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CABLE ADDRESS:

EVA M. ASHER, TREASURER

January 3, 192

Mr. B. A. Garside 150 Fifth Avenue New York City

Dear Mr. Garside:

I wish to acknowledge your letters of November 13, 20, 26, and 28. I believe the two dated November 13 and 20, respectively, call for no reply.

Your letter of November 26 brought the check for \$1,041.50 gold, as the balance to complete the Trustees' obligation for the 1927-28 budget. You probably received my letter of November 1 with a copy of the financial statement for the period ending July 31, 1928, soon after your letter was mailed. As you can figure out from the information contained in that letter, I think, you will see that our balances still do not agree. That is, this last check more than covers the obligation of the Trustees for 1927-28, according to our records. Our debit balance of M\$2,998.36 on July 31, 1928, was reduced to \$1,775.66 by your check for \$567.02 gold which we received on August 8. Now this last check for \$1,041.50 will more than cover that, even at the rate of 2:1. Then this is sold, I will send you the exact amount realized.

You state that this last check covers payments made to Mr. V. Y. Chen to the amount of \$699.00 and payment made to Mr. Martin before July 31, 1928, \$342.50 gold. I included these payments to Mr. Martin in the accounts for 1927-28, so they are included in the totals given in my letter of Movember 1 and the financial statement, while you are charging this amount against us for 1928-29. This fact makes us still further apart as to the correct balance for 1927-28. As stated in my letter of Movember 5, it has been our practice on the field to count return furlough travel in the year in which it is good out, which is usually just before the end of the fiscal year. For instance, we have nothing in the 1923-29 budget for Kr. Martin's travel expenses, as it was included in the 1927-28 budget. In figuring the balance due on the 1987-28 budget, I wonder if you took into consideration the gain on gold exchange, or if you were waiting for my report for the exact amount. Also the two jold drafts Mich were entered on our books here, but which were not paid by you before the end of July, would make a difference in your figures. These are drafts 1051, June 29, 1929, for \$50.00 gold to Mr. Metcalf for rent for August, and 1056, dated July 11, 1928, for \$19.50 charged against Zoology, a total of \$69.50 gold.

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I think the final decision as to how the two offices stand on the 1927-28 budget will have to be left with you, as I have furnished all of the detailed information from this end affecting same in my letter of November 1, the details of which were analyzed in an attached statement re payments made by you for us. all of which were taken from your monthly statements, and I do not have the details on which your figure is based.

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Re your letter of November 28 concerning the report to the New York State Department of Education, did you attempt to fill in the three headings under "Added investments during the year", and also "investments at the beginning of the year", or did you fill in only the "net investments at end of year", 6B? I am just inquiring now so we will know what information we will need from you for the current year's report. If it is just the net sum, I would have no difficulty in getting that from your July trial balance, but if the other three items mentioned above are to be taken into consideration, I fear I would have difficulty in finding the information. But if you send me a summary of what you think should be included, I could manage it all right, of course.

I note at the bottom of the first page of your report for the period ending July 31, which came with the Trustees' minutes of November 8, that you say, "It is probable that the \$2,000.00 still standing in the Foochow Treasurer's Suspense account will ultimately be charged to the Plant section." This, as stated in my letter of June 15, page 3, item 3a, represents gold drafts No. 851, 156, and 895, all of which were sold and deposited to our current account. The total amount of these drafts amount to \$5,000.00 gold, but perhaps the \$3000.00 was accounted when the drafts were paid by you. For your convenience, I itemize them below:

Nov. 13, 1925 - Draft No. 851 - \$\pi_3,000.00 \\
Dec. 1, 1925 - " 856 - 1,500.00 \\
Feb. 16, 1926 - " 895 - 500.00 \\
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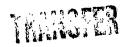
All of this \$5,000.00 went into the current account, some into our account with Mr. Main and some deposited to our Bank account by Mr. Main.

Mr. Lin received the diplomas a few days ago. Eight more students are graduating the last of this month, and there are seven in the June Class.

Very sincerely yours,

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Fukien Christian University

January 5, 1929

Miss Eva M. Asher, Pukien Christian University, Poochow, China.

My dear Miss Asher:

I find I have not formally acknowledged your letter of Nowember 5th.

In this letter you discuss in the main the various budget matters on which you wrote at greater length in your letter of November 1st. In my letter of December 17th I tried to cover practically all these questions so I believe no further extended comments are necessary.

You mention that you are planning to count Dr. Metcalf's return travel on the 1928-29 budget. We will see that our records follow this procedure.

We note your comments on the charging of cables sent to the field by our office. I am not sure how our Central Office will come out this year in its accounts with Fukien. As we carry forward a rather large debit balance from last year I suspect that our G\$1.400.00 will leave us even more in the hole this year. However, that is a matter we can take up later if necessary.

I believe there are no other items in this letter requiring comment.

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February 8, 1929

Fukien Christian University

Miss Eva M. Asher, Fukien Christian University, Foothow, China. TRANS

Dear Miss Asher

A number of months ago you wrote stating that according to your records Fukien Christian University had paid to Mr. Main the entire amount of Mr. Kellogg's 1926 travelling expenses, totalling Mex.\$3,359.17. This was contrary to our understanding that the Methodist Board would assume the entire amount of these expenses.

I have now received from Dr. Edwards of the Methodist Board a letter dated February 7, in which he states:

"I remember quite distinctly having assumed the responsibility for the outgoing travel expense of Mr. C.R.Kellogg. I find that Dr. Main, our Treasurer in Shanghai, has been duly reimbursed for Kellogg's travel. From your letter it would also seem that Mr. Main had also received the equivalent of Mr. Kellogg's outgoing expense from Fukien Christian University. I am therefore writing to Mr. Main as per enclosed copy of letter."

In the letter to Mr. Main, Dr. Edwards states:

"In 1926, on account of the unusual costs involved in the medical and other expense of Rev. C.R. Kellogg, Fukien University, I assumed a share of the expense to the extent of an amount to cover his outgoing.

"According to information from our Treasury Department, you received reimbursement for Mr. Kellogg's outgoing expenses. A letter from Mr. Garside, in the Central Office of China Union Universities, states that the full amount of Mr. Kellogg's travel expense, \$1679.69, was covered by the University.

Will you kindly check up and see whether you have two credits on your books for this amount:

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"one through the account of the Board, the other through the University? If this is so, it seems to me the University should be reinbursed."

If at this time the University has not yet been reimbursed by Mr. Main for the payment you made him on account of Mr. Kellogg's travel in 1926, I trust that this letter from Dr. Edwards will permit him to make the necessary adjustment.

I am sorry the matter has been pending so long.

Very cordially yours.

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Fukien Christian University

February 19, 1929

Miss Eva W. Asher, Pukien Christian University, Pocchow, China.

My dear Miss Asher:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 3rd.

I will not attempt at this time to go into the various questions you raise in regard to balances on the 1927-28 budget. Undoubtedly my letter of December 17th, in which I discuss all these questions quite fully, reached you about the middle of January and we will shortly be hearing from you in reply. I will therefore wait until your reply has had time to reach me and then try to take up any matters which you feel still require adjustment.

In the report to the State Department of Education our office filled in the different details under Item 6-B - Investments - as follows:

Investments at beginning of year Added investments during year from gifts and bequests

G\$82,043.50

29,510.75 \$111,554.25

Depreciation or losses in investment - none Net investments at end of year

\$111.554.25

For the report you will be submitting after July 31,1929 I will try to send you in due course the details you will need in filling out this section of the report.

We are glad to have your further explanation in regard to the \$2,000.00 still standing in the Fooehow Treasurer Suspense account. In accordance with this information our office will be able this month to charge this \$2,000. against the Provisional Current account, thus entirely clearing the Fooehow Treasurer Suspense account from our records.

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學大和協建福立私 CABLE ADDRESS CODE: FUKIEN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY MISSIONS "HSIHO, FOOCHOW" FOOCHOW, CHINA. 州福朗中 EVA M. ASHER, TREASURER NINIMO February 19, 1929. Mr. B. A. Garside 150 Fifth Avenue New York City Dear Mr. Garside: Thank you for your letter of January 12, and the minutes together with covering letter to Mr. Lin. I am glad to have all of this information on file in the Treasurer's office. It is encouraging to know that my financial report could be understood! I appreciate the vote of the Trustees concerning my work. I wish I had more time to give to clearing up some of the old accounts, especially in the capital section. While quite a few things have been cleared up during the last year or two, there is still some work to be done along this line. The current work in the President's office and in this office requires all of my time, and then some. We are trying to find two good assistants to begin work as soon as possible, so as to relieve both Mr. Lin and myself of some of the routine details, but good assistants are hard to find. I hope the Trustees can send a well trained person out to take this work when I leave. It certainly needs a well trained person giving full time to it, and with full responsibility. It is impossible for anyone who is carrying one or two other full time jobs to give the proper attention to it. And it is equally unsatisfactory to have a person take charge who has had neither training nor experience. Sincerely yours, Eva m. asker

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February 19, 1929.

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Mr. B. A. Garside 150 Fifth Avenue New York City

Dear Mr. Garside:

This is in reply to your letter of December 17 regarding the balance on the 1927-28 budget. With the information contained therein, I have been able to make the necessary adjustments to bring our balance in accord with yours.

Adjustments:

1. Items previously counted on the field records but not on the New York records.

> Martin, re-outfit G\$200.00 Rent for 1/2 Aug. . 17.50 50.00 Gold Draft No. 1051 . . . Gold 1056 19.50 G\$287.00 @ 211

M\$574.00

This amount, M\$574.00, is being transferred to the 1928-29 budget.

2. Items included on New York records as 1927-28, but not included on field records.

> Metcalf, Insurance deducted from August salary, 1927 G\$ 27.13 Metcalf, Insurance paid by N.Y. August 1927 thinking that this amount would be collected from Metcalf on the field. 27.13 July, 1927, Farley - telegram . 2.17 June, 1928, Cables to field . . 6.30

2:1 M\$ 125.46

All of these items, except the \$6.30 for cables, had already been charged by us on the 1926-27 budget. But now for the sake of making our balance agree with yours, I am transferring this amount, \$125.46 to the 1927-28 budget. None of these items will yield any income, ar Mr. Farley had already paid for the telegram, which has been included in the surplus, and the G\$27.13 which you thought would be collected from Mr. Metcalf was not "collectible" because it was within his \$200.00 gold allowance for insurance .

Only the checks, three in number, which I have received on 1927-28 since July 31, 1928, will yield new funds. Checks received as follows:

1927-28 budget per letter of August 8, 1928 G\$ 567.02 M\$1,134.04 1927-28 budget, per letter of 2,083.00 ° 1,041.50 1927-28 budget per letter of 1,500.00 Dec. 17, 1928 3,000.00 G\$ 3,108.52 M\$6,217.04 @ 2:1

To Summarize

Receipts actually received from New York before July 31, 1928, as shown on financial statement, and in letter of Nov. 1, 1928 (less exchange and New York Office Expenses) .. as follows: . .

> By checks sent direct . , . . M\$ 37,400.00 gold drafts drawn 3,214.68 " other payments made by

Adjustments and Receipts since July 31, 1928

Less items included in the above which have been Transferred to 1928-29 (For details see No. 1, p.1)

Plus items transferred from 1926-27 to 1927-28, see p.1

+ 125.46

Plus checks received on 1927-28 since July 31/28 . .

Assumed by Trustees 1927-28 .6M 59,200.00

Gain in Exchange 1927-28. As you will note I have not taken into account the gain in exchange in making the above adjustments, as you had not included it. As is shown in my financial statement the gain on funds received to the end of July 31, amounted to M#2,770.14. The gain on the three checks received since July and applied on the 1927-28 budget amounts to M\$434.50, thus making a total of M\$3,204.64 as the gain on exchange for 1927-281 This amount is being applied to the 1928-29 budget account as you suggested. For your purpose, I think it would be just as well to count this at 2:1, since our budget is based on that rate, and call it G\$1,602.32 as being applied on the 1928-29 budget.

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Surplus from 1927-28 in hands of Field Treasurer at the present time. This does not amount to as much as you have estimated. Other than the three checks received since July 31 none of the estimated. Ourer with the were only book transfers. Evidently you were counting on including the gain in exchange in the 1927-28 surplus. Previously I had counted the gain of M2,770.14 as receipts from you on 1927-28, and thus it was included in the surplus of \$8,902.88, but since that is to be applied on the 1928-29 budget, as you suggested, it can't be counted in the surplus too. So deducting the total amount of gain in exchange, M\$3,204.64, from the amount of actual cash I have received from you since July 31 applicable on 1927-28, M\$6,551.54 (the three checks including exchange on same) gives the amount of the increase of the surplus, \$3,446.90. So the total surplus would be as follows:

> Undesignaged surplus July 31, 1928 . . M\$8,902.88 Surplus since July (1927-28) 3,446.90 TOTAL . M\$12,349.78

This is almost \$3,000.00 Mex. less than you estimated. total amount will not much more than take care of the purchase of Physics apparatus which has been authorized.

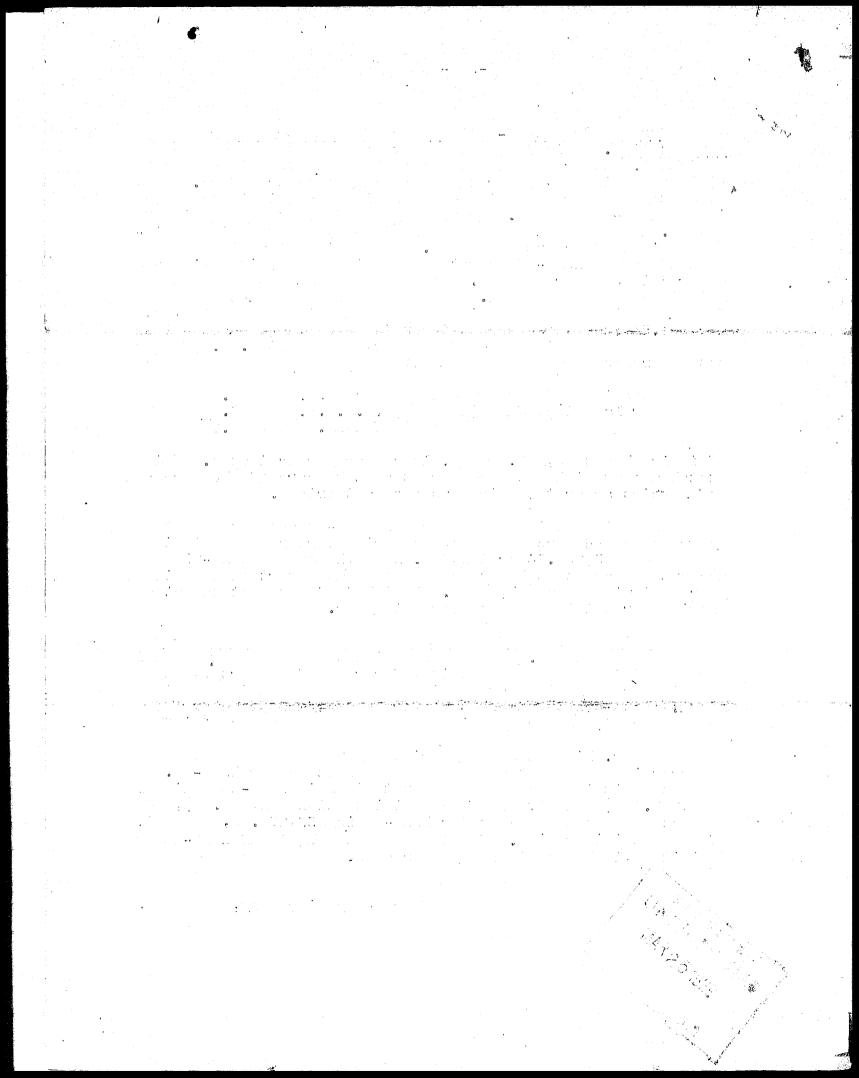
I believe this will clear the 1927-28 account on both your books and ours, and when you bring forward the gain in exchange, M\$3,204.64 or G\$1,602.32 @ 2:1, on the 1928-29 account, we ought at least to have the same start on the fiscal year beginning August 1: 1928. I will send you a statement soon showing our entries to date for this year.

Revised Budget of Estimated Receipts and Expenditures, 1928-29 We count the G\$1,400.00 for Home Administration as a receipt in our budget just as we do the item for rent of property, both of which are cancelled by showing the same amount in the disbursements. Both are only book transfers as far as our accounts are concerned, and are put in the budget as a matter of information.

As Mr. Lin has already written you, there seems to be an error in the amount assumed by the Trustees for 1928-29. You state that it is based on the amount given in 1927-228, which was M\$59,200.00 (exclusive of Home Administration £\$1,400.00), and then state that the amount for 1928-29 isM\$53,278.00, exclusive of Home Administration. If figured on the basis of 1927-28 our deficit would be considerably decreased.

Yours very sincerely,

Eva M. asher



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EVA M. ASHER, TREASURER

February 19, 1929.

Mr. B. A. Garside 150 Fif th Avenue New York City

Dear Mr. Garside:

Your two letters of January 14, and the statement for the month of December have been received. I am enclosing herewith a copy of the summary of your statements for November and December, showing the items that we have entered on our books. Of course these summaries include only the payments that you make there, as gold draft payments and checks to the field are made when the drafts are written and the checks received and sold. I will be sending you a summary of the whole amount received on this year's account soon.

You have not been itemizing the payments made to Dr. Metcalf, so I am not sure what amount is for salary and what is for rent, or otherwise, though I have gone on the basis of \$50.00 gold per month for rent. You see, we keep salary and allowances entirely separate on our books, and if you could itemize the payments made to him, it would help me to know how to charge same. On the November statement, I have presumed that \$50.00 is payments on salary allowance of \$200.00 gold per year allowance of \$200.00 for the sixth year of the December statement that you are paying him on the basis of an increase of \$100.00 for the sixth year of service, which matter you wrote me about in your letter of December 22. However, I think my letter of December 27 and Mr. Lin's letter of february 1 will give you all of the necessary informatic regarding Mr. Metcalf's salary and allowances during his furlough year. Now will you please deduct the necessary important to cancel the over-payments?

Seek Maria Mr. Metcalf may ask you to advance some money om his insurance. But since his return is quite for rent and the other is November salary plus back February 1 will give you all of the necessary information

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uncertain and his insurance is now paid up to the end of July 31, 1929, he would not be entitled to an advance of this kind.

Also I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letters of December 7 (enclosing check for G\$2000. on current budget and check for \$56.06 for Osborn Scholarship and R.W. Jones Scholarship), two dated January 5, and one January 7. We received health summaries of Dr. and Mrs. Metcalf and Jackie, and they have been sent to Dr. Li, the University physician. I shall try to follow your suggestion and furnish you with quarterly statements as to the amount we have received from you on budget accounts

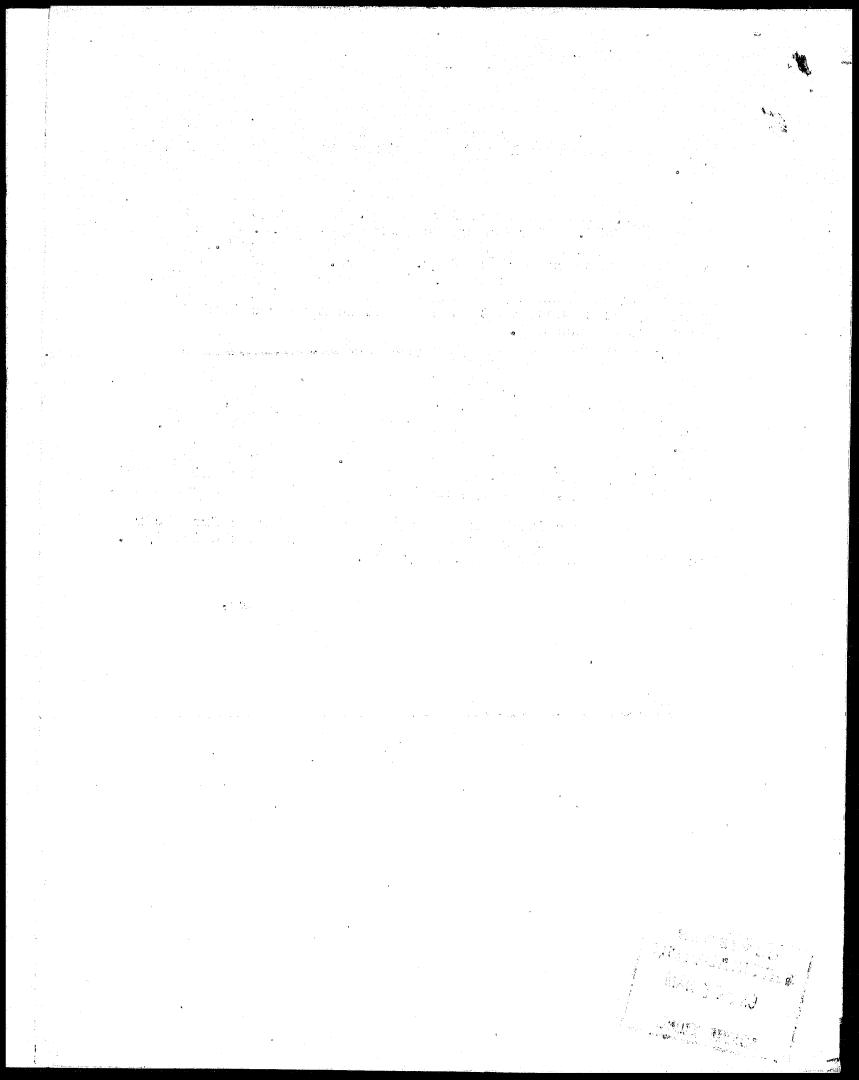
I have not made any payments to the steamship company yet, so have not drawn any drafts recently. The only payments of any size which we will make by gold drafts between now and the end of this fiscal year will be for the Farleys', Suttons' and my travel expenses, which will amount to about \$3,250.00 gold. The company will probably ask for a part payment as soon as Farleys' and my sailings are settled. The Farleys are asking for sailings on June 29, and I am inquiring about sailings furing the first of May, and July, as it is uncertain when I can leave.

We have received the books you ordered for us from M&Graw Hill and the University of Chicago Press, but not the invoices. You probably have them on the way now.

Sincerely yours,

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EVA M. ASHER. TREASURER

February 26, 1929.

Mr. B. A. Garside 150 Fifth Avenue New York City

Dear Mr. Garside:

I am enclosing Gold Draft No. 1097 for \$229.20, asking you to please send a check for this amount to the United States Veterans Bureau, Insurance Division, Washington, D. C., to cover premium due on Willard J. Sutton's policy No. K-446841, due in April. Of course, Dr. Sutton is entitled to only \$200.00 for insurance, but he will pay me the equivalent in Mex. of \$29.20 gold.

I hope Mr. Metcalf has gotten his insurance my letter to you dated February 19, in which I stated the in case Dr. Metcalf asked for an advance payment on his insurance he would not be entitled to it because his retained to the field is uncertain, I received a letter from him stating that he was asking you to pay his insurance charge it against his insurance and charge it against his insurance. my letter to you dated February 19, in which I stated that insurance he would not be entitled to it because his return charge it against his insurance allowance for 1929. The end of July 31, 1929, as he overdrew the year before, or previous years. The statement I sent you, a copy of which he has also, was based on the period of five years, counting from the time his insurance allowance begun. And on that basis he had only \$69.47 left to the end of the fiscal year 1929. If you have made the payment which he requested and he does not return to the field, will you please take care of coblecting same from Ur. Metcalf.

> Your letters dated January 24, 25, and 28, and a copy of the cable regarding the purchase of Physics equipment and the announcement of the distribution of the Hall estate, came last night. Also, we received the Clefgy Certificate blanks. We will fill these out and return them to you at an early date.

Thank you for your word about my furlough and study, etc. I do not know at present what is the attitude of the field authorities as regards extended furloughs without pay. I shall be glad to give some time in the New York office as opportunity permits. I am sure it would be of great help to me in the future, if I am to go, on with Profit for 229 nue the work here, and I would be glad if I could help in any with Fukien financial problems.

Sincerely yours, Eva m. asker

學大和協建福立私 CABLE ADDRESS: FUKIEN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY "HSTHO, FOOCHOW" FOOCHOW, CHINA. EVA M. ASHER, TREASURER February 28, 1929. THE RE Mr. B. A. Garside 150 Fifth Avenue New York City Dear Mr. Garside: I am sending you herewith Clergy Application Blanks for Mr. and Mrs. Farley, Dr. and Mrs. Sutton and myself. As you will see, all of us have asked to have the certificates sent to you. If you receive them in time, the Farleys and the Suttons would like to have theirs sent to them here before they leave. When you get the certificates you will know whether or not there is time for them to reach these families before they leave Foochow. The Farleys have sailings on the "President

Madison", leaving Shanghai on June 29 and expected to arrive at Seattle on July 15.

The Suttons have sailings on the "President Pierce", leaving Shanghai July 5, exepcted to arrive at Los Angeles on July 28.

I will ask you to hold my Clergy certificates until you hear from me further regarding same, as I do not know yet when I shall leave. If I should leave here the first of May, there would hardly be time to set them to me here. I now have tentative sailings on May 10 and July 19 from Shanghai. I will notify you of the exact date and boat as soon as I know definitely.

Sincerely yours,

Eva M. Cisher

學大和協 CABLE ADDRESS: FUKIEN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY "HISTHO, FOOCHOW" FOOCHOW, CHINA. 州福國中 CHIEF OF THE PRESTORY 室公辦長校 March 12, 1929. FUKIEN Mr. B. A. Garside 150 Fifth Avenue New York City Dear Mr. Garside: Your letter of February 4, together with check for \$2,000. on account of Current Budget, came a week on so ago, for which we thank you. I do not know whether you meant to send me me this stub or not, so I am returning it. Also I have your two letters of February 9, and one dated February 6 and one the 11th.

In your letter of February 6, you speak of what is the exact amount of Dr. Metcalf's monthly salary. You have by this time, no doubt, received Mr. Lin's letter of February 1 in which he explains that the increase begins with the sixth year of service, and the furlough year is not counted as a year of "service", so that Dr. Metcalf would not be entitled to this raise until he begun his sixth year on the field. Therefore, his monthly salary should be \$133.33.

Thank you for the information contained in your letter of February 9 regarding Mr. Kellogg's outcoming expenses in 1926. I shall wait a while and see if I hear from Mr. Main. If not, I shall write him direct on the subject. It certainly seems that we are due to be reimbursed that amount. We did not realize that Mr. Main had taken it out of our account until two years afterwards.

Yours very sincerely,

Eva m. asker

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April 1, 1929

Miss Eva W. Asher, Fukien Christian University, Fooghow, China.

My doar Miss Asher:

We have for acknowledgment at this time the following letters from you: - three letters of February 19, one of February 22, one of February 26, one of February 28 and one of March 4.

First letter of February 19

In this letter you mention again that you are leaving soon and that you hope the Trustees can send a well trained person to take the work when you leave. We have been looking around somewhat for such a person but have not as yet gotten in touch with any very satisfactory prospects. We have indirectly mears that Mr. Paul Wient has consented to carry on as Acting Treasurer when you leave so we are a little uncertain whether you are still expecting us to make any nominations. In the near future we must send a cable to Fukien and will include an inquiry on this point.

Second Letter of February 19

This letter gives a very careful discussion of the reconcilement of the New York records and the field records on the 1927-28 budget. From a study of your figures it appears that your reckoning is quite correct. We are therefore making the following entries and notations in our New York records:-

- 1. We are charging the gain in exchange for 1927-28 amounting to Mex.\$3,204.64, against the 1928-29 budget. Our method of doing this is to put through a journal voucher debiting and crediting account 136 for Mex.\$3,204.64 or Gold \$1,602.32. The Mex. figure is, of course, the basic one. We will note this fact so that there will be no danger of using the gold figure in computing any gain or loss in exchange on budget remittances this year.
- 2. We also note that your correct surplus from 1927-28 in the hands of the Field Treasurer at the present time amounts to Mex.\$12,349.78. As bills are presented to our office for the Physics equipment we will pay them from the 1928-29 budget account and you can reimburse this account on the field by repayment from the 1927/28 surplus. As soon as all these bills are paid we would be glad to have a state-

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ment as to the balance or deficit remaining in this surplus so that we can then take up the question of what further use should be made of the balance if any. I believe that the next use of such a balance would be to apply it against 1928-29 budget deficit, but I should like to verify this fact later on when we see just what is available after other disbursements for this and other purposes have previously been made.

Trustees contribution to 1928-29 budget. I am today writing a letter to Mr.Lin copy of which is enclosed, in which I discuss this item in detail. You will note the discussion appears under the head "Fifth Letter of February let." I am very sorry that an inaccurate statement in my letter of July 23, 1928 caused this confusion. Unfortunately, the action of the Trustees was quite definite and provided for only Mex.\$53,278.

Third letter of February 19

Dr. Metcalf's Salary. I am writing you a separate letter on this point.

Drafts for travel of Mr. and Mrs. Farley. Mr. and Mrs. Sutton and yourself. We note that drafts for your travel expenses amounting in all to \$5,250.00 gold will be reaching us in due course. We will therefore held up for the present any further monthly remittances to the field on account of the 1928-29 budget so as to build up a reserve here in New York to pay for these travel expenses and also for the Physics apparatus;

Your letter of February 22

This is really an acknowledgment of the receipt of our January 9th letter with its enclosed check for \$2,000. on account of your 1928-29 budget.

Your letter of February 26

Mr.Sutton's insurance premium. With this letter you have enclosed draft No.1097 for \$229.20 gold to dover Mr.Sutton's insurance premium. A check for this amount was promptly sent on to Washington.

Dr.Metcalf's insurance. This point is discussed further in the separate letter I am writing to Dr.Metcalf.

Your letter of February 28

With this letter you enclose clergy certificate applications for the Farleys, the Suttons and yourself. We are securing these clergy certificates for you and will undoubtedly have ample time to send the Farleys and the Suttons' certificates to Foodhow. We will, however, keep your certificates here as you request.

Your letter of March 4

Fith this letter you return a check to the American Political Science Association which, by mistake, went from our office without signatures. We have signed the check and returned it to the Association with

our apologies. Incidentally this matter raises the question of whether or not our office, in attaching checks to your letters to different companies, should not give some indication that any correspondence concerning the details of payment may be addressed to the New York office of the University at 150 Fifth Avenue. Sometimes details such as the signature of this check could be cleared off very easily if the company would write to us direct, whereas it takes over two months for a letter to go to Focchow and be returned to us.

Since you are leaving Foothow early in May, you will undoubtedly be in the midst of furlough preparations when this letter reaches you. Since we may not manage to get other letters to you before you leave, we take this opportunity of wishing you a wonderfully pleasant journey to America and a most enjoyable furlough here. We look forward to seeing you in New York during the summer. Please consider our New York office as your headquarters and call on us freely for anything we can do at any time. There will be many things which we will wish to talk over with you when you arrive.

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CC: Miss Lane

FUNIEN April 1, 1929 Miss Eva M. Asher Fukien Christian University. Foodhow, China. Wy dear Miss Asher: This letter will deal with salary and other allowences of Dr. and Brs. Notcalf. It is now clear from your recent letters, particularly your letter of February 19th, that Dr. and the Metaalf's furlough salary, not counting rent or other special allowences, should be on the basis of \$133.53. Since September 1, 1923 his nalary has been paid at the rate of \$141.67. Thus he has to date required \$3.07 a north tow such on seven months salary (September W8 to March 1825 Inclusive). This overpayment amounts to \$58,35. Movement, you mention in one of your letters of last December that you failed to give Dr. Metcelf credit for his furlough Lacrease when you sent his August salary, so he is estitled to \$16.67 additional for that month. Subtracting \$16.67 from \$58.22 leaves a balance due the University from Dr. Metcolf of \$41.00. We will toke vo with him, is due course, the repayment of this ersont. From this point on his salery will be paid at the rate of \$158.55. Your letter also calls attention to the fact that no further insurance payments are due Dr. Metcalf for the year 1928-29. We have, within the last few souths paid the following insurance premiuse for Dr.Metcalf: \$207.59 January. 1.72 \$109.51 Earch We will therefore take up with Drubetall the question of the return of this \$100.51 by whatever method may prove most satisfactory to him and to the University. For the present me are continuing Dr. Metcalf's salary but if he is not returning to Foochow next year we should soon take up the question of the date et which this furlough salary should be terminated. I will write on this more fully when we find just what his plans for next year will be. Hersede BAO-H GO: Mr.Lin Miss Lane

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EVA M. ASHER, TREASURER



April 8, 1929.

Mr. B. A. Garside 150 Fifth Avenue New York City

Dear Mr. Garside:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letters of Mebruary 19 and March 4, and the check for \$2,000. on Current Budget enclosed in your letter of March 4. I am returning the stub receipted.

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the summary of your statement for January, as entered on our books. You will note that I am not sure about the amounts paid to Dr. Metcalf, how much is salary and how much is rent. I would be glad to have these figures itemized as we keep them separately on our books as salary and salary allowances.

Very sincerely yours,

Eva m. asher

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April 10, 1929.

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Mr. B. A. Garside 150 Fifth Avenue New York City

Dear Mr. Garside:

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The check for \$3.50 which you sent to Popular Radio for us has been returned to us, as the publication of the magazine is temporarily suspended for reorganization. I am enclosing the check herewith to be credited to the Manager's Current account.

I am also enclosing a copy of the summary of your February statement, which came last night. In the same mail, Mr. Lin received your letter telling about the Rockefeller Grant for the next three years. That will help considerably.

We have not yet effected any arrangement for the Treasurer's work when I leave. And now the matter is further complicated, as the assistant we had, who was such good help, has resigned. We had thought of him as being the source of information for whoever did come in to take my place. We have not even been able to find anybody to take the assistant's place yet. So I hardly think I can leave in May!

Dr. Gowdy returned to Foochow about two weeks ago, and is leaving on the 14th for Manila. We are having him and Mrs. Gowdy as guests at a faculty dinner here this Friday evening. After dinner, Dr. Gowdy will lead our faculty prayer meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Eva m. Cisher

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EVA M. ASHER, TREASURER

April 30, 1929.

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Mr. B. A. Garside 150 Fifth Avenue New York City United States of America

Dear Mr. Garsidet

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 25 together with check for \$15.00 as gifts for the Dormitory Campaign Fund. We are sending an acknowledgement letter with receipt for Mr. and Mrs. Karns to you to be forwarded to them, as we do not have their address. We are writing to Miss Greene direct as Mr. Lin knows her personally and has her address.

The total amount we have received to date for the Campaign Fund is M\$9,808.01. This, however, includes your remittance of \$15.00 gold (M\$33.33) which I presume has already been entered on your books. In that case you would want the total given above less \$33.33, or \$9,774.68.

As to expenditures, I think it would be better to wait until the building program is completed, and make the necessary adjustments on your books in a total sum.

Very sincerely yours,

Eva M. asher

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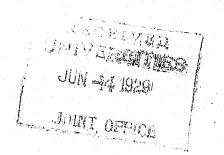
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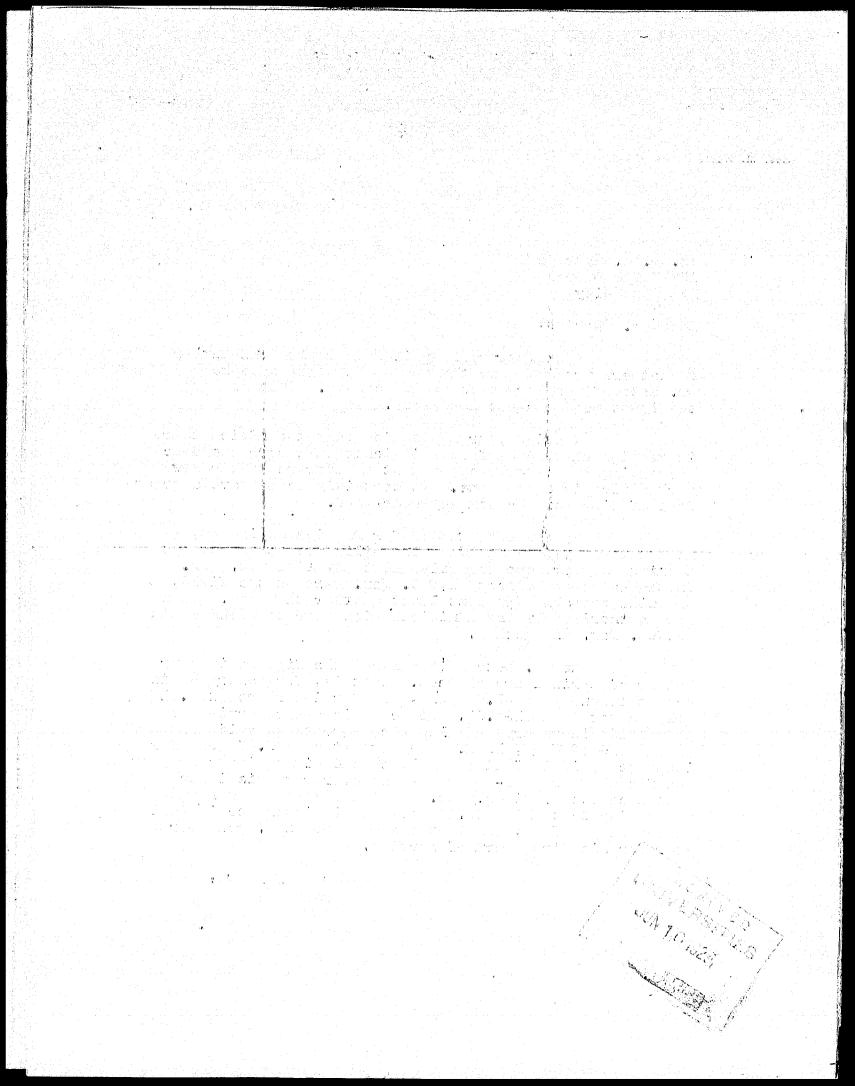
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June 6, 1929.

Miss Eva M. Asher, Brookwell, had Virginia.

My dear Miss Asher:

Your letter of April 30th came to hand and we note that \$15.00 Gold notted \$53.33 Max. In setting up on our books the total of \$9,774.68 the question arises what exchange rate will be used. We can hardly do anything until we get this rather definite information. Another question has also arisen as to whether any of the total \$9,808.01 has been used for Capital Expenditure or if it has all been used for Current Expense.

Waiting until the Building Program is further advanced to make the necessary adjustments is entirely satisfactory.

We extend to you a very cordial welcome to the States and hope you will have a profitable and enjoyable forlows

Very sincerely yours,

Assistant Treasurer.

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June 12, 1929

Miss Eva M. Asher Brookmeal Virginia

My dear Miss Asher:

I trust this letter will find you happily arrived at your home. We look forward to seeing you in New York in the near future.

Our office has recently received your letters of May 6th and May 11th. In your letter of May 6th you write as follows:

"Re the expenditure for Physics equipment, we have not yet received any of the bills from America, but I think they are due to arrive most any time now. Mr. Martin has spent almost \$2,000 Mex. here on the field, and will probably spend at least another thousand. He has been authorised by the administration here to spend about \$9,000. Mex. altogether."

This statement leads me to think that the field is planning to handle bills for physics equipment in a way somewhat different than our office has thought would be the case. I rrote you some months ago stating that we presumed you would purchase most of the physics equipment in America and would instruct the companies with which you dealt to send their bills to our office for payment. Our office has been prepared to attend to these bills for you and to charge the amount of such payments to the current budget account notifying you in each case of just what we had disbursed. We would then expect the field treasurer to reimburse the current budget account for a like amount from the special funds on the field which have been set aside for punchasing this science equipment. We suggested this method because it seemed to us that it would permit prompter payment for the purchases made and would not make it necessary Formon to send remittances from Feechow to America and for us to send remittances from New York to Foochow. Assuming that the method we had suggested would meet with the field's approval our office has for several menths retained our usual monthly remittance to the field on the budget account in the expectation that the bills for physics equipment would be coming in. If, however, the field is planning to pay all these bills for physics equipment from the field direct, we should send out from

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New York as promptly as possible the money we have been holding for this in the current budget account. Will you please let me know whether these current funds should be forwarded to the field?

In your letter of May lith you state that you are bringing two reels of movie film and suggest that these might be shown to our Trustees. I am hoping that about the time you come to New York we can arrange an informal meeting of the Board of Trustees at which you and Theodore Chen can be present. I am ammious to have the Trustees meet both of you together with any other members of the Fukien staff who may be available. Yesterday, Mr. Keats Tseng was in the office for a few minutes but informed me that he was beginning his return journey to China at once so he will not be available. Mr. W. Y. Chen returns to America later in the fall but would not be available for a meeting this spring. Do you know of any other members of the Fukien staff whom we might secure? Will you let me know the exact dates you could be present in New York for such a meeting as I have suggested?

Very cordially yours,

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FUKIEN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY FOOCHOW, CHINA.

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EVA M. ASHER, TREASURER

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Brookneal, Va. June 18, 1929.



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

Dear Mr. Evans:

I am sorry to have been so long in replying to your letter of June 6. Too much furlough is the reason!

Re the rate of exchange to be used for the campaign money in setting up the account on your books. I think the rate of 2:1 should be adopted. All of the expenditures from this amount have been for capital expenditure. Absolutely none of it will be used for current expenses.

I hope this will give you the information you need for setting up the account. We can go into the details more fully when I come to New York. As I have just written Mr. Garside, I will be there from June 28th or 29th until July 5. I am leaving Brookneal for Washingon on June 20. If for any reason you wish to get in touch with me there, you may do so by addressing me at 1638 R. St., N. W. (Apt. 2).

Sincerely yours,

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Brookneal, Va.
June 13, 1929.

Mr. B. A. Garside 150 Fifth Avenue New York City

CABLE ADDRESS:

EVA M. ASHER, TREASURER

Dear Mr. Garside:

Your letter with the clergy certificates was here when I arrived. I had no difficulty in getting the missionary rate from the agent in Seattle. I arrived at Brookneal on June 9.

Also I have your letter of June 12 which came last week. Re payments for the Physics equipment, the field is expecting you to make the payments. When I left the University, the idea was that you would hold about \$3,500.00 gold for this purpose. Unless you are otherwise instructed from the field, you are safe in holding this amount. Mr. Martin is having some apparatus made at Foochow, for which reason we are not asking you to hold the full amount.

If Mr. Martin got the orders off in time, the bills were to be sent to the field, so that the orders could be checked over and see if everything was all right before making payment. Then the bills would come to you with an order for payment from your office, just as we have been handling bills in America other than Book Store bills. If he was late in making the orders, he would have to have the bills sent to you direct, for the field fully realizes that these entries must be on the books before July 31. I feel sure that you will receive the bills either direct or from the field before July 31.

I will be in New York around the 28th or 29th, and will be there until the 5th of July. I had thought that I would have to be in Boston by July 1, but learned the other day that it was July 8. I can adjust my time in New York so as to be available any time that it is most combenient for you and the Trustees for the informal meeting to which you referred. I should be very pleased to meet them. I do not know of any of the Fukien staff available other than those you have mentioned, unless Mr. T. H. Wang of Ithaca could come. I believe Mr. Lin wrote you the approximate time he was planning to be in New York. I have forgotten the date now.

I have sent the films to Mr. Beeman's brother in Newark. When you know the definite date of the meeting of the Trustees, you can get in touch with him as follows:

Mr. Elbert Beeman Mono Service Company Newark, N.J.

I told him that either you or I would let him know when we wanted them.

I am leaving Brookneal June 20 for Washington, and will come on from there to New York. If for any reason you wish to get in touch with the in Washington, you may do so by addressing me at:

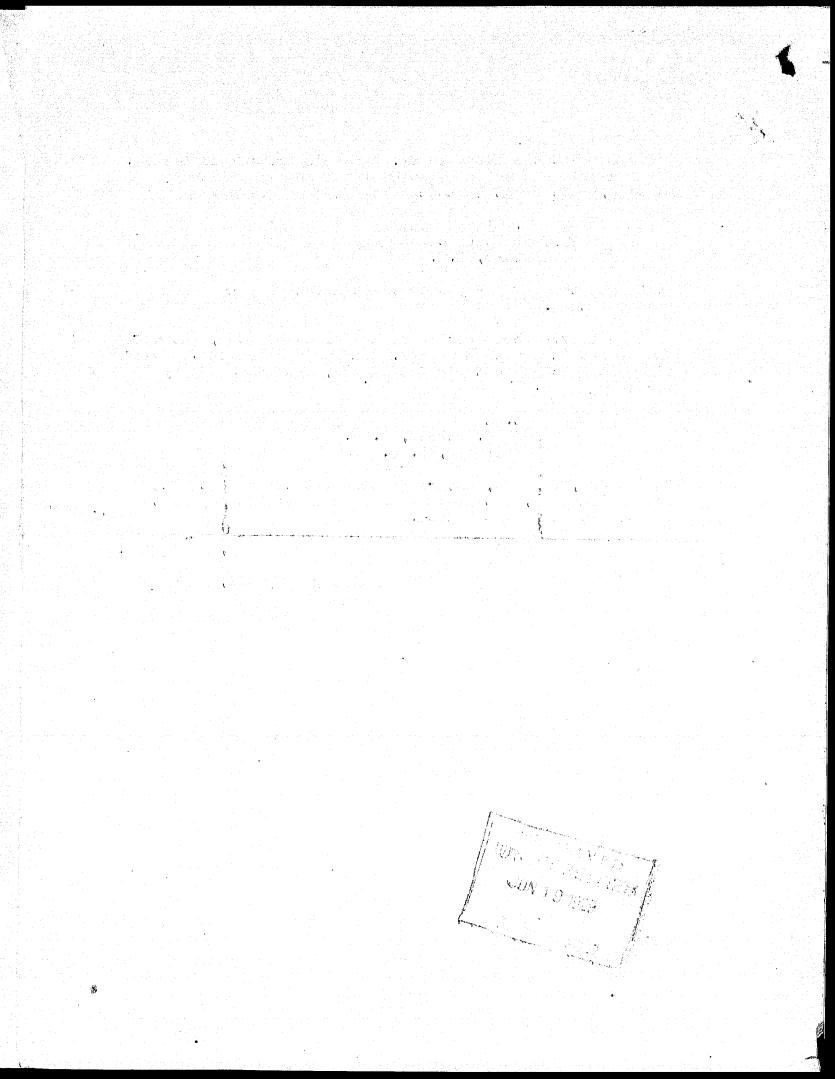
Apt. 2 1638 R. Street, N. W. Washington, D. C.

If Saturday, June 29, should be the most convenient date for the Trustees, let me know and I can definitly plan to come to New York on the 28th.

Looking forward to meeting all of you there,

Sincerely yours,

Eva M. acher



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Fukien Christian University

July 15, 1929

Miss Eva M.Asher, 688 Boylston St., Boston, Mass.

My dear Miss Asher:

Within the last few days we have received a letter from Mr.Metcalf in which he writes as follows concerning expenditures he has made for freight on his return from China last year: -

> "I am enclosing in this letter an account of expenditures for freight from Foochow to New York and express from New York to Cambridge, Mass. (this being our present hom and approximately the same distance as Washington, D.C., our former home).

> *2. Express from New York to Cambridge
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> Total amount \$84.40
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> Note. The express was paid by the New York office and

"Note. The express was paid by the New York office as charged against my salary, either for the month of March or February - also have no record of that, but your files can easily verify that amount; I am not sure of the cents.

"In my contract I find that it states the home coming allowance is one ton per adult and ton for each child or 2½ cubic
tons and it certainly seems that this is an extra allowance,
not included in regular travel expenses. At any rate that
was the case on our trip to China, our freight allowance, then
six tons, was paid in addition to the travel expenses."

Thus far our New York office has not paid Mr.Metcalf anything on Freight allowance for return from the field. Our Fukien schedules of salaries and allowances has the following statement as to the freight allowance: First outgoing, 3 cubic tons for each adult, and 1/2 cubic ton for each child; other outgoings and all returns, I cubic ton for each

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adult and 1/2 cubic ton for each child.

On this basis Mr. and Mrs. Metcalf and Jackie would be entitled to payment for the cost of two and one-half cubic tons of freight. Do you think it would, therefore, be in order for Mr. Metcalf to receive reimbursement for freight bills he has paid, or for freight he may still have sent to him from Foochow up to the limit of 2-1/2 tons? If such payment is in order, should we correspond with President Lin and get his approval for making any disbursement here?

A few days ago I received from Mr. Paul Meng an inquiry written as follows:-

"Mr.Chu Lin Chuang, or in Chinese way Chuang Chu Lin, has requested us to secure a copy of credentials of his studies and also certificate of his graduation from Fukien University in (1926. Mr.Chuang arrived in the States last Monday. On account of his late arrival we arranged for him to go to summer school at once at Cornell, therefore he had no time to come to your office to request this in person.

"He is yet undecided as to which institution he will enter next Fall, but in securing admission he will need in advance such credentials as requested as proof of his completion of his A.B. work.

"Your early attention to this matter will greatly facilitage his entrance and will also be greatly appreciated."

Can you give me the information Mr. Meng wants in regard to this student, or will it be necessary for us to cable President Lin? Obviously this information should be on hand before the first of September which is too short a time to permit an inquiry by mail.

Since the meeting of the Fukien Trustees I have discussed with Dr. Chamberlain and others the suggestion that you spend August with us here in the Central Office. Everyone to whom I have mentioned the matter has been very enthusiastic over the proposal. We are able, therefore, to formally extend to you an invitation to be with us during August, the exact date of your arrival and leaving to fit in with your other plans. Obviously your furlough allowance will not be adequite to cover your necessary living expenses in New York during the month you are here, so a supplementary allowance should be provided. Perhaps we can best discuss the amount of such an allowance necessary to meet your needs after you arrive here. Everyone in the Central Office heartily endorses this and we sincerely hope your plans are such that you can accept it.

Very cordially yours,

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Boston, Mars. 200 Commonwealth ave. July 16, 1929.

Dear Mr. Garcide:

your letter dated yesterday came today. I am sorry my reply have to be in long-hand, but my typewitter is being repaired.

Re Dr. Meterdy's freight allowance, I am not sure whether or not he should be reimbursed. I am inclined to think that there is no freight allowance over and above the travel allowance. My understanding I freight allowance in the terms given by Dr. Meterdy is that freight expense up to that amount may be taken out y the travel allowance. I know that no allowance for freight have ever appeared in our ludget as a separate item. I think travel allowance includes everything connected with baggage.

reimbursed by the University for freight expenses when he went to China, I so, he included it in his travel expenses, which were submitted to the Board of managers and they granted him to the sport returning to america on furlough by any route other than the shortest, are given \$500. gold per adult, and a proportinate amount for

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metcalfs are not required to submit an expense account. Do on this basis The metcalfs are not "eligible" for submitting an expense account. Deptra freight allowance has never heen paid to anybody since I have been at the University except as submitted as a part I their travel expense. and if the travel expense exceeds the amount granted originally, the Board of Managers usually decide whether or not it will be granted.

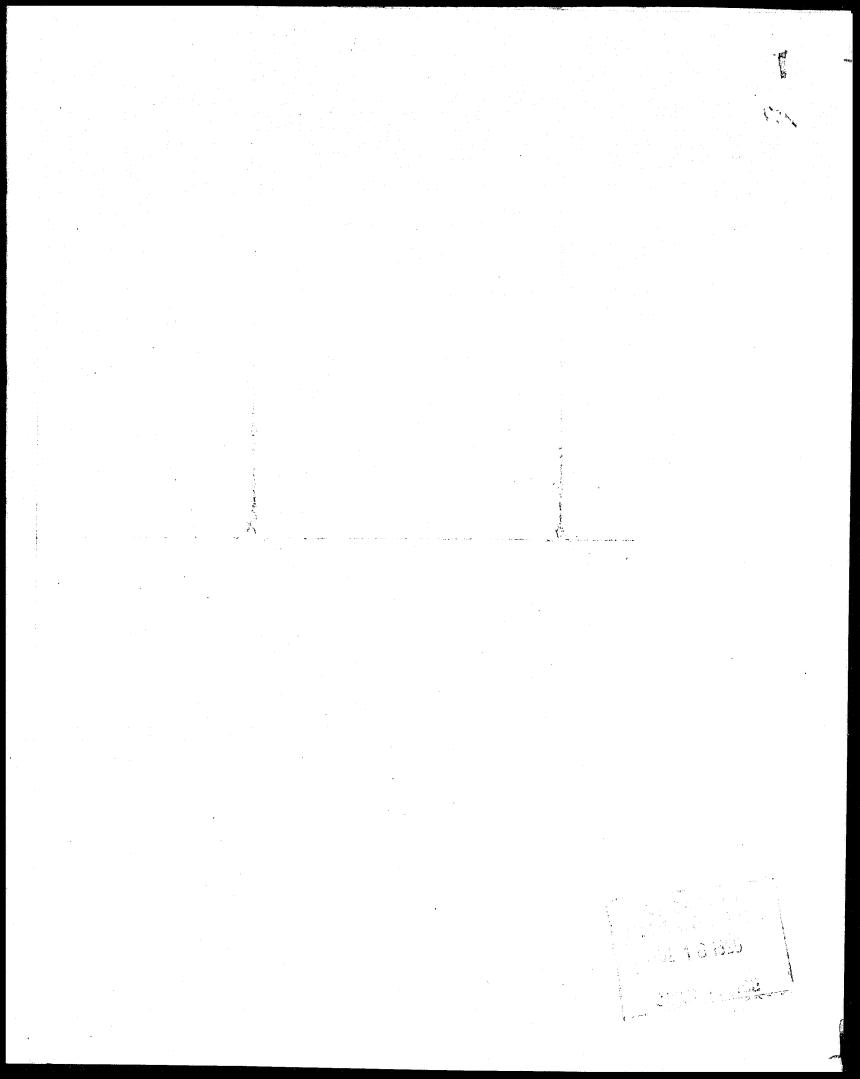
So, I think it would be better to take the matter up with the field before any

Payment is made.

Re the Chinese student, Chuang Chu ding.

The January, 1925. As to his credentials, that can be obtained only from the Dean's office. I do not understand why he does not have all of the information he is asking for, for he was corresponding with both Mr. Lin and Mr. Scott on the subject. I don't see any way out except to cable for the credentials.

Very sincerely yours, Eva m. asher



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Boston, Mass.

200 Commonwealth ave July 16, 1191911

Dear Mr. Gariede:

I note what you say in your letter of July 15 about my spending the month between the Summer and Wenter Servious in the office there. I greatly appreciate your cordial invitation, and I hape I shall be able to spend some of the time there, if not The whole month. Do you think I would be able to accomplish anything by being there for just two weeks? There is just a month between the Summer and Winter Sessions, august 17-September 18. almost a week will be taken up in finishing up last things here at the end of the Summer Session and getting back her and getting settled for the Winter Decision. Then, too, I arould like to have one sweek in Washington.

I find summer school to be guite strenuous! I am taking there courses, a total of seven semester hours. The courses are English Composition, Economics and accounting. after being out of school for so long-twelve years-and coming into a period of intensive study as summer school is, makes it quite strenuous.

I am enclosing my receipt for tuition, which shows that I paid out \$70. for same. I shall be glad to be reimbured for this at your convenience. This should be charged against the field account for 1929-30.

If you think I can accomplish anything there at the office during a period of two weeks, I would be very happy to put in that much time. And I might postpone my visit to Washington until a later time. If I put in just two weeks, I would prefer to make it the first two weeks, I would prefer to make it the first two weeks of September. I am very eager to put in some time there. Ihe supplementary allowance can be arranged all right, I am sure, after I know what my expenses will be first enough to come actual expenses will be entirely satisfactory to me.

It was a real pleasure to meet you and the other people there at the office. Condictly certainly reigns supreme there. I want to thank you for all 3 your kindness to me, and assure you that it is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours, Eva m. asher

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July 27, 1929.

Mr. B. A. Garside 150 Fifth Avenue New York City

Dear Mr. Garside:

Your two letters, one date July 25 and one July 26, came today. Also the two checks for

> June and July salary \$133.35 Tuition 70.00.

The check for the June and July salary is in error, as I received my salary for those two months while I was in New York. So I am returning that check herewith, and also the stub of the one I received while there so that you may see just how it was handled. You do not need to return the stub.

Mr. McClure sent me a bill against my salary account for the payments you made on clergy certificates for me, amounting to \$3.04 gold. the past this charge has been made against salary allowances as long as the person in question had any salary allowance left, that is allowance for travel. Of course when Mr. McClure received your statement showing this charge, I had drawn all of my salary allowance for travel on the field, but later I refunded \$37.19 gold of my travel allowance. I failed to include the cost of clergy certificates in my travel expense report. Do you think it is all right to count this as travel expenses or not? If so will you please take the matter up with Mr. McClure so that he will change it on the field books; if not, please take it out of my August salary. Whatever you think is the best way to treat it will be entirely satisfactory with me.

As to whether or not I am entitled to registration fees other than tuition fees, I do not know. I do not know what has been the practice in the past, as all such payments have always been made by the New York office, and are not itemized on the statements.

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I think you have handled Mr. Metcalf's account in the best way. You will probably receive a letter from him on the subject of not receiving the rent allowance for this month, but nevertheless I think you are right.

Well I will plan to spend the first two weeks of September, from Monday September 2nd through Saturday September 14th, there in the office. I am sorry I can't be there during the period of closing the Fukien books. I would no doubt learn more about things at that time than any other. Anyway I am looking forward to the time that I shall be there.

Sincerely yours,

. Eva M. asher

Fukien Christian University

July 29, 1929

Miss Eva M. Asher. 200 Commonwealth avenue, Boston. Mass.

My dear Miss Asher:

Thanks for your letter of Saturday.

I am sorry that we sent you the check duplicating payment for your June and July salary. In some way the payment for this item made on July 1st was not correctly entered on our card index, so in checking over your account rather hastily I failed to discover the fact that this payment had already been made.

I am enclosing a copy of my letter to Mr.McClure in regard to the item of \$3.04 for your clergy certificates. It seems to me that this is a legitimate item of travel, and since you refunded \$37.19 of your allowance of \$500.00 you are still well inside the limit even after this item is included.

The question of whether you are entitled to registration fees other than tuition fees is one that I feel we should leave to your judgment since you are in the best position to know the practice the field has followed. In mostof the Universities cooperating in the Central Office the term "tuition fees" is understood to include such regular University charges as registration fees as well as actual payment of tuition for specific courses taken. I note that the amount allowed for your tailtion in the University budget is 6\$450. If you will need to spend this entire amount for actual tuition it makes very little difference whether or not we include this item of registration fees. If, however, your thition fees alone will not require the entire emount, it seems to me it would be in order to include such regular fees as this.

We look forward to having you in the office with us the first two weeks in September.

> Very cordially yours, BA: Spride

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coly horas Ach 9/24/29 200 Commonwealth Avenue Boston. Mass. September 20, 1929. (UNICLE) Mr. B. A. Garside 250 Fifth Avenue New York City Dear Mr. Garside: Your letter of September 17 with a copy of your letter to Mr. McClure in regard to the clearance of Account 24b has been received. I think your letter covers the problems involved clearly. There are one or two personal items I intended to take up with you before I left and forgot it. First, Dr. Jarvis gave me some medicine the last morning I was in the office, and he did not know the price of it at that time so I could not pay him. He said he would put it on the bill with my medical examination. Our medical allowance, however, does not cover medicine, only services. So I am asking you to deduct this charge from my October salary. Also I owe for some personal telephone calls made from the office, which please deduct from my October salary. Second, in about a month I will have one, or more, package coming to me there at the office from China. (When I arranged for them I did not know what my address in Boston would be). When they come I would like to have them sent to My sister. She will pay the duty on them. Her address is: Mrs. R. J. Lonske 15 Ellsworth Avenue) Telephone: Nepperham 1592. Yonkers, New York) I do not know which will be the least trouble to you, to call her and let her come for the packages or to send them by mail. Either way will be satisfactory with her.her. The Central Office people did not have all the pleasure of my being in the office for two weeks, for it was a real pleasure to me to be there and to get better acquainted with you people. Sincerely yours, Eva M. asher

Fukien Christian University

October 14, 1929

Miss Eva M.Asher, 200 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass.

My dear Miss Asher:

Thanks for your good letter of October 5.

We were all very much intrigued to hear of President Lin's marriage to Dr. Hui-ching Yen. The last mail brought a formal notice from the happy pair.

We have now received Mr.McClure's annual report of the Field Treasurer. The report was prepared before our final balance sheets for the year ending July 31 had been received on the field, so we will have to await further word as to the standing at the close of the fiscal year after all items have been entered. The report does not give any exact information as to gain in exchange. Mr.McClure probably sent you a copy of the report, but in order to be sure that you have this information available, I am enclosing a copy herewith.

Within the next few days Mr. Evans will be writing Mr.McClure suggesting certain changes in our method of making remittances on the current budget with a view to speeding up and simplifying the work of closing our accounts at the end of the year. He will send you a copy of this communication for your comments and criticism.

With best wishes for your work in Boston, I am

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Fukien Christian University

October 25, 1929

Miss Eva H. Asher, 200 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass.

My dear MissAsher:

he must this month supply the Harvard-Yenching Institute with a a report showing the expenditures made during the fiscal year 1928-29 on remittances received from the Institute trust fund. In order to prepare this report I need more detailed information than I now have available as to what items in the fukien budget apply to the teaching of Chinese history and Chinese philosophy and objects related thereto. I trust that you will be able to help me.

In the 1927-28 budget we find the following:-

Department of Social Science	
	.\$ 156.00
T. L. Lin, salary and expenses	1,850.00
C. J. Lin (under administration), salary and	
allowances	2,825.00
Department of Philosophy (under Dean Scott's office)	
R. Scott, salary and allowances	2,900.00

In Mr.McClure's report of expenditures for the year 1928-29 we find the following parallel items:-

Department of Social Science	
Prof.C.J.Lin - 1/4	657.30
Prof.T.L.Lin - 3/4	1,020.83
Lecturer G.C.Young	720.00
" C.L.Kuan	216.00
Department of Religion and Philosophy	•
Prof. R. Scott - 2/3	1.933.32

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Asst.Prof.E.M.Stowe 4,334.00
" " %.Y.Chen 720.00
Lecturer P.C.Lin 216.00

I presume that in both of these departments some fraction of the expense is properly chargeable to Chinese history and Chinese philosof Miss Asher-2

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ophy, but not knowing the courses taught by the men listed we have no way of apportioning these amounts.

Is there any apportionment we can make for the expense of departmental supplies and miscellaneous expenses in the Departments of Social Science and Religion and Philosophy, so as to arrive at at least approximate estimates for the share of these expenses chargeable to the teaching of Chinese history and philosophy?

I am afraid that at best this first report to the Harvard-Yenching Institute will be rather sketchy. Next year a more satisfactory report should be possible.

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200 Commonwealth Avenue Boston, Massachusetts October 26, 1929.

Dear Mr. Garside:

I have your letter of October 25 asking for information for the Harvard-Yenching Institute report. I am afraid I can't help you a great deal.

As to whether or not subjects in Social Science, Religion, and Philosophy can be counted as Chinese cultural subjects depends on the policy the Institute has adopted. I know the faculty at F.C.U., Mr. C. J. Lin in particular, felt that some of the courses in these departments could come under such a classification. I think he felt that all of Social Science could now that it is being taught entirely by Chinese £nd more from the Chinese point of view. I do not know the exact courses taught by the people you have listed in every case, but I shall give below as much as I know about it.

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H. E. Chen - a course in banking

T. L. Lin - practically all sociology

C. J. Lin - Political Science.

R. Scott - Entirely western philosophy; perhaps comparisons with Chinese philosophy.

1928-29 Budget

C. J. Lin - Political Science or Economics or both.

T. L. Lin - All Sociology I think.

G. C. Young - Economics

C. L. Kuan - Economics

Scott - Western philosophy.

Stowe - Religion

P. C. Lin - Religion

If you have a Chinese catalogue for these years, and I think you have, you could tell more about the exact nature of these courses from the catalogue. You read Chinese, do you not? I believe you read your speech!!

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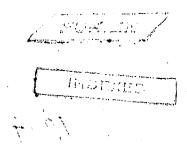
If you can count the subjects under Social Science as cultural subjects, practically all of the departmental expenses can be counted. Almost all of the expenses in these departments are for books and magazines, mostly books, and are practically all in Chinese. Also quite a few books under Religion are in Chinese. Practically all expenses under Religion are for books. I think most of the books under philosophy are western.

I suppose you are taking all of the expenses found under the Chinese Department proper. Certainly everything under that could be counted.

None of this information is very definite, but it is the best I can do.

Sincerely yours,

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Fukien Christian University

November 1, 1929

Miss Eva M. Asher, 200 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Mass.

My dear Miss Asher:

Thank you for you: letter of October 26 concerning the various items of information asked for in my letter of October 25.

We have now prepared a draft of our proposed report to the Harvard-Yenching Institute covering the use of income from the Harvard-Yenching Institute trust fund during the fiscal year ending July 31, 1929. Will you please look over the attached draft of this report, make any suggestions that occur to you, and call our attention to any omissions or inaccuracies.

I am afraid it is very apparent that in preparing this report we have had a difficult task making a very satisfactory case. When we take the entire expenditures of the Chinese departments, and the entire library costs, we have about Mex.\$2,000 less than was received from the Institute. I have added, therefore, a proportionate share of the cost of general University administration and maintenance. This share is obtained by apportioning the general University administration and maintenance among all departments of the University on the basis of departmental expenses for salaries and miscellaneous supplies. Even with this addition the total amount we can report as having been expended by the Chinese departments or for objects related thereto is only slightly in excess of what was received from the Harvard-Yenching Institute. I shall be very much interested to see whether the Institute is willing to accept such a report as satisfactory.

Even if the Institute is willing to accept this year's report in the form submitted, we will be up against a much more difficult proposition during 1929/30 when the income from the Institute will be almost three times as great as for 1928-29.

Please let me have your comments as promptly as you conveniently can for I must get this report to the Institute in the very near future.

Let me acknowledge also your letter of October 26. I would suggest that for the present we keep in our New York office the copy of

your health report which would normally be forwarded to the University physician, and let you take this report with you when you return to the field next year. Will this be satisfactory to you?

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Very cordially yours, B. A. Jasside



200 Commonwealth Avenue Boston, Massachusetts November 2, 1929.

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Mr. B. A. Garside 150 Fifth Avenue New York City

Dear Mr. Garside:

Your letter of November 1 and the report to the Harvard-Yenching Institute came this morning.

The only item in the report I would question is the one for Library M\$1,581.33. That seems large for expenses in the Chinese Department, but perhaps I have forgotten. If you got this figure from the budget or the financial report for 1928-29, it is, no doubt, the correct figure. But perhaps this is the figure for library expenses in general. When I first saw it was for books for the Chinese Department only. If it is for library expenses in general, I hardly think we would be justified in counting the full amount in this report. If this is general library expenses it does not include the purchase of As yet we have no fund for the purchase of books in general; books purchased by each department are taken out of departmental expenses. So the expenditure for Chinese books is included under Chinese Department expenses. \$800 or \$900 of this could though be charged to the Chinese department, because the Assistant Librarian, salary \$600 per year, gave practically all of his time to the Chinese library. But this difference probably does not amount to enough to warrant a correction.

Your suggestion as to the medical report is satisfactory with me.

Sincerely yours,

Eva M. asher

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200 Commonwealth Avenue Boston, Massachusetts November 27, 1929

Mr. B. A. Garside 150 Fifth Avenue New York City

Dear Mr. Garside:

As the field authorities will have to be thinking about the 1930-31 budget soon after the first of the year I feel that they should know by that time my plans for the immediate future, and I shall write to Mr. Lin on the subject within the next few days.

When I was there in the office in September I told you that if I were ever going back to China at all I thought I should go next summer. At that time that seemed wiser, but this much of this school term has led me to see things differently. After giving the matter a great deal of thought I have decided that I should stay here and finish this course while I am at it. It has not been easy to get back into school life and work in general after being out for so long a time. If I leave my work here half finished next summer it would in all probability mean that I would never finish the course, and I feel that I need it whether or not I return to China.

This would mean that I would not be ready to return to China until the late summer of 1932 at best. And it may be that I would have to be delayed another year for I shall have to go into debt for the most of these two years ahead, except what I can earn on the side, and it would be foolish to return to China with a debt of from \$1500. to \$2000. There are no scholarships for the College of Business Administration, so there is no chance of getting any aid whatsoever from the school.

Under these circumstances I see no alternative except to resign so that the University may be free to make <u>definite</u> plans for the Treasurer's Office. I do not see how they can go on with the present temporary arrangements, and the expense involved in getting a person from America to fill in for only two or three years would be too much considering the financial condition of Fukien. So on the basis of the above I am sending in my resignation to the Board of Managers, to take effect July 31, 1930.

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Now my position in the matter is this. If, when I am through my study and am free to think of going back to China, or going somewhere else, Fukien for any reason should be in need of a Treasurer and wanted me, I should be most happy to start all over again. On the other hand, if some one has worked in there and things are going along satisfactorily with all concerned, I would not think of trying to go back there, but would consider any place of this kind where there might be an opening, be it in China, Japan, or elsewhere. This is to say that I have not given up the idea of foreign service. I only want to get properly prepared for it.

As to the financial end of it, my understanding is that I am entitled to receive my salary and allowances, except the tuition allowance, to the end of this fiscal year, July 31, 1930. I am merely notifying the field now so they will know how to plan.

I have felt all the time that in case I did not return to Fukien I would not be entitled to the tuition allowance, and told Mr. Lin when it was put in the budget last year if I did not return I would refund it. But I am wondering if it would be satisfactory for you to advance the tuition for this next term with the understanding that I refund all of it in time for it to reach the field before the end of the fiscal year. The point of it is that I have not yet planned the financial end of this undertaking, and it takes practically all of my salary and regular allowances for actual living expenses and incidentals. But I can make arrangements for the full refund in time for it to reach the field before the end of July. I shall also mention this in writing to Mr. Lin.

I am sorry to have to do this, but I am convinced that it is the best thing to do. I did enjoy my work and the pleasant associations at the University, and of course I cannot forget Fukien and its struggles wherever I may be. And my relations with you and the office there and with the Trustees have been only pleasant ones. Please extend to the Trustees my appreciation of their support in every way during these six years.

Sincerely yours,

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Fukien Christian University

December 12, 1929

Miss Eva M. Asher, Basi Commonwealth Ave. Boston, Mass.

My dear Miss Asher:

This is simply to acknowledge your letter of November 27 and to let you know that it came to hand. Mr.Garside is absent from the office for a few days becaus: of the sudden death of his mother. I think, however, that he will agree with me that there is nothing we can do immediately un your resignation and that the attitude of our office will remain the same until some definite action is taken.

There is much that could be said on both sides of the question that naturally arises when one considers your resignation. You, of course, are anxious to secure all the education possible, and for this we certainly admire you and would not wish to say one word of discouragement. On the other hand, in so far as the application of the technical knowledge you will secure in your business course to the problems on the field is concerned, you will, of course, understand that it means just as much thought and constructive analysis to readjust t technical knowledge to the field's practical problems. In other words, no matter how much education a person has, a great deal of mental readjustment is required to put it into practical use.

In regard to the advance on tuition allowance, we can take that up in person when you arrive on the sixteenth unless you require it immediately.

We received word from your sister yesterday that your niece has not been able to definitely make up her mind and so, for the time being at least, her mother has stepped in and made a decision which is not to purchase the ticket. This, of course, is subject to revision upon a last minute change of mind.

May I say that if your resignation goes into effect we certainly shall feel the loss and will regret the same very much indeed. Our relations also have been very pleasant and, of course, we are sorry to lose such a good friend of foreign missions.

Very truly yours,

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