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Wang Chih-yi 1941
Wang Jun-chuan + Chen Chi-lan
1939-1944

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Lives
Peking
Lake George
Peking

June 15, 1924

Mr. W. E. Walton
"Glenburnie", Lake George
N. Y.

Dear Mr. Walton:

By the time that you receive this I shall be in Peking. I hope you have been keeping in touch with the development of our work in Peking University. The work has gone forward hopefully but as yet we have insufficient funds to make possible the removal to the new site.

Knowing your deep interest in these things, I am wondering whether you would not like to take a part with us in this work, hoping that as you meditate on the part in the great world-wide work of the extension of Christianity, you will feel that few things could be more worthwhile than to cooperate at this time, in raising up leaders in the great land of China at this crucial time.

I enclose a statement made by Chinese leaders as to their view of the meaning of Christianity. I am sure you will be delighted in reading it over. We have already raised up a few such leaders of this type.

Mrs. Luce and I are to stay in Peking this summer, and you may be sure that very often our hearts will be wandering to Glenburnie as we think of you enjoying one of the most beautiful spots we ever have know or enjoyed.

With warm personal regards, believe me

Very sincerely yours

HWL:S

WM. E. WALTON, PRESIDENT
E. B. WALTON, V. PRES. & TREAS.
H. L. MESSNER, SECRETARY

GLENBURNIE COMPANY, Inc.
GLENBURNIE-ON-LAKE GEORGE
NEW YORK

June 26th 1924

H. W. Luce Vice Pres.
Peking University. China

My dear Dr. Luce.

Ever since first meeting with you, I became interested in the good work in which you are engaged and have wanted to include it in the benevolences in which I am helping, and while I greatly dislike making excuses or explanations, yet feel with the acquaintance I made with you during your visit to Glenburnie that I should frankly confide and tell you that for the past few years I have had so many drains upon my limited income, having felt obliged to help a number of unfortunate relatives and friends so that I have had to deny many impulses to help more liberally in the general uplift of World conditions but want to atleast supply the "widows mite" and tell you this that you may understand the very small check I am enclosing for I do so want to have some part in the noble work you are carrying on, and so wish I were able to make a worth while contribution, but am sure if you knew the actual situation you would not expect it.

Am so glad you remember Glenburnie so pleasantly, and it is surely a beautiful Resort. The recent rains have freshened up all nature & our meadows are very beautiful. We are so glad to have Mr MacArthur's family with us again and also their friends Mr. Vales & Mr Hoods.

Hoping that some time you and your family will feel inclined to join our little group of summer residents. And wishing you Godspeed in your work I am sincerely your Friend

Wm E. Walton

xTo Court Reid

July 7, 1924

William E. Walton
Glenburnie-on-Lake George
New York

My dear Mr. Walton:

Your delightful letter to Dr. Luce, under date of June 26, together with your check for $10.00 for Peking University, came into the office during my absence a few days ago.

Dr. Luce has returned to China to cooperate with President Stuart in the very heavy work of this year, in preparing the new campus for occupancy in the fall of 1925.

Your letter contains so many personal references to the delights of Glenburnie that I know Dr. Luce will want to have the pleasure of reading this himself and writing you about it. I am, therefore, sending this on to him at Peking, and sending this note to you that you may know of our appreciation of your help for the University.

Sincerely yours

Executive Secretary

December 23, 1925

Mr. William B. Walton
West Palm Beach
Florida

Dear Mr. Walton:

We are very grateful for your check for $5.00 toward the present imperative need of the University.

We have just received cabled word from President Stuart in which he tells us that we need have no concern over the safety of our personnel or property. This is very reassuring in view of the fighting between General Feng and his enemies during the past two weeks.

Replied to this letter of Oct. 28, 1925 - Gave -

Very sincerely yours

July 19, 1927

Mr. W. E. Walton
Glenburnie, Lake George
New York

Dear Mr. Walton:

When last I wrote you I was on my way to Peking and since then I have returned owing to the needs of our University, and last October our Executive Secretary suddenly died and now it looks as if I would have to stay here some time.

I am reminded that this is the season you are probably at beautiful Glenburnie and enjoying all that your hand has created so wonderfully and through so many years. I enclose a copy of our last Peking News as I think you may be interested in it as possibly (because of your changing address) it may not have reached you. Yenching University (as we now call it) has come through the academic year in fine shape owing partly to our fine geographical location and in part to the admirable way in which my colleagues out there have managed it in these troublous times. The University has been the only one to keep faculty and students intact during the year and we had a cable in June saying that the University year had closed successfully. What the immediate future holds, no one can tell but there is quite as good a chance that the difficulties will be ironed out and September will find things peaceful as that the opposite may happen but we who like yourself, look at the deeper currents and the larger movement of the Kingdom of God throughout the world know that it is irresistible but in the thirty years that I have known China at close range, after every one of these upheavals the Christian movement has always come forward with greater power than ever. I see no reason to think otherwise that, at least in this respect, "history will repeat itself."

I have never known a period equal to the last year when people everywhere in my journey from coast to coast were so eager to hear about China and so unwilling to help China. This can be psychologically explained of course but it is a very illogical position to take for one who is really interested in the advancement of the Kingdom of God. I am inclined to think that long before we are ready for it we shall be faced with one of the greatest opportunities in China the Church ever had in all its history.

I know you readily see that at such a time as this, the work of such a University as Yenching is of paramount importance. I am always embarrassed in the double relationship I have with my friends. Where the utmost friendly feeling prevails there is yet the desire on my part that they have the pleasure and joy of cooperating in the task developing there at Peking. I do not know whether you would feel, at this critical and urgent time, you could cooperate with us at all but I do not doubt for a moment that you see clearly the bearing of this work and that you in heart really have the deepest desire for its progress. Sometime I hope I may have the pleasure of sitting down with you and talking over things spiritual. Since I saw you last I have had some of the deepest and finest experiences of my life and it would do me good at least to talk them over with you and add to them out of your more rich experience in these things most worth while. In the best of bonds,

Sincerely yours,

HHL/ES Enc.

P.O. Box 735 Chautauqua N.Y. July 25th 1927

My dear Mr. Luce I need not tell you how glad I was to get your letter that was forwarded to me here from Glenburnie, as you may be interested to hear that we rented our home there for the Summer and are spending same in the congenial atmosphere of Chautauqua. I note with great interest what you say about the work in China, and realize that it would be presumptious for me with my limited knowledge of actual conditions there, to take issue with one whose opinion I so respect as I do yours, but there are many things in connection with China that are puzzling me so at this time, that before shifting the philanthropic work I try to do each year, I want to better acquaint myself regarding them.

A few Months ago I met with a Missionary just returned from China, who had been in the work there for over twenty five years, and after hearing his account of conditions there and of his School work, how for instance a little Girl, whose Father a Mandarin, stipulated when he placed her in the School, that he wanted her Educated but did not want her to receive any religious instruction, as they were satisfied with their own, and they accepted the Child on those conditions, and later when the Child was converted her home life was made cruelly unbearable, etc I have tried to keep posted regarding this Nationalistic uprising in China that seems to be spreading, and will no

doubt ultimately govern the Empire, as it seems to me it will more nearly meet the requirements of their whole people, not perhaps in its present form, but all indications point to the fact that China will no longer submit to foreign dictation, and I dont blame them, for have long felt that these Foreign Concessions were most unjust to China, and are directly at variance with the "Golden Rule." I have great respect for the Chinese people, and am not much surprised at the present uprising, and demands. and as I see it, it would be greatly to the future good of Christian work in China for foreigners to promptly concede to their demands and withdraw from their Country, and let them settle their own differences.
Communism is contrary to the spirit of the Chinese, and we need not fear I think of its ever getting much of a hold on the people. Communism only thrives in discontent, and when the crisis is reached and the Masses are satisfied, for the Chinese are easily satisfied then the Russian will have to pull out, and if they yield now they the Christians will be invited back and the cause greatly prospered, but the time has gone forever is my belief, when the Chinese will ever again submit to foreign dictation in educational or other affairs in their own country and who can blame them for this. I sympathise with them in their desire to end present conditions, that is if I rightly understand the situation in China, and I

have tried very hard to get an impartial view of the situation, and not be prejudiced either way. I have met with so many educated Chinese and have received such a favorable impression of Chinese Character that I have for some time been convinced that if they were thrown on their own resources they would rise to the occasion and solve their own problems, and as their Govt will hereafter control all Educational Institutions I fail to comprehend how you can long continue control over your University, but there are so many things in connection with conditions that I donot understand, that I am poorly qualified to judge. I certainly want to be fair and reasonable but as I see it, I am wanting to see present work suspended, and believe that by acceding to their demands now, will when good Govt is established there they will invite Christian workers to return

and the Cause then improved. We are not wanted in China at the present time, and the powers that be do not appreciate Missionary endeavor, and why not concede their demands, for as I see it we should command this endeavor on their part to manage their own affairs, and we should not make it harder for them to do so, by trying to maintain our rights, by embarrassing them with our presence. It is not the lack of interest but only the conviction on the part of those interested in Oriental Missions that the money required can be used to better advantage elsewhere. Sincerely hoping that you will not misunderstand my motive in so frankly writing but Mr Rice, I am only able to do a limited amount of philanthropic work each year, and so desire to help the most needy causes, I imagine that you are familiar with the Chautauqua Program, that is particularly interesting this year. We hope to spend part of Sept. out at Glenburnie, and are wondering if you will be able to get there this year. and now with kind

Yours very truly
W. E. Mabie

July 27, 1927

Mr. W. E. Walton
P.O. Box 735
Chatauqua, N. Y.

My Dear Mr. Walton:

I was glad to get your very frank letter and appreciate your writing me frankly as you did. You can be sure that I am fully understand all the questionings that are in your mind and I am in sympathy with practically your whole view-point of the situation.

China has come to a time when she is going to rule her own house but the Chinese people are not exceedingly anti-foreign, in fact I do not know a people which have so little racial antagonism, even at the present time any wish to do away with the foreign missionary is held only on the part of a very small minority, that "red" minority which is causing the Chinese themselves so much trouble. Our Board of Trustees a year ago took such action as to enable us to register which we did last January.

You see our President Dr. Stuart was born in China fifty years ago and he speaks the Chinese language as a native and psychologically reads the Chinese character to the inth degree and this April at our Trustees meeting we made full arrangements whereby we could in all probability carry on even with a more radical government. There may be a little temporary set-back but none of us who know the Chinese people believe that many of them do not want us foreign missionaries and many of them at the present time are very out-spoken in their desire for the missionary who can do two things, first, cooperate in a friendly way letting the Chinese lead and, second, sympathize with their nationalistic aspirations. Of course every red-blooded American can do this. There may be temporary difficulties though their coming at all is far from certain but I do not believe there is any possibility of our institution not carrying on in the long run as an institution witnessing by life and deed and teaching to Christianity. Yenching has had the best year in its history and students and faculty have been welded together by the very urgency of the situation.

During the last thirty-five years, during which I have known China intimately, the Christian movement has gone forward with ever increasing power after every one of the several upheavals. It is estimated that there was more advance in Christianity during the first decade of this century than during the previous century from the time Morrison landed there in 1807. I see no reason but to think that in the immediate future we shall be faced with a greater opportunity than we will be able to grasp.

Now, in the meantime, what shall we do? I said to a dear lady in Chicago the other day who suggested that we wait until we see how things shape up, "Do you want Yenching to close its doors?" "No indeed Mr. Luce". "Well," I replied, "If those of you who are committed to the Christian movement do not help it will certainly close its doors for how can we carry on if its friends do not help when a great

many half-hearted people are taking the same stand too and are not likely to change!"

Recently I have had to cross seventh avenue where they are building a subway but while they are building the subway they are keeping the traffic on the surface going. It is a remarkable bit of engineering. Now in China we are changing our line of work again in such a way as to compare with subway and surface travel and, I think, even as in the case of the subway it will be swifter but our greatest fear at the present time is not with our problems there but with our fear that Americans will not stand back of us adequately enough financially to keep the traffic going during this period of tranition.

We who have known China always rank on this, that eventually she will take a reasonable position. No one word can be found which adequately will express the dominate spirit in any nation but if I was forced to fine one word that would express the dominate note in Chinese character I would use the word "li" ( )which means "reason". One of the most comon expressions in Chinese which you hear from them when they approve of a proposition you are laying before them is "yu li ( ).

So as I am writing, if there was ever a time in the history of Christianity where those who see things clearly need to understand the power of a movement, it is for us at this time in the movement in China. At least this is my careful judgment on the basis of thirty years experience in China during which I have been a close student of all the movements there. In fact the greatest concern for us here is not in China so much as it is in this country where there are a good many of our older Missionary leaders who seem to hesitate and instead of offering aggressive leadership in faith, initiative and action, do not seem to be able to adjust themselves to the new situation. Many of the men between thirty-five and fifty who are home from China feel that a good many of the missionary leaders just at this time are failing them. Most of us feel that we are on the verge of as great an opportunity as the Church ever had in its whole history and which we stand a very good chance of gripping in a very inadequate way.

As for myself, we are endeavoring to get ready for the great day ahead and I have recalled lately a great many times, a sentence I heard Dr. Gardner Sutherland give in one of his tremendously forceful sermons in 1893 or 1894 which ran, "It is never too early to plan for a great event."

I am glad you can be in Chautauqua. I have never had the pleasure of being there although I have often thought that I should like to spend a week there. Mrs. Luce and I will probably be here in the city all of the summer. I am planning to rest during August. We are up on 112th Street and I have a great course of reading laid out for myself. I do not know whether you are acquainted with the writings of Professor Rufus Jones. He is a quaker, Professor in Haverford and is regarded by the Manchester "Guardian" in England as the greatest religious philosopher in America. His little book "Religious Foundations" is one of the most helpful books I have read in a long time and other of his books "Finding Life's Trail" is a remarkable book depicting at sixty years of age, the memories of his religious development from childhood up till he was sixteen. All of these books are little books but, you may be sure, intensely interesting. I imagine also you may have been reading Durant's "Story of Philosophy". I am charmed with it from every point of view. I think the book I am reading is its 18th impression and has reached 137,000.

At the present writing I do not expect to get up to Glenburnie this summer but if I did I would look forward with great pleasure to a visit with you.

In the best of bonds,

Ever sincerely yours,

HML/ES

Wang Chih-yi
1941

燕京大學
YENCHING UNIVERSITY
PEKING, CHINA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

July 17, 1941

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS
"YENTA"

Geo. F. Luts

Mr. C. A. Evans
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

I am enclosing information about Mr. Wang Chih-yi, all of which I think you will find self-explanatory. We hope that with this you will be able to obtain permission from the State Department for him to go to America this summer.

About this time last summer I thought there was a lot of red tape connected with going from America to China. Actually, I am just beginning to learn what red tape really is.

Sincerely yours,

Mary Hutchison

Enclosures

Wang Chih-yi

Biographical Statement

Name: Chih-yi Wang

Sex: Male

Age: 25

Birth place: Tientsin, China.

Birth date: May 7th, 1917.

Address: 21 Yi Shan Li, Road No.33, French Concession, Tientsin, China.

Education:

Primary School:

1923 - 1927 Pu-yü Primary School, Tientsin.

1927 - 1929 First Private Primary School, Tientsin.

Middle School:

1929 - 1935 Nankai Middle School, Tientsin.

University:

1935 - 1937 Nankai University, Tientsin.

1938 Spring Guest student in Yenching University, Peking.

1938 - 1940 Yenching University, Peking.

Graduation:

1941 B. S. Yenching University.

Father

Name: Hsi-ming Wang

Business: Manager of Chien-Feng Native Bank

Address: Chien-Feng Native Bank, Sze Teh Li, Road No. 24, French Concession, Tientsin, China.

July 14, 1941.

21 Yi Shan Li,
Road No.33, French Concession,
Tientsin, China.

Board of Admissions,
University of Minnesota,
Minneapolis, U. S. A.

Dear Sir:

Your letter admitting me as an exchange student from Yenching University has been received. I am now going through the procedure for obtaining a visa.

But a new regulation concerning visas has been put into execution from July 1st, 1941. I must, therefore, get a permit from the State Department at Washington before I go.

"Reuter

Shanghai, July 1.-- The local American Consulate announces that all cases of applications for visas to enter the United States must be submitted to the State Department at Washington for preliminary examination before they can be given consideration locally. This measure becomes effective as from today. The ruling will affect all cases without discrimination.

There must hereafter be submitted to the State Department, on behalf of each applicant by his sponsors in the United States, a biographical statement and two affidavits of support and sponsorship. In the case of persons regarding whom assurance of financial support is

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not required, two affidavits of sponsorship only are necessary."

You will see that such a permit requires two affidavits of sponsorship.

I request the University of Minnesota to act as one of my sponsors by preparing a letter stating that I am an exchange student who has been given free tuition for next year. Will you kindly send this affidavit to Mr. C. A. Evans, Office of Yenching University, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y.? Mr. Evans, in turn, will submit it, together with his affidavit and a biographical sketch, to the State Department.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Evans. He, therefore, will be awaiting a reply from you.

I shall appreciate this assistance from you.

Sincerely yours,

Chih-yi Wang

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130, Rue Dillon, French Concession,

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Telegraphic Address:
"0666" or "CONTIBANK"

Telephone Nos.
31036, 30967,
30242, 30755.

July 16, 1941.

Yenching university,

Peking.

Dear Sirs,

This serves to guarantee that the living expenses of Mr. C. Y. Wang, a graduate of Your University, who is going to U. S. A. to study in the University of Minnesota, of a sum of One Thousand Dollars U. S. Currency per year for a period of three years, will be supplied and duly remited to him by his father. In case his father fails to support him, we are liable to do it.

Yours very truly,

THE CONTINENTAL BANK.
TIENTSIN

Manager

YENCHING UNIVERSITY

MEMO:

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

July 28/41

Dear Mr. Evans:

When I sent you on July 17 the information about Mr. Wang Chih-yi for the obtaining of permission from the State Department for him to go to America this summer, I did not have photographs of him. Although they are not required in the regulations we have here, we think it will do no harm for you to have them on file in case there is a need for them.

Enclosed, therefore, are two photographs of Mr. Wang.

Sincerely,

M. Hutchison

Caswell

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
MINNEAPOLIS

OFFICE OF THE UNIVERSITY DEAN AND
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

August 26, 1941

Mr. C. A. Evans
Office of Yenching University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans

At the request of Mr. Wang Chih-yi, I am forwarding to you this affidavit which, as I understand it, you will submit to the Department of State together with a biographical sketch.

I am also enclosing a copy of the biographical statement that Mr. Wang sent to us.

Cordially yours

Malcolm M. Willey
University Dean and
Assistant to the President

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UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
MINNEAPOLIS

August 26, 1941

OFFICE OF THE UNIVERSITY DEAN AND
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that the Regents of the University of Minnesota several years ago established an exchange fellowship with Yenching University, Peking, China, whereby each year one student from Yenching University would be given a special fellowship at the University of Minnesota, and likewise a student from Minnesota would be given a fellowship at Yenching. Although the University of Minnesota has not been able to send a student to Yenching because of the international situation, it has annually received a student from China.

Following communication with Howard S. Galt, Chairman of the Committee on Exchange Fellowships at Yenching University, and with the approval of both institutions, Mr. Wang Chih-yi has been designated for the academic year 1941-42 as the holder of the special fellowship. As such he will be granted exemption from tuition while in attendance at the University of Minnesota.

Cordially yours

Malcolm M. Willey
University Dean and
Assistant to the President

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 27 day of August 1941
N. Gertrude Koll
N. GERTRUDE KOLL
Notary Public, Hennepin County, Minn.
My Commission Expires Dec. 21, 1941.

Wang Jun-Chuan

Mrs.

1939-1944

October 4, 1939

Mr. Wang Jun-chuan
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Wang:

Last year an attempt was made to secure contributions of books and equipment from American universities for the use of China's colleges. Owing to a lack of understanding of the real needs in China this effort was not entirely successful.

We have been asked to discover precisely what is needed most by the universities in China, so that an intelligent appeal may be made in this country. You can help us by returning to this office in the enclosed envelope your suggestions regarding the most urgent needs of Yenching University in the line of books and movable equipment.

Cordially yours,

Oliver J. Caldwell

OJC:cs

1626 Sixth St. S. E.
Minneapolis, Minn.
Nov. 6, 1941

Yenching University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Sir:

Last month I received a letter from the Physics Department at Yenching asking me to get them some old radon tubes from which they want to extract the polonium for research on radioactivity and nuclear disintegrations. I have collected some from the Mayo Clinic and the University of Minnesota Hospital and I'm trying to get the rest of the desired amount from other hospitals as soon as possible. But in the meantime I would like to send what I have because the instructions in the letter were that I send as much as I can as soon as I can. My problem right now is getting the present collection over. Can you advise me, or better yet can you see that it gets over there safely? I don't think I should send it through the mail because this letter I received from them in October was mailed in Peking in June! If a letter takes that long, how much longer and how safe would a package be? The package is valuable because so few hospitals have radon plants and are generous enough to give us their old tubes. The box from Mayo Clinic represents two years' accumulation.

The Wellesley Alumnae in the Twin Cities have been very interested in Yenching. At their next meeting on Nov. 18, they plan to discuss and adopt a more positive way to help Yenching. They've asked Mrs. Wang to speak to them at that meeting. If you have some late news of the school, will you please be good enough to forward some to us. Our last letter from the compus was written in July and just received. It would be nice if you have and can spare the use of the movies of Yenching. That tells a more vivid story than any talk can.

If you can help us in both these respects, suggesting a way to get the tubes over and helping us with news or movies of Yenching, we will be very grateful indeed.

We appreciate your sending us the list of Yenching faculty members in the United States. It's nice to have some idea of where one's friends and former associates are. We've also enjoyed the Fortnightly letters Mrs. Wang has been receiving regularly for the last two years.

Very sincerely yours,

J. C. Wang

Wang Jun-ch'uan

November 25, 1941

Mr. J. C. Wang
1626 Sixth Street, S. E.
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Wang:

Your letter of November 6th requests us to inform you of a method of transporting equipment which you have collected for the Physics Department of Yenching.

You cannot send these by parcel post and I am wondering if the only way is not to send them to our office with the hope that someone going to North China will be able to take them personally. That chance is rather remote at the present moment as all boats for the next month have been withdrawn from service on the Pacific and one cannot tell what will happen meantime.

Unfortunately, your letter was not brought to my attention until yesterday, nearly a week after the meeting of the Wellesley group. I certainly apologize for this delinquency and I trust you will forgive me. It is always our intention to keep in close touch with Yenching members and I am greatly chagrined that this should have occurred.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

CAE/B

E-32
2074 Commonwealth av.
St. Paul, Minn.
July 21, 1943

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

Dear Sirs:

In April I wrote you about the money we raised here for Yenching, and in May I sent you a duplicate of the April letter, but to date I have not as yet heard from you about what we should do with the money. It isn't very much — only $70.00 — but I'm sure every bit helps. Also my husband and I have heard that there has been a drive to raise money from Yenching Alumni in this country. We would like to send our little contribution. To whom should we send it?

Since I've already told you about what Miss Helen Ulrich did in connection with raising the $70.00, I won't go into it again, but I hope you will mention this to Mr. Han

ching-lien.

I would like to repeat my request to you. Will you be so good as to send us some news of Mr. + Mrs. William Bond if you have any. Can we write to them? We would like to send them a little money. Can we send it through you? Also we would like to get news of Yenching + Yenchinians whenever there is any. For some reason or other we haven't been getting notices, or news from you for some time. We would appreciate having ~~&~~ our name put back on the list because naturally we are vitally interested in everything about Yenching. Thank you.

I know you're very busy, but I would appreciate hearing from you some time, especially about the money.

Very sincerely yours,
Wang Chen Chih-lan
(Mrs. Wang Jun-chuan)
Yenching 1937

July 27, 1943

Mrs. Wang Jun-ch'uan
E-32
2024 Commonwealth Ave.
St.Paul, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Wang:

We have very thoroughly searched our files and unanswered correspondence without being able to find either your letter mailed in April, or the duplicate sent us in May. I wonder if those letters were mailed to this same address. As we do not know the background of the gift which you have available, we cannot very well pass judgment at this time. If it is intended for the people who lost their belongings in the fire at Chengtu, we will gladly include this in an amount which is being sent to the field shortly. I am sure you will let us know, however, the specific purpose for which the fund was raised.

The last we heard of Mr. and Mrs. William Band was that they are working among the guerillas in the northwest, but we have had no direct communication from them.

We are placing your name upon the regular list of those to receive the publications about Yenching and from time to time you will be receiving this material.

Awaiting your reply with interest, I am,

Very truly yours,

CAE.A

C. A. EVANS

E-32
2024 Commonwealth Ave.
St. Paul 8, Minnesota
Aug. 6, 1943

Mr. C. A. Evans
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Evans:

I can't imagine what happened to the first two letters I sent you. I'm sure they were sent to the same address.

The fund we have here was raised through the efforts of Miss Helen Ulrich who is a friend of Mr. Han Ch'ing-lien's. Some time ago Mr. Han wrote to Miss Ulrich about the hardship some of the students were enduring and about how they left home without anything and of their great need of financial help. Miss Ulrich arranged a tea to which some American friends of China were asked to atterd. We had a short program and netted $70.00. This money is to be used for students aid--aid in scholarship or books, clothing or medicine, room or board--anyway the authorities see fit. How should this check be made out?

Is there a drive among the Yenching alumni in this country to raise funds for Yenching? If so, whom should we contact for details? My husband and I are both Yenchinians and want to help.

Do you know whether Mr. and Mrs. Liu Mao-ling of the Physics Department were able to leave Peiping for Chengtu? Have you any word at all of their whereabouts?

I'll be waiting to hear from you.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Wang Jun-ch'uan

Ch'en Chih-lan (Mrs. Wang Jun-ch'uan)

August 9, 1943

Mrs. Wang Jun-ch'uan
2024 Commonwealth Avenue
St. Paul 8, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Wang:

Your letter of August 6th came to hand this morning and we are glad to get the details regarding the program for raising funds for Yenching Relief. We have a fund on our books at the present time outside of the regular budget which is being sent to the field at intervals, and if you wish to add yours to this fund, we shall be glad to do so and send it out with the next remittance to China. If the check is made out to Yenching University and sent to our office at 150 Fifth Avenue, we will take care of same promptly.

Mr. Yung ChingWoi of United China Relief, Inc. 1790 Broadway, started up a drive for Yenching Student Relief when the Yenching unit was first started at Chengtu. I am sure that he will be glad to hear from you.

Mr. and Mrs. Liu Mao-ling were caught with the others in Peking and for a while Mrs. Liu was with the American faculty. Her sister who is now in the west, but frequently comes to our office, during the winter season, received a Red Cross dispatch indicating that they were well and were not too badly off. They are getting a subsidy from Yenching University which should help a great deal.

With many, many thanks for your splendid cooperation and interest, I am,

Very truly yours,

CAE:MM

C. A. EVANS

1415 Chelmsford St.
St. Paul, 8, Minn.
Feb. 25, 1944

Mr. C. A. Evans
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

Enclosed are two small checks for Yenching. Heretofore I've been asking groups to which I speak for donations for the United China Relief, but now I'd like to do it for Yenching. The checks will be small ones because the groups are as a rule small, and I don't speak well enough to ask for much. I won't be able to get away very often, but will whenever I can, so will be sending these little checks from time to time.

I read in the N. Y. Times February 13 that Mr. and Mrs. William Band are in Chungking now and that Mr. Band will be with the Sino-British Science Cooperation Bureau. Is that true? Have you had word from them or from Yenching in Chengtu about them? We're very anxious to get in touch with them. Do you suppose a letter sent in care of the British Embassy in Chungking would reach them?

We've enjoyed the Yenching News, Miss Boynton's article "Now, Where is My Home?", and her fortnightly letter so very much. Thank you.

Please note the change of our address from 2024 Commonwealth Ave. St. Paul to

1415 Chelmsford St.
St. Paul, 8, Minn.

Thank you.

Very sincerely yours

Mrs. Wang Jun-chuan

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Mrs Ruth A. Odendall
4649 Bead Ave. S
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Minneapolis League of Catholic Women
Miss Jean McGee
1608 Hawthorne Ave.

July 6, 1944

Mrs. Wang Jun-chuan
1415 Chelmsford Street
St. Paul 8, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Wang:

In preparation for getting away from the office for a short vacation which I have not enjoyed for a number of years, I have been cleaning up things and am chagrined to find a letter from you dated February 25th, 1944 requesting information regarding Mr. and Mrs. William Band. First of all, may I say that the checks which you enclosed in your letter were received and acknowledged directly to the donors.

In relation to the Bands, you may reach them in care of the British Embassy in Chungking, and I am sure they will be glad to hear from you. We have had several letters from them and they are deeply appreciative of the efforts that are being made in West China to carry on the work of education. They had a great experience and have profited greatly by it.

Again I wish to apologize for this delay and thank you for your long standing patience.

Very sincerely yours,

CAE:EW.

C. A. EVANS