

August 16, 1937.

Dr. Robert O. Wilson,
University Hospital,
Nanking, China.

Dear Dr. Wilson:

I need not assure you that all of us were very much delighted at the good news of the safe arrival of little Miss Elizabeth. By this time she must be quite a big girl and no doubt is developing into quite a prodigy. We hope that both she and Mrs. Wilson have gotten along nicely through the hot months of the summer and through the excitement of Japan's latest series of colossal blunders.

We have all been deeply troubled by the news arriving from China day by day during recent weeks. We are even more concerned over what may happen during the weeks just ahead. All the indications seem to point in the direction of a very serious conflict, which may spread over all of China and may involve tremendous loss and suffering. But we do hope and pray that in some way the crisis can be passed without such an outcome as this. Our office is of course going ahead with its activities and plans in the hope that most or all of the colleges will be able to carry on their programs as usual during the coming year. But we are trying to keep in readiness for any emergency measures we may be called upon to take at any time.

We have noted the request in your letter of July 2, with regard to certain special payments on your account and corresponding adjustments on your salary checks.

With every good wish, I am

Very cordially yours,

BAG/am