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<u>Date of Pledge</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Payable</u>	<u>Object</u>	<u>Payments</u>
1/2/25	\$500.00	by 1/3/26	Dormitory	5/30/25 \$500. then Endowment fund

Write 12/3/25 - "Dr. Chamberlain should handle this as he is a friend and classmate of Dr. Johnson" - Dr. Lowdy.

5/17/25 - \$20,000 (for value) gift of stock for endowment of chair pt. 5/17/25

January, 1925.

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l. J. & Co. to - 1/3/75. re amount & conditions of pledge.  
See also letter from Dr. Johnson to [2]  
Dr. Chamberlain - 5/12/75 re payment  
of \$500 dormitory pledge.  
See letter of 5/12/75 from Dr. Johnson and  
letter of 5/10/75 of acceptance.

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January 3, 1925.

Mr. George H. Johnson, D.Sc.,  
113 Columbia Hts.,  
Brooklyn, New York.

My dear Dr. Johnson:

I write to confirm the conversation which we had in your office at 50 Broad Street, yesterday afternoon. I also wish to thank you for your subscription of \$500. to Fukien Christian University.

My understanding is that this money is payable within one year from this date, and that it is to be applied toward the construction of the next dormitory erected. In the event of its being unnecessary for this purpose, by consultation between you and the University authorities, it may be made available for other purposes.

I am greatly pleased at the interest which you have taken in the and I shall be glad at any time to answer any questions which may arise to you.

With many thanks and good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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Dr. Wm. I. Chamberlain  
President, Board of Trustees of Fukien Christian University, Inc.

Dear Dr. Chamberlain:

It is my wish to endow a professorship in Fukien Christian University. Although my own interest is chiefly in mathematics, psychology and evangelical religion I will not designate the chair to be endowed. The Trustees know best the needs of the institution, and the title may be changed from time to time as they see proper. It will be known as the Johnson Professorship of \_\_\_\_\_ (Specifically as the Dr. Geo. H. Johnson Professorship of \_\_\_\_\_).

Only the income of the fund I am now beginning may be spent, and the principal may not be pledged or hypothecated.

Until the income is sufficient to support a professor it may be allowed to accumulate, or the deficiency may be supplied from other sources at the discretion of the Trustees.

I have confidence in the reliability of the Hudson & Manhattan R. R. Co. adj. 5 per cent bonds which I am donating herewith (in the amount of \$20,000 par value) and am assured of their suitability for an endowment fund; therefore I direct that they be not sold below 90 per cent of par.

This letter is in lieu of a deed of trust, and is to be preserved and observed accordingly. Please send me a carbon copy with notation of acceptance. The bonds may be delivered this week, but with the nominal date of the endowment as October 1. The coupons for \$500, then collectible, are to be credited in my building subscription for that amount.

May Fukien Christian University always be worthy of its name, and its graduates living epistles proclaiming the glorious gospel of Christian love and service. It is in this faith and hope that I make this endowment.

Yours faithfully,

/s/ Geo. H. Johnson

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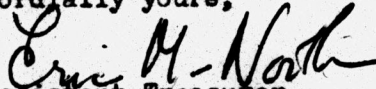
Dr. George H. Johnson,  
113 Columbia Hts.,  
Brooklyn, New York.

My dear Dr. Johnson:

I have been notified by the United States Trust Company of New York, under date of May 26th, that they have received from you \$20,000 Hudson and Manhattan Railroad Company 5% Adjustment Income Bonds, due 1957, with October 1925 and subsequent coupons attached and that these are being held by them for Fukien Christian University.

I beg to express my appreciation of your courtesy in making the delivery of the bonds to the Trust Company and to express also what I know will be the very hearty appreciation of the Trustees in the completion of these steps for the establishment of the Dr. Geo. H. Johnson Professorship.

Cordially yours,

  
Assistant Treasurer.

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FUKIEN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

August 4, 1925.

Dr. George H. Johnson,  
113 Columbia Heights,  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Johnson:

I have the honor to report that at a recent meeting of the Trustees of Fukien Christian University, consideration was given to the department to which the endowment of the Dr. George H. Johnson professorship should be applied, and the following action was taken:

"T-684 VOTED that the income of the endowment be applied to the Chair of Mathematics, and that the fund be known as the Dr. Geo. H. Johnson Professorship of Mathematics."

The Trustees expressed their hearty gratification at the generous arrangements which you have so thoughtfully made.

Cordially yours,

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Assistant Secretary.

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FUKIEN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY.

December 18, 1925.

Dr. George H. Johnson,  
113 Columbia Heights,  
Brooklyn, N.J.

My dear Dr. Johnson:

I take much pleasure in sending you under another cover a copy of a catalogue of Fukien Christian University which we have just received. You no doubt will be interested in noting the courses on mathematics on page 50, for the support of which your recent gift to the income of the University is going. This issue of the catalogue was prepared in President Goady's absence. Had he been there no doubt there would have been a paragraph upon the George H. Johnson Professorship.

Cordially yours,

Assistant Secretary,  
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February 9, 1928.

Dr. George H. Johnson,  
50 Broad Street,  
New York City.

My dear Dr. Johnson:

A letter has come to the New York Office from the United States Trust Company stating that they have received from you:

- \$3,000. National Railroad Company of Mexico First Consolidated Mortgage 4% Gold Bonds, due October 1, 1951, with April 1, 1923, and subsequent coupons attached.
- \$3,000. National Railways of Mexico Prior Lien 4% Sinking Fund Gold Bonds, due July 1, 1957, two of which bonds have attached Bankers Trust Company, Depository, coupons, due July 1, 1923, and subsequent, and the Railway Company coupons due January 1, 1925, and subsequent and one has Bankers Trust Company, Depository, coupons due July 1, 1924, and subsequent attached and the Railway's coupons due July 1, 1924, and subsequent.
- 3- Receipts at \$120 each of the United States of Mexico for coupons or rights to interest in arrears, designated as class "A".
- 3- Receipts at \$220 each of the United States of Mexico for coupons or rights to interest in arrears, designated as class "B".

It is definitely understood in the office here that these funds go toward the endowment of the George H. Johnson Professorship of Mathematics in Suikien Christian University, Foochow, China. It is also understood that these bonds are not to be sold during your lifetime without your written consent and that only the income is to be used for the purpose designated.

I very much appreciate the promptness with which you have sent these bonds to the United States Trust Company. I would have written you before, but I have had another setback and am just out. I am planning to leave on Saturday for a little rest, but will probably be back in New York before the end of the month, if the weather is not too severe.

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I am preparing a statement of the financial condition of the University to present to the Trustees. I am very anxious that the University should have an endowment of \$500,000. and I have been working toward this end. Because of this, I would very greatly appreciate from you a confidential statement as to the exact amount you intend to put in your will to complete the endowment of the Chair of Mathematics. If you can see your way clear to do this, I shall appreciate it very much.

With many thanks, and all good wishes,

Yours very sincerely ,

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February 16, 1928

Dr. George H. Johnson,  
113 Columbia Heights,  
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Johnson:

Dr. Gowdy has already written expressing on behalf of himself and the Board of Trustees of Fukien Christian University warmest gratitude for the further generous contributions you have made to the University in the form of \$11,000.00 in railway bonds deposited by yourself in the United States Trust Company of New York on February 4th and February 8th. It is my pleasant privilege to convey at this time the following formal action of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees taken at the meeting held on February 10th:

"VOTED that the Trustees of Fukien Christian University accept the additional \$11,000.00 in securities given by Dr. George H. Johnson on February 4, 1928 and February 8, 1928 and agree to the conditions under which these securities are given.

"That the Trustees record their profound appreciation of this further generous contribution by Dr. Johnson to the endowment of the Dr. George H. Johnson Professorship in Mathematics at Fukien Christian University."

All the members of the Executive Committee expressed their warmest appreciation of this additional endowment for the maintenance of the Dr. George H. Johnson Professorship in Mathematics. Your support of this work will do much to insure the permanency of this important centre of Christian higher education in China.

Very sincerely yours,

*BA Jaiside*  
Assistant Secretary

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February 18, 1928

Dr. George H. Johnson,  
113 Columbia Heights,  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Johnson,

As requested by Dr. Gowdy, I am sending you herewith the following material:-

Report of the Treasurer for the year ending July 31, 1927.  
Supplementary Report of the Treasurer as of Jan. 31, 1928.  
Report of the Chairman of the Administrative Commission  
of the University, dated October 8, 1927.

I believe you will find all these documents extremely interesting. These reports, being intended for the Trustees in particular, set forth frankly the problems and difficulties of the University as well as indicating the progress being made. Yet I find them on the whole inspiring records, for running through them are evidences of difficulties overcome and gratifying advance accomplished. The year 1927 was a good one for Fukien, and 1928 should be a better one. Under the leadership of God and with the support of friends both here and in China it will be.

One of our most urgent problems now is to give Dr. Gowdy the support and encouragement that he needs if he is to get the rest and freedom from worry which are essential to the restoration of his health and strength. We must all do what we can to help him regain his health, that he may the more speedily return to the work where he is so much needed.

Very sincerely yours,

*BA Jarvis*

Assistant Secretary

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MEMORANDUM CONCERNING THE DR. GEORGE H. JOHNSON PROFESSORSHIP IN MATHEMATICS

In the spring of 1925, after consulting with President John Gowdy, Dr. George H. Johnson agreed to make a contribution of \$20,000 to the Board of Trustees of Fukien Christian University for the establishment of a professorship. The conditions under which Dr. Johnson made the gift and under which the Fukien Trustees received it, are set forth in detail in a letter written to Dr. Johnson by Dr. Eric M. North under date of May 16th, 1925:-

"Dr. George H. Johnson  
113 Columbia Hts.  
Brooklyn, N. Y.  
My dear Dr. Johnson:

At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Trustees of Fukien Christian University yesterday afternoon, Dr. William I. Chamberlain, President of the Board of Trustees, presented your letter of May 11th. After careful consideration of the matter, the Executive Committee took the following action, which, you will note, incorporates your letter in the records of the Board, in lieu of a deed of trust, and this letter to you is the record of acceptance of the Trustees.

"VOTED that the Executive Committee of the Trustees of Fukien Christian University have received with much satisfaction the letter of Dr. George H. Johnson to the President of the Board, under date of May 11, 1925, and desire to express to Dr. Johnson, in behalf of the Board, the hearty appreciation of the Trustees for his generous gift for the endowment of a professorship in the University; and

"That the terms and conditions of the gift as stated in Dr. Johnson's letter herewith spread upon this minute in lieu of a deed of trust, are accepted in behalf of the Board of Trustees, it being understood that the Trustees have power to invest, reinvest, and keep invested, the principal thereof in securities (either legal investments for trust funds or other good securities at the discretion of the Trustees) subject to the conditions stated with reference to the present investment.

'Dr. Wm. I. Chamberlain  
President, Board of Trustees of  
Fukien Christian University, Inc.

Dear Dr. Chamberlain:

It is my wish to endow a professorship in Fukien Christian University. Although my own interest is chiefly in mathematics, psychology and evangelical religion I will not designate the chair to be endowed. The trustees know best the needs of the institution,

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and the title may be changed from time to time as they see proper. It will be known as the Johnson Professorship of \_\_\_\_\_ (Specifically as the Dr. George H. Johnson Professorship of \_\_\_\_\_).

" Only the income of the fund I am now beginning may be spent, and the principal may not be pledged or hypothecated.

" Until the income is sufficient to support a professor it may be allowed to accumulate, or the deficiency may be supplied from other sources at the discretion of the trustees.

" I have confidence in the reliability of the Hudson & Manhattan R.R. Co. Adj. 5 per cent bonds which I am donating herewith (in the amount of \$20,000 par value) and am assured of their suitability for an endowment fund; therefore I direct that they be not sold below 90 per cent of par.

" This letter is in lieu of a deed of trust, and is to be preserved and observed accordingly. Please send me a carbon copy with notation of acceptance. The bonds may be delivered this week, but with the nominal date of the endowment at October 1. The coupons for \$500 then collectible, are to be credited on my building subscription for that amount.

" May Fukien Christian University always be worthy of its name, and its graduates living epistles proclaiming the glorious gospel of Christian love and service. It is in this faith and hope that I make this endowment.

Yours faithfully,

(signed) Geo. H. Johnson.

"It was further

"VOTED that the designation of the subject of the Professorship be referred to the next meeting of the whole Board of Trustees, after conference with President Gowdy on his return."

"The Trustees noted with much satisfaction your readiness to leave the designation of the Chair to them, and the provision, that if necessary, the designation may be changed. In the administration of any institution, and of a missionary college in particular, it is desirable that the Trustees be free to make just such adjustments.

"We also noted with satisfaction the provision that the income may be accumulated or that other income may be added to it, in order to provide the total amount necessary for the support of the professor.

"The provision that only the income of the fund may be spent, and that the principal may not be pledged or hypothecated has been duly noted and will be strictly observed, as is our practice in the case of all our permanent endowments.

"We note that the first collection of \$500. from the income is to apply to your building subscription for that amount, and we will so handle it.

"I should be glad to take delivery of the bonds at your convenience, or they may be delivered to the United States Trust Company of New York, 45 Wall Street, New York City, for the custodian account of Fukien Christian University. The United States Trust Company is the custodian of our securities and we would be glad to have the delivery made directly to them. They would issue to you and to us a receipt for them.

"The Executive Committee would desire me to express their appreciation of the hope expressed in the last paragraph of your letter that the University may successfully fulfill its Christian purpose. To have a share, either in building up endowment or in teaching or in administering its work, cannot be but a satisfaction to anyone who shares its ideals.

"President Gowdy is now on the Pacific coast. We expect him back here in about ten days, and he will be greatly enheartened by your generous gift.

Cordially yours,

/s/ Eric M. North

Assistant Secretary  
Fukien Christian University"

On May 26th, 1925 Dr. Johnson turned over to the United States Trust Company of New York \$20,000 in Hudson and Manhattan Railway 5% Adjustment Income Bonds, due 1957.

On August 4th, 1925 Dr. North wrote Dr. Johnson as follows:-

"My dear Dr. Johnson:

"I have the honor to report that at a recent meeting of the Trustees of Fukien Christian University, consideration was given to the department to which the endowment of the Dr. George H. Johnson professorship should be applied, and the following action was taken:-

'T-634 VOTED that the income of the endowment be applied to the Chair of Mathematics, and that the fund known as the Dr. George H. Johnson Professorship of Mathematics.'

"The Trustees expressed their hearty gratification at the generous arrangements which you have so thoughtfully made. "

In February 1928 Dr. Johnson also turned over to the Trustees of Fukien Christian University the following securities:-

\$5,000 Iowa Central Railway First and refund, 4% bonds due 1951  
\$3,000 National Railway of Mexico, 4% bonds due 1951  
\$3,000 National Railway of Mexico, 4% bonds due 1957  
\$1,020 Unpaid coupons of the United States of Mexico, Class A & B

While the par value of these securities was \$12,020, their market value was quite nominal, and they were received by the Trustees only in the hope

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that at some future time they might become valuable. These securities have never yielded anything either in principal or interest, and their market value today is practically nil. So while they have remained on our books as a part of the George H. Johnson endowment fund, they have never been of any real value. The Trustees have continued to hold the \$20,000 in Hudson and Manhattan Railway bonds given by Dr. Johnson. The income on these bonds at the present time is \$700 per year.

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September 13, 1920.

My dear Warnshuis, -

Enclosed I send you copies of the Budget as adopted by the Board of Managers. This should be brought up at the meeting of the Trustees to be held early in October. This should reach you by the 10th.

The following items may need comment:

Item 8. Library. There is an edition of all the chief Chinese classics being published by the Commercial Press. In the neighborhood of \$600. will be needed for that alone. It is an urgent need because at present we have no Chinese books at all.

Item 14. "Exchange on salaries." This amount is necessary to insure the "two-to-one" rate for our teachers. Of course, when the Boards undertake their quota of the budget, there is no responsibility on them for ensuring the rate of two to one. The University takes this burden on itself.

Item 14. New teachers. Mr. Scott is at present carrying almost the entire work of the English department. His furlough is due in three years and if we should get a man in 1921, there would barely be enough time for him to get the language and prepare for his departmental work. But more than that, Mr. Scott also has the burden of the deanship which must take much of his time and energy, for we cannot make men without giving time to their cultivation. It is essential that we have a man in this department for 1921.

Furthermore, the man in history is an urgency for the coming year. At present, Mr. Parker is doing the work of this department, but will be with us at most for two years longer. We should begin immediately to plan for this, most important department. We cannot afford to allow the students to get their historical bearings from transient teachers. We should have a department worthy to be compared with the others.

We ask \$4000 for these men because the earlier estimates of \$2500 are now insufficient. A 60% increase is necessary to insure the two-to-one rate. We must also provide for the annuity (in lieu of a pension) from this sum.

Item 14. President's allowance (1919). There was no money for this purpose in 1919, and the President had to bear the extra expenses himself.

Under A. II. Receipts, the following need comment.  
R.C. in A. \$944.45 This is the remainder of the \$1500 contribution after deducting \$555.56 as the share of the R.C. in A. toward the China Medical Board grant, \$274. Scholarship money is given expressly for that purpose.

Without doubt the B. of F.M. of the Methodist Episcopal Church will provide its quota, \$7,061.04. (The Mission has tentatively estimated for 1921, \$25,000 for F.C.U.) I hope the other Boards will respond as well.

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Dr. Warnshuis, -2.

B. China Medical Board (C.M. 2274) needs no comment as it has been before the Trustees previously. We shall attempt to get from the C.M.B. the necessary amount to re-imburse the University for the loss of exchange on the starred items.

We have not succeeded as yet in getting qualified assistants in the sciences to take full salaries as at first planned; hence the expenditure under (C) is so small.

We are renting laboratories from the A.C. College and are therefore buying only enough apparatus, etc. to carry on till we move to the new site.

Under the Construction Department only the launch needs explanation. At present our means of communication with the site is by sampan, -as you know, a slow means of transit. It will save much money in the time of those who oversee the work as well as of occasional visitors if a launch is substituted for the sampan. One to two hours a trip can easily be saved and six hours a week for Mr. Mills alone will amount to a good deal of money in a year. The Finance Committee is convinced that it is an urgent necessity.

I shall not undertake to write a report for this mail. The interviews that have been forced upon me during these first days, you will be able to imagine. I must say, however, that the visits of Drs. Chamberlain and Hodous were much appreciated. Dr. Hodous delivered the Commencement address. I wish they were both to be at the meeting to report while the impressions are fresh.

The graduates were ten in number of whom two are now in the United States studying; two are returning to F.C.U. for further study; one is registrar of the University; four are teaching in middle schools; and one is a Y.M.C.A. secretary in Foochow. All are worthy sons of their Alma Mater.

In a few days I shall prepare a report dealing with the details of the situation and forward to each member of the Board. I regret that I have not been able to get at it up to the present time.

With kindest regards to all the members of the Board and with warm personal regards, I am

Yours very sincerely,  
*Edwin Jones*

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November 6, 1920.

My dear Warnshuis,-

"This ought ye to have done and not to have left the other undone" is my feeling as I write this to you. The report is enclosed herewith, -perhaps too late for the meeting, -but I hope by cabling you on Monday that you will put the meeting on the 7th or thereabouts of December and so get this in time. My only plea is that I have been so busy getting back into the atmosphere of the University from this angle, and getting close to the students that it has been difficult to get uninterrupted moments in which to collect my thoughts and write. I cannot put into the report an impression of the countless callers, and the long committee meetings, etc. that have conspired against the writing of this, but you will understand from your experience here. A chief hindrance also has been the absence in Japan of Knoll, who is working in finely by the way, at the Sunday School Convention. He has now returned and I hope to catch up with my work ere long.

I am looking forward to the appearance of the minutes of the October meeting of the Trustees. As you will have surmised by the later arrival of the budget, I had in mind the meeting early in October, but not quite so early as you planned. Next year, when I can prepare more fully for the Managers meeting in July, there will not be this delay. By the way, the Finance Committee of the Trustees have already fixed the fiscal year as beginning Aug. 1st and closing July 31st. They have been having no balance sheet here at the end of the year. This makes the treasurer's report difficult to make out. We shall strain every nerve to get it on the next boat from here and hope it will still catch the Emp. of Japan from Shanghai. Williams was so tied up to-day that it was impossible for him to get it ready by this steamer.

I am writing Mr. Carman about the impossibility of reporting on each draft about the use of it here. We must have general accounts in each treasury, New York and Foochow into which these drafts must go and from there they will be distributed to the proper accounts. I think you will see the necessity of this and I hope you will use your experience to show Mr. Carman how it should be done. It is difficult for him to see the difficulties on account of exchange.

I must close and get this off on the mail.

Yours very sincerely,

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New York  
March 13th, 1922.

*Handwritten signature and scribbles*

Mr. E. C. Jones  
President Fukien Christian University  
Foochow  
China.

Dear Sir:

1. We are writing you informally as to the interpretation of accounts etc., in accordance with the action of the Finance Committee and at the request of Dr. R. A. Ward, Treasurer. We will forward this letter through the hands of Dr. Ward, making it subject to his comments and approval.

2. We have set up our New York books very largely in accordance with the system of accounts which you have sent from Foochow. We note that you have built up these systems of accounts to agree, in a large measure, with the purposes of the New York State report, as well as to supply the information which you need to handle your operations intelligently.

3. Our New York books are set up to furnish the basis for the Albany report and to show that information which our Board of Trustees and the Finance Committee desire. In making out the Albany report, we are taking the actual balance as shown on our books for various expense and income accounts. This means that in the past we have added to the amounts which you have shown in your version of the Albany report those expenditures which we have made in New York and also drafts which you have drawn on New York but not cashed in the field. Our latest com-

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munications from the treasurer of your Board of Managers informs us that it is his intention to have his books hereafter show all drafts made against R. A. Ward, Treasurer, whether the Foochow Treasurer has actually handled the cash or not. This course we do unqualifiedly approve.

4. We have also made certain payments here in New York under general instructions for which no draft has been drawn by the Foochow treasurer. We have been somewhat remiss in not reporting these promptly to you. We are now instituting a system of accounting whereby you will receive immediate report of all such payments and we will send shortly a complete report on such matters.

5. We are, as you know, just finishing up a general review of the New York Treasurer's accounts and re-writing them. When the new books are finally completed and written up, we will be able to report on all of these matters.

6. Reverting to the question of Albany report, please note these minor interpretations. We are reporting under "property owned" for library the value of "New Books" only as shown in the capital expenditures account under that name. The library shelves, tables, carpets etc., we expect will be included under the general accounts for "furniture" or "apparatus".

7. With respect to the Museum we have simply accepted your report of \$175.00 expended for this item. As with the library, we believe that the values shown here should represent the value of the exhibits alone with possibly their direct mountings but not the furniture

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of the museum. A careful study of the Albany report leads us to believe that this is what is intended and we will check up by correspondence with the department.

8. So far as we can see, there is no intention that this report on "property owned" must accord with the books but can be taken as an inventory value of property owned. Book value and inventory value are not necessarily always the same. It is good business, however, to keep the two in accord by entering depreciation or appreciation as the facts may warrant. We are reporting to Albany exactly what our books show as the value of property and hope to keep our books in such a manner that they give true evidence of the value of the property owned and to take the reports direct from book balances hereafter. I take it that you have the same purpose in mind in writing off depreciation as your report indicates you have done. However, we cannot use your reports in this respect, because we have no details as to the depreciation you have written off or how these accounts are made up. Please see that we receive full details on this matter and also on the matter of the division of the various Budget accounts into "salary" and "other objects".

9. We have adopted the policy of entering your semi-annual reports on our books. We find that your version of the Albany report does not agree with your semi-annual report (see paragraph 16 below) except as to totals and in the question of the "property owned" even your totals do not agree, because you have written off some unspecified amounts for depreciation.

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10. It may be well to review our fundamental policy with respect to the treasurer of the Board of Managers whose account we carry as "Foochow treasurer." We will make it the policy to charge the Foochow Treasurer with all expenditures made here in New York on field accounts whether such expenditures are simply to meet drafts drawn by the Foochow treasurer or to pay bills or accounts for field operations. This places on the Foochow treasurer the responsibility of allocating all expenditures to their proper accounts and insures his getting report of all expenditures made. It will also cause the Foochow's treasurer's books to show a complete record of expenditures on field items which is a desirable end.

11. We should inform you as to early transactions with the Foochow treasurer and our interpretation thereon. During the pre-incorporation period, \$25,000 was sent to the Foochow treasurer for land or other objects and appears on our books as a debit against the Foochow treasurer. Herewith copy of our joint entry on this subject:

12. For the \$25,000 sent to the field in 1916 for land, no report has been directly rendered but we find from the report of July 31st, 1920, that certain sums have been invested in buildings, equipment and land as of that date (at assumed rate of exchange 2:1) and we find by subtracting the expenditure during the 12 months period that certain of this investment was made prior to August 1st, 1919. With this as a basis we enter the resulting costs of buildings and equipment as so found as a credit to the Foochow treasurer. The remainder of the \$25,000 charged against him, less the \$1213.96 which he carried over into the new year,

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we credit to him as expenditure for land.

13.	Dr. Library (Books New) .....	\$329.14.
	Dr. Land.....	21873.29
	Dr. Buildings suspense.....	268.11
	Dr. Equipment Suspense.....	
	Museum.....	175.00
	Apparatus...133.90 - 47.54.....	86.36
	Furniture...790.80 -	790.80
	Other Property.. 263.34.....	263.34
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	Cr. Foochow Treasurer.....	\$23786.04
	Dr. Balance.....	1213.96
	Amount remitted in 1916...	<hr/> \$25000.00

14. By this means, we have made our books show what you reported as the value of your museum, apparatus, furniture, other property and buildings at the beginning of the first year of record and left the item of land to cover any minor inequalities.

15. The item of "land" is at any rate confused with the exchange through these early periods and it is impossible to make our actual gold expenditures agree with your Mexican accounts. Our policy is however, to keep these minor items of furniture, apparatus, etc., in accordance with your books.

16. Your treasurer's semi-annual reports as we have mentioned, do not agree with his Albany reports. We would recommend that Mr. Mills' salary and the salary of his assistant and other office expenses be kept separate and not charged to instruction. The same is true of administration salaries. You evidently have reported these to us as instruction salaries and then drawn them out separately for Albany report.

17. Let us say here that we have included your account for "Magazines" under "new books" as there was some question in our minds

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as to calling this a capital expense, but since you plan to write off depreciation, the matter can be very well handled and the values kept approximately correct.

18. On the whole matter of buildings and equipment we will write you later. The trustees will wish to know pretty much in detail as to what the various buildings and various types of buildings are costing, but we have not yet decided exactly what accounts we wish to carry on our books here. We hope you are keeping record, however, of your material and labor charges, so that many of these that now appear in our general account, "building suspense" can be allocated to the various structures.

We shall be glad to have any suggestions that you may have to offer. Be assured that we are only too glad to co-operate with you in having the books of the Fukien Christian University in A-1 order. We trust that the work is moving along even better than you have planned and wish you every success in the same.

Very sincerely yours,

(signed)

Ralph A. Ward.

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FUKIEN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY  
FOOCHOW, CHINA  
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Office of the President  
室公辦長校

March 21, 1923.

Mr. L. B. Moss,  
China Union Universities,  
150-5th Avenue,  
New York City.

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Dear Mr. Moss:---

You will be surprised to learn that Mr. Miller, after only four months and a little more here decided that he could no longer endure and has left for home climate and conditions. He had difficulty in getting adjusted to food conditions especially and that combined with other little adjustments necessary made what to him seemed an intolerable situation.

He was misled so he says into thinking that a large part, if not all of the accounting for the University, was to be done by himself. My only explanation is that formerly one of the requirements for a Secretary was that he be able to understand accounting for the sake of my simple personal accounts. In Mr. Knoll's case he was roped into the University accounts but these are all cared for now permanently in the hands of Mr. Bedient, Assistant Treasurer. At no time in our search for a substitute for Mr. Knoll did I have the idea of having my Secretary continue with the general accounting for the University. In the case of future Secretaries, unless specified, we shall not care to have one who is especially qualified in accounting.

Mr. Miller says that he was told by Dr. Hodous that board in Foochow would be \$3.50 per week. He said he had this in correspondence but did not show the correspondence. Board when Dr. Hodous left Foochow was approximately \$1.00 Mex. a day. This would come to \$3.50 gold per week at the rate of two to one. The price of board has risen recently, however and is now \$42 Mex. per month. Reckoning four and a half weeks to a month the price in gold comes to about \$4.66 gold. This makes a slight difference of \$1.15 in the price of board in gold. I do not know whether Mr. Miller considered this exorbitant after it was pointed out or not as he made no comment.

He evidently is a man used to getting through his work and going "down town" after supper. At present there is no place at the University for one who has no other resources than this. We who enjoy books and music and the society of other people find life at the University very delightful. Mr. Miller, however, found it very irksome. He wondered whether it might not be possible for a man to

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live in Foochow and attend his work at the University. This of course would be an impossible situation.

It was probably somewhat of a hardship for him to live with me though I tried to make it as ~~easy~~ easy for him as possible. My object in this was that I might have him as a Secretary and not simply as a typist. With Mr. Knoll I was very slow to ask work done outside of office hours. This condition had put me so back in my work that I wished to have someone who could be called upon whenever I felt the mood for work to get at it and get it out of the way. I soon saw that because of Mr. Miller's age and his general attitude I could not ask occasional irregularities of him. I did not, however, attempt to arrange for his living elsewhere. I fear the condition was too much for what seemed to be a naturally ingrowing disposition.

No copy of the contract made with Mr. Miller has been sent me. I feel of course that he ought to reimburse the University for part of his outcoming. If he had stayed a year on a two year contract we might well have cancelled any obligation on his part for outcoming expenses. He stayed with us four months and one-fifth. He was detained in Vancouver a month which ought to be counted on his service on the field. Five and one-fifth months then is the amount of time he ought to be allowed when the question of returning his outcoming of \$504 is considered. There is another slight question as to whether his month of travel in coming out should be counted as part of the twelve months of service. I am inclined to the opinion that his coming out for two years means two years of service on the field and that, therefore, his full time would be twenty-four months of service in addition to the two months of travel.

Before leaving New York he was given one month's salary in accordance with the custom of our Board of Trustees. Because he was delayed in Vancouver and vicinity an additional month he was given an extra month's salary, shortly after his arrival in Foochow. He therefore was amply paid as far as salary was concerned.

Will you please take <sup>this</sup> up with him on the basis of the contract with the University authorities in New York and attempt to get from him the nearly \$300 gold which is due the University. I regret having to trouble you with this but see no other way since I have no copy of the contract.

Since I am coming home so soon and since those who carry on out here will have so much less correspondence than I would have we do not deem it wise to arrange for an additional secretary to come out at this time. Probably I shall have the selection of my own Secretary while at home.

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I think it well, however, that you should know the revised conditions which they would have to meet. Either a man or a woman will do. If a man, a young one just out of college is practically the only one who meets the situation. One as old as Mr. Miller lacks in resources and in adaptability. Quick stenography is a first requirement. Rapid typewriting is not so important although of course it is much better if both rapid stenography and typewriting are possessed by the applicant. Mr. Miller was a rapid typist but his stenography was so slow that it took me quite as long I think if not longer to dictate than it did him to get it into the typewritten form. In the case of a young man just out of college a short term contract suffices. In the case of a woman who would like to be more or less permanent it would be better to have a five year contract.

Hoping that these observations will be of assistance in preventing in the future any such faux pas as occurred in case of Mr. Miller and with kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

*E. C. Jones.*

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Dr. R. A. Ward,  
Room 500, 150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City, U.S.A.

Dear *Mr. Ward*, -

At a meeting of the Managers, held March 31st, a copy of the minutes of which I am enclosing, you will note two things especially: (one) the appointment of Dr. Gowdy as acting president in my absence (Dr. Gowdy has not yet definitely accepted), and (two) the outline of goals in the financial campaign for F.C.U. Perhaps a few words about the latter will be illuminating. Our enrollment this term is over one hundred; about ten will drop out of the Junior and Senior classes, or will graduate. From one middle school alone we hear that twenty-five are looking to entrance next January. There are good sized graduating classes in all the other contributory middle schools. I think that a minimum registration from now on will be one hundred and fifty students. A year from this autumn we should be well on the way toward two hundred students. The growth will be consistently rapid, I think, as far as the regular students are concerned. In addition, there are the sub-freshman students, who are somewhat deficient at matriculation in one or more of the standard subjects. These students have come through government schools largely and lack the preparation which the mission schools give their graduates. Judging by the applications we have had, and some of which we have heard which have not yet materialized, there will be a large number of candidates for this course. It is difficult at the present time to prophesy just how many there may be. I should think, however, that there would be two-thirds as many in the sub-freshman year as in the regular course. Suppose, for the sake of argument, there are one-third as many, then next January, when the regular enrollment will be one hundred and fifty, in all probability an additional fifty sub-freshmen will be clamoring for room assignment.

At present we have comfortable room for one hundred, but can crowd in nearly to one hundred and fifty. This latter is not an ideal arrangement, however. The dormitories would be crowded almost to suffocation. The building of the Gardiner Hall, Jr., Memorial, which has been begun, will relieve this congestion, but it is certain that unless we have three other dormitories going up in the immediate future, we shall be crowded to the point of discomfort by a very small number of students. It is very urgent, therefore, that these three dormitories be planned for at once. *3 dorms*

A science hall is already in process of building; this will supply laboratory accommodation for a unit of four hundred-plus students. Common class rooms, however, must be found elsewhere, and

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these must be planned for in a second recitation hall, which should be going up immediately.

In the science hall is a lecture theater, seating about one hundred fifty people. This will answer for chapel and for general assembly for a short time. No place is arranged suitable for library and reading room.

To meet all of these needs, it is proposed building the library and administration building of the ravine group, using the first floor of this building as administration rooms and in addition, certain general rooms - such as student society meeting places, et cetera; on the second floor there is provision for a large library and reading room. At present, only half of this space would need to be used for this purpose; the other half could be used as assembly hall. Thus, for a comparatively small amount, a building with a large number of uses could be erected.

It is hardly necessary to speak again of the necessity of having teachers' residences right on the site. We would need at least ten foreign and ten Chinese residences in the next few years.

A power house, to provide light and water for this growing plant, is absolutely necessary.

The development of the site is a not inexpensive part of our building here. A suction dredge, to be imported by the Min River Conservancy, will provide means for raising the level of our campus above the flood high tides. Certain other developments will be necessary - such as the re-shaping of Kui Gie hill, on which we shall put our first buildings. The campus has great possibilities as to beauty, and it will need the presence of a landscape gardener to bring out the full effects of "one of the best ten campuses in the world".

With regard to endowment, \$500,000.00 is a very modest sum when one thinks of the additional teachers necessary for a group of students as large as we shall have presently. At our present salary rate, \$100,000.00 at 5% - namely, \$5,000.00 - will provide for one foreign and two Chinese teachers, or five Chinese teachers; \$500,000., therefore, will provide for five foreign and ten Chinese teachers as a minimum, or up to twenty-five Chinese teachers as a maximum. At present we have twelve British and American on the faculty, and five Chinese or Japanese, a total of seventeen. With an enrollment of four hundred students, approximately forty instructors and professors are needed. If all of the new instructors, therefore, are Chinese or Japanese, we will have about the right number on the faculty. This is a very close estimate.

In running expenses, et cetera, no account is taken of the

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science department; nor, in fact, in any of this estimate is there overlapping with the present budget. The amounts which we have named here are in addition to what is already being done. The faculty and the Board of Managers are thoroughly awake to the fact that \$1,000,000. is not a small sum. On the other hand, they are also cognizant that the institution as it is growing, even along the modest lines already planned can only develop if the amounts of money as set down in these askings are obtained. We hope, therefore, that the Trustees will see the urgency and that every effort will be made to bring these amounts into the treasury in due season.

I am sending copies of this letter to the members of the finance committee, and to Mr. Moss and Mr. Scott.

Yours very sincerely,  
*E. C. Jones*

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Copy to Mr. Moss. ✓

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April 24, 1923.

President E. C. Jones,  
Fukien Christian University,  
Foochow, China.

My dear President Jones:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the minutes of a Finance Committee meeting held on the 11th of April. The rush of board and committee meetings the last two weeks has delayed the sending of these minutes to you. You will see by Action F-547 that your revised general budget was approved with the understanding that the deficit of gold \$236.33 would probably be met by not utilizing all the amounts budgets for some of the purposes mentioned.

The Action F-548 was taken by the committee when I explained to them that I had already sent to you a copy of the form of budget which is being adopted by the other universities associated in this office, and they here simply place on record their hope that Fukien will follow the same practice as the other institutions.

With regard to Action F-549 I may say that in spite of the points that were mentioned in Mr. Newell's letter to Mr. Hodous of March 2nd regarding the action of the managers, the committee still feel that probably the wisest plan would be for you to return at an earlier date to this country. I do not think there is any disposition on the part of the trustees to over rule what may be the very strongest of convictions on the part of yourself and of the board of managers, if that should seem to be the case, but their feeling is that the reasons mentioned are not in any sense paramount for your staying in China, and the financial situation of the university is such that some very real work ought to be done before the close of this fiscal year in the way of supplying the deficiency which now exists in the university accounts. They recommend therefore that you be asked to consider again favorably the question of your early return.

You will notice by Actions F-553 and F-554 that in various ways, none of them absolutely direct, we have been given to understand that the relationships of Mr. Miller to the university are in danger of being severed, and since we had no definite information on the point we could not take any definite action, but we thought that since word might come at any time

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that this had taken place it would be well to be prepared in advance. I hope that Mr. Miller has been able to settle down and put in some good work for you there. It would seem entirely too bad if he were to feel obliged to come home after being out there so short a time.

There are two or three other points that might as well be answered in this letter. One is a point that was raised in your letter of November 15, 1922 to Mr. Hodous, with regard to the question of paying the expense of refraction in eye cases. This meeting of the Finance Committee was the first opportunity I had had to bring this up, and while the committee did not wish to take any action, they instructed me to tell you that this item is not intended to be covered in the medical allowance, and is not ordinarily taken care of by the various mission boards.

In connection with the revised budget that you sent us, I have a suggestion to make with regard to the handling of such expenses as the costs of outfit and travel for men, during the first year in which they go to the field. Would it not be well to establish in your budget a reserve fund, including in it such amount as would seem to be necessary to meet during the year a proportionate share of such items involved in such expenses as these. I think in the form of budget which I sent you you will find set up a furlough fund, which could be used for just such cases as this, as well as for the home coming travel of men on furlough. This will enable you to average the expense over a period of years, and not put the whole sum in the budget in any one year.

Your letter of March 2nd, copy of which came to me, mentioning the two suggestions that you had for membership on the board of trustees I think I have already responded to. We are very glad to have those suggestions, and will be wanting to make use of them doubtless before very long.

I notice in your letter of February 20th you raise the question as to why a physician was substituted by the trustees for an educationalist. If I understand correctly this was an accident in typing; what was intended was a physical educationalist, by which I suppose they mean the man for physical training. We have in view a man who has had physical training and is very highly recommended. His papers have been forwarded to us by the Candidate Committee of the Methodist Board. My hesitation in following him up at the present time is due to the fact that they are expecting a little one in June, and I am somewhat skeptical as to whether it would be wise to appoint him to go out this fall or not. This is a question that the committee will have to pass on finally in any event, so I presume no decision will be needed for several months to come. If you have any feelings on the matter I would be glad to have you send them to me, that I may know what your attitude is.

Sincerely yours,

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January 14, 1924.

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Mr. E. C. Jones,  
c/o Florida Sanitarium,  
Orlando, Florida.

My dear Mr. Jones:

I am writing at this time to let you know of an action which was taken at the recent meeting of the trustees of Fukien Christian University held January 4. The action reads as follows:

"T-600 VOTED to express to Mr. E. C. Jones our very sincere appreciation of his work in securing the additional \$5,000 to enable the completion of the Gardner Hall Memorial Dormitory."

The meeting was specially called to consider a recommendation of the Board of Managers that Dr. Gowdy be requested to come back to this country immediately for a brief stay, to provide for the immediate financial necessities of the university. The trustees felt that in view of the present financial situation in the various mission boards, and with the active campaigns in the field for both Peking and Nanking Universities, it would be best not to have Dr. Gowdy return at the present time; but they have asked him to come in July of this year prepared to stay for at least a year, to lead in a campaign for the securing of resources to provide for the development of the university in the immediate future. We have also authorized them to go ahead with the building of the Science Building, allowing them to draw from us gold \$27,000, on the supposition that this should be sufficient with the materials that they have in hand, to complete the building.

Dr. Gowdy has indicated that one of the very serious needs at the university is the question of housing; and he felt that some action must be taken immediately in order to provide residences for both the foreign and Chinese members of the staff. He indicates that they need three of each at \$4,000 gold a piece for the foreign residences, and \$2,000 gold a piece for the Chinese residences. In the discussion as to what might be done in securing one or two residences to help meet the emergency it was suggested that possibly you might feel able and willing to assist in securing the funds necessary for one of these residences. The trustees therefore took action inviting you to do so if you

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felt able. They are also asking each of the mission boards to provide a proportionate part of another residence; so that in this way it is possible that at least two of the six houses needed might be secured. I am sure the trustees do not wish to add anything to your burdens, nor in any way ask you to undertake responsibilities which would retard your return to health. I am sure that if there is anything you can do you will be glad to assist.

With the very kindest best wishes and the hope that you are finding a real return to health, I am,

Most cordially yours,

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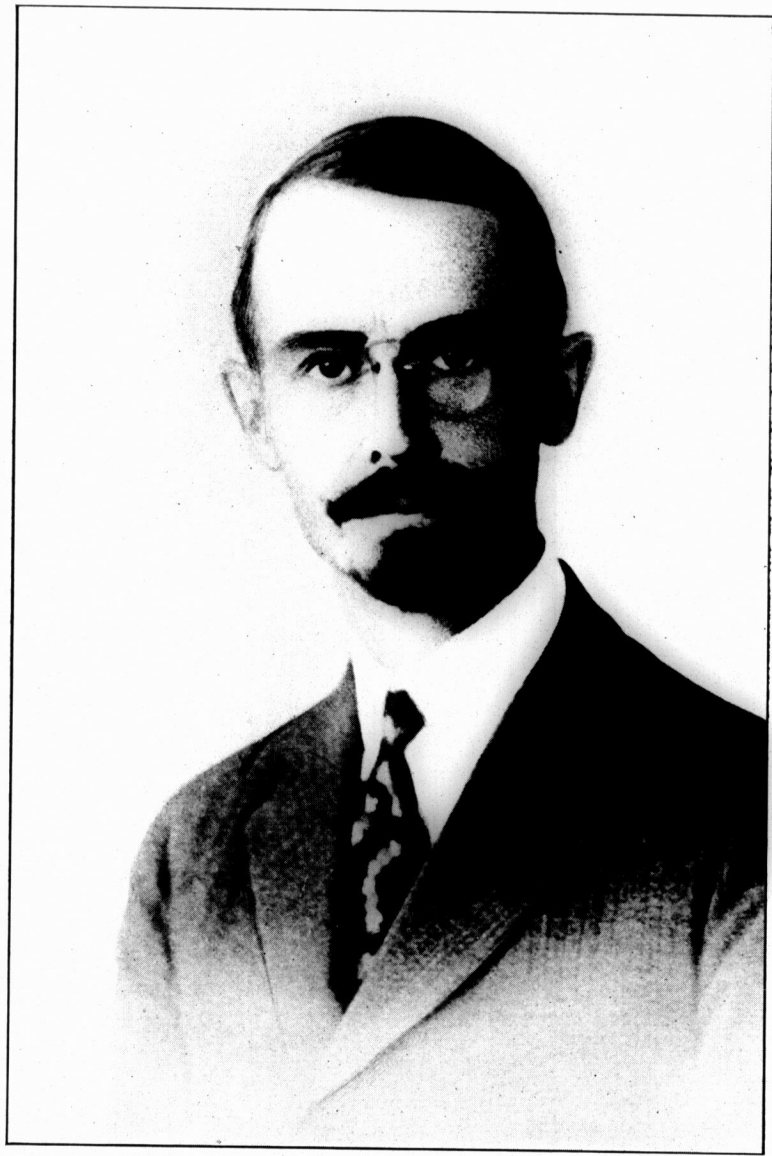
ENTRANCE TO RICH HALL

A Tribute to the late Edwin C. Jones '98, President of the Wilbraham League, the Story of Commencement, and the Resumé of the Past School Year are the Principal Features of this Issue.

Alumni personal notes will appear in the October issue of the Bulletin. Readers will kindly mail to the Editor items concerning themselves or their friends.

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## Edwin Chester Jones '98

First President Fukien University, Foo Chow, China—Elected President of Wilbraham League October 29, 1923

The Academy lost a most loyal alumnus and devoted friend, and an outstanding example of the Wilbraham ideals of leadership and service in the death of Edwin C. Jones '98, on May 30, 1924, at the Union Memorial Hospital, Baltimore, Md. About a year ago, he contracted in China, encephallitis lethargica, or sleeping sickness, which became serious again last February, and culminated in aspirated bronchial acute pneumonia about a week before his death.

Edwin C. Jones was born October 6, 1880, in Flushing, N. Y., and was the son of Rev. Robert W. and Mrs. Elsie Tolles Jones. His father was a Methodist Episcopal minister of the New York East Conference for forty-five years. Edwin entered Wilbraham Academy where two brothers had preceded him, and another was to follow later. He graduated in 1898, and taught school for a year in Northfield, Conn., before entering college. He received the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Wesleyan in 1904. He had been a member of the University Glee Club during his entire college course and had Phi Beta Kappa rank in scholarship. In September, 1904, he started for Foo Chow, China, under the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church. For six years he taught science in the Anglo-Chinese College at Foo Chow, then came back to America to spend a year of graduate study at Yale where he received the degree of Master of Arts in 1911. He returned to China and was professor of chemistry in the Anglo-Chinese College until 1915, when he

became the first President of Fukien University at Foo Chow. This position he resigned last year after his return to this country in a physical condition which would not warrant his continuing with administrative work.

The contact of "Ed" Jones with his early Alma Mater at Wilbraham was close and constant to the very end of his life. In 1920, he sent a most generous subscription from China to the Second Century Endowment Fund, and made his final and complete payment in March, 1923. During the past two years he has provided annually the M. Annie Wythe International Brotherhood Award at the Academy, which is granted to that student who shows by his personal reading and campus conversation the greatest interest in international affairs. He visited Wilbraham frequently whenever he was in America and in 1920 his story of his work made such an impression upon the students of the Academy that they planned a definite form of co-operation by establishing five Wilbraham Academy scholarships at the Fukien University. These scholarships are \$50.00 each, and the money is secured and sent each year by the students and masters at Wilbraham. The last annual installment of \$250.00 was sent directly to President Jones three weeks before his death to the sanitarium in Florida, where he was then staying. He was earnestly looking forward to the time when some of the Wilbraham boys would personally share in the great work in China to which his talents and training were entirely devoted.

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The last visit of "Ed" Jones to Wilbraham was in October, 1923, to participate in the regular Founder's Day program. He made an impressive and instructive address before students and alumni concerning educational conditions and progress in China. At the annual meeting of the Wilbraham League he was elected President of that body and loyally accepted the extra obligations and responsibilities which this position brings. Just a few days before his death he had his brother Roy send a check for \$25.00 as his contribution to the campaign for the Bulletin Expense Fund in which he was deeply interested.

The funeral service was held in the Methodist Episcopal Church in Norwalk, Conn., and burial was in the family lot, beside his parents, at the Union Cemetery in that town. Those who participated in the final services were, Rev. Dr. Frank Mason North, of New York, secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Rev. Dr. Ralph A. Ward, who had lived and labored with Jones in missionary and educational work in Foo Chow, Bishop Herbert Welch of Japan and Korea, Professor William North Rice of Wesleyan University, Headmaster Gaylord William Douglass of Wilbraham Academy, Rev. Harold E. Wilson of Greenwich, Conn., a college classmate, and Rev. George B. Tompkins, pastor of the Norwalk Methodist Church. Among the hymns which were used at the funeral service was Maltbie D. Babcock's well-known "Be Strong," which was a particular favorite with President Jones and was peculiarly fitting to his character and career.

Be Strong!

We are not here to play, to dream, to drift,  
We have hard work to do, and loads to lift.  
Shun not the struggle, face it, tis God's gift.

Be Strong!

Say not the days are evil—who's to blame?  
And fold the hands and acquiesce—O shame!  
Stand up, speak out, and bravely, in God's  
name.

Be Strong!

It matters not how deep entrenched the wrong  
How hard the battle goes, the day, how long;  
Faint not, fight on, Tomorrow comes the song.

Three brothers survive him all of whom are Academy graduates—Robert '94, of South Willington, Conn., Roy '95, Detroit, Mich., and Vincent '07, Hartford, Conn. The life and labor of Edwin Jones leave an imperishable memory and influence upon the land in which he decided to give his best service, upon the large circle of friends in America who watched this work with deep interest and sincere prayers, and upon those boys and teachers at Wilbraham with whom he had come into personal contact during his occasional visits and through his earnest and helpful letters.

#### Farewell Message of President Jones To Students of Fukien Christian University

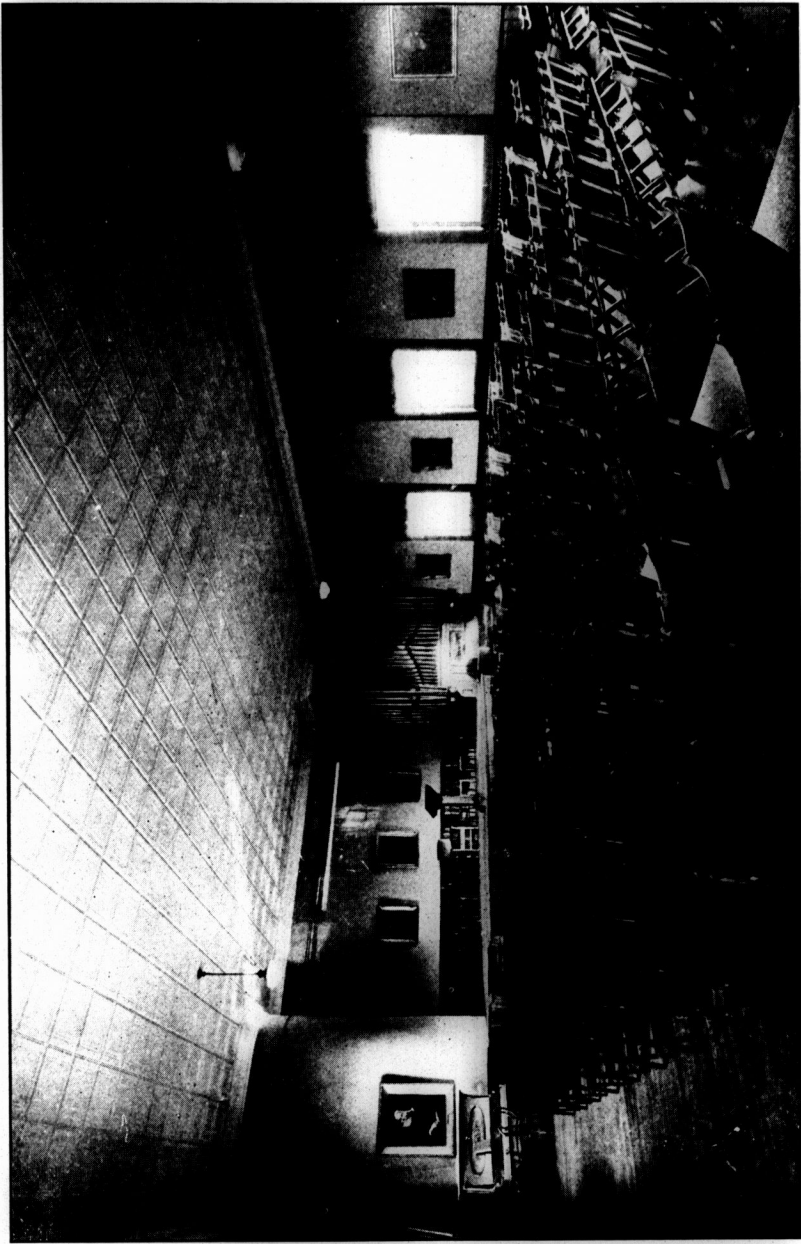
Just before leaving Foo Chow in April, 1923, for a furlough in America, President Jones delivered a farewell address to his students at Fukien University in which he gave his conception of an educated man. His own life seemed to meet in full measure this ideal standard, as outlined in the following brief extract.

"It seems but a short time, three years ago, since I came to meet the student body of Fukien Christian University in the old building and I am now leaving you Fellow Students, to go home. To me it is more like leaving home than like going home.

As I leave you tonight I am thinking of what it may mean to be an educated man.

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THE CHAPEL IN FISK HALL, WHERE SEVERAL OF THE FEATURES OF THE COMMENCEMENT SEASON WERE HELD

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The Educated Man should have precision and exactness in the expression of his thoughts.

He should have refined and gentle manners.

He should have the power of reflection—In order to reflect, one must have knowledge. This distinguishes us from the lower animals.

He should have the power of growth,—spiritual, intellectual and physical.

He should be able to work efficiently without nervous agitation.

He should have a sound standard of feeling and appreciation.

He should have the power to serve others,—the willingness to be spent for the sake of others."

### A Philosophy of Spelling "Edwin C. Jones." "Add Wind—See—Jeune."

An Unique Personal Tribute by Wilfredo V. Ty, Editor-in-Chief of the Fukien Star, Published by the Students of Fukien Christian University

Oh! When I say that President Jones is O. K. do not cross-examine me. I never lie. One more thing and Au Revoir. Be careful how you spell his name. You will find out that President Jones is as elastic as a rubber band, if you do your own part. It fits—U—well in your rosy moments when you feel as pepful as a machine gun or in your blue hours when you discover your mortal flesh sandwiched between the devil and the deep blue sea.

1. When you and your chums are in the worst of moods when everything is going dead wrong, when even the flowers have no smile for you, when the atmosphere is as hot as a "Fryingpan" and your greatest need is "Wind"—then go to our President and lay bare your trouble. Just say *Senor "Add Wind"* and he will start you afresh and make you alive and vigorous

again. "Edwin" becomes "Add Wind" and at your service.

2. And when everything is at the maximum, in the pink of perfection—lessons prepared, brains free from long-range thoughts, memory concentrated and *Signor Noise* is absent from the classroom—in such a perfect state invite the President to drop in, telling him "See"—C.

3. But when you settle down and become stiff, and sedate, and half dead throughout your entire body, and have grown old prematurely and your greatest need is a new zest in life,—in such a state just call on our President to drop in, saying, *Monsieur "Jeune"*—(French word meaning youth)—and you will retain again the possession of the "spirit of Youth" and the enthusiasm, energy and ambition associated therewith. "Jones" becomes "Jeune" (youth) and at your service.

Fukien Christian University students; though our President is absent this year, let us have more pep and faith, next year he will be here again. Do your own part the best you can. Remember the *Password! Forward March.*



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Jones, Mr. & Mrs. Robert J.  
South Willington, Conn.

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Sept. 1924 \$35,000 held - given as noted below - \$15,000 9/29/24  
Dec. 30, 1924 40,000 " " " " " 15,000 7/7/25  
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(Annual payments \$15,000 each)

Above pledges are for Chemistry Building to be known  
as "Erwin C. Jones Memorial". Distribution as fol-  
lows:

- Chemistry Building - \$27,000 (at the outside)
- Science Dept. Equipment - 8,000
- To release E. M. D. 35,000.
- Emergency & upkeep 5,000

January, 1925 (over)

for R. J. Jones - to Dr. Hawdy - 9/20/24 - re amount of pledge <sup>[2]</sup>  
to " " " L. B. Hars - 9/30/24 - acknowledging ch. for  
\$15,000.

for R. J. Jones - to Dr. Hawdy - 1/30/26 - re pledge of Chemical  
Laboratory

5/1/26 - for R. J. Jones; ack 2/10/26

2/1/27 - for R. J. Jones up ch. \$15,000; ack. 2/9/27.

ROBERT T. JONES  
SOUTH WILLINGTON  
CONNECTICUT

July 6, 1925

Dr. Eric North,  
150 Fifth Ave.,  
New York.

Dear sir:

In accordance with instructions of  
Dr. Gowdy, you will find enclosed a check of  
Mrs. Jones for \$15,000, in payment of the  
second annual instalment of her subscription  
of \$75,000 for the erection of a building at  
the Fukien Christian University in memory of  
my brother, Edwin C. Jones.

Kindly acknowledge receipt in due  
course.

Sincerely yours,

*R. T. Jones*

*ck. for \$15,000 enc*

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ROBERT T. JONES  
SOUTH WILLINGTON  
CONNECTICUT

*ack. 5/14/26*

May 5, 1926.

Mr. Eric North,  
150 Fifth Ave.,  
New York.

Dear sir:

Unless I am mistaken I think that you are or were the Treasurer of the Fukien Christian University, so on this assumption I am sending a check of Mrs. Jones for \$15,000 to apply against her pledge of \$75,000 for the Jones Memorial Laboratory as arranged with Dr. Gowdy.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of same in due course.

Very truly yours,

*R. T. Jones,*

*Ch. for \$15,000. enc*

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ROBERT T. JONES  
SOUTH WILLINGTON  
CONNECTICUT

September 20, 1924

Dear John:

In view of the decision of the China Medical Board relative to the absolute freedom granted in regard to the naming of a building would say that the Chemical Laboratory is assured.

While Mrs. Jones rather prefers that no publicity be given to the project at present, Jones Hall need cause you no concern except in details of construction, as the sum of \$35,000 will be forth-coming and is hereby guaranteed, along the lines of your conversation covering construction and equipment.

To perpetuate the service and devotion of Ed, in a measure, will be a great pleasure to all concerned affording those he so unselfishly loved an opportunity to obtain just the training he would liked to have given them personally.

Wishing you great success in your endeavors, we are,

Very sincerely yours,

*Rob.*

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ROBERT TOLLES JONES  
SOUTH WILLINGTON, CONNECTICUT

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February 3, 1927

Mr. Eric I. North, Asst. Treasurer,  
Fukien Christian University,  
150 Fifth Ave.,  
New York.

Dear sir:

According to my letter of the 23rd ult. you will find enclosed a check of Mrs. Jones for \$15,000.00, being another payment against her gift of \$75,000.00 for the Jones Memorial Laboratory. Kindly acknowledge receipt in due course.

We appreciate your sending the bulletin on conditions in general and since then have seen the Gowdys were remaining while the Beach family were leaving their field.

While hoping conditions will improve, it must be acknowledged they appear very critical at present, with every indication that much of the investment of missionary societies in buildings and equipment will be confiscated permanently.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert T. Jones

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ROBERT TOLLES JONES  
SOUTH WILLINGTON, CONNECTICUT

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180 Fern St.,  
West Hartford.

March 6, 1928

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Mr. B. A. Garside, Secretary,  
Fukien Christian University,  
150 Fifth Ave.,  
New York.

Dear sir:

Enclosed find check for \$15,000 in payment of the final installment of the \$75,000 contributed for the Jones Science Hall at the Fukien Christian University at Foochow.

Will you be good enough to pass it to the proper authority and have it acknowledged in due course.

Very sincerely,

*Robert T. Jones*

*Ch. for \$15,000 enc.  
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May 9, 1929.

Mr. Robert T. Jones  
 South Wellington, Connecticut  
 U. S. A.

My dear Mr. Jones:

I would like to take the liberty to write you and express my appreciation for your generous offer to our Board of Trustees with regard to the Hall Dormitory. From the minutes of our Trustees we learned that you have waived all claims to the building, even though it was built entirely with your gift. I have already written the Trustees that it is the decision of the field that we will rebuild it into an Arts Hall with the money which we are raising in China, and that we will keep the memorial character of the original donor. We are going to call this building the "Gardiner Hall, Jr., Memorial Arts Hall."

The proposed Arts Hall will contain a chapel which will seat 400 persons, a library for the entire college, six recitation and seminar rooms for the arts courses, and about half a dozen administrative and teacher-student conference offices. We have started the rebuilding work, and hope the hall will be available for use in the spring of 1930. We shall send you a sketch of the building plan later.

We are very grateful to think how much this University owes to the Jones family. President Edwin C. Jones gave his whole life for it, and your own family have made generous contributions for its chief educational buildings. The Edwin C. Jones Memorial Science Hall stands on the hill as a magnificent testimony to a devoted Christian life, as well as to the genuine friendship of our friends in America. Those of us who feel to be unworthy successors of President Jones are often inspired by the memory of his vision and courage and by the loyal cooperation of the friends of this University. We only pray that we may not fail in this rich heritage and sacred trust.

Yours very sincerely,

*Edwin C. Jones*

President.

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