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PEKING UNIVERSITY.

January 29, 1926.

✓ Dr. James L. Barton,
Mr. Frederic A. Caskins,
14 Beacon Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Dear Dr. Barton and Mr. Caskins:

I was sorry that I did not have time in my hasty note to Dr. Barton, to outline fully what is in our minds with reference to the investment of part of the D. Willis James Foundation for Peking University. I was anxious to get word at once to you that we had a suggestion.

You will recollect that we have had considerable difficulty in getting sufficient funds to complete the central heat, light, and water system of the University. It was with this in mind that Mr. F. B. Wallace of Detroit made us a gift for the Campus Land releasing eventually, by his gift, the undesignated funds hitherto tied up in this land. The form of Mr. Wallace's gift was a transfer of title to some 250 parcels of residential land in the City of Detroit and an assignment of interest in the contracts of the sale relating thereto, the net equity thus transferred to the University representing over \$97,000.00 of principal.

All of the parcels are under contracts of sale whereby the buyer pays a monthly sum, part of which pays the interest at six per cent. on the balance due, the rest being applied to the reduction of the principal of the contracts. The balances due on the lots vary from \$100.00 to \$1,600.00. In case any purchaser defaults the contract can be resold. There is a good market for these contracts and their re-sale value is considerably larger than the balances due.

Our difficulty lies in our inability to liquidate these for the present cash requirements for our power plant. New York and Detroit banks say the investment is entirely sound and good, but they do not wish to take it over because of the large amount of petty accounting involved.

The Finance Committee of our Trustees, at the suggestion of Mr. Ernest A. Evans, has invested all our available uninvested endowment cash in these contracts - yielding our endowment slightly under six per cent. However, we need still more cash as soon as we can get it. We yet have in excess of \$50,000.00 of these contracts on hand.

It occurs to us that the American Board might be willing to invest \$25,000.00 to \$35,000.00 of the James Endowment in this, both because of the assistance it will give to the University and because of the quality of the investment. It is, of course, a temporary investment, as the payments on the lots will retire the contracts in five years, but a temporary measure of this

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quality may be wise if the bond market, as we are told, is running high and is likely to be lower.

In considering this you will want some further explanations of the arrangements.

1. The lots have all been deeded outright to us and the deeds recorded in Michigan.
2. We have in the office contracts of sale signed by the buyers and Mr. Wallace and duly witnessed to which are attached in each case signed assignments of interest of Mr. Wallace to Peking University.
3. Mr. Wallace has from us power of attorney to supervise the property and protect our interest in it and to re-sell the contracts in case of default by the buyer.
4. Two Detroit real estate firms, Houseman-Spitzley Company and Will St. John Company, act as collecting and managing and - when necessary - as sales agents. Toward the payment of their original commission for sale of the lots - 20-25% - they received one-half of the payments made by the buyer until this commission is covered. In the case of most of the lots this commission has already been fully met. The equity of over \$97,000.00 which we have in these lots is free of this commission, this equity is the net of the principal payments due from the buyers less the outstanding commissions due.
5. In the case of two groups of lots - less than half - there is a collection fee deducted by the real estate agents; a fee of 1% of the payment made is deducted on the one group, 2% on the other. We charge this against the interest item and also small costs for abstracts, stamps, etc., which reduces the net interest to somewhere between 5.8 and 5.9 per cent.

If the American Board so desires, we should be willing to transfer title for the proper amount of contracts. However, the accounting process is a bit cumbersome, and as we now have this entirely in our own hands here, we could most easily continue this work.

Therefore, we propose that the University give its note to the American Board for \$35,000.00 to carry 5.9% interest and to run for three years or less, this note to be secured by the above mentioned deeds and contracts of sale under an agreement with the Peking Finance Committee whereby Mr. Warner, Mr. Evans or Dr. Barton (or all of them) should be the fiduciary representatives of the Board and of the University, holding such collateral in trust. We should be glad to propose that the University could reduce the principal by payments at any time or at stated intervals in amounts in excess of \$1,000.00.

If your judgment finds such an arrangement as practicable as it seems to us to be, its carrying out would be a most needed help to the University just at this time. You see this group of our very substantial assets - and you also see our predicament in so realizing on them as to enable ourselves to fulfil the

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very purpose for which their contribution was made. And I want to express our deep appreciation of your consideration of this matter.

The Finance Committee has not taken action on this, but I know the direction in which their mind is moving and as soon as I have concrete comments from you, I will put it before them for their necessary action.

Cordially yours,

Secretary,
PEKING UNIVERSITY.

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March 22, 1926

Dr. Eric M. North
Peking University
156 Fifth Avenue
New York City

My dear Dr. North:

Yours of the 19th instant is just at hand this morning reporting the cable from President Stuart in regard to shooting in Peking.

I received two or three days ago a cable signed by Porter, decoded as follows:

"Peking Station endorses protest American participation foreign powers demands on China. Recommend you strongly urge America modify attitude."

I sent this on to Washington, but adding that with my present knowledge I found myself unable to endorse the protest and asked for any information which the Department might feel free to give out regarding the situation there and the demands made upon China which might in any way modify the newspaper reports. No word as yet has come. I must confess that so far as I understand the case the foreign governments were bound to protest against the closing of the Tientsin port.

I am also convinced that the student body in China have gone beyond the limits of good judgment, not to say the limits of reason, and evidently they are coming up against their own administration.

I did not send this dispatch immediately to you because I had every reason to feel that the University had taken action, and this, as you well know, is the Peking Station presumably of the American Board and I regarded it as an American Board affair, leaving the University to handle its affairs from the New York office.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Barton

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LOU STAUDE
 COMPTROLLER

2520 Mt. Baker Drive , April 19, 1926

Dear Mr. Lewis:

Your note with the new bulletin are both at hand this morn**ng**. Thank you. Could you send me a dozen copies ? *sent 4/26*
 They would be useful with the people who are contributing to Seattle House.

I should like very much to go over for the dedication of ~~the~~ the new University buildings whenever that happens if that would be safe. But as a rule I am leary of such occasions. One is often put in a corner and held up for subscription of more money without regard to what he has done already. Experience has taught me wisdom along that line. But having been present in Peking at the first union chapel service and at the inception of the work as a union University and having been the one to find and recommend Leighton Stuart for President, I am naturally much interested in this new phase of ~~their~~ development.

✓ Thank you for your promise if an early picture of Seattle House in process of construction. That balance will be forth-coming whenever you inform me it is actually needed. It will be my own further contribution as I donot expect any more from ~~other~~ citizens. I may be surprised though.

With best wishes to you, Eric North, Rex Wheeler et al, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Edw. Lincoln Smith

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May 1, 1926

Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith
2520 Mt. Baker Drive
Seattle, Washington

Dear Dr. Smith:

We have just sent you the dozen copies of the new bulletin and I am sure that you will get them within a few days.

As you know, Timothy Lew is coming to the United States next fall for a few lectures and also for a bit of a rest - the rest being a change from the strain there at Peking. Your house is practically erected and during Timothy Lew's time here in America it will be occupied by T. C. Chou, who is Lew's closest friend and whom Lew joined with Dr. Stuart in bringing to the University. When Lew returns to China he will occupy the house himself. I am enclosing a picture of the residence and though I am a bit embarrassed in telling you how much we need the money, perhaps I can best state it by saying that the house has cost us to date \$9,250.00 and that we have actually paid out this money for it. The final cost will be probably two or three hundred dollars more but we know that this is so much beyond the original estimate, and the fact that you were so generously really making this your own house, that the thing we are anxious about is the balance of the subscription.

Unfortunately all of the houses have cost more than the original estimates. This has been due to the rising costs of materials, unfavorable rate of exchange, and interruptions in freight traffic and so you can readily understand the increased cost.

We see our way clear to finance the construction up to the summer but we are making a desperate effort to collect all subscriptions before the first of June because we are so up against it for money. Therefore, if it is possible to help us along, you may be sure it will be a tremendous lift.

Doubtless you will want Timothy Lew there in Seattle for a week or two on his arrival. At the present time we think he will be here some time in September.

Eric North joins in sending his warmest regards.

Very sincerely yours

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2520 Mt. Baker Drive, Seattle, June 1, 1926

Mr. James H. Lewis
 Sec'y Peking University
 150 Fifth Ave., New York City

Dear Mr. Lewis:

Please find enclosed my check for \$4,000 completing the payment of \$7,000 which I promised to raise in Seattle for a residence to be built at Peking University, to be known as "Seattle House" and to be used by Dean T. T. Lew of the department of Theology so long as it shall suit you people so to use it. If Lew were to pass out of P. U. for any reason, you then use it as you see fit.

I am sorry the sum is not sufficient to meet the enlarged cost of the house but this is the best I can do as my individual share of this is only a little less than \$5,000 and I donot think more can be raised here.

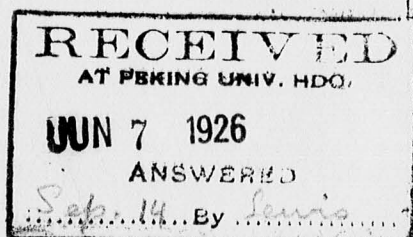
Thank you for the word that Lew will visit us next fall. It will be well to have him here a few days in the hope of interesting some Seattle people in contributing to his salary. Several of the little group who started out with me on that salary have quit and it has not been possible to secure others. You could hardly expect people to be interested unless they know him. We will see what we can do when he comes. I should like to be able to raise that salary for I regard Lew as one of the most useful men in China, especially as an aid to Leighton Stuart. It may become necessary however for me to resign my connection with the matter later.

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 Lew

With kind regards to you and Eric,

Sincerely yours,

Edw. Lincoln Smith



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Entered	✓
Cash receipt made	✓
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(Lew sent)	
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AMERICAN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

Boston, Mass. June 16, 1926

Dr. Eric M. North
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. North:

You can imagine that I read with much interest the extracts that you sent me from a letter from President Stuart, dated April 10, and a full copy of your letter to Mr. Pettus, dated June 9. I do not see how you could have written him in a more kindly way and yet expressed exactly the situation as I see it.

Of course you and I and all Secretaries of Mission Boards working in North China are profoundly interested in the Language School, now called the Yenching School of Chinese Studies. Our Boards have made notable investment in the School and are continuing to invest in it. It is a Board institution in part. The Boards use it and are back of it and made it what it is to a large degree. It is therefore not pleasant to have Mr. Pettus think that you and I are unsympathetic with the School. But the most painful point is that he should give the impression that the Institute is established for the purpose of aiding either one of the schools as such. It would seem that President Stuart certainly expressed what I myself could heartily accept in the last paragraph of your letter to Pettus, when he says: "I feel sure that our representatives will treat the problem and needs of the Language School," etc. I do not understand that it is the function or province of the Institute to consider the needs of either the Language School or the University. This Board will be formed, as I understand, to consider the needs of an Institute for Oriental Studies as a whole, which you yourself so clearly set forth on the third page of your letter. In so far as the University organization can meet those needs they will be used; in so far as the Language School can meet those needs it will be used, but the Board is to consider the "Institute". That would seem to be your idea, but I fear Mr. Pettus has pressed President Stuart so hard that he has been warped in his judgment and inclined to consider Pettus' desires and the Needs of the School rather than the satisfactory building up of the Institute.

I do not see how you could emphasize this point more emphatically or kindly. Mr. Pettus has it in his power to make trouble by putting out the "claims" of the Language School for more money or more support or more recognition than he fears the School may get under the joint Board. While I am in deepest sympathy with the School and believe that it can be used most effectively in the building up of the Institute, yet I feel perfectly clear that we will need to be on our guard that the endeavor be not made to secure the cooperation of the Institute for the benefit of the Language School. It is not at all a question as to what the Yenching School of Chinese Studies wants, but it is what the Yenching School of Chinese Studies has to contribute to the building up of the Institute. So far as the Institute Board is concerned that must be and must continue to remain the point of view which it keeps constantly before it in all of

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its dealing with the question. This is exactly what you yourself have so clearly set forth, and I do not see how we can vary from it in any way.

The question must be settled in Peking. The Institute will carry on its work largely in Peking and the Board of direction there must decide how far the institutions existing in Peking can be most wisely and effectively used for its upbuilding and for the best success of its work. It will be most unfortunate to throw a question of this kind into the Institute Board. I should be very sorry to have the Hall Trustees know that already in Peking discussions of this character have arisen. A unifying program must be arrived at and that must be formed, so far as relates to instruction in China, there.

I do not know all the inside of Mr. Pettus' point of view, but I imagine it represents something of a disappointment that the Language School did not receive outright the million dollars from the Hall people to use in its work.

I remain, my dear Dr. North,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) James L. Barton

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Peking University

June 30, 1926

Mr. Harold B. Belcher,
American Board of Commissioners,
for Foreign Missions
14 Beacon Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Belcher:

Thank you for sending us the check for \$230.01 as income of the Willis James Foundation for Peking University. I must confess this seems to me to be amazingly small. Ordinary bank interest on \$100,000. for five months would be over \$800., and on the whole, the greater the amount of accrued interest that had to be paid, the nearer the due date of the coupons, and therefore the earlier the disbursement for accrued interest would be covered. Inasmuch as Mr. James made a payment of \$2500. covering the period from July 1st to Dec. 30th, 1925 on this, we seem to be in a very sad way only to have \$230.01 as the income for the second half year, and we had relied on a larger amount. I wonder whether the matter of bank interest pending investment has been included in the income of the Foundation.

I also wonder whether you could not give us a conservative estimate of the amount of accrued interest which will come in after the first of July 1926, but which will really represent income of the period before that so that we can carry over some of our expenses this year with the expectation that they will be covered after July 1st by such income.

In shaping our budget for our fiscal year 1926-7 we would need to know the approximate amount that will be paid in cash between July 1, 1926 and June 30, 1927, not including the amount I have referred to in the preceding paragraph. I wonder whether you could not give us this information in order that we may calculate our budget in proper order.

I am sorry to have to give you these additional troubles in straightening out this matter but hope that once we get past this initial period the procedure will be standardized and regular.

Cordially yours,

Assistant Treasurer
Peking University

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July 6, 1926.

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Mr. Eric M. North, Asst., Treas.,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. North:-

Your letter of June 30th regarding the D. Willis James Foundation for Peking University has been received. I am noting on a separate sheet the situation as regards the income of these investments, showing the amount of interest that was accrued at the time of our purchase, the amount of coupon interest that was received through June 30th, the net amount of interest received to June 30th and the amount of interest accrued through June 30th but not received. This will answer your question concerning the matter of an estimate amount of accrued interest which will come in after the first of July but really representing income earned during the period prior to July 1st.

I also indicate on this sheet the approximate amount of interest on the funds while awaiting investment. This figure has not been thoroughly checked by the bookkeepers, but I expect that the final amount credited on this will be a slight bit in excess of the figure which I have indicated.

The question comes to my mind as to whether if you do carry over expenditures to the new year to offset the interest accrued to July 1st, but not paid, you will not necessarily have to continue this year by year. It would seem simpler accounting if you could figure only what interest is paid, but I can realize that in the case of this first half year it will be too difficult a problem. If you should figure on the basis of the interest accrued through June 30th of this year, and should assume for the next two or three years the flat amount of \$5000., you would be able then within three years to liquidate this accrued item, since the yearly interest as we figure it will be \$5415., somewhat in excess of the \$5000. figure.

There is of course one factor in the situation that should be pointed out, and that is that we did not receive these funds from Mr. James until February of this year, and hence one month of the six months had elapsed before we were able to even earn interest on the funds awaiting investment.

Yours very cordially,

Harold B. Belcher

Asst. Treasurer.

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July 6, 1926.

Mr. Eric M. North, Asst., Treas.,
180 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

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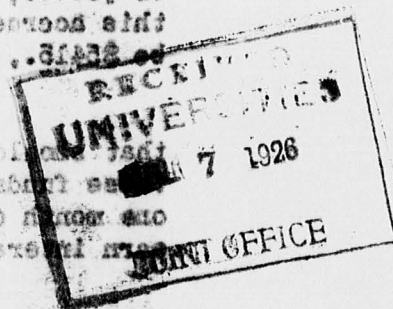
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There is of course one factor in the situation that should be pointed out, and that is that we did not receive the funds from Mr. James until February of this year, and hence one month of the six months had elapsed before we were able to even begin interest on the funds awaiting investment.

Yours very cordially,

Asst. Treasurer.



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January 13, 1928

President J. Leighton Stuart
Peking University
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New York City

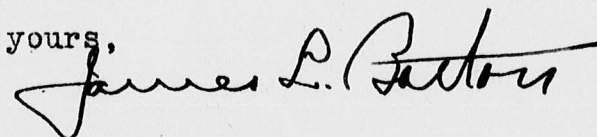
My dear President Stuart:

I believe the American Board has never officially taken action upon its responsibility of furnishing six American professors and teachers in the University, although we have counted six as our quota and have generally acted upon that basis. I am going to try to secure a definite vote of responsibility for six teachers.

We have discussed it this morning in the Foreign Department Council, and the question arises just where we stand at the present time. Mr. Bartlett is away and off the Board. Tewksbury's return, I understand, is somewhat doubtful at this writing. There is also the question of Dr. Lew's support. He was taken up by Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith, and money outside the Board's regular budget has been raised by Dr. Smith, but he is eager to have the whole matter taken by the Board. If the Board does take it, then this special money would not be given. It would mean an added salary on the budget of the Board. You raised the question the other day about Porter, as to whether he would not come on to the Institute Foundation.

I would like very much a brief statement from you just where the American Board obligations to the University in the way of definite teachers' salaries stand at this time.

Very faithfully yours,



James L. Barton

*Pls ask
letter
Dr. Stuart
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he gave a copy of this to Mr. Garfield

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American Bd.
Copy in my office

January 21, 1928.

Dear Dr. Barton,

On my return to the office, I find your letter inquiring about the quota of teachers now on the American Board. I appreciate your helpful letter, perhaps all the more because the Presbyterian Board has quite recently taken a contrary action on grounds which seem to me not at all creditable. I am enclosing a copy of their communication. When the three Boards all agreed on the quota of six, this action is an unfortunate violation that necessarily affects the other signatories. I venture to hope that favorable action by your Board may lead to reconsideration by the Presbyterians. I might add that the Methodist Board has also reduced its quota to four but as a temporary measure because of financial embarrassments.

This is more to me that a mere matter of income to the University, as serious even as this consideration is in the present state of our finances. It means a weakening of the direct financial influence of the mission boards in University affairs, and perhaps an effort, sooner or later, on the part of those in Peking, to reduce the share of the Boards in control. I feel strongly that from a more foresighted consideration of continued Christian action of a definite missionary type the Boards can well afford the original financial investment, and thus avoid provoking a challenge of their rights to exercise so large a share of control on the Board of Trustees, as well as on the local board of managers. Favorable action by the American Board may, therefore, recover a spiritual advantage which will more than offset the additional financial obligation.

To speak more in detail of the present personnel, we now have Drs. Galt, deVargas, Porter, and Lew. Mr. Twksbury is quite uncertain as to his future plans but he will certainly want to continue in this country for one or two years more of study; in which case, he could scarcely claim the support of the Board unless there were special considerations. I fear that Mr. Bartlett, because of family reasons, cannot return to China in the near future. I should, however, like to recommend Dr. and Mrs. S. D. Wilson now on our faculty. Mrs. Wilson was formerly Miss Anna Lane, a Congregationalist, sent out to China under the Women's Board to the Women's College. They are both active and earnest Christians. Their support might be secured from the leading

Copy given Mr. Garside

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Dr. Barton

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church in that denomination in Omaha where Miss Lane was a member and with which she still has good contacts. The sixth place might be filled by another Chinese and, if the Board decides favorably, I should be glad to make such a suggestion or to indicate one of our American teachers not yet specially provided for.

I might further add that if these suggestions have the endorsement of the Board, those of us who are now working in a special financial campaign would be glad to cooperate in endeavoring to secure support from special sources, thus benefiting alike the Board and the University.

I shall await further word from you with somewhat anxious interest.

Very sincerely yours,

Dr. James L. Barton,
American Board of Commissioners
for Foreign Missions
Boston, Massachusetts.

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Edw. L. Smith
January 25, 1928.

Dear Dr. Smith:

Your letter of December 19th has not been answered earlier chiefly because of uncertainty of my plans. It came when I was on a holiday trip in the South with my boy, since which time I have been traveling most of the time. Our plans to secure funds have been so slow in getting started that it seems imperative for me to continue here a month or two longer. I shall not leave for China, therefore, before some time in March at the earliest unless we have some very extraordinary good fortune. I shall certainly let you know of my movements as they become more definite.

Regarding Dr. Lew's salary, there seems to have been some misunderstanding. He has been receiving from the time of his first coming to us \$250 silver a month which would amount to \$3,000 a year or \$1500 gold. All others of his rank have been receiving \$300 a month, a total of \$1800 gold a year. He has definitely agreed to take no outside work on his return and feels that he will need the larger amount in consequence. I fully appreciate the difficulty you have experienced in securing this amount and want to thank you again for the fidelity with which you have continued to interest yourself in this important item of our program. If the American Board were to take Dr. Lew as one of their quota, this would be agreeable to us. I gather that they now have this matter under consideration. You will doubtless hear from them and I shall report any definite word that reaches me.

Meanwhile, with cordial regards to yourself

Sincerely yours,

Rev. Edward Lincoln Smith, D.D.
2520 Mount Baker Drive
Seattle, Washington.

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American Bd

copy in NY office

January 31, 1928.

Dear Mr. Chandler:

I am writing to inquire as to whether the American Board would be interested in including Harry Kingman and his wife on your quota for Yenching; perhaps on the half time basis. He is a valuable man and has a very real contribution to make to progressive thinking and broader relationships. On the other hand, he is not anxious to spend the most of his time in actual teaching but wants to be free for his study of tendencies among Government schools and other students, and the mutual interpretation of political and economic thought in China and the West, each to the other. I am not sure that this would be the best use of the American Board's assistance to Yenching. This would depend partly on the total number that you feel can be assigned to us. I thought, however, it would be worth while to bring the matter to your attention. Kingman should, if possible, be utilized in China. * ✓

It is practically certain that Donald Tewsbury will not care to be continued on the American Board's salary list for the next year or two. This means that we are ready to take up with you suggestions for others to fill the existing vacancies.

I had already written Dr. Barton about Dr. and Mrs. S.D. Wilson.

Very sincerely yours,

Rev. R. S. Chandler,
American Board,
14 Beacon Street,
Boston, Mass.

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February 1, 1928

President J. Leighton Stuart
Yenching University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

My dear Dr. Stuart:

Your letter of yesterday is just in. I want to say immediately that my own feeling is that Mr. Kingman ought certainly to be out in China and that he would be a very acceptable and valuable man in our American Board group. I agree that he has a positive and valuable contribution to make on many lines. Whether he can help in your specific work at Yenching is, of course, entirely for you to decide. My own thought would be that if you wish to secure him and his wife for your staff, the American Board ought certainly to send them, in the place, say, of the Tewksburys.

You will understand that this is a purely personal reaction. I will discuss the matter carefully with Dr. Barton and others here and let you know again shortly. I will, of course, discuss specifically the question of the American Board's total contribution to Yenching. I do not think that can be increased beyond six members of staff. I do think that it ought to be kept up to six.

Thank you for your letter with information which was received a few days back.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Chandler

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February 9, 1928

President J. Leighton Stuart
Yenching University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

My dear Dr. Stuart:

Dr. Barton is absent from Boston for a few days, but he passed over to me your letter of January 21 with the announcement of the Presbyterian Board that they will reduce their quota of support for Yenching. We have been discussing in our Foreign Department the whole matter of the American Board's responsibility. We have also talked about the new possibilities such as Dr. and Mrs. S. D. Wilson and the Kingmans.

A letter from Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith puts the whole matter of Timothy Lew's support upon us. He feels he cannot continue any longer to carry the burden of raising specials which have provided his support (though not fully). He asks the American Board to take over Dr. Lew. From the discussion today I can sense how difficult it will be to secure any increased financial support from the American Board. I personally should like to ask for it, but very likely it is not a good psychological time. And unless our receipts during the months left of our fiscal year (until the end of August) improve considerably, there would be little chance of getting an increase on the next fiscal year.

In the meantime we feel the strong claim that we have for carrying forward Dr. Lew and the appeal that he will have to certain individuals. I am asked to write you for some information. Sticking to the present financial support actually given by the Board to Yenching, it amounts to four and a half teachers (four families and one tutor's salary), but of these places one and a half are now vacant, namely, Tewksbury and Bartlett. Would Yenching desire to take over Dr. Lew for one of the vacancies? It would assure a certain

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stability which he has not had before, and I understand that the University has had to make up a good deal for his salary beyond the amount given by Dr. Smith and his friends.

A second question is, what would be the flat amount desired annually for support of the Lews? I may say that in his case, or that of other Chinese, we would not appoint them as missionaries of the Board. They would have status, of course, within the North China Kung Li Hui. We feel that a ranking as "missionaries" would not be of any particular value to him or other ^{Chinese} missionaries, while it would be in certain ways an embarrassment to us and to them. We should not wish to pay a salary and allowances to Dr. Lew in the way in which we would for missionaries. We should prefer to pay you annually a flat sum in accordance with your University scale. Please let us know the approximate sum that would be fair.

There would still be the half salary coming to you from the Board. Would you like this assigned to Mr. Kingman? I realize that this is leaving out the Wilsons entirely. I am discussing with you in this letter just the method of having the American Board continue "as we were". I shall consult with Dr. Barton further, and if there be any chance of it, I should like to see the Board go on to five and a half, or the full six.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Chandler

Robert E. Chandler

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American Board

February 11, 1928

Dear Mr. Chandler:

I have your letter of February 9th regarding the American Board quota on our staff.

I note that Dr. E. L. Smith feels that he cannot continue to maintain the salary of Dr. T. T. Lew. May I suggest that he be included as part of the quota of the American Board in the sense that his salary would be covered from that source, together with such local charges as would apply to missionaries and are provided for the Chinese on our staff as well. This should not include travelling and outfitting allowances but would include the usual regulations for hospital treatment. As I understand it, those at present supplied to us are Drs. Galt, Porter and de Vargas and with Lew this would mean four. Would it do if, for the coming fiscal year, beginning July 1st, the Board add Dr. and Mrs. S. D. Wilson, thus making a total of five? Additional names might be assigned to churches that for special reasons would increase their contributions; for instance, the Bridgeport church might substitute one of these names for Tewksbury. Such a decision would force us, I fear, to eliminate Harry Kingman. No reply has come to my inquiry but I doubt if we would feel justified in taking him on at our expense.

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. Robert E. Chandler,
American Board of Commissioners
for Foreign Missions
14 Beacon Street,
Boston, Mass.

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February 16, 1928

President J. Leighton Stuart
Yenching University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

My dear Dr. Stuart:

Our Prudential Committee this week voted to assume responsibility for the support of Dr. T. T. Lew and family in place of some missionary family previously carried; the new arrangement to commence September 1, 1928. I am not quoting the exact words of the vote; in fact, those will still need some revision. The matter was brought up a little hastily, and while there is full agreement on the main principle, we need to be more specific.

That is what I want to ask you about again now. Can you give us even approximately a flat sum which paid annually will carry the support of Dr. Lew and his family? We are wondering whether it would be possible to take on Dr. and Mrs. S. D. Wilson too. Any large increase in the funds appropriated by this Board will, I realize, be quite impossible, certainly not at this time. It might be considered along with the many other demands when we make up 1929 appropriations in October. But what will the flat sum for the Lews be? We have for some years been giving \$1,142 gold for a "tutor's" salary; this went in on the Bartletts while they were there. If the sum needed for the Lews is not a great deal larger than that, I think the Prudential Committee would gladly assume it. In that case there would still be the place of the Tewksburys to be filled, and Dr. and Mrs. Wilson would be very acceptable persons to put in there.

Please give me information and your suggestion about this so that we can make our action more complete and intelligent.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Chandler

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Rev. J. Leighton Stuart, D.D.
Yenching University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

My dear Dr. Stuart:

I am delighted to tell you that our Prudential Committee by its vote, amplified and confirmed on February 28, is meeting both of your last two requests. It will take the full support of Dr. T. T. Lew and will also carry the Wilsons. The formal vote passed was as follows:

VOTED, that the American Board assure the Trustees of Yenching University that beginning September 1, 1928 the American Board will take over the full responsibility for the support of Dr. T. T. Lew and family in Yenching University in lieu of the short term tutor for which we are at present responsible, and with the understanding that the amount involved will not exceed \$1800 per annum.

This means an increase of our financial support from the "tutor's salary" \$1148 to the Lew salary of \$1800. The case was clearly understood by the Committee and was cordially approved by them. I know that this will also be a great relief to Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith who has been carrying a rather heavy burden in the matter. We shall attempt to hold, as you suggest, the contributors who have been helping on Dr. Lew's support to continue their gifts.

We passed no explicit vote about Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Wilson, although it was mentioned in the Committee meeting that they are available, and that it is your desire to have them allocated as staff members, supported by the American Board in the place of the Tewksburys.

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REV. JLS--2.

There is no obstacle that I see to such appointment. I do not know the exact method of procedure. I suppose we should gather some sort of papers from them. They are now in Peking are they not? Please let me know whether the matter of their becoming missionaries of the American Board has been raised with them, or with him. Are they desirous of such allocation?

Possibly from your New York office some details about them could be sent us and save time. What is his exact name? Is it Stanley D. or Stanley W? Do they have more than one child? As soon as we hear from your office we shall send papers to them in the usual fashion and their appointment can be made without long delay.

I would that there were some means of sending out the Kingmans. I do not see that the American Board can do anything more at this point.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Chandler

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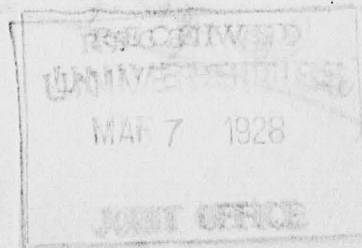
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Peking University

March 20, 1928

Mr. Harold B. Belcher,
Am. Bd. of Commissioners for For. Missions,
14 Beacon Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Belcher:

For some time our Peking office has been trying to clarify its records covering remittances received through the American Board toward the salary of Dr. T. T. Lew. I append a summary of these contributions since January 1, 1923 as they appear on our records. There are a number of questions which we are very anxious to have answered. We would sincerely appreciate your assistance.

1. Does this list of remittances totalling \$3250.00 include all the amounts sent us through the American Board to be applied to Dr. T. T. Lew's salary since January 1, 1923 (We have not included annual gifts of \$250.00 received from year to year from Mr. S. Woolverton)? If our list of contributions is not complete will you please supply omissions, giving dates, names of contributors and amounts?

2. We are anxious to secure the names of those who have made the different contributions. We understand that Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith has sent in \$250.00 each year. Who have been the donors of the other amounts? Our records show the names of only those who have paid during the last year.

3. To what fiscal years should the various contributions be applied? Our list shows the fiscal year during which the remittances were received but obviously the payments were not made at any definite period since certain years show considerably larger amounts than others. During the fiscal year 1922-23 we received \$250.00; during 1923-24, \$1250.00; during 1924-25, nothing; during 1925-26, \$500.00; during 1926-27, \$500.00; and during 1927-28, \$750.00. It has been my understanding that the amount expected for each fiscal year has been \$750.00. Perhaps the most logical distribution of these remittances on this assumption is the following:

Credit remittance of Apr. 11, 1923,	\$250.00	to the fiscal year 1922-3	
" " of July 24 & Aug. 16, 1923,	totalling \$750.	to fiscal year 1923-4	
" " Feb. 2/24 & " 11, 1925	" 750.	" " " 1924-5	
" " Aug. 28/25, July 12, 1926			
" " & Sept. 21, 1926	" 750.	" " " 1925-6	
" 3 remittances of Sept. 8, 1927	" 750.	" " " 1926-7	

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Mr.H.B.Belcher-2

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On this assumption \$750.00 would still be due for the current fiscal year 1927-28. Is this correct?

It may be, of course, that the contributions have followed the calendar year or the fiscal year of the American Board rather than the fiscal year of Yenching University so that it will be difficult to divide remittances according to our fiscal year.

Since the American Board generously consented on October 28th to consider Dr.T.T.Lew one of its regular quota on the Yenching University staff, beginning September 1, 1928, it is particularly important that we clear up these financial questions during the immediate future so that when he goes on the new basis of support in the fall these matters will not be still pending.

We apologize for asking you to look up all these questions for us, but feel that it is the only way we can clear up Dr.Lew's account.

Very sincerely yours,

J. H. Gammal

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AMERICAN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS
14 Beacon Street Boston, Mass.

March 20, 1928

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart
Yenching University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Dr. Stuart:

A letter today from Harry Kingman says that he has decided not to attempt the work at Yenching since it appears that a Britisher is especially wanted and he cannot qualify in that respect, nor does he have enough training to attempt to press in. He states: "In case Yenching needs additional staff for the year 1929-30, I shall hope to be considered for it."

Of course you know all about this. What is your desire about the action to be taken by the American Board? Do you want us to go back now to the support, and permanently, of Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Wilson? We should be ready to go into that, if you wish. It occurs to me, however, that you may wish to hold to the Kingmans and engage them for the fall of 1929. In that case you may still think it best that their connections at that time be with the American Board. We should like it very much, of course; and could be securing his papers and keeping in touch on the expectation that at that later time he would go as our missionary. In the meantime I suppose we might keep up our financial support of Yenching by paying down to you for 1928-29 some flat sum as for a missionary family on the staff, but not assigning it to any particular family.

With cordial regards,

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) Robert E. Chandler

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March 21, 1928.

Dear Mr. Chandler:

In view of Mr. Kingman's decision, I suggest that the American Board take over Dr. and Mrs. S. D. Wilson for the coming year. If, as I hope will be possible, Mr. and Mrs. Kingman join our staff after that, they can either be taken on the University budget or some fresh adjustment be made in the light of the situation at that time.

Trusting that this will be satisfactory, believe me,

Very sincerely yours

Mr. Robert H. Chandler
American Board
14 Beacon Street
Boston, Mass.

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HERBERT E. B. CASE

March 28, 1928

President J. Leighton Stuart
Yenching University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Dr. Stuart:

In view of the communications from Mr. Kingman and you, we are, of course, going ahead to take on Dr. and Mrs. Stanley D. Wilson as American Board missionaries. Our Prudential Committee voted yesterday that our Candidate Department be authorized to collect papers as needed with a view to their regular appointment as missionaries of the Board on the staff of the University. I am writing to Dr. and Mrs. Wilson at once.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Chandler
Robert E. Chandler

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Treasury Department

April 11, 1928.

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HARVEY L. MEEKEN,
PUBLISHING AND PURCHASING AGENT
EARLE E. WILLARD
DEPARTMENT ASSISTANT

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PEKING

Mr. B. A. Garside, Asst. Treas.,
Peking University,
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Garside:-

Your letter of March 20th was held until my return to this office for answer though in the meantime the facts in the case had been looked up in our records so that I have now before me a definite list of the gifts which we have received specially designated toward the support of Dr. Timothy Lew, and the amounts which we have handed over to Peking University on this account.

I am very much chagrined to find that through the non-functioning of some of our accounting machinery there have been five gifts of \$250. each, which were not promptly remitted to your office. They are as follows:

July 11, 1924	From friends thru E. L. Smith	\$250.
Aug. 18th	E. L. Smith	250.
March 25, 1926	Louise C. Hazen	250.
May 1, 1926	E. L. Smith	250.
Aug. 18/24	From friend thru E.L.Smith	<u>250.</u>

I am, therefore, enclosing check to the order of the Trustees of Peking University for \$1,250. in settlement of these items, and want to express my regrets that the matter had to await your questioning before it was brought to our attention.

Your second question asks concerning the names of the donors. It is not possible to give them all since some of them were sent through Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith and he did not state who the original donors were. The only ones appearing on our records are: Mr. Arthur Perry, 31 Milk St., Boston, Rev. Edward Lincoln Smith, Seattle, Washington, and Miss Louise C. Hazen, 120 East 85th St., New York. I am not sure whether Mr. Woolverton may have sent his gift in.

Your third question asks concerning the different fiscal years on which these are to be applied. I am afraid that it is not possible to indicate these definitely. Mr. Smith wrote in 1923 that Mr. Perry's payment, his own,

and one of Miss Hazen through him, together with \$250. sent

cl for \$1250. enc.

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Mr. B. A. Garside--2

by Mr. Woolverton made a total of \$1,000. for the calendar year 1923, but later remittances do not indicate definitely the calendar year on which they were to apply.

As you know, the obligation of the American Board in this regard has been only to pass on what gifts have come to us and we have not been responsible for the soliciting of these gifts. Beginning September 1st I understand clearly that we are responsible for \$1,800. per year on Dr. Lew's support taking the place of the amount which we had up to this last year contributed toward the support of the short term tutor.

If I have not been clear or specific enough in these answers please let me know and I will try and carry out any further investigation that may be desirable.

Yours very cordially,

Harold B. Behr

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Asst. Treasurer.

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Mr. B. A. Garfield--2

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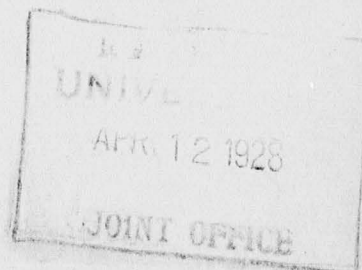
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Yours very cordially,

Harold M. Bickel

Asst. Treasurer.

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Smith, Rev. Edward L.
Seattle, Wash.

April 12, 1928

\$1250.00

Gift received	4-12-28 thru the American Board from Rev. Smith
Receipt slip #	1893 To Amer. Bd.
Entered on control record	✓
" " acct. card	✓
" " contr. list	✓
Serial No. on L. and card	S-143 ✓
Pledge signal attached	✓
X-file cards	✓
Letter ack. sent	4-18-28 by BQ G
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" " class card	✓
" " stencil	✓

and others toward salary
of Dr. T. T. Lew

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Rev. Edward Lincoln Smith
2520 Mount Baker Drive
Seattle

April 17, 1925.

Dr. E. M. North,
Sec. Peking University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City.

Dear Eric:

I am sending you today \$3,000 to apply on Seattle House,
a residence in Peking University for Professor T. T. Lew. This is given
by:

\$1,000	L. J. Coleman
300	Mrs. W. H. McEwan
500	R. H. Parsons
350	David Whitcomb
12	Trinity Church women
<u>838</u>	Edward Lincoln Smith

The balance of pledge, \$4,000, will be sent to you whenever
I am assured the house is being built and the remaining \$4,000 actually
needed to meet cost of construction. But I have to take it out of capital
where it is now drawing interest and do not wish to do this until actual
need arises. And Dr. Stuart informs me now that the house has not been
begun.

If I am able to obtain any further donations, that will
release me that much, but no others are in sight at present.

In handing me his check for \$350. Mr. Whitcomb informed me
that it paid that much toward this house and cancelled a pledge he had
made to the University for \$100. So please do not ask him for that again.

I am sending you, herewith, all that I have been able to
secure - \$350 from Mr. Whitcomb in his own church, and my church for
\$2,650, which covers items as reported above. The entire pledge was
for \$7,000 which sum I guarantee you as needed for this house.

We had a pleasant tho brief visit from Dr. Stuart and I shall
hope to see him again on his return.

Please give my warm regards to your father and mother and to
your own little family.

Very sincerely yours

(Signed)

Edw. Lincoln Smith

Note: Checks for \$350 and \$2650 enc.

\$7000
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full

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Edw. L. Smith

Peking University

April 18, 1928

Mr. Harold B. Belcher,
Assistant Treasurer,
American Board of Commissioners for
Foreign Missions,
14 Beacon St., Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Belcher:

We are very grateful to you for your letter of April 11th and its enclosed check for \$1,250.00, representing remittances received by the American Board in 1924 and 1926 on behalf of the salary account of Dr. T. T. Lew. The receipt of this money will make it possible for us to finally clear off some long standing deficits on our Yenching accounts.

We very much appreciate your trouble in ferreting out this matter for us and supplying us the detailed information you give.

I suppose that it is impossible to ascertain either from your accounts or our Peking records whether any further payments are due on Dr. Lew's salary account before the time of his full support being assumed by the American Board on September 1, 1928. If any such payments do come I am sure you will forward them to us with suitable information regarding the names of the donors.

Very sincerely yours,

B. A. David

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Receipt # 1893 enclosed

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PEKING

April 27, 1928

My dear Mr. Belcher:

Mr. Garside has handed to me for our campaign records a copy of your letter to him of April 11th and of his letter to you of the 18th. In checking up the various items of \$250 each which are covered by the remittance of \$1250 just received, I find that there has been considerably less received for the calendar years 1925, 1927 and 1928 than for the other years since Dr. Lew's support was undertaken by Rev. Edward Lincoln Smith and others. I have discussed the matter with Dr. Stuart who asks that I follow it up with you before writing to Dr. Smith.

Perhaps it would be well to give you our record as it now stands. A copy is therefore enclosed. You will note that Mr. Woolverton has paid his share regularly each year direct to this office.

In deciding whether or not payments for each calendar year are complete, I have referred to Rev. Smith's letter of Jan. 25, 1923, enclosing "\$250 on account of the first payment on Dr. Lew's salary for 1923." From other correspondence it seems that he has always had in mind the calendar year and not the fiscal year, so it makes it rather confusing to know just what periods are covered. I also find in going through our files that Mr. Moss, who was then our secretary, wrote to Dr. Barton that he had had word from Dr. Smith stating that the arrangement had been made by the American Board whereby the \$1500 which he had hitherto been responsible for in connection with the support of Professor T. T. Lew was henceforth to come through the American Board.

I wonder if, with this additional data, you might be able to trace other payments which it seems likely Dr. Smith made during the years mentioned above. We should be most grateful for any further help you can give.

Very sincerely yours,

Office Secretary

Mr. Harold B. Belcher, Asst. Treas.
American Board of Commissioners
for Foreign Missions
14 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.

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April 27, 1928

Payments on Dr. T. T. Low's Salary to date

<u>Calendar Year</u>	<u>Payment Received</u> (from American Board)	<u>Amount Received</u>			
1923	4-13-23	\$250			
	7-24-23	250			
	8-16-23	500			
	(from Mr. Woolverton)				
	12-27-22	250			
			Total	\$1000	
			"	250	\$1250
1924	(from American Board)				
	2-7-24 [7-11-24]	500			
	4-12-23	250			
	4-12-23 [8-18-24]	250			
	(from Mr. Woolverton)				
	12-27-23	250			
			Total	1000	
			"	250	\$1250
1925 [8-18-24]	(from American Board)				
	4-12-23	250			
	8-12-23	250			
	8-29-23	250			
	(from Mr. Woolverton)				
	12-17-24	250			
			Total	750	
			"	250	\$1000
1926 [3-25-26]	(from American Board)				
	4-12-23 [5-1-26]	250			
	4-12-23	250			
	7-12-23	250			
	9-21-23	250			
	(From Mr. Woolverton)				
	1-7-26	250			
			Total	1000	
			"	250	\$1250
1927	(from American Board)				
	9-8-27	750			
	(from Mr. Woolverton)				
	12-9-26	250			
			Total	750	
			"	250	\$1000
1928	(from Mr. Woolverton)				
	12-12-27	250			
			Total	250	\$ 250

NOTE: Dates in red show when amounts were paid to the American Board

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HERBERT E. B. CASE

April 28, 1928

President J. Leighton Stuart
Yenching University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Dr. Stuart:

It occurs to me to write you suggesting two names of men who might be possible recruits for your staff in Yenching. One is Mr. Arthur W. March who has recently written to us. He is from Hangchow and I think you know all about him. He has been under the Northern Presbyterian Board, but they are unable to send him back. He has taught biology, astronomy, Bible, religious education, elementary psychology and English. He has concentrated more and more on zoology lately and is now working at the University of California for a Ph.D. degree with major in protozoology and minor in entomology. I wonder whether you would have an opening for him in Yenching within the next few years. Mr. March speaks of some theological difficulties with members of his Mission and also about a certain unchangeableness there in regard to devolution. He thinks he might be more at home in North China. ✓

On the financial side there is no prospect of the American Board supporting more staff in the University than at present. With the carrying of four missionary families and full support of Dr. Lew beside, we have done all we can for 1928.

The other man I have in mind will not be available for two years, but I consider him exceptionally valuable and one who ought to be sent to China if possible. He is Mr. John Barrow, now studying for a Ph.D. at Yale. His major subject is philosophy and the psychology of religion. He has had ten years' experience in China, being a teacher in Canton Christian College and at one time Acting Principal of the Middle School there. He acquired a fairly good knowledge of the language and also of written character. He feels, however, that it would be an unwise delay for him to attempt

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to acquire northern Mandarin sufficiently to teach (if he should go out again), but should look to doing his teaching in English. He may be mistaken in this. I think he would be a valuable man for Cheeloo in their depletion of staff.

Mr. Barrow married Miss Ethel Gulick of our Japan Mission, daughter of Dr. Sidney Gulick, and that is another asset in the family. Mrs. Chandler and I have seen a good deal of them both and think that their spirit and attitude towards the Chinese is very fine. Mr. Barrow is a man of nearly forty, I should judge. Mrs. Barrow may be nearer to thirty.

If there were to be a clear opening for his work two years hence, I am sure that the American Board would like very much to add them to its force.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert E. Chandler

Robert E. Chandler

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S. EMMA KEITH, ASSISTANT TREASURER

Treasury Department

May 7, 1928.

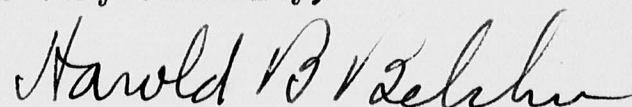
HARVEY L. MEEKEN,
PUBLISHING AND PURCHASING AGENT
EARLE E. WILLARD
DEPARTMENT ASSISTANTTrustees of Yenching University,
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.Gentlemen:- Attention Miss Louise McCoy

Your letter of April 27th enclosing statement of your record of the gifts toward the support of Dr. Lew has been received. As I stated in my letter to Mr. Garside it is difficult for us to indicate definitely the years on which the different remittances apply, and in some cases we have no indication as to who the donor is, the money simply coming from Dr. Smith with the request that it be passed on to be applied on the salary of Dr. Lew.

I do find that we have seemed to have record of forwarding on April 23, 1924 an item of \$250. which had been received by us from Dr. Smith, which does not seem to be in your list. This comes just between the item on your list as Feb. 7, 1924 and the three items which were overlooked, and remittances for which we have just sent you. Can you look this up and let me know if you have record of this remittance. If this is clear it would straighten out the gifts for 1925 making that total the same as the two previous years and the year following.

As for 1927 we have only received the three gifts which you received Sept. 8th and on 1928 there have been no amounts received as yet. I am afraid that this is all of the information which I can give you on this matter from our records here. If in correspondence with Dr. Smith you do find that he has record of other gifts which we do not seem to have accounted for I will be very glad to follow up any particular items.

Yours very cordially,



Asst. Treasurer.

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Treasury Department

May 7, 1928.

Trustees of Yenching University,
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

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Yours very cordially,

Asst. Treasurer.



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May 15, 1924

Reverend Edward Lincoln Smith
2520 Mt. Baker Drive
Seattle, Washington

Dear Dr. Smith:

A note from President Stuart tells me of your very generous statement to him and to Dr. Luce that you would assume the responsibility to secure a residence for one of the professors at Peking University.

This is just a note from me to tell you of our desire to cooperate in any way we can here to help you. Also that I shall be especially glad to have the names of any persons to whom you desire us to send the "Peking News".

I expect to be out on the Pacific Coast some time next fall and shall look forward to seeing you personally then.

Sincerely yours

Lewis
Executive Secretary

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Edw. L. Smith

May 29, 1928

My dear Mr. Belcher:

Thank you very much for your letter of May 7th giving us an additional finding in connection with the payments on Dr. T. T. Lew's salary. This date of April 23, 1924, enabled us to locate the item in our cash book and we now are able to check receipts covering complete payments for the years 1923, 1924, 1925, and 1926. Record of payments for 1927 are complete with the exception of \$250, but 1928 is still unpaid. However, we presume that Dr. Smith is expecting 1928 to be taken care of by the Board.

Please let me thank you again for all the trouble you have taken.

Very sincerely yours,

Office Secretary

Mr. Harold B. Belcher, Asst. Treas.,
American Board for Foreign Missions
14 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.

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AMERICAN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
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June 22, 1928

Mr. B. A. Garside, Sec'y,
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Garside:-

In our recent correspondence regarding
the support of Dr. Timothy T. Lew I stated that I knew of
no further gifts which would be coming from the individuals
who had previously been contributing toward his support.
We have, however, just received from Mr. Arthur Perry check
for \$250. which I think should apply on Dr. Lew's support
for 1928 up to September 1st, when the new agreement goes
into effect.

I am, therefore, enclosing check to your
order on the Old Colony Trust Co., Boston, for this amount.

Yours very cordially

(Signed) HAROLD B. BELCHER.

Asst. Treasurer.

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AMERICAN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

August 16, 1928

Mr. B. A. Garside, Assistant Treasurer
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City

Dear Mr. Garside:

I believe the understanding is clear
concerning our relations to the support of Dr. T.T. Lew. X ✓

The Board takes responsibility for the
amount of \$1800. per year beginning September, 1928.
We hope, of course, that individuals who have previously
shared in his support will continue their gifts before
the Board, but we take the full responsibility.

Prior to that date his support depends
upon the gifts which the various friends have been raising.
We have just received from Dr. E. L. Smith a check for \$250
on this account. It seems clear that this is intended to
| apply on the period prior to September 1 and I am therefore
inclosing check to the order of the Trustees of Peking
University on the Old Colony Trust Co., Boston for \$250. X ✓

Yours very truly,

(Signed) HAROLD B. BELCHER.
Assistant Treasurer

ELP
Inc.-Check.

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Am. Bd. of Comm. for
Foreign Missions

Peking University

August 20, 1928

Mr. Harold B. Belcher,
14 Beacon Street,
Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Belcher:

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We are grateful to you for your letter of August 16th with its attached check for \$250.00, representing a contribution from Dr. E. L. Smith toward the salary of T. T. Lew at Peking University. We are entering this, as you suggest, as a contribution toward Dr. T. T. Lew's salary prior to the time that his full support is to be assumed, as of September first, by the American Board.

I am attaching hereto our Campaign Office receipt for this remittance, which you may possibly wish to pass on to Dr. Smith.

I presume that any further contributions received by the American Board for Dr. Lew's support will be retained by your office as applicable to the \$1800.00 per year which you will be contributing toward Dr. Lew's salary. We certainly hope that all the friends who have contributed toward Dr. Lew's salary under the present arrangement will continue sending their gifts to the American Board under the new arrangement. If our office here can assist at any time in maintaining the interest of these friends I hope you will feel free to call on us.

Thanking you for the care you have given to these remittances for Dr. Lew in the past, I am

Very sincerely yours,

BAG
Assistant Treasurer
Peking University.

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Enc.

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YENCHING UNIVERSITY

(Incorporated 1889 as Peking University)

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November 16, 1928

Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith,
2520 Mount Baker Drive,
Seattle, Washington.

My dear Dr. Smith:

As a contributor to the Yenching University (formerly called Peking University) you will be interested in the plans for the dedication of the new plant the first week in October, 1929.

In consultation with President Stuart, this date has been determined upon as the time of the formal dedication. It should be regarded with more than passing interest. For ten years we have been working toward this day when we would have a new and suitably equipped plant to carry on what has now become one of the finest universities in the Far East. We hope many friends of the University will join with us in celebrating this event. Already several friends have signified their intention of making a trip to China in 1929, their principal objective being the dedication of the University.

As you have been a generous donor, and have assisted in making possible the building of this University, we write you in the hope that you may be able to be with us in Peking during the first week of October, 1929, for the dedication.

May we have word from you - we trust a hopeful word; and in your response will you please advise, if possible:

- (a) Will you consider arranging to attend the exercises at the time designated?
- (b) Would you be interested in going with other friends, as a "party," or would you prefer to go at your own convenience?
- (c) Can we be of any service in the matter of reservations, or in any other way?

We appreciate it is a long time to October, 1929, but it is necessary to begin making plans now in order to get the necessary steamer accommodations and advise Dr. Stuart what arrangements he should make there for our accommodation. We stand ready to serve you and assist in any way possible, and hope you can plan to go.

Awaiting your reply,

Sincerely yours,

E. M. MCBRIER, Chairman
FRANKLIN H. WARNER
O. D. WANNAMAKER

Per Em McBrier

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My dear Mr. McBrier: I am exceedingly
interested and should like to put
down the possibility. The thought of
crossing the Pacific again is not
attractive & my engagements here
as Pastor of a Church & Member
of School Board will make it
difficult to be away so long.

I was in Peking for the first series
of the United body of students &
faculties of the University ^{in 1918} & should
like to be with you in Oct but —

Thank you for the suggestion. Will
keep it in mind & open —

Edw Lincoln Smith.

Nov. 28. 1928.

December 19, 1928

My dear Dr. Smith:

You are extremely generous to offer \$500 in case it should be necessary to complete the Yenching campaign. The utmost effort we could possibly make in every way, through personal solicitation, letters, and at the last moment a large number of telegrams, brought in a total just the least bit in excess of the amount set as our goal. The surplus recorded above \$500,000 is only \$229.00, not including your offer.

I wanted to report to Mr. and Mrs. Boyd a surplus of fully \$10,000. The general expectation in the case of a campaign of this nature where most of the money is pledged over a period of several years is that there will be a shrinkage ranging from one to five per cent - that is a loss of from \$5,000 to \$25,000 of the whole \$500,000 pledged. I have felt, therefore, very uncomfortable in having to report to Mr. Boyd this morning in a preliminary statement this scanty margin of \$229.00. The condition on which the \$90,000 gift was pledged was that the sum pledged would be paid in instalments in proportion to the actual payments made on all the other pledges in the campaign, so that whatever percentage is lost in the collection of other pledges will be reflected also in this \$90,000 pledge.

It so happens that the mail for the last day or two has brought in three or four offers just like your own - a total of \$3,500 if absolutely necessary to complete the campaign. I am writing to each of these friends quite candidly that their gifts will not be absolutely necessary, technically speaking, to complete the campaign. I am asking each of them, however, whether we may not include this additional margin to take up some of the shrinkage we must expect in collection.

We shall be grateful if you find it possible to respond favorably to this request. If not, please be assured that we appreciate all that you have already done for Yenching.

Sincerely yours,

O. D. WANNAMAKER
Assistant to the President

Dr. Edward L. Smith
2520 Mount Baker Drive
Seattle, Washington

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2520 MT. BAKER DRIVE
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Jul. 3. 1929.

Dear Mr. Warmamaker,

Your letter of Dec. 19. 28
has been received. I congratulate you on
the successful completion of your Cam-
paign without the aid of my pledge.
Since it was not needed to secure
the fund you were so anxious about.
Will you please return it to me or let
me know that you have destroyed it.
My purpose was to help you from the
tragic loss of the \$90,000 if necessary but
I did not & do not now feel able
to contribute to the fund ~~now~~. Sorry
not to meet your wishes in this matter
but each man must judge for himself.
Yours very truly

Edw. Lincoln Smith.

Mr. O. D. Warmamaker
150- 5th Ave.
N.Y. City.

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January 5, 1929

Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith,
2520 Mt. Baker Drive,
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Dr. Smith:

I am putting you on the list of "possible delegates" to the dedication of Yenching University, and when you receive the next communication, which will have to do with possible itineraries and costs, you will understand it in the light of this letter.

In your reply you intimated that you wished it might be possible for you to be present, and I thought it might be the best way to put you "on the list" in the hope that you will find it possible to go.

As matters develop with you kindly let me know. It probably will not be necessary for you to make your decision much before May 1st, but I deemed it advisable to write you now and give you every opportunity to go, if you can arrange it. We would be delighted to have you with us.

Sincerely yours,

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January 22, 1929

Dear Dr. Smith:

I think you are very good-natured in regard to your conditional pledge. Please consider this letter of mine as definite cancellation of that conditional pledge. Since we do not have any regular pledge card from you, I have nothing of that nature to return. Be assured that our files will indicate beyond mistake that no pledge is held from you.

Meanwhile, we shall be grateful if you find it possible to continue your generous contribution of \$250 a year to the budget of Dr. T. T. Lew.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant to the President

Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith
2520 Mount Baker Drive
Seattle, Washington

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February 5, 1929.

Rev. Edward Lincoln Smith, D.D.,
2520 Mount Baker Drive,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Dr. Smith:

I am writing to you about a rather embarrassing bit of good fortune in dealing with which I feel sure we can count on your interest in the general welfare of our institution. Timothy Lew met a Mrs. Blair in Chicago during his recent stay in America who was first attracted to him by hearing him preach, and later on made a rather generous contribution to several objects in Yenching which he suggested. News has just come of her gift of a residence for him, this being the result of special efforts to conclude successfully before December 31 our recent financial drive, upon which were conditioned the securing of one or two substantial contributions. You will probably recall that the house secured through your generosity for Timothy was temporarily placed at the disposal of Dr. T.C. Chao, his close friend and the present Dean of our School of Religion. There were certain domestic reasons for this which Timothy has doubtless explained to you, which combined with his own departure for America seemed to make this a fitting use of the house. On his return this summer he and his wife were willing to go temporarily into another house rather than disturb the Chao's who had become quite comfortably settled. Mrs. Blair's gift while coming as a complete surprise can really be of decided advantage to Timothy. Your house was placed in what we call the East Compound and the walk from there to our campus would be quite fatiguing to Timothy and the time and strength involved would seriously interfere with his usefulness. We have

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a lot available for him in our South Compound which is much nearer. He would probably design the house somewhat differently also in view of the special requirements due to the presence of his mother and other family issues provision for which means much for his peace of mind. If you are willing, therefore, to let your residence go to Dr. Chao and allow us to accept the gift from Mrs. Blain, it will be that much of a gain to the University at a time when the most acute problem pressing upon us is the housing of our faculty, and will also enable Timothy to live more comfortably than according to the original plan. Will you be good enough on receipt of this letter to send your answer to Mr. O.D. Wannamaker of our New York office, who has been in charge of the recent campaign and is now in charge of our promotional work.

I am happy to report that the University is progressing quietly without any special developments but with steady growth and with many encouraging prospects.

With cordial regards to Mrs. Smith,

Very sincerely yours,

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2520 MT. BAKER DRIVE
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

March 1, 1929

Mr. O. D. Wannamaker
150 Fifth Ave., New York City

Dear Mr. Wannamaker:

Of course I am glad to consent to the remaining of Dr. Chao in Seattle House and the transfer of Timothy Lew to a new house to be built for him by Mrs. Blair of Chicago. That is so manifestly for the good of Timothy and the University that I am glad to speed the plan.

I have written President Stuart to this effect in reply to his letter of Feb. 5.

Yours most truly,

Edward Lincoln Smith

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March 5, 1929

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Dear Dr. Smith:

A copy of Dr. Stuart's letter to you dated February 5th has just come to my hands. May I venture to add a word to what Dr. Stuart has said to you regarding Mrs. Blair.

In spite of the fact that Mrs. Blair's interest in Yenching was aroused primarily through her hearing Dr. T. T. Lew and her interest therefore became of a very personal character, still the little embarrassment existing because of the fact that her pledge for a residence was associated by her with the name of Dr. Lew might have been avoided if the representative of Yenching dealing with Mrs. Blair had been familiar with the situation. Dr. Jenney, who has taken over that part of Dr. Luce's work consisting in the solicitation of funds, is a new man and could not be expected to know such details as the fact that Dr. Lew already had a residence especially designated for him. We regret that this confusion arose.

On the other hand, it is of great importance to conserve the interest of Mrs. Blair. Since she is an elderly woman, it might be very difficult to shift her interest to some other aspect of the University's problems. If, however, her interest in Dr. Lew can be cultivated, there seems to be considerable reason to hope that we might secure from her a large donation for the endowment of some part of the School of Religion or something else associated in her mind with the work of Dr. Lew. If we do not secure such a pledge or gift, it may be that she will mention us in her will.

Please accept our renewed thanks for all your help to the University.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant to the President

Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith
2520 Mt. Baker Drive
Seattle, Washington

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Extract from letter to Dr. E. W. Wallace from Mr. R. E. Chandler,
dated March 13, 1929.

TRANSFER

"I am glad to report to you that we secured yesterday a vote of the Prudential Committee in support of the correlated program in China, in terms similar to the vote taken by the Methodist Board. There was no hesitation at all about this. I think the American Board will be strong for the general program all through. The vote taken was as follows:

"That the American Board express general approval of the proposal to coordinate more closely the Christian Colleges in China; formal consideration of the particulars of the Correlated Program - especially as they relate to Yenching University, Cheeloo University, and Fukien Christian University, in which the Board is participating - to be given after they have been considered further by the College Boards in China and in the home lands. When the proper time has arrived for financing the forward movement for a Correlated Program for Christian Higher Education in China, the Board would favor a united financial appeal.

"Will you please report this to Mr. Garside or any one else of the Committee in New York who should know.

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