

THE UNIVERSITY OF NANKING

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

Dear Dr. Wilson:

We have been happy to have the joy of seeing your wife in the office here, and Dr. Garside has written an interesting account of her experiences.

The Trustees are making up part of the reduction in your salaries, as Dr. Garside has doubtless written you.

Mrs. Wheeler and I had to leave China in 1919 at the time of the students' strikes and demonstrations against the Versailles Treaty. I was in Peking, and Mrs. Wheeler with our eleven-months-old baby was in Hangchow; we had an interesting time meeting again in Shanghai. The grains stopped running and the stores closed, and there was considerable tumult in Shanghai. I can sympathize, accordingly, with some of your sensations, and those of Mrs. Wilson, during these recent experiences, although, of course, the circumstances were far more difficult and dangerous these past months than they were in 1919.

We are giving wide publicity to the letters which Dr. Lewis Smythe is writing, and to the appeal for funds for medical supplies and for the Hospital. We have received thus far over \$2,000 for these needs.

I saw Mr. Ernest J. Swift, the Vice-President of the Red Cross, in Washington recently, and he said to tell the Nanking Hospital group to make their appeal direct to Mr. Johnson, as the Red Cross here was following his recommendations in any assignment of funds. I wrote Dr. Chen about this, and suggested that he put the matter up to Mr. Johnson.

I wish I could be with you these stirring days. Please give our best regards to Dr. Trimmer, Dr. Brady, and your colleagues with the assurance of our support and prayers.

Sincerely yours,

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W. Reginald Wheeler