided advantage in sight drafts as compared with three day drafts I would appreciate it if he would communicate that fact to us. We could then make certain changes in our financial arrangements so as to handle sight drafts more conveniently. Most of our field treasurers have informed us that three day drafts produce as large returns as do sight drafts.

I believe I have not formally acknowledged your letter of August 21 written from Behluting. We all rejoice that you found it possible to get away from the campus for a while and to enjoy the quiet and rest of White Deer Mountain.

We note with interest your comments on the problems involved in the use of the income from the Harvard-Yenching Institute \$300,000. All of our China colleges have been facing the same problem of the embarrassment of riches in the departments of Chinese studies. These problems have been greatly accentuated by the action taken by the Executive Committee of the Harvard-Yenching Institute during the month of June, which action was communicated to the colleges by Mr. Hollis, the Secretary of the Institute, in a letter dated July 2. No doubt Dr. Anderson has long ago sent you a copy of this letter and you have already seen actions of the Board of Governors dealing with the matter. I am enclosing a copy of Mr. Hollis' letter herewith on the bare chance that it may not have reached you.

All of our colleges are in much the same boat. None of them with their present financial limitations, can efficiently use the entire income from the Harvard-Yenching Institute trust funds solely for new work in the departments of Chinese language, literature and history. If they attempted to do so it would mean such an overdevelopment in these departments as to throw out of line the normal development of their department of other departments of the University, and it would also create serious dissatisfaction through the entire faculty.

These matters have been discussed informally with several members of the Institute Board of Trustees. Dr. Leighton Stuart is arriving in America this month and we hope that during the winter he will have opportunities to meet with the Institute and present the field's viewpoint. I am glad to have your comments from West China to put with similar comments from presidents of the other China colleges.

It certainly seems to me wise for you to use a share of the H.-Y.I. funds for archaeological research and the purchase of valuable archaeological material.

In this connection we must at once begin thinking of the report West China must present to the Harvard-Yenching Institute soon after the close of the fiscal year ending December 31, 1929, covering the use of income from the Institute. To date we have received G\$11,060.55 as income from the Institute. About December 1 we will receive the last quarterly remittance which will probably be approximately G\$4,000, making total income for the year slightly more than G\$15,000.

Will you please have Mr. Albertson, or whoever may be responsible for preparing such a statement, draw up as soon after the close of the fiscal year as possible a careful statement showing expenditures made during 1929, particularly chargeable to income from the Harvard-Yenching

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Institute trust fund. This statement should contain the following information:-

1. Expenditures during 1929 for salaries and departmental expenses in the departments of Chinese language, literature and history.
2. Comparative figures for expenditures in these departments during 1928, so as to show how much of the work during 1929 can be considered new development.
3. Expenditures during 1929 for library books related to the departments of Chinese language, literature and history; with comparative figures for 1928.
4. Expenditures during 1929 for other purposes related to the Chinese departments, as for example, the museum, archaeological research, purchase of archaeological material, and the like.

I trust that the items listed above will be sufficient to show the expenditure of G\$15,000 approximately which has been received and will be received from the Institute during 1929. If these figures do not total slightly more than G\$15,000 there should be added to the statement other items somewhat less closely connected with Chinese cultural studies. If you give courses in Chinese philosophy or other subjects fairly closely related to the Chinese cultural departments such expenditures can rightly be included. As a last resort, and item could be added covering the proportionate share of the Chinese departments in the general administration and maintenance expenses of the University. We do not yet know whether the Institute will accept such a charge for administration and maintenance, but one or two of our Universities have been forced to include it in order to show the expenditure of the entire amount received.

In addition to this financial report the University should also send a report summarising the work done in the Chinese departments, giving such facts as courses offered and members of teaching staff. A brief outline of future plans will be valuable.

All of our Universities are forced to experiment somewhat in the preparation of their initial statements since we have no precedents to rely on and do not know exactly what the Institute desires. It is important, however, that each University send us as full and satisfactory a report as it can. In the case of West China it is particularly important that you get such a statement mailed to us shortly after January 1 so that there will not be too great a delay in presenting it to the Institute.

We note your postscript calling attention to Mr. Albertson's statement of expenditures and receipts on account of the budget for 1928 and also the first six months of 1929. We received this very comprehensive statement about six weeks ago and have found it of considerable value as a reference. I believe there are no matters in the report calling for question or comment at this time.

We have not as yet received any communication from Mr. Albertson in reply to our letter of May 4, 1929. This letter dealt in an exhaustive way with plant items and attempted to supply a basis for clearing up long

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standing difficulties in our plant section. No doubt Mr. Albertson will have replied to this communication long before you receive this letter. If it happens, however, that the difficulties of the task of clearing up our Plant accounts have discouraged him from attempting a reply to our May 4 letter I hope you will give him every encouragement to clear the matter up as quickly as possible.

We have often wished that you might be present at the meetings that have been held this fall by the West China Governors and their various committees.

Very cordially yours,

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