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December 7, 1934

Dr. Robert M. Hopkins
World's Sunday School Association
51 Madison Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Your kind invitation of December 6th, addressed to
President Lin, has been received in his absence. Upon his
return, in about ten days, I will bring it to his attention.

Thanking you on his behalf, I remain,

Very truly yours,

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December 20, 1934

Dr. Robert M. Hopkins
World's Sunday School Association
51 Madison Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Doctor Hopkins:

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of December 6th inviting me to participate in the conference in New York City, on Thursday, December 27th, with Dr. Weigle. I shall be very glad to come and to contribute to the discussion with what I know.

I shall look forward to meeting you and your friends at that time.

Yours very sincerely,

C. J. Lin

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PAUL STURTEVANT, NEW YORK CITY

President C. J. Lin,
85 Sherman St.,
Hartford, Conn.

My dear President Lin:

I am delighted to learn that you will be with us next Thursday, the 27th inst., for the conference with Dr. Weigle. Your presence and counsel will be invaluable.

We will ask you to come prepared especially to tell us briefly something concerning the needs and opportunities in China which Dr. Weigle will meet. As you know, his going is primarily to assist the brethren in China to study the problem of Christian leadership in the churches.

The conference will be held in the Cooper Room of the Prince George Hotel, 28th Street near Fifth Avenue, beginning at 10:30 A.M. and continuing until about 4:00 P.M.

Trusting you are to have a happy Christmastime, I am

Yours cordially,

Robert M. Hopkins

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TREASURER

PAUL STURTEVANT, NEW YORK CITY

December 29, 1934

President C. J. Lin
85 Sherman St.,
Hartford Conn.

My dear President Lin:

We certainly appreciated your presence and counsel in the conference with Dr. Weigle on Thursday. Your contributions were most helpful and constructive.

I trust you will inform the friends in China of the coming of Dr. Weigle and be sure to let us have names and addresses of those whom he should seek to interview.

We will appreciate any suggestions you have to offer regarding the procedure Dr. Weigle should follow, and especially regarding the best plans for the conservation of his good work in that land.

With the best of wishes for the New Year, I am

Yours cordially

Robert M. Hopkins

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January 3, 1935

Dr. Robert M. Hopkins
World's Sunday School Association
51 Madison Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Doctor Hopkins:

Many thanks for your cordial letter of December 29th, which was forwarded to me at Hartford. I appreciated the privilege of attending the conference with Dr. Weigle last Thursday. I believe we had a very successful gathering.

I have already written home about Dr. Weigle's visit. I am sure the people over there are ready to receive him. I do hope that Dr. Weigle will have time to visit Tingshien, near Peiping, when he visits North China. I also hope that he will visit the Province of Kwangsi and the Province of Kiangsi. Both of those provinces are making wonderful progress in reconstruction work. The experiences there will impress on Dr. Weigle the vital forces that are working in China besides the Church circles. It will also serve to help him understand the Chinese people better. Mr. Pingnan, Louis, the Commissioner of Education of the Kwangsi Province, and Mr. S. K. Cheng, the Commissioner of Education of the Kiangsi Province, are very close friends of mine. They are both American returned students. They will be very glad to render any assistance to Dr. Weigle when he visits those two provinces. I also hope that Dr. Weigle will go to West China.

If there are any other things that I can do to help, kindly let me know.

Yours very sincerely,

C. J. Liu

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PAUL STURTEVANT, NEW YORK CITY

January 9, 1935

President C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
150 Fifth Av., New York City.

My dear President Lin:

Let me thank you for this good letter of January 3rd regarding Dr. Weigle's visit to China. We have had a further conference with Dr. Weigle on yesterday and I have been so glad to pass on to him a copy of your letter. We are greatly impressed with what you have said in this connection.

It is a real joy to have come to know you and I wish you would let me know when I can be of any possible service to you.

With the best of wishes, I am

Yours cordially

RMH/F

Robert M. Hopkins

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Clinehurst Apts
819 Beacon Ave.
Los Angeles, Calif.
June 6, 1934.

Dr. C. J. Lin
President Fukien Christian University
Foochow, China

My dear Dr. Lin:

I thank you for your letter. A music studio will be a beautiful memorial to Mrs. Beach. I have spoken of the plan to several of the ladies here, and am sending a small contribution of my own to Miss Asher. (We get nice notes from her.)

We shall look forward to seeing you and Mrs. Lin and the little children this summer. I much appreciate your sending me the picture of the family group.

I am interested to hear of your lectureship at Hartford Seminary. Dr. Barstow's father was our pastor in a Massachusetts Church many years ago, and I met Dr. Barstow himself again when he preached in our Los Angeles church one Sunday about three years ago.

Mrs. Lin may be interested to know that a cousin of mine, Dr. Alice V. Tallant of Philadelphia, was also a graduate of Johns Hopkins.

Very sincerely yours,

Louise Hosmer

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August 17, 1934

Miss Louise Hommer,
819 Beacon St.,
Los Angeles, Cal.

Dear Miss Hommer:

Your letter of June 6th was forwarded to me here. Mrs. Lin and I are staying at 318-A Mission Road, Glendale, Cal. We shall be glad to see you some time if you would let us know when it is the most convenient to call on you.

I have engagements in the evenings throughout our stay in Southern California but in most of the day time, with the exception of Sunday, I can go out to see my friends upon appointment.

It will be a pleasure for me to meet you.

Very sincerely yours,

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Clinchurst Apts
819 Beacon Ave. Los Angeles
Sept. 16, 1934.
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My dear Dr. Lin,

I was greatly disappointed to miss your call yesterday. I had an errand out of town, and the one who took me in her car could not go until afternoon, and it was a place that cannot be reached by street car.

I know how full your

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Time is, and deeply appreciate
your coming. I shall be
at home other Saturdays until
October 13th (not on that date).
My sister and
I had both hoped to see you
and Mrs. Lin and the little
children.

I shall see some friends
at church today who were
fortunate to be able to attend
the missionary meeting last
Thursday, which business
compelled me to lose.

With kindest regards to
Mrs. Lin,

Very truly yours
Louise Hosmer.

If you are to be speaking, anywhere in ^[3]
the city on a Sunday, I should be glad
to be present.

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September 26, 1934

Miss Louise Hosmer
Clinehurst Apts.,
819 Beacon Avenue
Los Angeles, California

Dear Miss Hosmer:

It was very good of you to write me on September 16th. We were just at the point of leaving Southern California, so I was not able to reply to you. I was very sorry that I could not have a chance to meet you, and hope an opportunity may come later.

Mrs. Lin and I had a hurried trip East on account of a meeting in New York City on September 28th. Our time was very full when in Los Angeles. The day when I called on you was the only afternoon that I was free, and I did not stop to look up your telephone number as I should so as to call you first.

We appreciate very much your interest in our work at Foochow. The death of Mrs. Beach was a great loss to us. We spoke to the Women's Society of the First Congregational Church in Los Angeles, and Mrs. Lin told the ladies there how much we appreciate the ladies of the church who have kept their interest in our work through the support of Mrs. Beach's work. I am sure your contribution toward Mrs. Beach's Memorial will be of help in realizing the project which our students and friends are trying to carry out.

We shall stop here just for three days. We are going to move our family to Hartford, Connecticut, on September 29th. I shall, however, keep my office at the above address.

With kind wishes,

Yours sincerely,

C. J. Lin

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FUKIEN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY
Foochow, China

President's Office
150 Fifth Ave.
New York, N.Y.
Room 500

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Mr. H.H. Hussey,
5 San Tiao Hutung East
Peking, China

My dear Mr. Hussey:

Thank you for your letters of December 14, 1918, and of May 19, 1919. The latter was forwarded to me from Foochow, and was consequently delayed in reaching me. My reply has been further delayed for several reasons.

I hoped to talk the matter over with you while in Peking but found that you were in America. When I arrived here, however, you had already started back to China before I could see you. Furthermore, I have not been in good health while here, and have been unable to attend to some things which should have claimed my attention. Moreover, I have had no opportunity to consult the building committee of the Board of Trustees as to what should be done with your bill. Recently however we had a meeting of that committee, and the question was discussed at some length. The committee feels that the work was done without their direction and consequently they are under no responsibility for the bill. They, therefore, repudiate the claim, and say it is my affair to settle it as best I can.

You know what a missionary's salary is, and the difficulty I would have in paying any such amount as you mentioned in your letter. Would you accept a couple of hundred dollars gold, and cancel the obligation.

In replying kindly address me at Foochow, for I hope to be on my way to China before your eply could reach me in the United States.

With kind regards, and hoping for a favorable reply, I am

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Yours very truly,
Edwin C. Jones

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October 20th, 1920.

CABLE ADDRESS
"DELTHORB" NEW YORK

Dear Mr. Carman:

IN RE: FUKIEN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

I have read through the correspondence you sent me relating to the claim of Shattuck & Hussey for services as architects, and this morning I talked over the telephone with the Rev. A.L. Waunshins. He told me that he thought Mr. Hussey was putting up something of a bluff and my first inclination was to recommend that we sit tight until Mr. Hussey's lawyer sends notice that he is taking further steps.

On second thought, however, it seemed to me that the best proceeding would be to follow Mr. Waunshins's advice, which was to refer the claim for settlement to the local Board of Managers of Fukien Christian University in China. I told Mr. Waunshins I would, with your approval, write a letter to Mr. Hussey to this effect. I am enclosing this letter herewith. If you approve it, will you kindly have it mailed as addressed; if not, please return it to me with any suggestions. If this letter goes I presume that Mr. Waunshins should send a copy of it to the local Board of Managers of the University in China for their information and action.

Yours sincerely,

Samuel Thorne, Jr.
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W.W. Carman, Esq.,
99 John Street,
New York City.

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P.S. I return herewith the papers which you sent me relating to the claim.

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October 20th, 1920.

My dear Sir:

Letters relating to the claim of your firm Shattuck & Hussey, for services rendered in connection with preparing plans for Fukien Christian University were brought to my attention late yesterday afternoon and noticing that in your letter of October 13th, addressed to Mr. Waunshins, you stated you would be at the Waldorf Astoria for the next week. I telephoned that hotel this morning in the hope of reaching you but was informed that you had left. I am therefore writing this letter to you at that address in the hope that it may be forwarded.

In view of the fact that I am informed you are returning to China shortly and of the further fact that the Board of Managers of Fukien Christian University are conversant with all the details of your claim, it has seemed best to refer this matter to the local Board of Managers to take up with you in China and see if it cannot be amicably adjusted with due consideration of the rights and interests of all concerned. It is not the intention of the Board to repudiate any claim upon the technicality, but on the other hand in view of the difficulties which all the Boards are facing in raising money, will appreciate your generous cooperation in endeavoring to reach a just settlement.

Yours very truly

(Signed) Samuel Thorne, Jr.

Harry Hussey, Esq.,
Waldorf Astoria,
Fifth Avenue & 34th Street,
New York City.

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Peking November 12th.1919

Professor Edwin C. Jones, President,
Fukien Christian University,
Foo Chow, China.

Dear Sir;-

I have received your letter of Sept. 13th stating that the Building Committee in America has repudiated their debt to our firm.

As much as I dislike to put you to inconvenience I am very sorry that I cannot accept your offer for a settlement of our account against the Fukien Christian University. I feel that a settlement of the nature that you suggest would not only be most unjust to yourself and our firm but it would also do considerable harm to Mission work here in China. As one man stated after reading your letter and the correspondence from Foo Chow that if the Mission Boards in America continued to try to avoid paying their debts by taking advantage of a technicality of this nature it would entirely destroy their credit and standing in this country.

The Board of Trustees in America cannot claim that they knew nothing of the work we were doing for your University. This work was started over four years ago and during that time we have received several letters from you written from the office of the Board in America. In some of these letters you mention discussing our plans with members of the committee. I also received a letter from one of the members of the board in which he stated that he was glad that we were making your plans for you. I also discussed the University plans with you and Dr. Goucher in his residence in Baltimore. In the letters received from Foo Chow you frequently mention about sending our plans to the Board in America, and also mention the Boards comments on these plans. You and other members of your local committee have made frequent trips to America since we started your work and in almost every case you have asked us for plans to take back with you to discuss with the Board in America. Taking the above into consideration I think you can readily see that the Board in America cannot claim that they were without knowledge of the work we were doing for your University.

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But even if they had no knowledge of this work the Fukien Christian University and not you personally is legally bound for this debt, as with the letters we have written by you we also have many letters asking for plans and signed " Clarence A Neff Sec'y of the Board of Managers representing the Fukien Christian University" also E.L.Ford Sec'y of the Board of Managers of Fukien Christian University". These letters so signed and written on the official letterhead of the University bind the University and if they are wrongly signed by an employee of the Board that is a question to be settled only among yourselves and does not affect this transaction.

As I did not want to take hasty action in this matter I have put off answering your letter until I could consult with several business men in Peking. After careful study of all the correspondence we believe that as the Board has so evidently tried to take advantage of what they thought was a technicality in their favor that I should take any action necessary to collect proper payment for our work.

I am enclosing a corrected statement of our account made out in accordance with existing contracts in this office with other Mission Boards. This is our usual fee under circumstances similar to yours. I am prepared to take such steps as is necessary to collect this debt.

I have the kindest regards towards you and the other men in Foo Chow and I only hope that any action that it is necessary for me to take in this matter will not put you to much inconvenience, but I feel strongly that I have been treated very unjustly in this matter by your committee in America. I will wait a reasonable time to hear from you before taking any action.

Yours sincerely

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Peking November 12th.1919.

Fukien Christian University
Foo Chow, China

In account with

Shattuck and Hussey
Architects.

For professional services in connection
with new University Buildings.

Expenses in preparation of plans, etc.	\$1120.00
Mr. Husseys time and profit.	\$1120.00
Total	<u>\$2240.00</u>

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Peking December 19th.

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Mr. Roderick Scott Acting President
Fukien Christian College
Foochow.

My dear Mr. Scott;-

I have your letter of December 11th. I certainly will give your Board every opportunity to pay our account in a way that will not harm your work as I feel very friendly towards all your men and especially towards the work you are doing in Foochow. But I also feel very strongly that your board has tried to do me a great injustice in this matter.

During the last four years I have prepared the plans for a large number of buildings for the Mission Fields. For the larger number of these plans I have not asked for dollar in payment for even my expenses. For most of the others I have only asked for my actual expenses not counting my own time.

If your Board had been unable to pay at this time I would gladly have waited for any reasonable length of time but when they try to take advantage of a technicality to keep from paying my account I feel I should take any course necessary to collect what is due me. I will wait until I hear from you before taking any further action, I am

Yours sincerely,

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October 27th, 1920.

CABLE ADDRESS
"DELTHORB" NEW YORK

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Dear Mr. Carman:

The letter which I wrote Mr. Hussey and which you mailed brought a response sooner than I thought it would for Mr. Hussey called me up the next day, stated he was in town and came down to see me at the office.

We conferred, I should think, for about an hour, and according to his statement he has numberless grievances against the mission boards operating in China. I confess from some of the papers he had in his possession, it seemed as though the fault was not all together on his side. Mr. Hussey apparently is doing a prosperous business in Peking with the Chinese and it strikes me that it was most unfortunate for him to bear bitter feelings against the mission boards, when those bitter feelings have arisen not without some cause. He told me that he had visited the cite at Fukien Christian University twice by special request; that he had paid out \$1140 in salary to a Mr. Herman who is in his employ; that this did not cover the overhead or any other expense connected with the draftsmen of his force. He further said that the second item of \$1140, which on his bill appears to be charged for his profit and expenses, includes his traveling expenses to Fuchow and the remainder is divided between overhead expense and a slight profit to himself.

He said that at one time if the matter had been handled in the right way he would have been willing to accept \$1,000, and I told him that was the amount I had in mind for just settlement from the little I knew of the facts. I said, however, that I thought it hardly just that he should not be paid for the actual money he had paid out in connection with this affair. He finally said he would take whatever I, knowing these facts, would recommend. I told him that I would endeavor to communicate with the other members of the Committee and notify him of the result. Will you therefore let me know what you think is best to be done. I will gladly contribute \$140

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-2- October 27th, 1920.

to the Fukien Christian University so that the amount it will otherwise have to meet to settle with Mr. Hussey will not be over \$1,000. I told Mr. Hussey that I presumed the main thing in his mind was to have this question settled and that he would not require immediate payment. He told me what he wanted was to have the question settled and he would be willing to wait for the payment.

Yours sincerely,

Samuel Thorne, Jr.

W.W. Carman, Esq.,
99 John Street,
New York City.

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"DELTHORNS" NEW YORK

October 27th, 1920.

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Dear Mr. Waunshius:

I am sending you a copy of a letter I have just written Mr. Carman as a result of my interview with Mr. Hussey the other day, and I will be obliged if you will let me know what your opinion is on the matters therein referred to.

Yours sincerely,

Samuel Thorne, Jr.

Mr. A. L. Waunshius,
22 East 25th Street,
New York City.

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October 28th, 1920.

Dear Sir:

After giving the matter of our conference the other day considerable thought I wrote to Mr. W.W. Carman, one of the members of the Finance Committee of Fukien University, reporting that I would recommend paying you \$1140 in full and final settlement of any claim against the Fukien University for services performed on its behalf.

This morning I have a letter approving this recommendation but stating that he presumes it will be necessary to have the Finance Committee finally pass on the matter before payment can be made. Just how soon the Finance Committee can be called for a meeting I do not know, but if any recommendation is followed, it will be upon the terms which I have stated and which I trust will be recognized as just and fair.

Yours very truly,

(Sgd.) Samuel Thorne, Jr.

Mr. Harry Hussey,
Waldorf Astoria,
34th Street & Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

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The Waldorf-Astoria New York

Nov. 10, 1920.

Samuel Thorne, Jr., Esq.,
c/o Delsfield, Thorne and Burleigh,
27 Cedar Street,
New York.

My dear Mr. Thorne:

I find that I sent to China, before answering it, a copy of your letter of recent date regarding the Foo Chow University. I will be pleased to accept the offer made to me in this letter. I wish you would kindly deposit the check to my account in the Standard Trust and Savings Bank, Monroe Street, Chicago. If this is inconvenient, you can send it to me direct to #1 Nan Chih Tze, Peking, as I have no further connection with the Chicago Office.

I am,

Yours truly,

Harry Hursey

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November 16th, 1920.

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"DELTHORB" NEW YORK

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My dear Mr. Carman:

As Treasurer of the Fukien University you should have in your files the enclosed letter which I received from Mr. Harry Hussey a few days ago; also copy of my letter to which he refers and a copy of my last letter of this date in further answer.

Yours very truly,

Samuel Thorne Jr

W.W. Carman, Esq.,
99 John Street,
New York City.

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November 16th, 1920.

My dear Mr. Hussey:

Replying to your letter of November 10th I am glad that my recommendation of settlement in reference to your claim against the Fukien University meets your approval. I understood when we were talking about this settlement that the main point in your mind was to reach a decision at an early date, but as I then told you it may be sometime before funds are in hand to settle the details; however I hope that may not be very long. I note what you say about depositing the check to your account in the Standard Trust and Savings Bank, Monroe Street, Chicago, or if this is inconvenient to send it to you at # 1 Nan Chih Tze, Peking.

Yours very truly,

(Sgd.) Samuel Thorne, Jr.

Mr. Harry Hussey,
Waldorf Astoria,
West 34th Street,
New York City.

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*Samuel Thorne
John 277
Return to Mr. Chamberlain*

Information of Mr. Chamberlain

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July 20th, 1921.

Dear Mr. Hussey:

Replying to your line of the 19th inst., received this morning, and your telephone conversation of yesterday, in which you said that you had not received any communication in regard to your claim against Fukien University, I write this line to say I have started an inquiry to find out the facts in relation to its present status and hope to have that information before many days. When I have, I will write you again.

One explanation of the delay may possibly be that this last year has seen both a change in the office of Secretary and Treasurer, so that it may be a little difficult to get at the records.

Very truly yours,

(Samuel Thorne)

Mr. Harry Hussey,
c/o Mr. W. M. Chadbourne,
165 Broadway,
New York City.

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August 6, 1931

Dear Mr. Hussey:

As the Board of Trustees of the Fukien Christian University has authorized the payment to you of \$1140. in settlement of your full account against the University upon the execution by you of a general release covering all your claims against the University, I am writing to say that as soon as such a general release has been received by me, the check will be forwarded to you.

Yours very truly,

Mr. Harry Hussey,
Care of Mr. W. M. Chadbourne,
165 Broadway,
New York City.

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