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1644 Greenleaf Ave.
Chicago. Ill.
June 13, 1939.
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Mr. C. A. Evans,
130 Fifth Ave.
New York City.

Dear Mr. Evans: -

I want to thank you for the news regarding Mr. Beech - our latest word was mailed May 8. so this is about ten days later. He told in that letter of the possibility of going over a new road to Leechow - which you will locate on the Yangtze river between Suifu and Chungking. He was hoping to get word from the Director of highway construction as to the safety of travel that way.

I am not a little disturbed by the report in the Tribune today of a bomb having destroyed the home of Dr. Siljestrand and Mrs. L. being "slightly injured."

6-13-39.

Also of the shattering of gateway and
two residences in the Canadian
Mission compound in the city. If you
have any further information in regard
to these bombings I will be very grate-
ful for word from you about the
damage done and of the extent of
Mrs. Liljestrand's injuries.

I note your word about Mr. Beech
cashing in on the bank account here.
They have assured me they will honor
such a check at the North Shore National
Bank here.

Again, thanking you. I am.

Very truly yours.

Minna D. Beech.

WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

CHENG TU, SZE., CHINA

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE
150 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

25 E. Delaware Place, Chicago

June 29, 1938

ack'd 7/6/38

Dear Dr. Fairbridge:

We agreed that the way to help Miss Robertson get her typewriter was to get the machine & charge it against the increase in the Prof Gwrs contribution. Listed at \$5000 (Chinese) we will have a large margin from exchange alone. I suggest that a machine be purchased and used in your office until the Governors' meeting. It can then be given to Mr. Robertson who can take it along as baggage as "used machine" with customs charge omitted unless the rules of the game have been changed. I have no suggestions as to the "make".

I hope you are getting a look outside the office these days and that you have not given up the China ship despite the latest evacuations of foreigners from Hankow - Changsha -

Yours truly
Joseph Beech

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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

CHENGDU, SZE., CHINA

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE
150 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

25 Delaware Place, Chicago

June 20/38

ack'd 7/6/38

Dear Mr. Evans:-

Got away earlier than my lists allowed - as you know by phone call on the morning I left N.Y. The photographer has not sent his proofs here as yet.

① Enclosed find account I should have rendered to you for my last trip to N.Y. in connection with R.F. & other matters. I got out of town by cashing my own checks.

Paid
7/5/38
on 8/6/30/38
to 28/72

② Mr. Roger S. Greene will send to my N.Y. address some descriptive material for hospital apparatus. It should be marked - "Hold for arrival + Dr. Beech". Please be on the look-out for it and hold it for me till about July 23 or 25.

Hope that you and your Secretary are getting some rest & respite these days. Cordially, Joseph Beech

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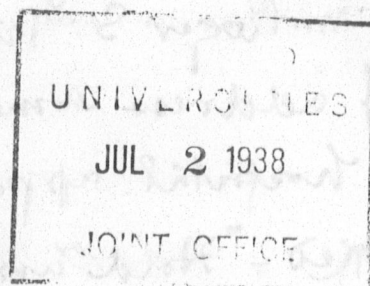
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③ I may decide to trouble you for a list of all accounts received to date for.

1. The Hospital building account
2. The Hospital apparatus
3. Other items - such as bed endowment or support - etc.

There should be an item of about \$185.00 from Wesleyan Commencement Collection on June 19th. It should go into the Equipment fund along with their other gifts for this purpose.

Cordially



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July 6, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
25 Delaware Place
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Beech:

Your letter of the 30th came to hand, and with it your account. Same has been approved, and we enclose check for \$59.26. You certainly must be good to get away with cashing personal checks.

Any material received from Roger S. Greene will be held here against your arrival.

The lists you request are enclosed herewith.

We note what you say regarding the \$185.00 to be received through the M. E. Board from the Wesleyan College. This, we understand, is to go into the Equipment Fund.

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Clinical Hospital Fund a/c #122j

10/1/31	-	W. A. Notman,	5,000.00	
11/19/37	-	Mrs. Wm. F. Mead	25.00	
11/30/37	-	Mr. Robert B. Newell	15.00	
12/28/37	-	Mr. Floyd J. Miller	25.00	
1/4/38	-	Mr. Carl C. Stickney	5.00	
1/13/38	-	Mr. C. S. Tasker	5.00	
1/13/38	-	Mr. George G. Reynolds	25.00	
1/13/38	-	Mr. W. C. Atkins	5.00	
1/13/38	-	Mr. Frank B. Wade	5.00	
1/13/38	-	Mr. Lewis S. Westgate	10.00	
1/13/38	-	Mr. Arthur N. Tasker	5.00	
1/13/38	-	Mr. F. C. Atherton	500.00	
1/13/38	-	Lucy O. Searle	5.00	
1/13/38	-	Mr. Franklin A. Galloway	11.00	
1/22/38	-	Mrs. George W. Danson	50.00	
3/18/38	-	Mr. Francis M. Knoblanck	25.00	
3/20/38	-	Wesleyan Univ. Com.	700.00	6,406.00

Hospital Equipment Fund a/c #122k

10/18/37	-	Mr. Edgar S. Ryder		10.00
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Account 175.1

5/15/37	-	Wesleyan Christian Assoc. Bed in Hospital	400.00	
6/30/37	-	Mr. Wm. H. Leslie	50.00	
7/22/37	-	Wesleyan University Students & Alumni		
9/14/37	-	M. E. Bd. Bay View Assoc.	11.50	
1/13/38	-	G. A. Russell and E. A. Yarrow	50.00	
1/22/38	-	Edward W. Hazen Fd.	50.00	
5/26/38	-	Christian Endeavor Soc. Bound Brook Cong. Church	10.00	571.50

6,987.50

*Look in Box for failure
Shanghai*

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July 15, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
25 East Delaware Place
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Beech:

Through a telephone conversation with Dr. Liljestrand who is at Clinton, we have cleared a matter which possibly should have waited your return to New York.

It is regarding the electrocardiograph and metabolism equipment. Both Mr. Greene and Mr. Dean have collaborated, and the latter has secured the very best price obtainable on the entire equipment. The waterless Metabolism Tester is the latest model and the total price for the entire equipment is \$532.37. As Dr. Cheer expressly designated Sanborn Company equipment, no other approaches have been made excepting to check prices, and we find that this is the best that can be secured.

Satisfying ourselves as to price and quality the next step was to ascertain deliveries, our intention being to wait until your return to New York before proceeding with the order. We find, however, that waiting that length of time would make it impossible to get deliveries before the middle of September. Mr. Dean of the Foundation, however, thinks by telegraphing the Company, and through a personal contact, he can get delivery at once. It is our hope that Dr. Liljestrand can take this along with him and give it personal attention.

After getting these facts together, I called up Dr. Liljestrand and explained the situation to him. He very enthusiastically gave his approval which coincides with my own, and I trust will be agreeable to you.

Frankly, I was a bit influenced by the very deep interest taken by the Rockefeller Foundation through Mr. Greene and Mr. Dean. When people are willing to take the trouble and added expense without any charge to us, it seems best to take advantage of it, especially when they are saving us some money. I have tried to express our very deep appreciation for the interest they have taken which has involved them in a great deal of work.

If we can get this on the Barber Line boat which Dr. Liljestrand is taking, he can claim it at Los Angeles and give it his personal attention.

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Dr. Joseph Beech

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All of this I trust is with your approval, but if we are open to criticism, start right in and we will try to absorb it.

Today is the dead line for including emergency gifts in last year's budget, and we have secured the full \$300,000. Please utter a prayer of thanksgiving.

With sincerest personal wishes, I remain

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

CHENG TU, SZE., CHINA

25 & Delaware Place, Chicago, Ill

July 21, 1938

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CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE
150 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

Looking over letters today - I do a duty by answering your next to last letter of July 6th to acknowledge your check for \$59.26, and for your purchase of typewriter. On same date you sent me list of gifts received. For all of which my thanks to you -

I note that all contributions through the M.E. Bd from Mr. Notman. That was sent to China several years ago and reported liquidated in the Am. Oriental Bank along with other accounts. I see no reason for reporting that & bringing the total Hospital Fund to \$6,987.50 when the Fund stands at actual \$1987.50

Enclose a check for five dollars 1992.50. bringing the total to up to

I hope you have the other W. S. H. gift. See you

Monday 9:30 am. Sincerely Joseph Preece

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August 15, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
25 East Delaware Place
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Beech:

A letter from W. Robert Taylor states that the "Moore Fund" which matured June 10th, the principal amount being £3,613-8-3, plus £6-15-6^{interest} has been extended for another three months. The total, therefore, is £3,620-3-9, and the interest rate is one-half of one per cent which he states is much better than the ordinary rate. He wishes us to notify him before September 10th, when it matures, what disposition is to be made.

Will you not kindly give me your reaction by return mail, and oblige.

Very truly yours, .

C. A. EVANS

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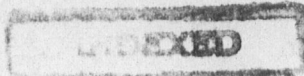
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West China Union University.

ack 8/24/38

25 E. Delaware Pl.,
Chicago, Ill.,
August 18, 1938.



Dear Mr. Evans:

Replying to yours of August 15th referring to Mr. Taylor's letters re Moore fund. I was not aware that the "Moore Fund" had been transferred into pounds sterling. I wish you would check to make sure that he is ~~not~~ referring to the later Moore gifts as distinguished from the original account in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, which I understand is in Chinese dollars.

We have sent Mr. Small to Chengtu and authorized him to proceed with the building of the hospital, therefore (I think it advisable to authorize Mr. Taylor to transfer this amount of £ 3,620-3-9 to the University Hospital account in the Bank of China, Chengtu. I think it advisable to ask Mr. Taylor to ascertain whether this amount of British money can be sold in Chengtu at a better rate than if sold in Shanghai and transferred to Chengtu in Chinese currency. I know that there has been difficulty in getting Shanghai money to Chengtu. Mr. Taylor ought to assure himself as to the best procedure and be authorized to telegraph Chengtu for all necessary information if such is desirable.)

Section in brackets - quoted in letter to Dr. Kilborn via Cipper Aug. 23)

In the meantime, I will write a letter to the University regarding the use of this money. There are so many demands for money and such a willingness to do what seems necessary that we must take unusual precautions to guard against the expenditure of these funds for purposes other than those specifically designated.

You are of course aware that there should be N.C. dollars 75,000 from the British Indemnity Board for hospital building. I am afraid that this fund has been drawn upon and that Mr. Small will lack funds for the extensive purchases of materials required. Consequently it is well to have this fund in Chengtu. It is I believe about the safest place in China and the Bank is as safe as the government of China and even more so, for should the government collapse, Szechuan would not go down at the same time, and the banks would function.

Replying to yours of August 16th. In view of all the circumstances I think it necessary to pay the American Cystoscope Makers, Inc., "Our Order 81465-81466" amounting to \$629.80. Also, bill of same firm, "Our Order 7893", amounting to \$35.90. Also, the Hospital Supply Company, "Order Number W-85072", amounting to \$14.12. Please charge these three accounts to the Rockefeller Foundation Equipment Fund.

I am returning to you the General Medical Book Company bill amounting to \$31.25. This I deem should not be charged to the Rockefeller Foundation account. If you cannot provide it otherwise, I suggest that you make it a charge against the two hundred odd dollars which Dr. Liljestrand left with you.

In regard to these Rockefeller bills I would like to have a copy of all invoices paid on this account. We should have an addi-

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tional copy to send to the Rockefeller Foundation when I report the purchases authorized as per my agreement. Will you therefore please send to me an additional copy of the American Cystoscope Company, "Our Order 7893" for \$35.90, and also an additional copy of "Our Order 81465-81466", amounting to \$629.80. You need not send the Hospital Supply Company, for I have two of these statements already.

I am requesting the Rockefeller Foundation to pay to West China Union University, Ass't Treas., \$10,000 for the O.P.D. University Hospital Building, and \$5,000 for equipment. Since we have to report on these items separately I would suggest that they be so entered on your books. I will state to the Foundation that I am requesting the payment of the \$10,000 for immediate transfer to Chengtu, and the \$5,000 as a credit on our University books against equipment bills.

I will appreciate it if you will transfer this \$10,000 as soon as received to Chengtu through the Bank of China in the usual manner, securing from them a statement of the gold transferred, and the amount of the credit in Chinese currency in the Chengtu Bank of China. I specify this because we will be required to report our expenditures in Chinese dollars. I note that the rate of exchange is not quite so good today as it was two days ago, but I assume that this \$10,000 will bring about \$60,000 Chinese currency.

Just to make sure that you are kept busy these cool days I will appreciate it if you will check up on this Pound Sterling fund that fell due June 10th. Where was the money when it was converted into Pound Sterling? And how much was the amount? What was the amount of money sent out originally under this account and how much did it bring in National Currency and what was the accrued interest? I would like to have these items for the information of the donor as well as for other reasons.

Cordially yours,

Joseph Beech
Joseph Beech

Mr. C.A. Evans,
Ass't-Treas. West China Union University,
New York, N.Y.

Please excuse appearance of these sheets - too warm to re-copy.

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August 19, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
25 Delaware Place
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Beech:

That typewriter of yours is certainly a considerable help, and I appreciate the extra labor it must have taken in order to write your letter of the 18th.

I am sorry but you will have to return to us the invoices which we sent to you, as we have no other copies. We will send you all the copies you desire when we have the originals on hand.

I note what you say regarding the transfer of \$3,620-3-9 to the University Hospital account, and will investigate the process necessary and take action accordingly.

We are going on the assurance that you gave us that you are communicating with the field regarding the use of these funds. Enough emphasis cannot be laid on this, especially when one hears from first hand sources of the procedures that are going on out on the field.

Referring to those invoices, which we questioned you about, as they come in from time to time, we should be glad to receive any help you can give us as to the accounts to which they should be charged.

We will be looking for the remittance from the Rockefeller Foundation, and will make remittance to China of the \$10,000, and will hold the \$5,000 for equipment here on our books. We hope we will be able to do better than the LC\$60,000 which you anticipate. The rate was 16.85 to one on yesterday's market.

You have given us something of a little task in digging out the exact facts on the Moore Fund. I will do it though in a day or two.

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Dr. Beech

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August 19, 1938

and forward them. Meantime, please send back the invoices which you are holding.

I hope that Chicago has been as hot as New York because I would not want anyone to miss the good(?) time that we have been having.

Cordially yours

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CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE
150 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

CHENG TU, SZE., CHINA

25 E. Delaware Plc. Chicago, Aug 19/38

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10/31/38

Dear Mr. Evans:-

As promised, I have written the
Rockefeller Foundation to pay ca. Evans;
Wern. Ant. Trees. \$10,000 for immediate
transfer to Chengtu, for the A.P.D. building;
and \$5000 for Genl A.P.D. equipment
cost.

I also asked that \$3000, the ex-
penditure of which is contingent on
the recommendation of Dr. Cheer,
be sent to you.

(2) This will call for "another"
division in this R. F. account.

Cordially yours

Joseph B. Beech

check rec'd 8/26/38

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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY
CHENGDU, SICHUAN, CHINA

12 E. Pearson St. Chicago, Ill. 1, N.Y.

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE
100 RIVER AVENUE
NEW YORK, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

We have received your letter of the 11th inst. regarding the matter of the West China Union University. We are sorry that we cannot give you a more definite answer at this time, but we are sure that you will understand our position.

Very truly yours,
[Signature]

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August 24, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
225 Delawar Place
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

As extra curriculum activity I have taken pleasure in studying about the Moore Moore Fund and its various ups and downs. It has been mostly up. Step by step as you read down the page, you will see what happened.

October 19, 1931 Mrs. Benjamin C. Moore sent us US\$10,000.

In October, 1932 the Board of Governors instructed the Treasurer to transmit this to the Associated Mission Treasurers, convert into silver and deposit same in Shanghai until it could be used for the purpose intended. Two banks were recommended for safety.

On November 7, the Associated Mission Treasurers were authorized to draw US\$10,000 for investment as above stated.

On December 1, the Associated Mission Treasurers notified us of the receipt and conversion into local currency \$49,517.22. At their discretion, it was deposited at the Hong Kong-Shanghai Bank at 2½% interest.

January 4, 1933 interest accrued in America on the fund amounted to US\$245.26. It was transmitted to the Associated Mission Treasurers.

On March 10, 1934 the fund had grown to LC\$52,150.12, and was continued with the Hong Kong-Shanghai Bank. The rate, however, was reduced to 2%.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors on April 24 refused the request of the field to transfer the fund to a more speculative institution.

There is an interval herein which correspondence cannot be readily located, but on March 10, 1938, this fund had grown to LC\$60,991.24. The field had been instructed by the Executive Committee on January 7, 1938 to transfer Chinese currency funds into Canadian, Sterling, or U.S. dollars, holding them either in Shanghai or New York. As a result, this fund yielded £3,613-8-3. This was placed on deposit with the National City Bank in Shanghai at ¾ of 1%.

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Dr. Beech

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August 24, 1938

On July 23, 1938 Mr. Robert Taylor reported the fund to be \$3,620-3-9, and that it yielded $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% due September 10, 1938. Request was made for us to advise disposition at that time.

Outside of the foregoing, I am alluding to my recent letter regarding the return of the invoices covering purchases made by Dr. Liljestrand. I trust these are in transit.

Most sincerely yours

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August 26, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
25 East Delaware Place
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

I am not sure that the letter I wrote you the other day answers one question which is raised in the opening paragraph of your letter of August 18th.

The Moore Fund which Mr. Taylor refers to in his communication of July 25rd, and which we wrote you about, is the original fund, which, upon instruction of the Board of Governors, was transferred into pounds Sterling. You were present at the meeting when this action was taken.

Mr. Taylor states that this matures on September 10th and wishes instructions before that time as it was renewed on a three months' basis.

I am leaving the office tonight to be gone until September 6th, and I hope by that time you will have a communication awaiting me, confirming the transfer of this into local currency as outlined in your letter of August 18th, and which you state you are making available for the hospital building. It will be necessary for us to cable Mr. Taylor to avoid a continuance of the loan at the bank.

We have received payment from the Rockefeller Foundation, as follows:-

Payment on account of the building of outpatient dept.	\$10,000.00
For laboratory equipment and supplies.....	5,000.00
For Dr. Cheer's expenditures.....	\$3,000.00
Less: Purchases from Sanborn Company.....	<u>582.63</u> 2,417.37
Check received for.....	\$17,417.37

Very truly yours,

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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

CHENG TU, SZE., CHINA

25 E Delaware Place
Chicago. Aug 26/38

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE
150 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

Ans. rec'd at.
As per request herewith
The invoices - with them goes
my need for copies in due season.

Thanks for the Moore Gift
history. But I still have my
fears - there is a mix up
on the line. More than one
\$10,000 has gone Shanghai.
You trace the list & then
cross to another. Total received
+ in Yen books \$45,000. All
in Shanghai or N.Y. except about
\$3,000-4,000 - for Chinese Currency \$10,000

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Sent to Chengtu. Except that ^{Chinese} \$10,000
it is all in your possession - in Shai
or N.Y. I believe the original
or First Moore gift is still in
Silver in the HOS PK Shai.
The "Field" as such, meaning the
University Chengtu, has not had
contact with any of this fund.
Will try to look up my records
& help clear it up —

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Notice! Beginning with Monday, ^{August 29th} the
29th & thereafter till further notice,
address all Beech mail to
1644 Greenleaf Ave. Chicago, Ill
We move on the 30th. Yours Joseph Beech

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September 8, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
1644 Greenleaf Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Beech:

I am sending you copy of a letter which is being mailed to Lincoln Dsang, one by Clipper for next Tuesday, and the other for the regular mail.

You will note that the field has wired their emergency needs as being \$57,000 gold. First of all, they have not sent us any data as to how the year 1937-38 was closed, and I am sure that nothing will be done at this end until rather complete information is received. This is especially true of the Rockefeller Foundation funds appropriated for various institutions, but it is likewise true of the closing of the general budget.

Just as soon as I have opportunity to study through the West China accounts, I will write you further regarding the Plant Section. For your information, however, we have received a cable dated September 1st reading as follows:-

// "IMPORTANT HOLD FUNDS NEW YORK HUATA."

We have not been sending any funds out, except as they have been drawn, and we are rather at a loss to interpret this cable.

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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NOTE:

See letter from T. K. Cheng, dated Nov. 4, 1938 and to T.K.Cheng, Nov. 5, 1938.

September 10, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
1644 Greenleaf Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Beech:

Cheng Te-kun has been in the office and as a matter of fact is here at the present time looking over some films of our China Universities. We note that he is to study at Harvard and that it is your impression that Dr. Elisseoff has an idea he will be financed from the West China Union University Fund.

I trust, however, your efforts with the H. Y. I. will be successful in securing funds from the Unrestricted Account.

As requested, we advanced Mr. Cheng \$100.00 and he intends to continue on to Boston on Wednesday next. Meantime we have had opportunity to get well acquainted with him.

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

CHENG TU, SZE., CHINA

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE
150 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

1644 Greenleaf Ave Chicago Ill.

Sept 10/38

ack 9/16/38

Dear Mr. Evans:

I enclose the statement of the
Architects for services rendered and cash
paid and due.

I also enclose letter of Mr. Erikson to me
for your information. True, the work
is about done - if not complete - and
their new gifts of services quite re-
markable. I expected fully \$500 would
be due for O.P. drawings but you will
see this job is a gift.

Paid 9/14/38
no 2928 Please pay them \$1000 on account -
stating that you do so at my request. I
will see them & explain why we keep
back \$500.

Thanking you.

Cordially yours

Joseph Beech

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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY
CHENGDU, SICHUAN, CHINA
1540 University Ave. Chicago 2, IL
Sept 10, 38

CHANG CHAI CHANG
150 WEST AVENUE
NEW YORK, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Chang
I enclose the statement of the
instructors for services rendered and costs
found and due.
I also enclose letter of Mr. Carlson to the
your in formation. The work
is about done - if not complete - and
you can get a copy of services rendered
available. I expected fully \$200.00
to be for C.I. I thought you will
see me at my office.

Yours faithfully,
[Signature]
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SCHMIDT GARDEN & ERIKSON Architects

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104 SOUTH MICHIGAN AVENUE, CHICAGO
TELEPHONE RANDOLPH 6120

CARL A. ERIKSON A.I.A.
JOHN E. DUTCHER A.S.M.E.

September 4, 1938.

Dr. Joseph Beech, Chancellor,
West China Union University of Chengtu,
Chengtu, China.

To professional services rendered as Architects and Engineers
in connection with the West China Union University Clinical
Hospital at Chengtu, China:

On account \$ 1,850.00
Less prev. payments 1,350.00

Balance due . . . \$ 1,500.00

Mr. C. A. Swand
Asst. Treasurer - WCUU.

Paid 9/14/38 on their account for architects drawings, \$1000.00 *over*
202925 and charge to the Hospital Account -
Oblig. of Joseph Beech

Chicago, Sept 10/38

Please address Mr. Carl A. Erikson.

Bal due \$500.00
To be paid later. *js*

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September 6, 1938.

Dr. Joseph Beech, Chancellor,
West China Union University of Chengtu,
Chengtu, China.

To professional services rendered as Architects and Engineers
in connection with the West China Union University Clinical
Hospital at Chengtu, China:

On account . . . \$ 1,850.00
Less prev. payments 1,350.00

Balance due . . . \$ 1,500.00

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CHENGDU, SZE., CHINA

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE
150 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

1644 Greenleaf Ave. Chicago Sept 10/38

Dear Mr. Evans:-

Thank you for yours of Sept 9th
with enclosures from Presbyterian Ministers fund
and copy of letter to Dr Dsony.

I am at a loss to interpret cable. It may
be in response to my clipper mail to Dr
Kilborn stating that the R. F. grant
for the O.P.J. building would be forwarded
But whatever the interpretation, it
calls for holding funds in N.Y. or
in Sterling in Shanghai till we know
the import of the message.

Please thank Mr. Gariside for invitation
to be at V Conference Sept re funds
for Asso. Colleges, and ask him to let
me know if he has information re
time of our WCUU next Executive Meeting

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I have engagements here till after the
20th Sept. May get to N.Y. about the
end of the month

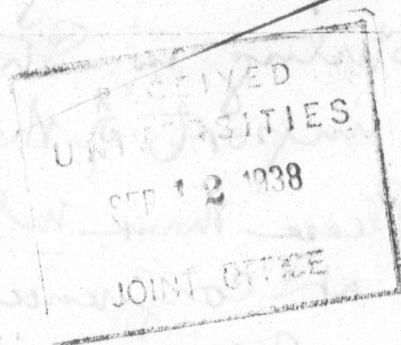
Cordially yours

Joseph Beek

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Your vacation must have been
in the office, as I judge by noting
dates of present & former letters

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NOTE: See the letter from Schmidt, Garden & Erikson, addressed to Dr. Beech dated Sept. 6, 1938. Letter to Mr. Carl A. Erikson of Schmidt, Garden & Erikson. See "SCHA" miscellaneous folder filed under Schmidt, Garden & Erikson.

September 16, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
1644 Greenleaf Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Beech:

Your letter of September 10th came to hand enclosing statement of the architects' fees on the new hospital. We are returning the original letter from Schmidt, Garden & Erikson, but retain a copy for our files.

As requested, we sent a check for \$1,000 and writing Mr. Erikson that you would see him personally if you had not already done so.

I am also acknowledging your letter of September 10th in reply to mine of the 9th. This refers to the cablegram regarding the holding of funds here in America. The next day we received a letter from Miss Priest enclosing West China drafts for \$3,000. This had been handled through the Nanking U. S. Dollar Account, in view of the greater ease of converting the check into local currency.

I am wondering if it would not be a good idea for West China to have such an account here in the United States, as it works very advantageously with the other universities. It is possible that a request for such an account will be coming through at a later date.

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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CHENG TU, SZE., CHINA

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE
150 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

1644 Greenleaf Ave. Chicago Ill.

Sept 26th 1938

ack 9/27/38

Vol. 1-8 ordered
Dear Mr. Evans:

Your letter of Sept 23 re the manner
of Mr. Spooner's chemical journals received.
Charge these to the "Kate Atherton Library
Fund". (They are not within the R.F. Grant)

Thank you for payment of the \$62.75 item
and also the American Hospital Supply Corp
bill. There will be the Davis + Geck item,
and a bill for goods purchased by Dr. Wilford
at Toronto to be paid. All four of these
items should be charged to the R.F. Grant of
\$5000 for equipment.

Mr. Dean has purchased goods from three or
four firms for "Brain Surgery" & "Chest Surgery".
These accounts should be charged, for the time
being, to the R.F. Grant of \$3000, for Dr. Cheer
recommendations. The costs may be repaid

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by the Central University, - hence the tentative change" These goods were expressed to Wilford's Ship, except one article to be delivered to you & held till Dr Peterson's departure.

I find that Mr. Dean is a westman of frat. brother, a friend of Joe Beech for some years. Did not recognize this relation till his reply to my request to purchase these goods for Central Univ.

Please relax that friendly hand poised to give me the welcome grip until the end of first week in October. I do not expect to leave here till the morning of Oct 4th, with calls enroute.

One item more. Has Mr. Garside any news or hunch re the date & place of the next WCU Executive Meeting??

Cordially yours Joseph Beech

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26 September 1938

Dear Dr. Beech:

Two years ago, you were good enough to dictate the names of members of the West China Union University faculty now in this country. I preserved these notes very carefully, and they are in existence somewhere at the present moment, but I cannot turn them up. We are trying to complete these former faculty lists for all of our institutions, and have the job well on its way to completion. Can you take the time to make another list for West China, and send it on to us within a few days? If you have not all of the addresses, please put down the names with any hints as to their present place of residence. We may be able to supplement your notes from our own files here.

We missed you very much at last week's conference, held at the Parkside all day Thursday, the twenty-second. It was extraordinarily good, but you would have made it even better. On the chance that you did not receive the final program, I inclose a copy herewith. We should have been glad to have you here, also, on Friday, the second, when we had our first staff conference. That also was of unusually high quality. Mr. Hedrick said it was the best staff discussion that the China Colleges had ever had during the years he has known us. It would be vain to say that we were off to a good start, for we are very conscious of the fact that we have not really started at all, but I believe we are in a somewhat superior position of intelligence in regard to our job. We would, indeed, be stupid if this were not so, because we should grow wiser with the years.

Sincerely yours

Mrs. T. D. Macmillan

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Dr. Joseph Beech
1644 Greenleaf Avenue
Chicago Illinois

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September 27, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
1644 Greenleaf Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Beech:

Well what do you know about that! I have been standing by the door (when I have had nothing else to do) with out-stretched hands waiting for you to come, and here you are still in Chicago using a pen as usual. I want to thank you, however, for using it to such good effect.

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We will make the charges/the various items purchased for Dr. Wilford to the \$5,000 Equipment Fund of the Rockefeller Foundation. I know that the Brain and Chest Surgery items are to be charged to Dr. Cheer's account.

Regardless of any association or connection with the Beech family, Mr. Dean seems to be a very decent sort of a chap.

No, Mr. Garside does not have any special knowledge of the place or date of the next West China Executive meeting. Presumably it will be held in January, but nothing definite has been decided.

Again, I am so happy that you wrote, as the strain on this greeting business is terrific, and for a few days I will be able to relax.

Cordially yours,

C. A. EVANS

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1644 Greenleaf Ave. Chicago Sept 2/38

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE
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ack 9/10/38

Dear Mr. Garside & Mr. Evans

Mr. Tekun Cheng of our Faculty, Department of Chinese, goes to Harvard, at the request of Professor Elissieff, for one or two years of study in connection with the H.Y.S.

I think it is Prof. Elissieff's intention that this scholarship will be met from the West China U.S. funds. But I hope that the matter may be partly charged to their unrestricted account in later arrangements.

Mr. Cheng was given \$500 by the Vice-Chancellor at the request of Prof. Elissieff. His money is at a very low rate with nearly three weeks ahead of him before he takes up work.

I request that he be granted ^(an advance of) \$50 or \$100 chargeable to the H.Y. acct as may be agreed upon with Prof. Elissieff when I see him.

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in October -

Thanking you -

Cordially yours

Joseph Beech

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150 FIFTH AVENUE
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1644 Greenleaf Ave, Chicago. Sept 31/38

ack 9/16/38

Dear Mr. Casade and Mr. Evans -

This will introduce Mr. Te-kun Cheng
of West China University Faculty. He goes
to Harvard for a period of study in the
Department of Chinese. I am sure
you will be glad to meet Mr. Cheng.
Show him every favor in his passing
visit through New York.

With best wishes

Sincerely yours

Joseph Beech

to Harvard on 12th. 34th St. 2nd fl. Sloan House

CHENG TE-K'UN

Department of Chinese Studies
West China Union University
Chengtu, China

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October 11, 1938

Memorandum to Mr. Evans

On checking up the Hospital Building Funds, I found the following items:-

1. The original Moore gift amounted to LC\$58,645.42. A statement from Mr. Taylor gives this as £3613-8-3. ✓

2. In 1937, \$15,922. was sent to Shanghai. Mr. Taylor reports this amount equalled LC\$53,286.48, due on June 24th.

Question:- Did you authorize this latter amount, which would be due June 24th, transferred into gold or pounds sterling? If so, when? If you gave no orders, is it safe to assume that it is still on deposit with Mr. Taylor? (?)

J. BEECH

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October 13, 1938

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Memorandum to Mr. Evans

I have a letter from Dr. Wilford from Vancouver dated October 1st, in which he states that he has received the goods ordered from the George P. Pilling Co. in Philadelphia and the Flarshein Co. of Cincinnati. + Carl McKissick

You will remember that these goods were ordered by Mr. Dean of the Rockefeller Foundation. (I am of the impression that there were three companies involved in that order, but he only mentions two, and he says that he does not have invoices.) He should have at least two or three invoices for Customs purposes.

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Copies
of these
inv. sent
to Wilford
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He requests that invoices be sent to him, as follows:-

Dr E.C. Wilford — ^{Care} Phillips House
32 Mody Street
Kowloon, Hongkong

These invoices should be on thin paper and forwarded by the next Clipper mail.

He also states that these shipments for the New Hospital will involve him in expenditure of about \$20. He expects considerable expenditure for transportation from Hongkong to Chengtu. He asks for money, and makes a suggestion that it be sufficient for meeting possible expenditures, any reserve on arrival at Chengtu to be reported back to you. I would suggest that you send him a draft at Hongkong for about US\$200. I will prod him to make return to you as soon as possible after his arrival at Chengtu.

This \$200, to be a charge against the account (\$3000)
of R-F. on recommendation of Dr. Cheer

JB:RC

Cordially — Joseph Beech

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Draft for
US \$200. sent
to Wilford at
above address
via Clipper 10/18

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October 27, 1938

Dr. A. W. Lindsay
West China Union University
Chengtu, Szechwan, China

Dear Dr. Lindsay:

This deals particularly with the use of emergency funds as secured through the Associated Boards. The total allocation from the Associated Boards was \$17,800. All of this was paid in to the West China Treasurer. The cost of the program for promotional work was actually \$8,173.00, but, as larger income was received from other sources, only \$7,063.37 was used for expenses. The schedule is as follows:-

Associated Boards Undesignated.....	\$10,300.00
Rockefeller Foundation.....	7,500.00
	<u>\$17,800.00</u>
Less above item of expense.....	7,063.37
Total Available.....	<u>\$10,736.63</u>

At the meeting of the Executive Committee of January 7, 1938, E-1334, \$5,000 was voted from emergency funds for hospital laundry, leaving a net balance available of \$5,736.63.

Your letter states that you are drawing the balance of \$5,736.63, which, in effect, completes the emergency funds. You have already drawn upon us for \$2,500.00 for special buildings. We assume that this is for the Isolation Hospital Emergency Building, and therefore, if it is intended that this is to come from emergency funds, there will be only \$3,236.63 available as a balance.

You state, however, that you are also drawing \$6,000.00 as a portion of the \$7,500.00 Rockefeller grant. As this is in excess of the emergency fund, there is no other course for us but to charge this to the general budget, which we will do. Presumably, by the same reason, you will be drawing \$1,500 more to complete what you believe to be the Rockefeller appropriation, and, quite naturally, we will, of necessity, be compelled to charge this to your current budget. This means that your current budget would be charged with the \$7,500.00 which you believe to be the Rockefeller grant, plus the extra \$2,500.00 you have drawn for building. The Journal Voucher for the June 30th closing showed all transactions very clearly, listing the items carried in Accounts Payable in Journal Voucher 316, and the charge against emergency relief funds in Journal Voucher 317.

We know you will realize, when studying the matter still further, that we do not have the funds available to cover all your drafts from emergency funds and, therefore, any overdrafts must be charged to the current budget.

Very truly yours,

C. A. Evans

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(ORIGINAL SENT VIA CHINA CLIPPER)

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Dear Mr. Evans:

Thanks for copy of yours to Dr. Lindsay, Oct. 27/38
re emergency funds, emergency drafts from the Field.

I am now fully convinced that you would do well to cable
the following information. (Hold Emergency drafts. Beyond \$3236 charging
current budget.) Of course they may have drawn before you wire, but
they may not have applied the proceeds to causes beyond recall. If
they have used the money for items beyond the lists, they may be
in the impossible situation of no funds for salaries. Of course
it would be owing to their precipitate drawing of cash, of drawing
first and enquiring afterwards, but, we here should leave no stone
unturned to prevent them getting in a bad-hole. The cable will be
evidence that we tried to forestall trouble for them by stating our
only recourse was to charge their budget. By code this message may
be inexpensive, especially if "deferred" class.

Thinking over the points made by Mr. Hull in his appeal or
demand for the "Open Door" in his message to Japan, especially that
first accusation that Japan depressed Chinese currency; I foresee
action by the National Government to set its own rates of exchange
for their new Western Empire since they are cut off from all ports,
and the power of Japan to depress Chinese money is greatly increased.

I therefore request that you arrange with the Bank of China, N.Y.
to open an account for University Outpatient Building in Sze or Nat'l
currency for the proceeds of the Rockefeller Building gift of US\$15000.

Rate of exchange to be fixed by you at the time the payment of U.S.
money is made to the N.Y. Bank of China. This will be in accord
with the R--F-- instructions to expend the fund prior to next May.

As soon as I hear from you I will wire them re purchase of adequate
building materials. We can ignore their cable to hold building funds
since that cable was based on an erroneous impression that they could
sell gold in Chengtu as a rate much better than we could in N.Y.

(Please refer to Lindsay's letter and the stated exchange of the US \$5000
at the rate of about 17cts for one dollar Chinese. This was about
the rate then prevailing here and obtainable at the Bk of China.)

There will be adequate building funds in your hands to meet
any drafts they may have drawn on building of hospital account., should
such drafts come along in the near future. As soon as we can learn
if drafts have not been drawn, we should export the balance of our
building funds to Chengtu. This applies to Shanghai funds, even more
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than more than funds in foreign currencies. Will you therefore please recheck on the original Moore gift of about five years ago. If it is in National Currency we must get it out to Chengtu, even at the loss of some undue interest, at once. You can of course keep these funds in Chengtu in the name of the Governors treasury and subject only to your withdrawal, if such action seems wise. If you find there is \$60000⁺ Chinese in building of hospital cash in Shanghai, please wire by code to Taylor for the rate at which he can transfer it to Chengtu Bank of China, with earliest possible date for such transfer, with ~~any~~ ^{that may be} loss of interest not yet due.

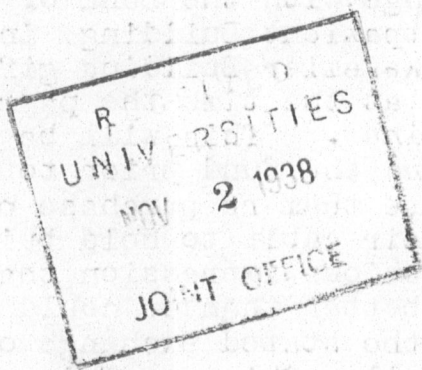
Proceeds of
Moore gift

One other matter. Now that Waichow, ninety miles west of Canton on the southern coast of China, is under bombardment and may be occupied, that port will be cut off from commercial planes landing there as Canton was after the American-Chinese plane was shot down. Such being the case, if and when it is, our clipper mails will go by clipper to Hongkong (7) thence by boat to Haiphong, Indo China, thence by rail to Kunming, thence by plane to Chengtu. This means a loss of one to two weeks depending on connections. The British Imperial Airways should do a better job and in less time and at less money if mailed from British territory. I suggest that you take up with Dr. Anderson, Secretary of the United Ch. Bd of Missions, Toronto the question of forwarding mail we enclose to them intended for Chengtu, depositing with them a small amount for postage for British Stamps. If you do not know Dr. A. well enough to take advantage of his good nature, you may commission me to try it.

All well here. I plan to go to Erie in about two weeks, and will then move on to 150-5th., letting you know in due time for mail, and desk room I trust. If the R-- F-- forwards to you the funds that I requested, please let me know as my trip to Erie related to the contracting under these funds.

Sorry to give you so many weighty matters to think about and act upon, but nevertheless, assuring you of my abiding affection, Cordially yours,

Joseph T. Beech
Chancellor.



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November 2, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
1644 Greenleaf Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Beech:

I am writing you a letter on one subject, but has nothing to do with your communication received this morning. It deals with the adjustment with the Baptist Board on the Graham account. The receipts and payments up to January 31, 1938 are as follows:

RECEIPTS:

Original Fund set aside	\$20,000.00	
Special Appropriation H.Y.I. 5-1-37 to 4-30-38	3,000.00	
" " H.Y.I. 5-1-38 to 8-31-38	1,000.00	\$24,000.00

DISBURSEMENTS:

Outgoing Travel Sailing Seattle 7-23-32	\$1,124.30	
	384.40	1,508.70
Equipment for Research 6-7-32		400.00
Outfit Allowance		300.00
Medical Expense		291.60
Salary 5-1-32 to 4-30-33		3,667.43
" 5-1-33 to 4-30-34		3,642.51
" 5-1-34 to 4-30-35		3,193.68
" 5-1-35 to 4-30-36		2,845.49
" 5-1-36 to 4-30-37		2,645.84
" 5-1-37 to 1-31-38		2,086.62
		20,581.87
		\$ 3,418.13

I had a conference with Dr. Huntington and Dr. Howard Monday, and it seemed to be their understanding that the Baptist Board was to take over such funds as were appropriated from Harvard-Yenching sources for the support and travel of Dr. Graham, and that after these expenditures were made they would then take over the complete support from funds which they would have to secure themselves. In adjusting the balance, the Board states that the following items are chargeable to this fund:-

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Dr. Joseph Beech

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Salary from February 1 to April 30, 1938.....	\$684.00
Salary from May 1 to August 31, 1938.....	813.00
Homeward passage - 4 persons - est.,.....	2,000.00
TOTAL.....	\$3,497.00

Thus, the Baptist Board would take the responsibility of Dr. Graham from August 31st on and we would provide them with \$2,000.00 for the homeward passage. Naturally, the Baptist Board would have to take the responsibility for any additional cost in travel or other expenses. Is this a satisfactory adjustment according to your understanding, and will you not kindly send me a note accordingly if you agree?

There has been a thought ejected here in the office that only a proportionate amount of travel and expenses should be borne by the Harvard-Yenching Fund, of which the Baptist Board has no record.

It is to clear this situation which prompted me to write you at this time, and I trust you will accommodate me with a reply by return mail.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

CAE/B
(VIA AIR MAIL)

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Reply to letter, 11/2/38 from Mr. C.A. Evans
Re financial matters concerning
H.Y. Funds, Baptist Board and
Dr. Graham.

ack 11/10/38

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Dear Mr. Evans:

Thank you for your statement of the Dr. Graham account. It is perfectly clear and satisfactory. But the following ought to be said to make it perfectly clear to all concerned and to cover the "thought injected" re proportion of travel and expense.*

1. In my conversations with Dr. Decker, as I recall them, it was agreed that the H.Y. Funds would care for Dr. Graham to February first, 1938 and as much longer as Dr. Elisseeff might promise to undertake. The H.Y. Funds were understood to be adequate to cover our share of travel and furlough period.*

Since you have provided for salary from Feb. 1 to Aug. 31/38 and \$2000 for travel, I think this might be acceptable to all parties as adequate to cover all of our financial obligations on Dr. Graham's account, even those that I tentatively assumed in my conversations with Dr. Decker. Surely the Baptists should be happy about it as our original understanding was \$20,000. But they have carried Dr. Graham along in University service and plan to do so for the remainder of his present term. They have done more than agreed, and if we pay them \$24,000, we will have done more than originally agreed.

Therefore, I suggest that you close the account with them, that is the Baptist Board, by payment of \$24,000; or \$24,078.87 if required, for all services - past, present and future, and expenses connected therewith, that is, the Baptist Board, Dr. Graham and his connection with H.Y. Funds. (The \$78.87 would be a charge on our own H.Y. credit balances.) The settlement should clearly record that no further financial obligations, on account of Dr. Graham, rests upon the H.Y. Funds or the University.

Again thanking you,
Cordially

Joseph Beech

* P.S. If one wished to go into proportions in regard to these two items, I judge it would be 5/7 of travel and one half year of furlough. I think it more fair and satisfactory to accept their, the Baptists' understanding or terms as expressed in your letter at bottom of page one.

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Re emergency drafts
and forwarding Hospital Funds.

Dear Mr. Evans:

Your form of cable, as stated in yours of Nov. 2/38 seems quite clear to me and should serve notice of what is in store with the "beyond" drafts.

As to the question of \$3,236 or \$5736, what can you do with that "special building" draft of \$2500? It is exactly the same terminology "special building" as the other two for \$5000 which was clearly emergency money. Hence if you are still in doubt, I am not, ~~for~~ emergency building ^{was reported} in the Rockefeller grant. Better try to close out the doubt in your wire, lest you be left holding-the-bag for \$2500 after authorizing them to draw \$5736. Since drafts may be on the way, this cable is to guard against them using the money before your explanatory letter arrives. It will do no harm if they are on the safe side in spending ^{on} unauthorized drafts, hence I favor the smaller amount. Add the word "writing" or "written" to soften anger or wrath.

Re forwarding money. To-day the rate is 16.10. If they will transfer at approximate daily quotation, by all means have \$15,000 exchanged as a deposit in Chengtu Bank of China, Chinese Currency, Hospital Building, with payments made on signatures of Bursar, President, Meddian. Such cable charges as may be required for clarity and speed are well justified under the circumstances. This joint, or ~~tr~~ tripple, signature will keep it from current funds.

I note in the Chicago Tribune today the following item, from Shanghai, Nov. 3. A Japan embassy spokesman disclosed that Jap soldiers were encouraging the circulation of vast amounts of military script in occupied areas. This to help pay war expenses, institute a new currency system. -- -- -- etc.

*Cordially
Yours
J. Beech*

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November 5, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
1644 Greenleaf Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Beech:

Your letter of the 3rd came to hand yesterday and we immediately took steps to have the \$15,000.00 from the Rockefeller Foundation transmitted to China. It had not been received then, but it came to hand this morning and we immediately communicated with the bank and secured the low rate of 16.10, whereas the purchasing draft rate this morning was 16.15.

We conferred together here in the office and agreed with your proposition, but thought it best to get the reaction of Dr. Cartwright, the Treasurer, before going ahead. He has confirmed the action and, as a consequence, we are sending the \$15,000.00 to be exchanged at 16.10 deducting the cost of the cable. Other instructions which you gave to be followed out explicitly.

We are closing up with the Baptist Board on the basis of paying them \$24,000.00 for the services of Dr. Graham. Did we bring up the subject of a pro rata amount of travel and six months furlough, we would pay them \$800.00 more than the total of \$24,000.00. As it is our very definite understanding and that of the Baptist Board that they were to secure such funds as the Harvard-Yenching Institute elected to appropriate. The Baptist Board is very happy to settle on the basis proposed which closes all negotiations and obligations "past, present and future".

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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1644 Greenleaf Ave. Chicago, Ill.

November, 9th. 1938. *ack 11/10/38*

Fear Mr. Evans:

Thanks for yours of the 5th, with all it contains that manifests the "heart you spend" in our behalf, that too often does not have its own reward.

Now other matters that also require "first-aid".

If it is not perfectly understood, I request that you ascertain if that first gift of Mrs. Moore, at latest report amounting to over Mex\$60,000, is still on deposit in Chinese Currency in one of the Shanghai Banks. If on deposit in Chinese currency, ascertain from Mr. Taylor, directly or through the Baptist Board, the cost of transfer and loss of value we must sustain to move it to the University Hospital account in Chengtu. Next, if the sacrifice is not too great, take immediate steps to get it to Chengtu, either by bank transfer or by payment to Dr. Peterson who sails from Vancouver, Nov. 12 - due Shanghai circ. Nov, 29th, if that is feasible and advisable.

In a communication from Shanghai read this day, I note that a party who got permission to go from Shanghai to Nanking by the Japanese authorities, was forced to pay in Japanese money, who regarded the Chinese notes as worthless. This is but another straw that calls for money in Chinese account ~~should~~ be gotten from Shanghai and into Chengtu, before the Chinese government makes it impossible to transfer, in self protection, against the script being forced on Chinese by the Japanese military.

a You may be able to get the answer to some phases of this matter from the Baptist or M.E. treasurers who are dealing with West China through Shanghai. But, I hope you will take such action as may be necessary, cable or otherwise, to get the information and authorize the transfer of Chinese money in Shanghai, if possible without serious loss.

I note by the Cabinet Minutes, Sept. 13/38 that they authorized Miss Priest to sell \$5,000 U.S. for Hospital Building Acct. So, perhaps, that "\$2,500 special building" may have been for the hospital account, as future letters may tell us.

Please have record made on your books of the amount of the deposit made in Chengtu from the sale of R.-F. \$15,000. We should have that at hand for future reference in making final accounting to the Foundation. Then again there may be some gold orders for foreign goods, such as hardware etc, that we must charge back at the rate paid by Bank of China for this \$15,000.

I am risking the price of a cablegram from here, to emphasize the purpose of these R.F.funds and the need for speed and priority in this matter. This, despite, the reported bombing of Chengtu. Perhaps ~~the~~ followers of the Rising Sun learned that Madame's herd of blooded cattle was moving to the University.

With best regards, Cordially yours,

Joseph Beech

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November 10, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
1644 Greenleaf Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Beech:

I am dictating another letter replying to separate items in your letter of November 9th, as I desired to keep the two items, referred to in my previous letter, separate from other considerations.

One reason that I am not taking immediate action is that one lot of money is held in pounds sterling and the other is with the National City Bank.

I note what you say regarding the Cabinet Minutes relative to the US\$5,000 for the Hospital Building Account and trust that some definite information will be coming to hand very soon.

The record of the local currency equivalent to the Rockefeller Foundation US\$15,000 is carried on our books, as it was transferred to local currency here in New York.

Yes, Chengtu has been bombed. Apparently, however, no damage was done to the campus.

Very cordially yours,

C. A. EVANS

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(Via air mail)

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November 10, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
1644 Greenleaf Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Beech:

Your air mail letter of the 9th came to hand this morning, and we are replying immediately.

Your letter of November 1st also calls attention to this same situation of funds on deposit in Shanghai for the Hospital Building Account. The following is what we find:-

Original Moore Fund of US\$10,000.00. This primarily was sent to the field and translated into local currency. Up to March 10, 1938, it had accrued interest to make a total of LC\$60,991.24.

By instruction of the Board of Governors, which I believe you suggested, it was transferred into sterling and yielded £3,613-8-3. On July 23rd, Mr. Taylor advised us that £6-15-6 interest had accrued, making a total of £3,620-3-9.

On August 15th, I wrote to you that Mr. Taylor had notified us that this fund, which had been carried with the National City Bank, would mature on September 10th and asked disposition. I find no place where you replied to this letter and presumably they must have redeposited, with the National City Bank.

The Balance of Hospital Fund \$15,922. This fund was sent to the Associated Mission Treasurers through the Bank of China on June 3, 1937 and yielded LC\$53,286.48. It was placed on deposit with the Hongkong-Shanghai Bank Corporation, and on August 7th, we were notified that interest had accrued to the amount of \$2,131.46 and, as it was to be used for the hospital, it was redeposited with the National City Bank as follows:-

25,000 at 5% for six months.
15,000 at 3% on demand.
10,000 at 3% in a savings account.
Balance was credited to the account of the West China Board.

I propose we cable to the Associated Mission Treasurers at once instructing them to:

1. Transfer all available funds in the latter account to the Bank of China at Chengtu, even if we have to bring it back to the States (if it can be done without loss).
2. Ask A. M. T. (a-la-Roosevelt) advice on LC\$25,000 six months deposit.
3. Ask A. M. T. advice on original US\$10,000.

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Dr. Joseph Beech

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11/10/38

All day meetings yesterday kept me from getting this to you so I am sending this by air, with the hope that you will get it tomorrow and that there will be no further delay in making a satisfactory clearance of both accounts.

Most cordially yours,

C. A. EVANS

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(Via air mail, special delivery)

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Reply to letters, Nov. 10
Regarding Hospital Funds at Shanghai. (Etc Etc)

Dear Mr. Evans:

First let me reply to the Etc. Etc.

1. You should have my long letter of Aug. 18 which began with a reply to yours of Aug. 15th re the disposition of the £3620 /3 /9 and several other matters. See first two paragraphs. Since this matter has not been attended to, for which I am glad, seeing that we are sending the other two funds to Chengtu, I think it all right to redeposit this on 3 months periods, or on demand, if not already so deposited by Mr. Taylor.

This money in Sterling may depreciate still more than it has in the past two months, but since the present European affair has been postponed, it may be best to keep it in Sterling for the present. This is doubly true since we have sent the R-F. \$15000 and are considering transfer of the Chinese currency, in Shanghai Bank, to Chengtu.

2. Re the Transfer of Chinese Currency.

(in Chinese Currency)

I fully approve of transferring all available funds in Shanghai to the Bank of China, Chengtu, to Hospital Building Acct., unless the transfer is attended by too great sacrifice. As to methods there appear to be three; transfer direct through bank or AMT - Shanghai to Chengtu; transfer into American money and then exchange to Sze dollars; entrust to Peterson in bank drafts on Chengtu.

But since you are doing this by cable, I judge the simple statement: "Transfer Chengtu available/hospital funds. Cable if inadvisable." ~~OK done / such / cablegram /~~ (Chinese Currency) ~~or~~

Some such cablegram, followed by a Clipper letter next Tuesday may do what we desire. If the loss is not too great, the difference in interest at Chengtu will compensate for losses in exchange or loss of interest in Shanghai.

Thank you for your prompt reply in this matter. Sorry to add to your burdens in these hectic days. I hesitate re going to New York while Hollywood is camped in your back yard. If I can see my way clear and profitable I may turn up about Monday the 21st.

With greetings to your goodly company,
Cordially yours,

P.S. When next you write, please let me have
the Sze Currency - realized by sale of R.F. \$15000.

Joseph Beech

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NOTE: See letter from Robertson & Dsang, dated Oct. 8, 1938. See Dsang's individual folder.

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150 FIFTH AVENUE
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1644 Greenleaf Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.,
Nov. 15, 1938.

Dr. B.A. Garside,
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

ack 11/21

Dear Dr. Garside:

You may remember receiving a letter from Chengtu signed by Mr. H.B. Robertson and Dr. A.W. Lindsay with two enclosures setting forth the situation in the Science Building, and the need for a building for chemistry. I have exact copies of these letters but signed by Mr. Robertson and President Dsang.

Mr. Robertson was led to write these letters because of what he found in the teaching of chemistry on his arrival. Evidently our charity for other Universities is making it next to impossible to teach our own students properly or to serve others well. Since that was written the University has responded affirmatively to the request from Cheeloo to move their Arts and Science Colleges on to our campus and into our classes. That act adds to the beneficent charity but it must make the situation even worse. This is, in fact, really an appeal for and from Nanking, Ginling, Cheeloo, Soochow, Central University--Medical and Dental, and W.C.U.U.

Compelled to give the pre-medical sciences for the Central University, Cheeloo University and our own University students, plus students from the occupied areas, a heavy burden is placed on the Science department for pre-medical sciences alone. That as I see it endangers our College of Science unless better provision is made for the teaching. Teachers appear to be plentiful but space and equipment is in such a bad state that they are robbed of their teaching service.

I am sure that all these institutions named above will add their meed of praise if this can find place on your emergency lists.

Cordially yours,

Joseph Beech

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November 17, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
1644 Greenleaf Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Beech:

I have been delaying writing you, with the hope that a reply would be received from our cable to the Associated Mission Treasurers. None has come to hand, however, but I will let you know as soon as possible.

The rate on the \$15,000.00 Rockefeller money sent to China was 16.10 yielding, after costs were deducted, \$93,028.00. The rate on the day we sent this was 16.25, but by putting on pressure we secured a reduction.

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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1644 Grand Ave. Chicago. Nov. 23/38

ack 12/3/38

Dear Dr. Garin.

Thank you for yours of
21st inst. re the Science building
at West China. I think the Executive
Should consider this at its regular
meeting, whenever that may be,
provided that would be early
enough to come before the
Emergency Committee of A. Bds.

It would be fitting to have this
Project come before the other Boards
as well as WCU. Bd and make it a
joint Universities affair. Where such
action should be initiated I am un-
able to decide. I am however

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asking the "field" to put ^{their} own
Statement of united approval in
proper form & channels. Mean-
time can anything be done
here with or through the
other Boards concerned in
the West China Science jamb?

Cordially yours

Joseph Beech



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NOTE: See Letter of Oct. 26, 1938 fr. Dsang & Robertson.

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Nov 28/1938

ack 12/3/38

Dear Dr. Gariside:-

The letter from Pres. Dsang & Mr. Robertson,
regarding "United Hospital" current deficit and
asking advance of \$3000 Emergency funds,
closes with the following:-

"Will you (the letter addressed Dr. Beech & Dr. Gariside)
give this matter immediate consideration and
advise us by cable that funds up to a certain
amount are available...."

I will appreciate any hopeful
word you may deem possible
in reply to this specific request.
for reply before end of November.

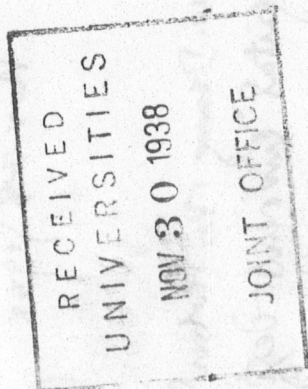
Waiting - Cordially yours

Joseph Beech

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Dr. B. G. Sarside

Courtesy of
Mr. Evans.



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Enclosure - to Dr. Garside

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1644 Greenleaf Ave. Chicago, Ill. Nov 28/38

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Dear Mr. Evans:-

I have acknowledged this to the donor.

Mail forwarded by your office contained one check, enclosed, from the Hazen Foundation. Since I can get no report on use of past funds sent out, I ask that you credit this for the time being to the Hospital Equipment Fund - or "hold it in reserve for later advice"

What seems the matter with Mr. Platt Taylor? Your no message indicate yours not received, or is he away on a long journey? Let me know if any answer.

Note

a letter rec'd was addressed to Dr. Garside + Dr. Beech. It had been opened + I assume it had been read by Dr. Garside. I shall be glad to know if he had any promising reactions to the request for hospital emergency aid, from Pres. Young or the Rockefeller Foundation. Cordially Joseph H. Beech

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Note: See letter from Roger Greene, dated Nov. 22, 1938.

November 28, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
1644 Greenleaf Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Beech:

I am quoting you a paragraph from a letter written by
Roger S. Greene:-

"Dr. S. N. Cheer, dean of the medical school of the National Central University, which is now working at Chengtu as a guest of the West China Union University, tells me that some time ago there was supposed to have been forwarded to Chancellor Beech a requisition for eye, ear, nose and throat instruments for use in the new out-patient department which is being temporarily housed on the grounds of the general hospitals of the Canadian Methodist Mission at Chengtu. The requisition I believe came to some \$500 or \$600. Can you let me know whether such a requisition has arrived and has been filled or not?"

I have answered him as per the attached letter.

The point I am raising is, how much of the equipment for the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital from Pilling, which Dr. Peterson took with him, is applicable to the account?

You have stated to the Methodist Board that this is a part of the \$1,000.00 for Dr. Peterson. Is there any more for Dr. Cheer than the Bausch & Lomb bill and, if so, what?

Your answer to that question by return mail will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Mr. C.A. Evans,
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New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

Thank you for your letter, air mail, of November 28th regarding the question raised by Mr. Greene relative to E.E.N.T. instruments. I will be writing to Mr. Greene regarding a letter sent to him by Dr. Kilborn relative to the disposition of the China Foundation grant to the University Medical work. I will also refer to this matter of Dr. Cheer's contingent fund. But for your guidance in reply to him I state the following from correspondence from and to Dr. Cheer.

Quotation from Dr. Cheer's letter dated 25/7/27 R.C. "As regards your letter of June 27th, which just reached me today, I am not very clear about the grant of \$3,000 gold from the Rockefeller Foundation. Is this \$3,000 granted to the West China Union University or to the Central University or to the three Universities including the Cheeloo University? I sent in an application to Dr. Gregg for a portable electrocardiograph and a basal metabolism tester with the exact quotation from the Sanborn Company. If that \$3,000 is granted to the West China Union University, I should not use that money for any equipment that will be taken along with us on our return from Chengtu to Nanking. If that sum is granted to Medical College of the Central University by the Rockefeller Foundation, then I would appreciate very much if you would kindly find out from Dr. Gregg the exact things I applied for, and I have another long list of instruments for the E.N.T. department of the Central University to be bought on that money. The cost of the E.N.T. instruments will be about \$900 gold. If that \$3,000 is not granted to the Central University, then please do not order these E.N.T. instruments in the enclosed list, but just kindly hold it till I can raise some money to make the purchase."

The lists of instruments accompanying Dr. Cheer's letter consisted of two orders as follows: (1) George Pilling and Son Co., \$534.50 (2) V. Mueller and Co., \$882.45. Since Dr. Cheer requested that these E.N.T. instruments were not to be ordered unless this grant ~~was~~ of \$3,000 was made to the Central University, of course I have not placed the order.

On August 18th I requested Dr. Kilborn to convey the following statement to Dr. Cheer. "

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" The entire \$35,000 was given by the Rockefeller Foundation to the West China Union University. But in order to make sure that any equipment which Dr. Cheer might require would be available, I was asked to get his advice for items up to \$3,000. The official statement in connection with this particular grant or item read as follows: '\$3,000 contingent upon recommendation of Dr. Cheer'."

On November 14th I wrote Dr. Kilborn as follows: " Regarding the \$3,000 subject to recommendation of Dr. Cheer. Dr. Liljestrand took with him the cardiograph and the basal metabolism outfit, the first cost of which was \$582.63. Orders for brain and chest surgery amounting to \$1520.03 plus ~~to~~ \$200 advanced for transportation charges were charged to this account and shipped with Dr. Wilford. Written upon these orders was this statement, 'To be paid for by the Central University.' I assumed that this order had the approval of Dr. Cheer and tentatively charged it to the \$3,000 contingent upon his recommendation."

I believe that I reported to Dr. Peterson the receipt of the above mentioned lists of E.E.N.T. goods for Dr. Cheer. But insofar as I have information the \$1100 or thereabouts orders for E.E.N.T goods place by Dr. Peterson were goods that he considered necessary for carrying on these departments under present conditions. Since I do not have the invoices for Dr. Peterson's orders here I cannot check his items with those on Dr. Cheer's lists, but I think it is fair to assume that some of Dr. Cheer's items may be on the orders purchased by Dr. Peterson.

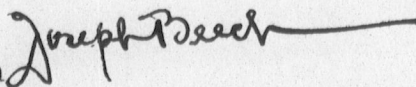
In your quotation from Mr. Greene's letter I note the statement 'that I was supposed to have received a requisition for E.E.N.T. instruments for use in the new out-patient department, temporarily housed on the grounds of the General Hospital of the Canadian Mission.' If this refers to a different list than that referred to above in the quotation from Dr. Cheer's letter of 25/7/27 R.C., I have not received it. Dr. Peterson did not report that he had received such a requisition and Dr. Cunningham has not reported it. Dr. Cunningham's order was not paid for through the Rockefeller Foundation grant.

Since Cunningham left Hongkong for Chengtu on November 2nd and since Dr. Peterson is now on the Pacific, and Dr. Liljestrand is already in Chengtu with his goods, I trust that they will have adequate supply of instruments for the temporary out-patient departments, EENT.

I made requests that Dr. Peterson's orders should be charged against the \$5,000 R.F. grant. Therefore the last statement in your letter which implies that part of Dr. Peterson's orders were chargeable to the \$3,000 grant is not correct. My statement to the Methodist Board was to the effect that charges for Dr. Peterson's account rendered to us should not exceed \$1100. If any of Dr. Peterson's goods were purchased at the request of Dr. Cheer we will charge them to the \$3,000 account when so notified, but until so notified his orders remain chargeable to the \$5,000 grant. I am sorry to have written so much but I thought it well to give you the entire story in order that you may make it perfectly clear to Mr. Greene.

Cordially yours,

Joseph Beech



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December 1, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
1644 Greenleaf Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Beech:

Your letter of November 28th is at hand and I am responding particularly regarding the \$50.00 from the Hazen Foundation which we have credited to the Hospital Equipment Fund, and also your inquiry as to a message from the Associated Mission Treasurers in response to our cable. We have received no reply up to date to the cabled message, but as soon as it comes to hand we will let you know immediately.

Mr. Garside is studying the correspondence regarding the request for hospital emergency aid and will write you later.

I will also get off a letter to Roger Greene today covering the various aspects of the Dr. Cheer situation.

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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See covering letter for Dr. Beech 1/1/39

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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

Chicago, Ill.,
Dec. 1, 1938.

Dear Dr. Dsang and Mr. Robertson:

Your joint letter asking for a new science building was received. The matter was taken up with Dr. Garside, but it was felt it must come from the W.C.U.U. Executive to find acceptance with the Emergency Committee. No Executive meeting until January, but there seems little probability the Emergency Committee can include it in their immediate program for West China Union University.

Since this is called for at this time because of the visiting colleges, the question of ownership might be ignored as the question of service is ignored. My own opinion is somewhat as follows:

This project might get in a preferred position as to emergency capital projects if it was made a joint project and backed by each group individually to their own constituency and jointly to the Associated Colleges Emergency. If Nanking, Ginling, Cheeloo, Soochow, and Government Central University Medical-Dental could each approve the project as a united need and transmit it to their Trustees, and at the same time send a united appeal to the Associated Colleges and to me, The Central Medical might be willing to ask Rockefeller to participate. If they did so I would gladly second the appeal. There can be no medical work without premedical science and since sciences in the occupied area seem bound for extinction sooner or later, if continued under occupation, the call for science in West China should be very strong. If you all see it strongly enough to back this project in this matter do so at once. I would request that you call the leaders of all these groups in conference and put this matter before them,---- building and its equipment, and if favorable action can be taken, let us have it by Clipper or cable before the January meetings.

Cordially yours,

Joseph Beech

Cable reply received Jan 4th at NY.

"Invite Universities Unanimous Chemistry"

*See letter to A.A.G. in reply
requesting call of Universities' founders.*

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NOTE: See letter from Dsang and Robertson, dated Oct. 26, 1938-Re: financing of the United Hospital

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Dr. Joseph Beech
1644 Greenleaf Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

December 3, 1938

Dear Dr. Beech:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letters of November 23rd and November 28th.

Your letter of November 23rd discusses our procedure in bringing the request for a special appropriation for the Science Building before the Associated Boards for inclusion in our emergency campaign.

We are planning to have a meeting of the North American Section within the near future. I will bring to the attention of this group the urgency of the need for additional chemistry accommodations at West China and will suggest that they take an action endorsing the request of the West China Executive Committee to the Associated Boards. If we have a meeting of either the Nanking or Ginling Boards before the West China Executive Committee meets, we will have them take similar action.

I am somewhat hazy as to the exact amount which West China will need from the Associated Boards emergency fund in order to erect this building. Will you help me out by giving me either the exact amount involved or, if that is not available, as close an estimate as possible.

Your letter of November 28th comments on the urgent request sent by President Dsang and Mr. Robertson on October 26th for an advance of \$3,000 from the 1938-39 emergency fund of West China toward the expenses of the United Hospital. Our situation as regards the 1938-39 emergency fund is as follows:- Thus far the Associated Boards has not made any distribution of funds. Only \$10,000 or \$15,000 is actually in hand, and part of this is tied up in such a way that it could not be immediately distributed. The Harvard-Yenching Institute is in process of making a grant of \$50,000 which we hope it can pay over before the end of the year. If such a payment can be made, it will be possible for the Associated Boards to make a substantial initial contribution. West China's share would be more than this \$3,000 so we would then be in a position to cable, or authorize the field to draw, that amount.

Until some progress has been made along these lines it would be impossible for us to send a cable promising definitely that funds would be forthcoming. But as soon as the distribution is made we will be glad to act.

Very cordially yours,

B A GARSIDE

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150 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY

ack 12/7/38

Dear Mr. Evans:

Thanks for yours of Dec. 1st., one re the Peterson shipments, and one acknowlwdging Hazen check etc. First let me comment on the etc, etc.

Will you please say to Mr. Garside that I have written, clipper mail with request for clipper or cable reply, to Chengtu asking that the Government Medical, to RF, the Cheeloo to their Trustees, the Nanking and Ginling to their Trustees and WCUU to their Governors make a united appeal for that emergency science building, ownership like present service charges off the record.

Can you trace through the cable company to ascertain if the cable to A/MT was delivered, or if held up by Jap military? If the latter, we could cable Peterson, passenger on Empress of Russia left Vancouver, ~~Nov~~ Nov. 26th, according to CP SS Co. note to me.

I enclose a note to Mr. Cameron which I trust you will facilitate.

Re Accounts of Dr. Peterson Chargable to R.F., letter Dec. 1.

Sorry for the confusion, but their is crossing of many wires in these orders and slips expected. The following consideration determines the amount of Dr. Peterson's departmental grant, from the RF \$5000 grant, namely, that the total was to come under \$1100.

In your statement there is a charge of Am. Hosp. Supply Co \$127.99. This was Dr. Wilford's order carried out with Dr. Paterson. So, subtract it from Peterson account, which is now \$972.01. Add the bill of \$270.39 from the RF per Mr. Dean. Total amount is now \$1242.40 I ask that you pay to the ME. Bd \$313.19, instead of \$463.19, on the Mueller account, and permit them to charge this additional \$150 to Peterson's equipment account with them. This will bring the total Peterson charge against our RF grant to \$1092.40. Since there is an express account which does not appear in your statements, this \$1092.40 is near enough to let it stand. In so far as your accounts are concerned, only one correction or change is called for, viz, to pay ME. Bd \$150 less than appears on your statement. or, a total of \$313.19 instead of \$463.19. The items will then be:

Storz Instrument Co. \$33.39; Pilling Co, bill and Frt. \$475.43;

B&L acct per Mr. Dean, \$270.39; ME Bd, Mueller bill, share, \$313.19; total charge for Peterson departments chargable RF grant, \$1092.40, plus any freight or express charges that may apply on the B&L order.

Thanking you, Cordially, *Joseph Beech*

P.S. Will you call up the office of W.N. Ridge, 302 Bdway, (wo 2-1095) and ask his secretary if he is now at his home in Lynbrook, Long Island., or where? Let me know, I want to reach him soon as possible.

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December 7, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech
1644 Greenleaf Avenue
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Beech:

Your letter of December 3rd came to hand and I immediately reported the first paragraph to Mr. Garside regarding the Chemistry Building. I find that there has been no mention of the amount of money needed for this building and it might be advisable for you to notify us what the anticipated cost will be. As I view it now, no progress can be made until a definite application is presented.

We are having the cablegram to the Associated Mission Treasurers traced and will let you know the outcome as soon as we receive a reply. I am not so sure that we can follow out your instructions at the present time regarding the \$1100.00 for Dr. Peterson. We settled up on the basis of \$463.19 and Mr. McKenzie wrote to Dr. Peterson by the last Clipper mail. Mr. McKenzie calls attention to the possibility of Dr. Peterson having used the \$150.00 by the time the next announcement would reach him. However, if you think it advisable to make the adjustment you suggest at this end and notify Dr. Peterson in the next Clipper mail, we will do so.

We have called up Mr. W. N. Ridge's office at 302 Broadway and his secretary states that he is staying at his home in Lynbrook, Long Island and is coming into New York, and, as a matter of fact, is at his office this morning.

We have received a letter from Mira L. Sawyer quoting an authorization from you relative to the purchase of an ether vaporizer. Apparently the equipment will run in the neighborhood of \$35.00 to \$40.00, and I am asking where you wish this charged.

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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ASSOCIATED MISSION TREASURERS
Post Office Box 251
Shanghai

December 10, 1938

Dr. Joseph Beech,
1644 Greenleaf Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Joe:

On receipt of an unsigned cable from New York requesting that we "transfer Chengtu available Chinese currency hospital fund", I advised the Bursar of the University that I was sending him CC\$25,000.00 through the Standard Oil Company. They later wired back to cancel the Socony remittance as they had received CC\$90,000.00 from you.

Of course, nobody knows just what may happen in China, but from what I can gather, I see no reason for the undue anxiety there seems to be in New York in regard to funds held in Shanghai. Some of us still believe that both China and her currency will survive. In case they do not, it might be better to have one's funds in Shanghai rather than in Chengtu.

Mr. Robertson recently requested statements covering all University funds held by me in trust as of September 30th, and I am enclosing copies of same for your files, especially since they answer some of the questions in your letter of November 12 to Dr. Peterson.

The Sterling Fixed Deposit No. 10291 at the National City Bank of New York for £3,624-14-0, you will note, matures today. The University authorities have requested that both the principal and interest be renewed in the same bank for one year.

By referring to page No. 3, you will note that Fixed Deposit No. 10010 and 10091 for CC\$25,000 and CC\$15,000, respectively, have both been withdrawn, and credited to the University account on our books. Likewise, CC\$5,000 has been withdrawn from the National City Bank Savings Account No. 5852, and credited to the above account. This leaves a balance in the Hospital Fund now on investment in our hands, as per page No. 4, CC\$5,058.33.

On November 8th, Mr. Robertson requested me to look up an item of CC\$50,000 referred to in a statement appended to the Board of Governors Minutes, Annual Meeting, October, 1935. Evidently, from Mr. Robertson's letter, the University had no record that this amount was transferred by Dr. Main to New York on May 11th, 1936.

I have been unable to find in the files any connecting link between the CC\$50,000 in question and the CC\$53,286.48 sent to Mr. Fuller on or about June 24th, 1937. We are assuming that they are related, and that the excess of the larger amount is made up of interest and gain on exchange.

Yesterday, we sent you, in reply to your cablegram of November 4th, the following message:-

"REFERRING UNSIGNED CABLE FOURTEENTH CHENG TU ADVISES HOLD BALANCE HOSPITAL FUND SHANGHAI STOP STERLING DEPOSIT MATURES TOMORROW CHENG TU REQUESTS RENEW ONE YEAR" TAYLOR.

With kindest regards.

Cordially yours, /s/ W. Robt. Taylor

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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

CHENG TU, SZE, CHINA
1644 Greenleaf Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Dec. 22, 1938

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE
150 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

ack 12/27/38

Dear Mr. Evans:

Yours of Dec. 19th with excerpt from the letter of Miss Priest received with thanks.

Glad to know of their fears regarding deposits with the Bank of China, Chengtu, as well as their ability to sell checks on New York. But I am glad they have the RF building grant there, with the knowledge of the donors. My advices to the field building committee were to order necessary building materials immediately. If they have done that a "mora-totium" will not greatly delay or cause difficulty.

I do not share fears regarding the ability of the Bank of China or their actions re moratorium. Such action at a time when they seek and secure \$25,000,000 equal to Sze \$150,000,000 and the Secretary of the Treasury notifies the world that they can have more from the United States is not the time to refuse our University funds on deposit, especially as the British are also partners in the University and credits to China. They have agreed to advance funds for the building and equipping of the Burma-Sze RR as I learned in Canada. Moratorium there may be if the public gets in a panic, of course, but unless the "rulers" are those who knew not Joseph we would get the cash as needed, I believe.

Re the Mead Memorial Hospital Library:

Enclosed find \$600.74, the first payment for the above stated object. Please place to the credit of the Hospital account for this purpose until I come, and oblige, Cordially yours,

A Merry Christmas to you and all. And if you will trust me for future payment, I will deem it a great favor if you will escort, in person, the members of your staff who are always writing letters, phoning messages forwarding mail and many other things, to the Christmas program at Rockefeller Music Hall. Go early to get a seat instead of a grand stand while you wait, This as a Christmas token to you and them

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Joseph P. Beech

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