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Fukien Christian University

January 9, 1931

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President C.J.Lin,  
Fukien Christian University,  
Focchow, China.

My dear Mr.Lin:

I find that I have not formally acknowledged a number of letters we have received from your office during the last two or three months. I hope that in most cases we have already taken whatever action these letters require, or have set in motion such processes as they may necessitate. However, I should have made a formal acknowledgment of at least the earlier of these letters some time ago.

YOUR LETTER OF SEPTEMBER 1

Making contacts with Chinese candidates for staff appointments. This discusses the question raised in my letter of June 21 as to any assistance our office might render in making contacts between the University and Chinese postgraduate students here in America who may be looking forward to an early return to China for teaching service. We have been keeping in mind the various openings for additional Chinese members of staff which you describe in your letter of September 1. At any time that we learn of well qualified candidates for these positions we will be happy to communicate with you, to send you all possible information relative to these candidates, and to do anything else we can to assist the University and the candidate in reaching decisions as to possible appointment.

However, it has happened that during recent months we have had an unusually small number of inquiries from Chinese students here in America who are looking forward to early return to China. Perhaps this is partly because of the season of the year. In the past we have received the bulk of our inquiries of this nature between the first of January and the fifteenth of June. I hope that during the coming months we may learn of promising candidates in these various fields where the University is now seeking for new staff members.

As yet our office has not taken the further step of initiating inquiries at Columbia and elsewhere as to what candidates might be available for the various positions you describe. You list in particular a man in physics, a man in agricultural experimentation work with some special training in botany, and a man in history. Our office would be very glad to take the initiative in searching for candidates for such positions as these if the field so desires. I am not quite sure, however, as to the urgency of the need for these various additions to the staff, the possibilities within

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the University budget for supporting any or all of these recruits, or the other types of inquiries you may already have instituted in seeking for such of these reinforcements as the University may be able to add to its staff next year.

Please let me know if you wish us to take the initiative in searching for any or all of these three proposed additions to the staff, or any other for whom the need may have arisen since you wrote.

YOUR LETTER OF OCTOBER 6

Rockefeller Foundation grant. With this letter you enclose a copy of a letter you wrote to Mr.Gee asking that the Rockefeller Foundation restate their appropriation for 1930-31 as G\$5,000 rather than L.C.\$10,000. We are calling a meeting of our Fukien Trustees sometime during the present month and at that time we will lay this request before them for endorsement. I am quite sure that they will be happy to add their hearty endorsement to this request from the field.

I believe that in the past the Rockefeller Foundation has usually been unwilling to revise the terms of an appropriation after the fiscal year for which the appropriation is made has actually begun. Perhaps, however, in this particular instance they may be willing to make an exception. Even if they cannot make any change for the year 1930-31, possibly they will agree to restate their appropriation for 1931-32 as G\$2,500 instead of L.C.\$5,000.

Relief for the Western staff. We note your comments on the necessity of relieving to an extent the problem our Western staff is facing because of the unfavorable rate of exchange, through allowing each of the members of the Western staff to draw up to G\$500 of their salary in gold at the rate of one for two instead of in local currency. We note that the Board of Managers on November 8 gave approval to this proposal. It certainly seems to me that this action will be of material assistance to the Western members of staff who have been placed in such difficulties because of the present trend in exchange.

Faculty publications. We read with keen interest the first number of the Fukien faculty publication. When I use the word "read" I am talking primarily of the English articles and the English table of contents. The Chinese articles look very tempting but I am afraid I should have to spend a great deal of time and do a lot of thumbing through my Chinese dictionary to make much sense out of them. I was never much of a Chinese scholar but I have been very much distressed to discover that what little Chinese I did know is slipping away from me with alarming rapidity during these years I am here in New York.

I have sent Dr.Eric North a copy of this publication but as yet have not sent copies to the other members of our Harvard-Yenching Institute Board of Trustees. I want to get Dr.North's judgment as to whether it will be worth while to send copies to Dean Chase and possibly some of the others. Since none of these gentlemen read Chinese they will not be able to get more than a general impression of the work being done at Fukien. Also, we face the inevitable typographical errors which slip by the proof reader in practically every page set up in English by Chinese compositors most of whom are unfamiliar with the English language. This first volume of the faculty publication is above the average in its freedom from typographical errors of

this kind, but enough of them remain to cause some danger that an unfavorable impression may be gained by men who are accustomed to the high levels of printing maintained here in America.

YOUR LETTER OF NOVEMBER 10

Plant Needs. Your letter of November 10 deals largely with the pressing Plant needs of the University. We all rejoice that Dr.Hill responded so promptly and so generously to the request that he make a contribution of G\$3,000 to construct a new residence for Dr.Chen. The work Mr.McClure has already accomplished seems to assure a second residence, and we hope that the third residence need will also be obtained as a result of Mr.McClure's efforts. If it is thus found possible to meet the residential needs of the University without using the fund appropriated by the Trustees under action T-909, we see no reason why these funds cannot be applied toward the construction of additional student dormitory units which are your next most urgent need. How far such funds will go to cover the cost of erecting one or more units it is difficult for us to estimate accurately at this early date. We will present your letter of November 10 to the next meeting of the Board of Trustees, and I am sure that if they can devise any other plans for seeking further plant funds they will be happy to do so.

YOUR LETTER OF NOVEMBER 25

We received in the same mail as this letter twenty copies of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Managers held on November 8. Your letter of November 25 deals almost entirely with items acted on by the Managers at this meeting.

M-620-Miss Asher's tuition, Mex.\$1,000. I am writing to Miss Asher in regard to this item. I happen to know that she has been having a very difficult struggle with her finances during this time that she is continuing her study in the United States without any adequate sources of support. She has, however, been carrying on in the finest kind of a spirit of cheerfulness and courageousness. She is a remarkably fine young woman and we certainly hope the University will be able to regain her services in the near future.

One question occurs to me as I note this action. The amount to be allowed Miss Asher is defined as Mex.\$1,000. However, any disbursement made to her by our office would be in gold. At what rate should we make such a disbursement? The rate now prevailing in New York is about four to one. This would mean that Miss Asher would receive only about G\$250, but presumably would assume an obligation whereby she would, under certain conditions, repay the University Mex.\$1,000 at some future date when the gold equivalent of this amount might be considerably more than G\$250. There is, of course, the other possibility that silver may continue to decline in value so that later on she could repay the University at a substantial profit to herself. However, the procedure of the University in defining this appropriation in Mexican seems to be the logical one since your budget is set up in that currency.

M-621 - Appropriation for Mr.McClure's promotional work in the U.S.A. I hope that action T-921 whereby the Trustees made an appropriation of G\$500 for Mr.McClure's promotional expenses in the United States will make it unnecessary to draw any of the Mex.\$1,000 appropriated for this same purpose under action M-621.



M-625 - Special gold exchange allowance for Western staff. It certainly appears that this action of the Managers means a long step in the direction of solving some of the personal problems which have been confronting the University supported Western members of staff. I note that the Board of Managers took no further action on the item which appeared at the bottom of the agenda prepared in advance of the meeting, "Question of assigning Western staff to various Mission Boards". Your letter of November 27 does, however, go into this matter in some detail. We understand from what you say that the University supported Western members of staff have not as yet reached any very definite decisions as to their proposed affiliation with the various Mission Boards cooperating in the University, and that at least some of them may prefer to continue under the present status. Of course, no action in these matters will be taken by the Trustees except upon the recommendation of the field, and with the hearty approval of the staff members involved. It seems, therefore, that for the present nothing further need be done in regard to this matter by the Board of Trustees.

M-625 - Revised budget for 1930-31. I believe that as yet we have not received the typewritten copies of your revised budget for the current fiscal year. When such copies arrive I will distribute them to the members of the Board of Trustees for their information. Since, however, you state that the total sum granted by the Board of Trustees is not affected I presume that the Trustees will not find it necessary to take any further formal action in regard to the matter. The present policy of the Trustees, as you know, is simply to define their contribution toward the budget of the University, rather than to assume responsibility (as was done a number of years ago) for approving the budget as a whole.

M-626.- Surplus 1929-30. I will bring to the attention of the Trustees the proposed disposition of the 1929-30 surplus as set forth in action M-626. I am sure that the Trustees will be glad to approve this proposal, though they will need to take care that by so doing the Board does not duplicate the appropriations made under action T-909. I have not as yet been able to settle to my own satisfaction the question whether or not any or all of the surplus of approximately Mex.\$7,000 referred to in action M-626 are the same funds as are referred to on page 2 of the Report of the Treasurer of the Fukien Board of Trustees for the fiscal year ending July 31, 1930. You will note that the surplus there stated is \$4,553.15. This figure was somewhat increased by the addition of the unrequired portion of the sum being held in reserve to meet our obligation to the field under the 1929-30 budget. I presume that the simplest course for the Board of Trustees to follow will be to approve action M-626 with the understanding that they are not thereby assuming any double responsibility for appropriations made under action T-909. Perhaps further study on our part, together with consultation with Mr.McClure may help to clarify this point.

We are glad to note that the Managers are planning to create a "Plant Maintenance Reserve Fund". Such a fund is certainly most desirable.

M-628 and M-629 - Return of Mr.Scott and Mr.McClure. I know that the Board of Trustees will warmly endorse the request of the field for the return of these two highly valuable members of the University staff.

M-627. A possible assistant dean. We can quite appreciate the desirability of securing an assistant dean to aid Dean Theodore Chen in the heavy responsibilities attached to this department of the University's administration. While Mr.Chen has made a most remarkable recovery from the lung trouble which threatened him some years ago he will always have to

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exercise an unusual amount of care to guard against the possible recurrence of this trouble.

N-632 - Urgent Plant needs. I have already commented on this subject. With the other material I am to transmit to the Trustees I will quote both the actions of the Managers and your own comments in the matter of November 25.

The annual report. We will await with interest the receipt of these annual reports. I will distribute copies to the members of the Board of Trustees.

YOUR LETTER OF NOVEMBER 27

Correspondence with Mr. Barclay. I believe that nothing need be added to what has already been written on this subject. I trust that Mr. Barclay and our other friends in Great Britain see that the course being pursued at Fukien is the logical and desirable one. I know that these friends in Great Britain are in hearty agreement with the ideal of hastening the development of the Christian church in China in the direction of independence and responsibility.

I have already commented on the other matters mentioned in your letter of November 27.

Very cordially yours,

*B. A. Garside*

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
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January 13, 1931

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ack. 2/20/31

Mr. B. A. Garside  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N. Y.  
U. S. A.

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Dear Mr. Garside:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of December 12, explaining the cablegram which you sent a day earlier, authorizing the field to draw gold \$3,000 from Dr. Hill for the building of a residence for Dr. Chen. The Fukien Construction Bureau is making a plan for such a new residence, and as I reported to you in my former letter, the details will be reported to you again later.

My former letter replied in part of your enquiry about the use of the amount of gold \$3,845.18, which our Trustees voted for our new faculty residences. We are going to build a new double-house. The sketch for that will be ready in a few days for bids.

In my former correspondences with you and Mr. McClure, I hope I have made clear to the Trustees that we need three more residences for the next one or two years. Besides, we shall need two more new residences a little later to replace the other old, large double-residence, which will be converted into student dormitory, as formerly reported to and approved by the Trustees. Dr. W.Y. Chen will occupy one of the new residences as soon as they are finished. The Beemans and the Kelloggs will go on furlough in June, but the Scotts will return from America and a Chinese family will return from Japan. By the time when the proposed large, single residence is ready, the Kelloggs and the Beemans will both be back, as well as Miss Asher. So, you see, in a year and-half time from now, we will still be in short of at least one residence even we shall have completed one double-residence and one single residence as now planned, without converting the old double-residence into student dormitory. There will be no body going on furlough until 1934, when the Martins' furlough is due.

I have also written you about the action of the Board of Managers with regard to the disposition of the surplus on the

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field. Our available fund for residences are those granted by our Trustees and Dr. Hill's gift. We are trying to raise a little more money so as to make it enough for these new projects.

I wish to avail myself of this opportunity to thank you again for the very kind reception you gave to Messrs. McClure and Scott and the fine assistance which you have been rendering to them. We appreciate very much your work in connection with our financial accounts since you took charge of our New York Office. They have been much more satisfactory than they were ever before. This is surely due to your industry and that of your staff. Everyone of our staff here who had met you in New York speaks most highly about your warm attitude and ready helpfulness. There are so many details to attend to in an office like that of yours. I certainly admire the fine spirit with which you have been carrying on that work. Some of the work relating to Fukien may cause some confusion and difficulty to you, but I can assure you that we heartily appreciate what you have been doing for us. We shall *always* cooperate most sincerely and loyally together to make things better as time goes on.

With kindest regards and best wishes for the New Year,

Yours very sincerely,

*B. J. Lin*

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Fukien Christian University

January 15, 1931

Mr. G. J. Lin,  
Fukien Christian University  
Foochow, China.

My dear Mr. Lin:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 16.

We are indeed glad to know that authorization to draw the \$3,000 contributed by Dr. Hill for a residence for Dr. Chen arrived at a time when the rate of exchange was so favorable. As a matter of fact, however, the price of silver has continued to decline somewhat during the past few weeks so I suppose that at the present time you are getting an even more favorable rate.

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We have received the pictures of the student body and faculty which you sent under separate cover, as well as as the picture of the Board of Managers which you enclosed with your letter. This is a most interesting and attractive lot of photographic material. I will show it to the members of our Board of Trustees at the first opportunity and will also keep it available for any publicity use we may make of it. I am sorry that as yet we have not succeeded in getting any group picture of our Board of Trustees. I think that we will have to content ourselves with an effort to secure individual pictures of the different members of the Board. I am requesting the different members of the Board to send us their pictures, and if and when we hear from most of them we can either assemble the pictures on one mount here, or, what would probably be a more practicable plan, can send them on to you at Foochow for whatever arrangement you care to make.

As yet the copies of Vol. III of the Proceedings of the Natural History Society have not arrived but as soon as they reach us I will distribute them among the members of the Board of Trustees and to other friends who will be most actively interested. Incidentally, I have received a note from Dr. Eric North in which he praises in very cordial terms the first number of the faculty publication which we sent him some days ago. At his suggestion, I am sending several copies of this publication to Dean Chase of the Harvard-Yenching Institute.

The letter from Dr. T. Z. Koo certainly praises in the heartiest terms the spirit pervading the Fukien campus. I will quote Dr. Koo's

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comments to our Trustees and will also make use of this material for publicity purposes as opportunity offers.

We are very sorry indeed to learn of the serious illness of Dean Chen's father and also of Mrs. Stowe's probable need for an operation.

We are very glad indeed to learn that Dr. Alexander Paul was able to visit the Fukien campus and that he was so well impressed by the work you are doing there. We would all rejoice if the United Christian Missionary Society should find it possible to cooperate in the work being done at Fukien. All the information we have received from the Society during the last year or two, however, has indicated that they are struggling with very much the same financial difficulties as are now confronting practically all our major mission bodies, both in North America and in Great Britain. As a matter of fact, the U.C.M.S. had to make a small reduction last year in their support of the work at Nanking to which they are already committed. Even though it should prove impossible for the U.C.M.S. to take an active share in the work at Fukien at the present time, their familiarity with, and interest in, the work you are doing would help in the direction of securing their hearty cooperation in the correlated program for Christian higher education throughout China.

Very cordially yours,

*B. A. Harwood*

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Fukien Christian University

January 22, 1951

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

My dear President Lin:

We are enclosing herewith a copy of a letter we are today sending the Rockefeller Foundation. You will already have received Miss Thompson's letter of January 14 containing the very welcome news that the Foundation has amended this appropriation for 1950-51 to the amount of \$5,000, and for 1951-52, to the amount of \$2,500.

Since the Foundation has sent us a payment of the first two quarterly instalments on a Mex. basis we are asking that they send us at this the balance necessary to complete the first half of their amended appropriation of \$5,000, and are requesting that they send the third and fourth quarterly instalments on the gold basis of \$1,250 each. We will notify Mr. McCann as soon as these remittances are received and will authorize him to draw on us for the gold amount of these payments.

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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January 23, 1931

Mr. B. A. Garside  
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Dear Mr. Garside:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of December 18, together with a copy of the new supplement to the Mission Code. We also take notice of the date, January 15, 1931, on which you will begin to use it. Your initials and the code word of Mr. Evans are also noticed by our office for future reference.

We had a most successful Anniversary celebration on January 17. The enclosed program will give you the general idea of the two main gatherings of that day. In the evening we had a large banquet in our old assembly hall. A fine concert was given by our Glee Club and Orchestra after the dinner, at the Arts Hall. A very large crowd came from Foochow to attend the four or five gatherings of that day. We had the largest home-coming of our alumni, everything going on most satisfactorily.

The anniversary song was specially prepared for this occasion. The music was composed by Prof. Malcolm F. Farley from an adaption of a Confucian ode. The words were written by Prof. C. S. Wang. On the back page of the Chinese bulletin you can find both the music and the words. It was well sung by our Glee Club that day.

*Su Chen, Ken Theodore Hsi. En 1/27/31*

Dean Chen has written an account of the gatherings for that day. I will send you a copy of it. We are printing Dean Chen's article as well as Bishop Gowdy's address in our Commemorative Service, in a separate pamphlet. We shall send a number of copies to you when they are ready. *(in a month's time)*

*Su Gowdy, John 1/27/31*

Under separate cover I am sending you 25 copies of the English program for the Anniversary and a copy each of the Chinese bulletins which we issued for that occasion. We hope to have the Special Anniversary Bulletin, both in English and in Chinese, ready in a month's time. The Chinese edition will contain the fine sentiments as expressed by the various gifts which came from many institutions and friends throughout China. The English Bulletin will have a number of pictures of

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the University, together with appropriate statements and comments. We hope that they will be of good publicity material for this University.

A // One of the dramatic moments during the afternoon celebration was the announcement by Commissioner Cheng of Education, who came as representative of the Fukien Government to our Anniversary, that our Colleges of Arts and Science were granted registration with the Ministry of Education in Nanking. We cannot as yet register as University, as the Government regulation requires that a University should consist of at least three colleges. Our newly organized School of Education is not considered as strong enough to constitute a third College. The Ministry suggests that we carry on our work in Education with the Arts College for the time being until we have enough fund and staff for a separate School, which they greatly encourage. I am sure our Trustees will rejoice with us for the final success of our application for registration. It means, as Dean Chen has expressed in his article, that the truth has finally triumphed. The purpose and standard of our work have now received the formal recognition of the National Government of China, in spite of the false charges against us during the last three or four years. Our legal status has thus been established; we shall now be able to devote our whole time for the development of our work for the advancement of Christian higher education.

The Government regulation requires a separate School of Education to have the following qualifications:

1. \$100,000 L.c. For initial cost, as for buildings, Equipment, and library.
2. \$ 80,000 L.c. For annual budget, excluding income from student tuitions.

We have not had that much at the present. A School of Education is one of the most needed services in this Province. Nearly 60% of our graduates go to teach, and everywhere is demanding our graduates for teaching work. We shall graduate five next week, and practically all of them have been engaged sometime ago. China is developing her educational system very rapidly, in spite of the various difficulties, and we as a higher institution of learning on the land should be able to supply this need. We hope very much that we may have resources to develop a fine School of Education, as we have done for our Science and Arts courses.

After the announcement of the registration of this institution in the name of a College, there were quite a number of our alumni and friends who expressed dissatisfaction.

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Their reason was that to be registered as a College instead of as a University, means a lowering down of our dignity. Some of them even proposed our outright refusal to register. Our faculty members are, however, quite clear on this point. We are at the present essentially a College rather than a University. Besides, the registration as a College does not lower our standard in any way or change our work of curriculum at all. It is a matter of the scope of activities. If an institution has more than two colleges, than you may use the name of University. The standards and quality of the work of the various colleges are not affected whether getting together as University or singly called colleges. We do hope, however, that we shall be able to develop our School of Education up to the Government standard in the near future. //

We shall close our fall semester's work on January 31. We will have no commencement for our graduates this time. The classes for the spring semester will begin on February 9. As I reported before, we shall not take a new class of freshmen in the spring, as we have no dormitory space to accommodate more students. You will be glad to know that we have had a fine semester of work, and we are looking forward for a better one to come.

Yours very sincerely,

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*C. J. Lin*  
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1. Bishop Lowdy's address.
2. Dean Chen's article.
3. Anniversary Program.

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January 30, 1931

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Dear Mr. Garside:

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Herewith enclosed please find a copy of our revised budget for 1930-31, as approved by our Board of Managers in the Annual Meeting held on November 4, 1930. I am sorry that there has been so much delay. I was trying to make some minor changes as they have happened since that time. But it seems to be wise to leave them along until the end of the fiscal year.

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I wish also here to acknowledge your letter of December 24, 1930, together with a copy of the application papers for Mr. Harold T. Lawrence. He appears to be a very attractive person to have. We really need such a man. For several years, since the departure of Bishop Gowdy, we did not have any teacher in European and American History. We are also in need of person who can give courses in Political Science, as I did not teach any course since last year. All of the other trainings and experiences, such as Theological course and experience in athletic coaching, will be very helpful to us also. But I do not believe we have money for an additional foreign member on our staff. If any of the Mission Boards or Mr. Lawrence's Church would send him over as a contributing missionary to our staff, we would be too glad to welcome him.

*Commit*

Dr. George F. Sutherland, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was good enough to send a copy of his letter to you under date of January 12, 1931. His summary of our situation here is correct. We are urgently in need of more dormitory space. A larger enrolment of students will strengthen our spirit, both in the class room and in the ordinary activities on the campus. At the present the members of our staff are carrying on a very heavy load because of small classes. Additional students would not materially increase the expenses but will give us additional income as well as a finer academic spirit. I do hope that some means will be found to meet that phase of our needs.

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Mr. BAG 2, January 30, 1931

*Comment*  
We are looking forward for the coming visit of Dr. Wynn C. Fairfield in the first part of next month. We are planning to have him visit this University to meet both ~~of~~ our faculty and our Board of Managers before he leaves Foochow. We are hoping that he will give his fresh impressions <sup>of our work here</sup> to our Trustees upon his return to America.

We are closing our fall semester's work to-morrow. We shall begin our class work again on February 9. Dr. W.Y.Chen is expected to be in Foochow either to-day or to-morrow. We are looking forward for a fine semester of service.

Yours very sincerely,

*b. J. Lin*

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Fukien Christian University

February 10, 1931

President C.J.Lin, ✓  
Mr. James H. McCann,  
Fukien Christian University,  
Foochow, China.

ack. 4/13/31

My dear President Lin and Mr. McCann:

We are enclosing herewith a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Fukien Executive Committee held on February 3, and also a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the special sub-committee on coeducation held on the morning of February 4. Under separate cover we are sending you 28 copies of these same minutes for distribution to the Board of Managers and for such other uses as you may have.

Attendance at meeting. We were fortunate in being able to secure the attendance of all members of the Committee with only one exception. We were also happy that Mr. McClure and Professor Scott were able to attend.

Action of Rockefeller Foundation. The Committee recorded its gratification over the action of the Rockefeller Foundation in so amending its contributions toward the Natural Science work at Fukien Christian University for this year and next as to define its payments in gold dollars rather than Mexican dollars. In this same connection the question was raised in a tentative way as to whether there might be any hope of persuading the Rockefeller Foundation to continue its appropriation toward the support of the Natural Science work at Fukien after the close of the fiscal year 1931-32. It appeared to the Committee that the most strategic way to open negotiations on this subject would be for us to have Professor Scott and Mr. McClure meet with representatives of the Rockefeller Foundation to report on the work now being accomplished as a result of this support from the Foundation, and to broaden the subject of the possible continuation of this support. I am at this time writing to Dr. Mason and Dr. Carter of the Rockefeller Foundation requesting that they allow us to meet with them at their convenience for the presentation of the report on the work now being accomplished at the University as a result of this Rockefeller Foundation support.

We have just received the supply of Volume 3 of the Proceedings of the Natural History Society and the Annual Report of the President and the Deans for the year 1930, so I am sending Dr. Mason and Dr. Carter copies of this material for their information.

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Managers on Nov. 8. The Executive Committee studied these minutes with some care, but found that most of the actions taken did not require any formal action by the Trustees.

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One financial item in the Managers' minutes on which the Executive Committee felt that action should be taken was minute M-626 by which the Managers proposed an allocation of the field surplus of approximately \$7,000 and requested the approval of the Trustees. The Executive Committee expressed its hearty willingness to approve the allocation suggested by the Managers, but raised the question of whether or not the actions already taken by the Board of Trustees on November 18 may not have had the effect of substantially reducing or perhaps eliminating entirely this estimated field surplus of Mex. \$7,000.

In advance of the meeting of the Committee Mr. McClure and I spent some time trying to reconcile this figure appearing in connection with action M-626 with the report of the Field Treasurer as of July 31, 1930, and with the reports and actions bearing on financial matters which have been produced here in New York during recent months. Neither of us was conspicuously successful in arriving at such a reconciliation. Mr. McClure stated that following the November 18 meeting of the Trustees, he had written a long letter to Mr. McCann on financial matters and had asked for certain information which as yet he has not had time to receive.

Our office also wrote at some length immediately after the Trustees' meeting and at a later date. We hope that within a few weeks we will be receiving correspondence from Mr. McCann which will enable us to arrive at a more accurate reconciliation of the two sets of accounts so that we can ascertain exactly how much of this estimated surplus of Mex. \$7,000 still remains in the hands of the Field Treasurer. However, the Executive Committee thought that it would not be necessary for them to await such an exact reconciliation before giving general approval to action M-626 along the lines set forth in action E-925. You will note that this action authorizes the Board of Managers to allocate the surplus of Mex. \$7,000 along the lines proposed by action M-626, but this authorization is given only to the extent that this surplus, or some portion of it, remains in the hands of the Field Treasurer after his books have been reconciled with those of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, and the appropriations made by actions T-908, T-909 and T-913 have been put through. Past experience has shown that it is very easy for a Board or a Committee here in New York, when approving financial requests from the field without having full and accurate information in hand, to appropriate the same funds twice, and so assume a double responsibility which they are unable to discharge without serious difficulty. The Committee wished to guard against such a possibility in approving the allocation of this field surplus.

The Committee was most hearty in its expressions of appreciation for the services rendered by Professor and Mrs. Scott and Mr. McClure, and in its action endorsing the request of the field for the return of these members of the staff. The Committee also saw in this cordial request from the field for the return of these staff members gratifying evidence of a spirit of brotherhood and cooperation in Christian service with which the Chinese leaders, both in the University and in the Church of Christ in China, are working in the fullest fellowship with their Christian colleagues from the West.

University supported Western staff. The Executive Committee considered at some length both action M-623 of the Board of Managers, and also the correspondence we have had with the field during recent months on the questions related to the status of the University supported members of the Western staff not connected with any of the cooperating Mission Boards. Once again the Committee reiterated the position of the Board of Trustees that the Board's sole function in this matter is to assist wherever necessary in working out arrangements which will make it possible for these University supported Western mem-



bers of staff to serve the University on a basis which will be mutually satisfactory to them and to the University and will be productive of a maximum of service with the least demand upon the resources of the institution. In view of the fact that the most recent correspondence from the field indicates that there is no decided conviction among the University supported Western staff in favor of any change in the present arrangements for appointment and support, no further action should be taken by the Trustees at this time.

Promotional matters. The Committee gave its most sympathetic consideration to action M-832 which lists urgent Plant needs of the University for residences, dormitories, purchase of land, and removal of graves, and requests the assistance of the Board of Trustees in securing funds to meet these capital needs. The Committee estimated that the appropriation already made by the Board of Trustees, together with the gifts received during recent months, should be sufficient to provide the three faculty residences listed, and should provide a substantial balance to be used for other Plant purposes. Some emphasis was placed by those in most intimate touch with the situation at the University, upon the desirability of making an early move in the direction of purchasing the additional tracts of land which the University needs both for its own purposes and for its protection against the encroachment of possibly undesirable neighbors. Special reference was made to the strips of land along the river front, past which the proposed new roadway may soon run. It was our tentative judgment that sufficient Plant funds would be available from the appropriations and contributions already made to take care of the purchase of this land and the removal of graves thereon, provided the field considered this the most urgent need after its residence requirements have been supplied. The Committee, however, adhered to the policy adopted by the Trustees in action T-900 appropriating simply toward the Plant needs of the University leaving to the field the decision as to the nature and order of the Plant items to be cared for. We will await with interest more definite information from the field as to the progress you have been able to make in meeting these Plant needs from the appropriations already made and the gifts recently received.

Coeducation. The Executive Committee discussed briefly some of the questions in connection with the proposal that the University become co-educational, but in view of the fact that a special sub-committee on coeducation had been appointed by the Trustees, the Executive Committee agreed that these matters should be left to be dealt with by that committee. Most of the members of the special sub-committee on coeducation were present at the Executive Committee meeting so we were able to arrange a meeting of this special sub-committee on the morning of February 4. Both Professor Scott and Mr. McClure were able to attend. The time of the Committee was given for the most part to a general discussion of the major considerations involved in any reorganization of the University policy along coeducational lines. This discussion centered around the two major considerations which have been in the minds of the Trustees since this proposal was first made, viz: the possibility of co-operation with Hwa Nan, and the still more serious question of whether the present or potential resources of the University are sufficient to justify the University in the extension of its program to include young women as well as young men. In facing both these questions the sub-committee agreed that it was necessary that we consider not only the immediate situation, and the immediate obligations involved, but that we also look ahead to see what the effect will be five or ten years hence of any decisions made at this time.

It was agreed by the Committee that one of the first questions to be settled is that of whether there is any substantial grounds for hope that either in the near or more distant future some satisfactory basis of co-

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operation can be worked out with Hwa Nan College which would make it unnecessary to provide dormitories and other facilities for young women students on the Fukien campus. The reports from the field in regard to the possibility of such arrangements have been very pessimistic, but several members of the Committee expressed the hope that approaches made to the groups representing Hwa Nan here in America might produce more satisfactory results. Accordingly, the Committee voted to ask Dr. Edwards to consult at an early date with the individuals and groups representing Hwa Nan College here in America in order to sound out the possibilities for such a basis of cooperation. It was agreed that as soon as Dr. Edwards is ready to report a second meeting of the sub-committee should be held.

Very cordially yours,

*B. A. Garride*

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Fukien Christian University

February 11, 1931

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

My dear Mr.Lin:

I am enclosing herewith confirmation copy of a cablegram we have sent you today.

Some time ago a graduate of Fukien Christian University now in America, who wishes to remain anonymous, wrote to us expressing a desire to create two full scholarships covering the tuition for the year 1931 (first semester) in Fukien Christian University, in honor of Professor R.A.Budington and Professor C.G.Rogers, both of the Department of Zoology, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio".

As a result of our correspondence with this graduate we have just received a remittance of G\$25. At the present rate of exchange this will yield somewhere in the neighborhood of L.C.\$115 to L.C.\$120 which would be sufficient to provide two scholarships of approximately L.C.\$60 each. On the basis of his knowledge of costs at Fukien the donor thinks this will be sufficient to cover tuition and possibly other necessary expenses. From correspondence I have had with Mr.McClure I am not sure whether this amount will be quite enough to cover all necessary expense usually included in a scholarship, but we trust that it will provide a satisfactory beginning. The donor has not indicated whether he plans to continue the contributions beyond the present semester.

Although the amount involved is a rather small one, we are calling you, both to enable you to take advantage of the present favorable rate of exchange and also to give you the maximum opportunity for awarding these scholarships for the semester now beginning.

We would appreciate it if, in addition to any letter of thanks you may care to send this anonymous donor, you would give us for our own information somewhat more complete facts than we now have as to living costs at Fukien and the amount necessary to provide adequately for a scholarship.

Very cordially yours,

*B. A. Garside*

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CC: Accounting office

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CABLE ADDRESS:  
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
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February 16, 1931

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Mr. B. A. Garside  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

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Dear Mr. Garside:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 9 and the other letters which you wrote to Mr. McCann on January 9 and 10 respectively. Your cable about a gift of \$25.00 gold for two scholarships has also reached us. I shall reply to some of the points raised in those letters a little later.

Dr. Wynn C. Fairfield of our Board of Trustees is here. He met our faculty for a one-afternoon meeting on February 10. He also met our Board of Managers on February 14. We are very glad that he could be with us and could spend that much of time on the University affairs. We are preparing the minutes of our Board of Managers' meeting. When they are ready we shall send them over to you.

Your letter to Mr. McCann on January 10 is very helpful to us in our budget making for 1931-32. We are calling for estimates from each department. We hope that our preliminary budget will be ready in three weeks' time. We will have the regular spring meeting of our Board of Managers on March 28, and hope to have the budget in final shape to be sent to you in the early part of April.

Our spring term began on February 9. Over one hundred and ten students have registered. It is larger than we expected, as we are not taking a new class on account of the lack of dormitory space.

We are carrying on our classes as usual, although tomorrow is the Chinese New Year's day. The Government is putting serious effort to abolish the old calendar. We are cooperating with this new reformed movement.

Yours very sincerely,

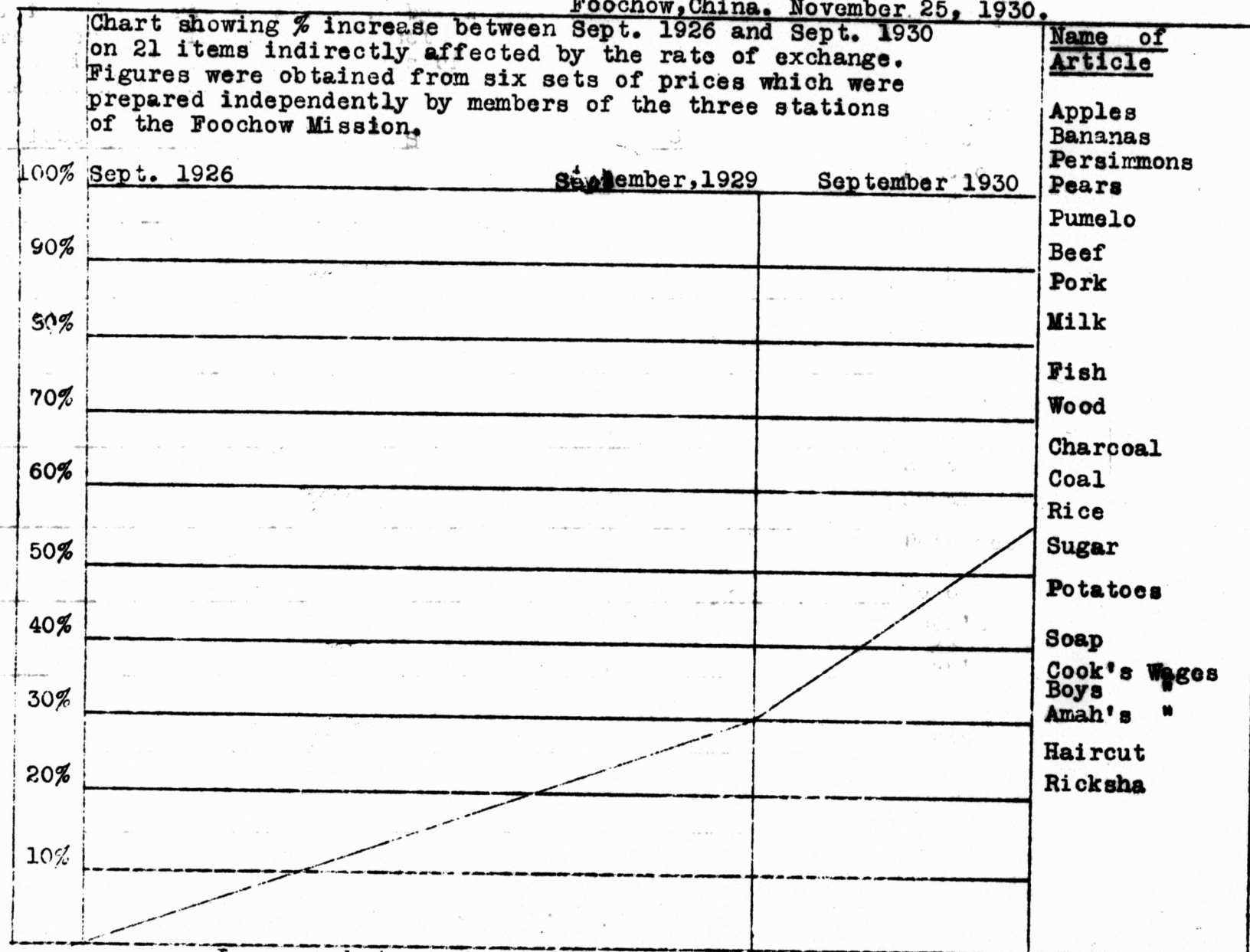
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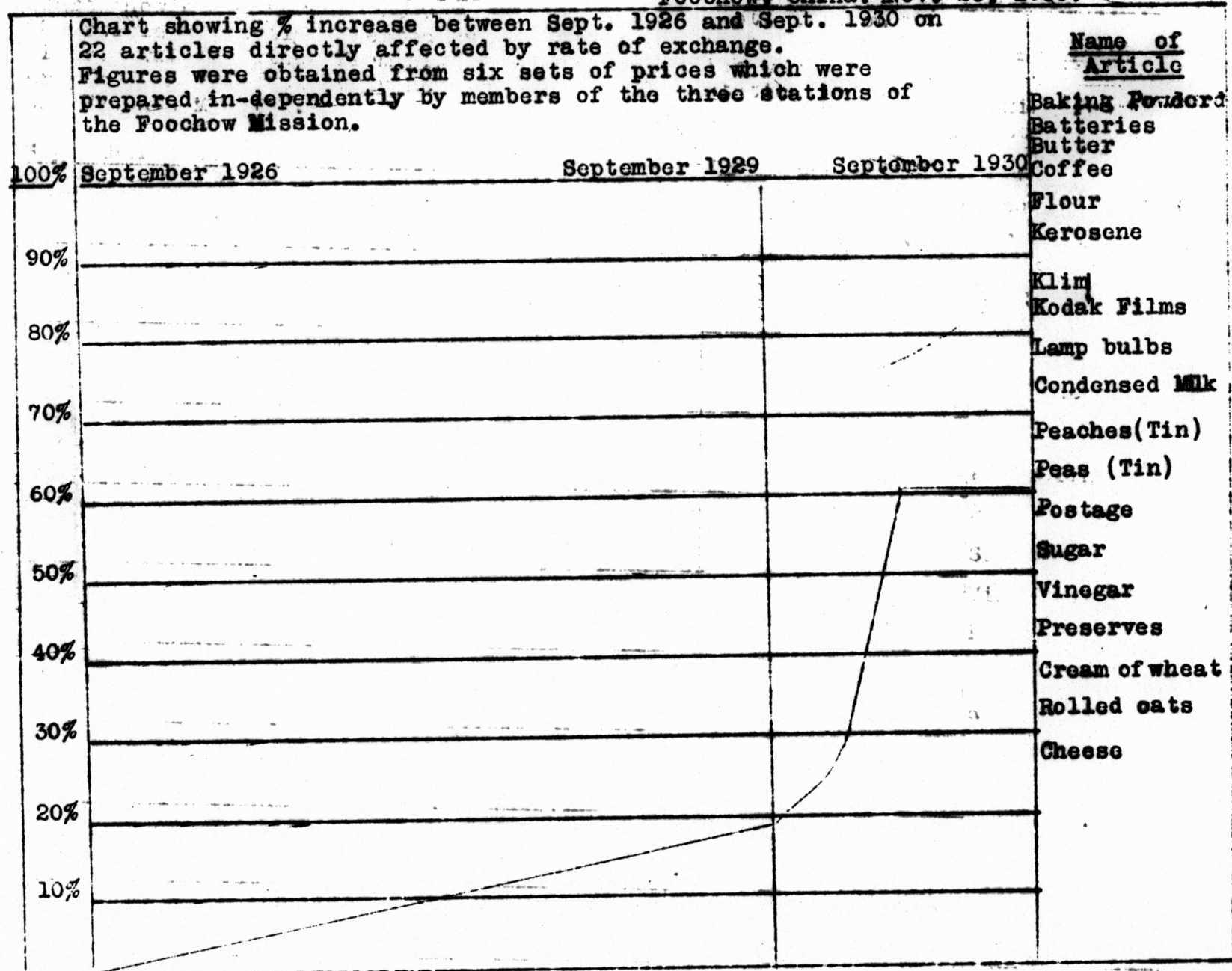


Foochow, China. November 25, 1930.



Increase between Sept. 1926 and Sept. 1929- 31%  
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Foochow, China. Nov. 25, 1930.





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February 30, 1931

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

My dear President Lin:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letters of December 24th  
and January 13th.

YOUR LETTER OF DECEMBER 24TH

Along with this letter you sent a very attractive Christmas  
and New Year greeting card, with a picture of the Gardner Hall, Jr.  
Memorial Arts Hall, and also an invitation to attend the fifteenth anniver-  
sary of the founding of the University. I wish most heartily that I might  
have been present at the ceremonies on January 17th, for I know that they  
were extremely interesting and impressive.

Your letter is devoted in general to comments on the minutes  
of the November meeting of the Fukien Board of Trustees.

Both in this letter and in your letter of January 13th you  
discuss at some length the progress being made on supplying the residence  
shortage through the use of the appropriations made by the Founders and the  
various gifts recently received for this purpose. We are glad to know that  
the field was able to secure such an advantageous rate of exchange for  
G\$3,845.18 appropriated by the Trustees. It would indeed be gratifying if  
the field were able to construct a double residence with this sum. We are  
also glad to note that Dr. Hill's gift of G\$3,000 produced a sufficient amount  
of local currency to construct a thoroughly satisfactory residence for Dr.  
W.Y.Chen. In neither of your letters do you make any reference to the gift  
of G\$2,000 already secured by Mr. McClure for another residence, but we trust  
that by this time the field is fully informed of this gift, and that it may  
prove sufficient to construct another residence, possibly with the addition  
of a small balance from some other available source if required to complete  
the cost of such a residence.

We have already reported to you in regard to the first meeting  
of our Committee on Co-education. I will quote to the committee your comments  
on this important subject.

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YOUR LETTER OF JANUARY 12TH

This letter deals chiefly with the subject of residences, on which I have already commented above. We will await further word from the field as to how your residential situation stands after you have completed your estimates as to the amount of construction that can be undertaken with the funds received from the Trustees' appropriation, Dr. Hill's gift, and the contributions secured by Mr. MacLure.

We warmly appreciate your closing paragraph with regard to the work of our office here in New York, though I fear we do not deserve all the kind things you say about us. Both Mr. Evans and I feel that we are still engaged in missionary work just as much as when we were on the campuses of Christian educational institutions in the Orient, and we are anxious to carry on in the same spirit of unselfish service for the Kingdom of Christ.

With warmest regards, I am,

Very cordially yours,

*B. A. Garside*

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February 20, 1931

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart,  
Rev. L. J. Davies,  
Dr. Y. G. Chen,  
President C. J. Lin, ✓

Gentlemen:

During recent months we have received an unusually large number of applications, coming from both men and women, mature individuals as well as young people, and Chinese as well as Americans, all of whom are desirous of undertaking teaching service in our Universities in China. Because of the fact that we have received very few definite calls for new appointments I have not, in most cases, gone to the trouble of making a detailed investigation of the qualifications of all these applicants. However, I am sending you herewith the application papers of a number of candidates who have either expressed a specific interest in your particular University, or have indicated their desire to serve in any one of our Universities where vacancies in their particular field might exist. If your examination of this material indicates that any of the candidates might fit into some actual or prospective vacancy on your staff we will be glad to conduct a detailed investigation of the qualifications of such candidates, and if these qualifications seem to be satisfactory we will follow through any procedure you suggest looking toward their appointment.

Unless you are interested in some of the candidates whose papers are being sent you, you need not take the trouble to make any formal reply to this communication. We appreciate the fact that there is not a very high probability of your being able to use any of these candidates, but we do not wish to lose the potential service of anyone whom you may need and who is anxious to join with you in the field of Christian educational service in China.

Very cordially yours,

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*Papers of*  
*Ho-Kuei Chai*  
*George C. Carter*  
*Robert Muro*

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
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Feb. 21, 1931.

Mr. B. A. Garside  
150 Fifth Ave.  
New York, N. Y.

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Dear Mr. Garside:

Enclosed herewith please find a copy of the letter received last night from the Rockefeller Foundation, New York. They probably have already notified you there about their action in changing their appropriation to us in gold for 1930-31 and for 1931-32. These will help our present and next year's budget considerably.

Your sincerely,

*B. J. Kim*

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N.Y. office 27

THE ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION

61 Broadway, New York

Office of the Secretary

January 14, 1931

My dear Sir:

Acting upon your request, the Foundation's appropriation RF 29030 made March 8, 1929, to Fukien Christian University was amended so that payments may be made in accordance with the following schedule:

1929-30.....	Mex.	15,000
1930-31.....	U. S.	5,000
1931-32.....	U. S.	2,500

other conditions of the appropriation remaining unchanged.

Your very truly,

(Signed) Norma S. Thompson  
Secretary.

President C. J. Lin  
Fukien Christian University  
Focchow, China

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
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February 27, 1931

Mr. B. A. Garside  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N. Y.  
U. S. A.

Dear Mr. Garside:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of January 22 with the enclosed copy of your letter to Mr. Beal of the Rockefeller Foundation under the same date. I am glad that you have already taken the matter up with the remaining balance of the Foundation's appropriation to us in gold for 1930-31.

Enclosed herewith you will find a copy each of my letters to Miss Thompson and to Mr. Gee respectively.

Yours very sincerely,

*C. J. Lin*  
C. J. LIN

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February 27, 1931

Miss Norma S. Thompson, Secretary  
The Rockefeller Foundation  
61 Broadway, New York  
U. S. A.

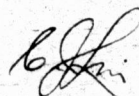
Dear Miss Thompson:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of January 14 forwarded to me through Mr. Gee.

We appreciate very much the generosity of the Rockefeller Foundation in revising their appropriation to us in gold beginning with the present year, 1930-31. This revision will help a great deal our work here.

Kindly convey our thanks to the Foundation.

Yours very sincerely,



C. J. LIN  
President

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February 27, 1931

Mr. N. Gist Gee  
The Rockefeller Foundation  
Peking

Dear Mr. Gee:

I wish to acknowledge the receipt of the letter from Miss Thompson, which you forwarded to me, with regard to the amended action of the Rockefeller Foundation. We are very grateful for this change of appropriation.

It will help our budget considerably. I realize that this change was made possible because of your good recommendation. I wish to express to you our sincere appreciation for the cooperation which you have never failed to give to us.

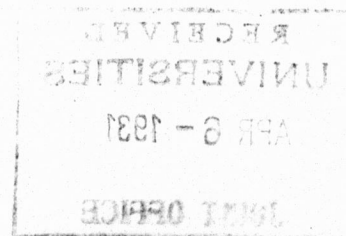
From your letter to Mr. Beeman, I learn that Dr. Mason will probably not come to China in this spring. We hope that when he does come next fall, we may have an opportunity of meeting him.

With kind personal regards,

Yours very sincerely,

C. J. LIN

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Fukien Christian University

February 27, 1931

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

My dear Mr.Lin:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letters of January 23  
and January 30.

YOUR LETTER OF JANUARY 23

This letter gives a most interesting description of the  
anniversary celebration on January 17. We are happy to know that the  
ceremonies marking this important milestone in the University's prog-  
ress were such a happy and auspicious occasion.

We have read with great interest the copy of Bishop Gowdy's  
address, the article by Dean Chen, and the Anniversary Program. I will  
send copies of the Anniversary Program to all members of our Board of  
Trustees.

The news of the successful registration of the Colleges of  
Arts and Science is indeed gratifying. It is, of course, to be regret-  
ted that for the time being only two colleges of the institution are  
being recognized for registration, for we would be pleased if this govern-  
ment recognition could be given to the institution as a full-rounded  
University. I know the Trustees will give serious consideration to the  
problem of securing the additional financial support necessary to main-  
tain a separate school of education on standards acceptable to the gov-  
ernment as a basis of registration. Perhaps it will be necessary for  
us to postpone any substantial progress in the direction of securing  
new support here in the West until the united financial appeal for the  
entire group of institutions in China can be launched. I hope, however,  
that during this interim the University will be able to secure increased  
support in China which will be of material aid in bringing the School of  
Education up to the necessary standard for registration.

YOUR LETTER OF JANUARY 30

Revised budget. I have spent some time in comparing the re-  
vised budget approved by the Fukien Managers on November 4, with the  
budget acted on by the Fukien Trustees last spring. So far as I can de-  
termine no further action by the Fukien Trustees is needed beyond the  
minute adopted by the Executive Committee on February 3 when it was noted

"that the revisions do not affect the amount of the contributions to be made by the Trustees as defined in actions T-899 and T-900, and as revised in action T-916, and that, therefore, no further action by the Trustees is necessary".

As I have checked through the items of anticipated income from the New York Treasurer as summarized on page 2 of the revised budget, I find them to be in general agreement with our New York records. The most important change is that, instead of using the rate of 2.40 as shown in the revised budget, the Trustees have now approved the suggestion of the field that we follow the rate of 2 to 1, and show the balance as anticipated gain on exchange. The Rockefeller Foundation appropriation has also been substantially increased above the figure of Mex.\$10,000 shown in the revised budget. Under Special Items for Scholarships you list the E.C.Jones Scholarship as G\$175, whereas we are hoping to send out this year G\$200 on this account.

Mr.Harold T.Lawrence. Thank you for the comments on the candidacy of Mr.Lawrence. I have considered all along that the possibility of any of our Universities finding funds for the support of such a candidate is very remote. At the present time it seems quite out of the question for us to interest any of the cooperating Mission Boards in assuming the support of such a new appointee.

Letter from Dr.Sutherland. We were very much gratified to receive Dr.Sutherland's letter praising in the warmest terms the work being done at Fukien and emphasizing again the urgent need for increased dormitory accommodations. I will report Dr.Sutherland's letter to the members of the Fukien Board of Trustees.

Dr.Fairfield's visit. We are indeed pleased that Dr.Fairfield will be able to visit the University during his present trip to China. I know you will take advantage of his visit to familiarize him with the situation and problems of the University, and will request him to present personally to the Board of Trustees after his return to this country a report of all matters in which his interest and first-hand knowledge will be of assistance.

With all good wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

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*B. A. Lawrence*

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Fukien Christian University

March 6, 1931

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

My dear President Lin:

You will remember that on February 3 the Trustees' Executive Committee appointed a special committee to meet with representatives of the Rockefeller Foundation to express the University's appreciation for the assistance given by the Foundation during the past decade and more, and also to raise in a tentative way the question of whether the Foundation might find it possible to continue its appropriation somewhat beyond the year 1931-32.

*See "Rockefeller Foundation" 3/6/31*

This afternoon Mr. Scott, Mr. McClure, Mr. Samuel Thorne and I had a very pleasant conference with Dr. Carter and Dr. Spoehr representing the Foundation. We presented the report of which a copy is enclosed herewith, and discussed in an informal way most of the material contained in this report. We also discussed quite frankly the fact that, due to unavoidable delays in securing other sources of support adequate to care for the needs of the College of Natural Science, the University is facing the prospect of a serious financial shortage for carrying on the work in natural science after July 31, 1932. We expressed the hope that the Rockefeller Foundation might find it possible to continue its appropriation beyond that date. We stated that we recognized that the usual procedure in such matters is for an institution's request to be presented to the China representatives of the Foundation and to have those representatives transmit the request with their recommendations. Once this procedure has been set in motion on the field the Trustees usually follow up the matter from this end by taking an action endorsing the application presented by the field. We stated, however, that since Mr. McClure and Mr. Scott are in the United States just now and will not be available at some later date when such a formal request might be coming from China, we had suggested the conference in order that the representatives of the Foundation might form the acquaintance of these two members of the staff and might get a more accurate and intimate first-hand description of the University's accomplishments and problems than could be presented by our office or members of the Board of Trustees.

Dr. Carter and Dr. Spoehr were very cordial, and seemed to be quite genuinely interested in the University and anxious to see it continue its forward progress. Naturally they were careful not to commit themselves or the Foundation to any favorable action. They suggested, however, that they would be very glad to give the matter serious consideration at a later date when some recommendation on the subject had been received from their

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representatives in China.

Obviously the next step, therefore, is for the field authorities of the University to prepare a request for whatever continuation of the Rockefeller Foundation's support they consider is necessary, and has any chance of successful solicitation, and to present this through the regular channels to the China representatives of the Foundation. If the China representatives of the Foundation are able to transmit such a request with their cordial endorsement I hope there is a genuine possibility that the Foundation may be willing to continue its support for a somewhat longer period.

I do not know that I can make any worth while suggestion as to the amount of such continued support which the University should ask, or the length of period for which such support is needed. Everything depends on the situation and needs existing on the field. Probably a request for a fairly modest amount over two or three years would have better chance of success than an appeal for a larger sum over a longer period of time.

I believe that Mr. McClure will also be writing you with regard to such matters as these.

With warmest regards, I am

Very cordially yours,

*B. A. Garside*

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**FUKIEN**

**Fukien Christian University**

**March 14, 1931**

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

**My dear Mr.Lin:**

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 16.

We are happy to know that Dr. Fairfield was able to spend a substantial amount of time on the University campus. We will look forward to having him report at an early meeting of the Fukien Trustees on his visit to the University campus.

We are happy to know that the enrolment for the spring term has been so satisfactory.

We will await with interest the receipt of the budget estimates for 1931-32. As I glance over my letter to Mr. McCann under date of January 10 I do not note any substantial changes in the estimated income tabulated on page two of that letter. We hope that Dr. Hill will find it possible to continue his annual contribution at the figure of \$2,500 and that Dr. Warner may be willing to repeat his gifts of \$500 per year, but I believe that as yet neither of these items are assured. No doubt some request will be coming from the field regarding these matters, either along with the budget estimates or in separate correspondence with Dr. Hill and Dr. Warner. You are already acquainted with the fact that the appropriation from the Rockefeller Foundation for 1931-32 has been restated as \$2,500 rather than as L.C. \$5,000.

The two charts you enclose showing the rapid rise in the cost of commodities only indirectly affected by the rate of exchange, and the still more rapid rise in the cost of commodities directly affected by the rate of exchange gives a very vivid picture of some of the problems which you are facing as a result of the present abnormality of exchange ratios. We sincerely hope that this situation may soon become more stable.

Very cordially yours,

*B. A. Garside*

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March 23, 1931

Dr. Howard S. Galt,  
Rev. L. J. Davies,  
Dr. Y. G. Chen,  
President C. J. Lin,  
Dr. George W. Sparling,  
Gentlemen:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a pamphlet, "A Request for the Consideration and Criticism of the Provisional Draft of the New Social Ideals of the Churches". This has just been published in this provisional form by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. The Federal Council has sent us copies of this publication with a covering letter in which they state:-

"It is our hope that you will be willing to send one or more copies of this document to your institutions in the field with the request for their study and criticism. Such criticism from the foreign field, especially if various countries are represented, will be helpful to the Committee".

Already an active discussion is beginning here in America on some of the social ideals advanced in this pamphlet. It is likely that during the coming months this discussion will be much more wide-spread and intensive.

Each of the Universities is invited to make whatever study it wishes of this material, and to return its suggestions direct to the Federal Council.

Very cordially yours,

*B. A. Garside*

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Fukien Christian University

March 27, 1931

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

My dear Mr. Lin:

We enclose herewith a copy of the minutes of a meeting of the Special Committee on Co-education held on the afternoon of March 13. Under separate cover we are forwarding twenty copies of these minutes for your use on the field.

In addition to all members of the Committee except Dr. Wood, we also had present Professor and Mrs. Roderick Scott. Their presence was invaluable to the Committee in its consideration of all the factors involved in the problem of co-education at Fukien.

The Committee spent the first part of the meeting considering the question of possible cooperation with Hwa Nan. Dr. Edwards reported on the result of his consultation with various individuals and groups representing the interests of Hwa Nan College; and his report showed that these individuals and groups are practically unanimous in their conviction that Hwa Nan should continue as a separate and independent college for women. Accordingly, the Committee on Co-education voted (SCC-930) to report to the Board of Trustees that as a result of its inquiries, it has become convinced that at the present time union with Hwa Nan College on a co-educational basis is not feasible.

Having disposed of this aspect of the problem the Committee then turned its attention to the question of women students being admitted to Fukien Christian University. One member of the Committee, Dr. Demarest, who has been intimately connected with almost this same problem of admission of women students to one of our colleges in New Jersey, stated frankly that he does not feel that co-education at Fukien Christian University is the proper solution of the problem. He accordingly agreed, however, to concur in the judgment of the other members of the Committee. The other members of the Committee who were present were in general inclined to favor the admission of women students to Fukien if and when the necessary increase in funds can be secured. The Committee did not attempt to define in dollars and cents just what increase in funds would be considered adequate. Their general thinking was in line with the "report of the Committee on Co-education of Fukien Christian University, April, 1930" which was presented to the meeting of the Fukien Board of Managers held on May 15, 1930.

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This Committee on the field seems to be of the opinion that the admission of women students would require capital funds sufficient to erect a suitable girls' dormitory, and assured current income sufficient to provide for a dean of women. However, the Committee agreed that the determination of the exact amount and nature of such increased support should be left to the Fukien Board of Trustees.

We will probably be having a meeting of the Board of Trustees in April or May. We have just received twenty copies of the minutes of the meeting of the Fukien Board of Managers held on February 14, but I believe that as yet I have not received any covering letter discussing the actions taken by that meeting. We will probably delay the meeting of the Fukien Trustees until after the arrival of the budget for 1951-52 so that the budget may be disposed of at that meeting.

Very cordially yours,

*B. A. Garfield*

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Mr. B. A. Garside  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Garside:

This is to notify you that on May  
1st Mr. James H. McCann is resigning from the Treasurership of Fukien Christian University and that  
Mr. Henry V. Lacy has been duly elected to succeed  
him in the Office. Mr. Lacy will assume all the  
responsibilities formerly carried by Mr. McCann.

Yours faithfully,

*C. J. Lin*  
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Dear Mr. Garside:

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The Return of the Scotts: On March 3 I sent you a cable stating that Scotts' parents are welcomed. This was in response to Mr. Scott's letter to me, asking me whether or not we could make provision for his parents if he could solve his personal problem by bringing his parents out here. In his last letter to me dated March 3, he stated, however, that it might not be possible for him to take his parents out and that he was not certain as to his own plan. It is our earnest hope that nothing shall delay the return of Mr. and Mrs. Scott to Foochow. We need him very badly for next year. All of our Philosophy courses have been stopped and we could not hold them up for much longer. Mrs. Scott is also needed in our Music work.

But above all the presence of the Scotts gives us so much spiritual tone and atmosphere to the community. Their devoted, unselfish lives are inspiration to our community. The college itself needs such devotion and love to grow.

I am preparing a letter to the American Board Mission, asking them to do every thing possible for the Scotts' return to us this fall.

*Handwritten: "Correct"*

The Furlough of Professor Norvil Beeman: Mr. Beeman has been suffering from general ill health, which has been recently diagnosed by the American Board physician Dr. Herace E. Campbell as tuberculous epididimitis. We have consulted three other doctors here including our own college physician, Dr. S.Y.Li, Dr. Neil Lewis of the Union Hospital, and Dr. Charles L. Gillette of the American Board Mission Hospital at the Pagoda Anchorage. None of them could be very sure of the matter. But they all agree that should Dr. Campbell's diagnosis is correct, a quick operation will be necessary. There are ~~more~~ competent specialists around here and all suggest that he should stop <sup>a large part</sup> all of his activities and attend plan to go back to America as soon as could be arranged.

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Our present arrangement is to secure passages for the Beeman's family to go straight to New York, either through the Panama Canal or through Suez. On arriving in New York, he will get in touch with certain specialists there, who will then make the final decision as to what shall be done.

We hope that we may be able to get passages between the middle and the end of May. We shall write you again later.

Our New Mathematics Teacher, Mr. Lin Yu Chi: Through the introduction of Mr. Roy H. Jones, a brother of our late President Jones, we are making appointment of Mr. Lin Yu Chi, a graduate of the Michigan State College, with certain practical experiences in engineering work in the State of Michigan, after some correspondences with him.

It appears that I know Mr. Lin personally when I was a student in Hinghwa. He is son of a Methodist preacher there, and has been in America since 1921. We have in our possession Mr. Lin's full academic records as well as Mr. Jones's recommendation. We believe he will be a very good man to be on our staff.

We offer him a salary of \$150 local currency per month, with one year's contract beginning August 1, 1931. We are not responsible for his other expenses such as travel, etc. Mr. Lin has been in American so long, so he will know how to arrange for his own return. So we have not written him about our office in New York. Should he need some assistance or further information about us, we shall appreciate your carrying on further correspondence with him. His address is Box 832, East Lansing, Michigan.

A Possible History Teacher: In attending the conferences in Nanking and Shanghai in March, I got well acquainted with Dr. A.L. Warnshuis, general secretary of the International Missionary Council, and a founder of our college when he was a missionary in Amoy, Fukien. When hearing our needs of a history teacher, he showed me a letter from one of his friends in America introducing another friend who desires for a teaching position in history and political science in one of the Christian colleges in China. I told Mr. Warnshuis that I have written you some time ago that we need a man but we could not afford to pay him. Dr. Warnshuis then suggested that you look him up when he is in New York, as he is returning to America soon, and take this matter with him as soon as possible. He hoped to get in touch with a friend and see if he would be willing to support our proposed teacher of history for a period of five years. If the financial end could be arranged, we could take up with him the qualification of the person in question. I do hope that you will keep in touch

*Mr. Jones must inform*

*Dr. A.L. Warnshuis is a missionary in Amoy, Fukien. Follow up with him when he is in New York.*

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with Dr. Warnshuis, who seems to be much interested in our work here.

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Your Cable Scholarships: Your cable announcing \$25.00 contribution toward two scholarships reached us after our school work began, so we could not make use of the money. But we shall do so next fall. From your description of the fund in your letter of February 11, we can quite easily guess the donor of those scholarships. We hope that he won't object to our delay in awarding those scholarships until next fall. The amount we get from the exchange was \$116.67 local currency, which is not quite enough for two tuition scholarships.

Our tuition is \$70.00 l.c. per year per student. Other necessary expenses, excluding board and room, for a student per year come to about \$215.00 l.c. We appreciate very much the generosity of the donor and we hope that we may have more of such scholarships.

The following is a fair estimate of the average expenses of our students:

Tuition . . . . .	\$ 70 L.c.
Matriculation (new students only) . . .	(10)
Room and light . . . . .	24
Diploma fee (seniors only) . . . . .	(12)
Board . . . . .	70
Student activities fee . . . . .	10
Laboratory fees . . . . .	20 - 40
Books . . . . .	40
Uniforms . . . . .	12
Laundry and hair cut . . . . .	10
(not including clothings and travel)	
Total cost per student . . . . .	<u>\$256</u> - 296 L.c.

Yours very sincerely,

*C. J. Lin*  
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Dear Mr. Garside:

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Surplus for 1929-30 I wish to reply to your letter of February 10, in which you mention about the Trustees' confusion over our surplus reports for 1929-30. We should have written you earlier about the details of the surplus fund, which consists of the following items:

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Amount reported in the Treasurer's	
Annual Report 8/20/31 . . . . .	\$4,470.88 L.c.
By Sutton Travel Refund . . . . .	1,333.57
By C.J.Lin " " . . . . .	14.12
By Asher Rent " " . . . . .	18.04
By Farley Travel " (part) . . . . .	1,030.24
	<u>\$6,866.85</u> L.c.

From this amount <sup>there</sup> should be deducted by a sum of \$532.45 transferred to our New York Office for the adjustment of difference in counting on gold exchange. So the net surplus at present is \$6,334.40 L.c. plus whatever amount Mr. Farley will yet turn in.

The last four items in the above list were turned in after the annual report was made, but before the Board of Managers' meeting on November 8, 1930. In considering this surplus fund, the Managers proposed to clean out two old debit accounts as follows:

Student Furniture . . . . .	\$ 141.20 L.c.
Land Purchase and Grave Removal . . . . .	867.01
	<u>\$1,008.21</u> L.c.

The rest are disposed off as

Miss Asher's Travel Reserve . . . . .	\$2,000.00 L.c.
Plant Maintenance Reserve . . . . .	2,612.23
	<u>\$4,612.23</u> L.c.

We may not need money toward the present year's budget deficit as asked by the Managers. If you will look at the

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minutes again, you will see the current deficit came from our appropriation to

Miss Asher Tuition . . . . .	\$1,000.00 L.c.
Promotion Expenses in America . . . . .	1,000.00
	<u>\$2,000.00</u> L.c.

Since our Trustees have provided for the latter, we are not using the amount. So you see we shall come out even with this arrangement of the disposal of the surplus, which has been approved by our Trustees in its last meeting.

As to the appropriation of the surplus gold from the Trustees toward our residences, we are using it for the building of a double-residence, which is now under construction. The rate of gold exchange was quite good at that time that we have \$15,601.74 local currency in hand from that fund, which according to the closed estimate of Mr. Wiant is enough to cover all the expenses necessary for the completion of this new residence. We are not, of course, trying to hold the Trustees in double obligation as mentioned in the Trustees Executive Committee on February 3rd.

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The Western Staff The minutes of the Board of Managers on February 14, M-638, expresses the Managers' understanding of the situation. We on the field are too glad to have the various Mission Boards make appointment on our foreign staff. Our only consideration is that any financial increases in connection with such appointment should not be born by our current budget fund which is already too limited. If our Trustees can make satisfactory arrangement without encroaching on our operating budget, we shall strongly recommend for the increase on either salaries or allowances of our Western staff. The payment also should be in gold. So far as we can find out, most of the missionaries in China receive their salaries and allowances in gold. Our staff members suffer a great deal, while compared with other missionaries. It seems to be fair that they should be put on the same basis as the missionaries sent out directly from the various Mission Boards. So far as the University is concerned, we could not do it, because by paying our foreign staff in gold, even without increasing their salaries, it will eat up over one-third of our total budget. We could not possibly decrease the salaries to our Chinese staff, because they are already too low. Neither can we reduce our maintenance expenses. The only way out seems to be in securing more special fund for that purpose. We do hope that before long the time may come when our Trustees will be able to make such an arrangement.

Co-Education We are glad to learn that Dr. John R. Edwards is taking the matter up with the Hua Nan Board in

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America. We hope that some sort of cooperation can be effected between Hua Nan and Fukien. We shall be glad to hear the result of this effort. Our plan for co-education, as outlined in the Managers' minutes of February 14, is quite a feasible one. A member of our Managers (of the Methodist Mission) told me recently that our starting of co-education in a small scale will help to hasten a better cooperation between Hua Nan and Fukien. The present system presents to public an unnecessary duplication and hence the waste of money, while both institutions struggle hard for a bare existence.

Christian colleges must give best quality in education if they are going to be factors in the upbuilding of the Chinese nation. They cannot do it under the present conditions. This is why we are in hearty support of the correlated program in spite of the many difficulties.

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The Rockefeller Foundation We are calling our Science staff together to make a statement giving their past achievements, present status and future plans in our Science work. We shall take the matter up in a more concrete way with Mr. N. Gist Gee, field representative of the Rockefeller Foundation in China. We shall send you a copy of our statement when it is ready. We appreciate very much your successful effort in arranging for a meeting of the Foundation people with you and Messrs. McClure and Scott. I think it ~~lead~~ <sup>lay</sup> a very good foundation for our negotiation on the field.

Dr. Hill's Gift I hope that your office there can take the matter up with Dr. Hill with regard to his renewal of his gift to our religious instruction work. I have already asked Bishop John Gowdy to write to Dr. Hill about that. I shall see Bishop Gowdy again about this matter when he returns from Shanghai.

Yours very sincerely,

*C. J. Lin*  
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Dear Mr. Garside:

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Under separate cover we are sending you twenty copies of the minutes of the Board of Managers' meeting on April 4. We have already sent you in the previous mail sixteen typewritten copies of the proposed budget for 1931-32.

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You will notice a little change in the form of the budget. In the first place, salaries and allowances of the staff are put on a separate part from that of the departmental and general maintenance expenses. The book items are also separated from the actual cash items. Thus those items of income or expenditure, the money for which does not actually come through our treasurer, are put down under book items. This includes the appropriation from our Trustees for property rental and salaries and allowances of the missionary teachers paid by the various Mission Boards directly. Again those items which are paid in gold are deducted from our gold income directly so as to save the confusion of making exchange back and forth. We hope that in this way the budget will give a clear picture as to the actual amount of money that goes through the hands of our treasurer's office here.

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Another important item in the budget is the setting of the rate of exchange at three dollars silver to one dollar gold. This rate was adopted in order to meet the need of the field in silver currency. A little lower rate might have been used, such as 2.85 silver for 1.00 gold, but it is rather difficult to work with. We here think that it is quite safe to figure our gold exchange at three dollars for the next year at least.

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The appropriation from our Trustees will, therefore, be in gold, but the main part of our budget in the field is in silver. We will draw gold from New York and charge to our budget items at the rate of three to one, and we will likely draw only that amount of gold which will meet the needs of the field, leaving the rest of the gold which may be saved

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from higher rate of exchange in our New York Treasury. . . . .

*omit* ( We hope that this arrangement will serve for convenient bookkeeping and general business transaction at both ends. Our New York Office will keep track of the gold sent out, and the field treasurer reports to you the actual amount of money in silver we get here each time. All things which we shall buy through you for our various departments will be paid in gold, while we will count on the rate of three to one in making charges against the departmental budget on our books. We hope that this system will stop the confusion about exchange which we suffered so much during the last few years.)

The budget for 1931-32 includes two construction items; one is \$5,000 local currency for fence and the other is \$2,000 local currency for a new water reservoir.

*will report to committee* The fence is urgently needed, for the road between the Pagoda Anchorage and Foochow is being constructed. By the end of May the first section of the road will be finished. The second section is scheduled to be finished within this calendar year. We are in the second section, but we are only about three miles from the end of the first section. We are trying to get the Bureau of Public Works to extend the road of the first section to our campus. The road will come through our grounds. It is necessary that we shall have a fence as to prevent the unnecessary trespassing.

Two years ago we asked our Trustees to transfer the money which they gave to us for remodeling of Mr. Farley's house for our fence building fund. But we will now need the money for remodeling of the same house. Professors Wang and Kuo of the Chinese Department have lived in that house together for nearly two years. Wang has six and Kuo has five children. It is now deemed necessary that we should remodel that house this summer into three apartments making the basement as the third apartment for two unmarried teachers. We therefore need additional money from the next year's budget for fence. We may be able to save some money from the remodeling fund for the gate house.

The new water reservoir is urgently needed, because the old reservoir has been leaking and in any case it does not give us enough supply of water in dried season. We need a new one to hold about two days' water for the community against emergency. It will be built in a convenient place where water can be pumped from the river direct when needed. In rainy season the water from the old reservoir will flow into the new one for storage instead of wasting away as now.

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During the last four months we have been spending nearly seventy dollars each month for pumping water to supply the various buildings. We hope to effect a considerable saving from the new reservoir.

The supplementary budget consists of the needs which we ought to meet as soon as there is sufficient fund for any. The necessity of each of the items has been dealt with previously in our correspondences or in my annual report. It is our hope that we may be able to meet some of them during the next academic year. It may be possible to have some people to give us a set of new edition of the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

Dr. N. Gist Gee, representative of the Rockefeller Foundation in China, has more or less promised to contribute a considerable part, maybe half, of the expenses toward our building of a gas plant if we definitely plan to have one. At present we are consuming a rather large quantity of alcohol in our science departments. The cost of the article is rising rapidly as it had to be imported from foreign lands and the tax on it is rather high. We have not made very careful investigation as to the approximate cost of such a thing including maintenance. But we feel that if we have some surplus left over from the present year's budget, it may be wise for us to build one. We shall make detailed reports on this matter later.

The building program for 1931-32, as outlined in the minutes, is being carried out. We have enough fund on hand for these purposes, if the items on the fence and water reservoir are not vetoed by our Trustees.

Rev. Henry V. Lacy of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Foochow, has consented to be our acting treasurer beginning May 1, 1931.

Yours very sincerely,

*C. J. Lin*  
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COMMENTS REGARDING 1931-32 BUDGET

FUKIEN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

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Mr. B. A. Garside  
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Dear Mr. Garside:

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Supplementary Budget: Under separate cover I am sending you twenty mimeographed copies of the supplementary budget. I have already explained about the various items in my last covering letter about the budget for 1931-32.

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The New Double-Residence: I am also sending you under another cover a set of blue prints of our new two-family residence which is now under construction. Dr. W.Y.Chen has decided to occupy the left-hand side of the house. The work will be finished near the end of July, 1931. We can duplicate such a residence at the same cost if we build it this year.

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Butterfield's Conference in Nanking: I went to attend Dr. Butterfield's conference in Nanking on the invitation of the China National Christian Council. Six colleges were invited to participate in the gathering. The chief object is to find out how Christian colleges could help training rural leaders for the country churches. Three theological seminaries participated in the discussion. No formal resolutions were passed, but the discussion were very enlightening. We submitted our plan for a rural center work. Both Dr. Butterfield and Dr. Warnshuis spoke to me several times in commending our project. We hope to do something more than what we have been doing after Mr. Kellogg's return from his furlough in 1932.

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Council of Higher Education Meeting: In the annual meeting of the Council of Higher Education held in Shanghai on March 17, the actions of the various Boards, both in China and abroad, were reported. I am sure Mr. Cressy has already furnished you with a copy of the minutes of that meeting. It may facilitate the work of the correlated program by organizing a commission which may consist of representatives of the various mission boards and a large percentage of educational experts, who will make a trip to China and hold conferences with the representatives of the various Christian colleges. A more fundamental study may be made then as to what the Christian



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colleges are in China for and how they can really serve the Christian movement in China and their contribution toward the upbuilding of a new nation over here. We on the field have been mostly concerned with the carrying on of the work according to the traditional western type of college education. In this respect we are no worse than the other colleges in this country. But if we are to make our Christian colleges count we should be earnest in our undertaking so as to make our effort worth while. It is only fair to our supporters abroad that they should know clearly how the Christian colleges, which they sacrifice so much toward their support, have been doing in meeting the needs of the Chinese people. An impartial commission from abroad with its definite purpose of evaluating our work will help a great deal in putting the correlated program in its proper place. Since the financial campaign in America will not probably be started for one or two years, it may be a good time for such a commission to come over before the Appraisal Commission of the Laymen's inquiries project makes its final recommendation.

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The Laymen's Inquiry Visit to Fukien: Dr. Edgar M. Knight of the Laymen's Inquiry Commission came to Fukien with me from Shanghai on March 24. He stayed with us on the campus about three days. Dr. Knight is responsible for the Commission for getting the facts about Christian higher education in China. After he found out all the facts he desired from us, he made quite a number of fine comments about our faculty and our work here in general. The whole Commission came down to visit us on March 25. Dr. Douglas, chairman of the Commission, seemed to be quite pleased with our effort here. We had our faculty meet the Commission in a tea, and in the evening the members of the Commission were guests at the various faculty families. Several other members of the Commission came to visit us again before they left for Shanghai. They are a group of very earnest and keen people. We trust that Christian constituency in the West will understand more clearly the conditions here in China after the Inquiry Commission presents its report.

Yours very sincerely,

*C. J. Lin*  
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  - Dr. William B. Hill ✓
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April 15, 1931

Dr. William B. Hill  
Vassar College  
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.  
U. S. A.

Dear Dr. Hill:

We are submitting our budget for 1931-32 to our Trustees for approval. It is our hope that you will find it possible to continue your annual contribution of \$2,500 gold toward our work here for the coming year.

You have been generous in giving us that amount for the past several years and it helps us a great deal in our work in religious instruction and activities. It was from your fund that our Trustees were able to give four years of post-graduate study to Dr. W.Y. Chen, who is now taking his work earnestly and effectively in this University. We also depend entirely on that fund for the supply of appropriate literature on Religion for the library. With the return of Dr. Chen and the recent addition of Prof. H.S. Stowe, we are enlarging the service of our Department of Religion. Your continued contribution will insure the growth of our work along that line.

The cost of running the college has been rising rapidly. The problem has become more acute when the price of silver began to fall. We depend a great deal on America and other foreign countries for the supply of our scientific books, chemicals and other equipments which must be paid in gold. Many of our faculty families are using necessary articles imported from abroad. The rising value of gold has therefore put us on a very difficult condition. We do not attempt to give relief to our staff members here by any considerable increase in salary, because we are not sure how long we can depend on the favorable rate of gold exchange. The enclosed charts will give you some idea of the effect on the cost of living on account of high gold value. The difference has, however, become much more apparent since last September. In our budget for 1931-32 we are recommending the rate of exchange at one dollar gold to three dollars silver. This is necessary in order to meet the increasing departmental expenditures of the college. So far as the salary and allowances of the staff are concerned, we make almost no changes. We hope to save as much money as possible from the gold rate for the many urgent

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Dr. WBH 2, April 15, 1931

needs of this institution which have so long been neglected.  
Your continued contribution will help largely along the policy.

Under separate cover, I am sending you a set of the blue prints of the new two-family residence. Dr. W.Y. Chen and his family will take the left-hand side of the house. The house was started over a month ago and will be ready for use in August. We are planning to build two more residences for two other families who will return on furlough next year. We appreciate very much your generous contribution toward our need for new residences. We shall send more blue prints to you when the plans of the other houses are ready.

Enclosed herewith you will find a snapshot of our small family. The baby was then six months old. We have not been in the city so we cannot furnish you a studio picture of our family as you wished us to send. We shall try to get one later. The other copy is the new chapel in our Arts Hall. Many of our visitors try to convince us that it is the most beautiful chapel they have seen in China.

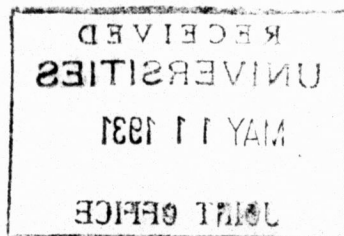
With warmest regards,

Yours very faithfully,

*C. J. Lin*  
C. J. LIN

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April 15, 1931

Dr. Edwin G. Warner  
56 Montgomery Place  
Brooklyn, N. Y.  
U. S. A.

Dear Dr. Warner:

We hope that you will repeat your gift of \$500 gold toward our budget for 1931-32. We are submitting our next year's budget to the Trustees for approval. It will be a great help to our work here if we can count on your contribution on our income side again.

We have been facing financial difficulties every year. The good rate in gold exchange has helped us recently in meeting certain urgent needs which we had not been able to provide for a long time. But the falling price of silver has created many difficulties which are not shown on our budget. The inclosed two charts will give you some idea of the effect of the high rate of gold exchange on the cost of living here in September of last year. Since then the change has been much greater and much more violent. We dare not ask our friends in America to make considerable increase in their contributions during this time of general business depression, but we do hope that our existing amount of income will be maintained in order to carry on our work.

The enclosed snap shot of our small family was taken by Teddy Chen near the end of February, when our daughter Jun-Ching was six months old. Teddy has been doing very well; we hope to be able to make some arrangement so that he will have some rest during the summer. He has been working steadily without much vacation since his return to Fukien. He is keeping his keen sense of humor. It is a great joy to us to have him stay in our home.

The college work is going on very well. Our student body has the best spirit in the last two or three years. We are giving more attention this year to the general welfare of the student life. Through the effort of Teddy Chen we ~~are~~ able to introduce the daily drinking of the bean curd soup by the students. The soup has been analyzed by our food chemist here as being as nourishing as milk, but its cost is much less. Since ~~the~~ introduction about two months ago, it has been very popular. The faculty families as well as the student body are using it.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

*C. J. Lin*  
C. J. LIN

CABLE ADDRESS:  
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
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April 16, 1931

FUKIEN

Mr. B. A. Garside  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N. Y.  
U. S. A.

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Dear Mr. Garside:

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Dr. W.Y. Chen's Allowances: Would you kindly give us the accounts about Dr. W.Y. Chen? What was your understanding with him about his travelling expenses? To what date your office there pay his allowances? We started his regular salary here with the month of January, 1931. But we have not settled his travelling accounts. Do you like him to give us an itemized statement about his expenses for the reference of our Trustees?

Mr. Lin Yu Chi: Mr. Lin Yu Chi, about whom I have written you in my last letter, has cabled me last night that he accepts the position here as lecturer in Mathematics at the terms as we outlined to him. Any encouragement you can give him through your office will be appreciated.

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Are you acquainted with Mr. Roy H. Jones. It was he who introduced Mr. Lin Yu Chi to us. He is a younger brother of our late President E.C. Jones. Would you think it is advisable for us to approach him for a gift of, say, about \$500 gold for next year toward Mr. Lin Yu Chi's salary here? I shall write him a letter later and send you a copy of it. It may be advisable for our office in New York to get in touch with him personally there. Mr. Jones's address is 4E 28th Street, New York City.

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The 15th Anniversary Bulletin: Our English bulletin issued in connection with our Fifteenth Anniversary is ready. We shall send you under separate cover fifty copies with envelopes. We are trying to send to the friends of the University according to the list which you have furnished us sometime ago. I think you suggested sometime that our donors may appreciate more to receive things from China with Chinese stamps on them. The total cost on mailing will probably be the same, for we are going to insert another reprint of the accounts of the Fifteenth Anniversary as to make the package exactly 100 grams.

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Mr. BAG 2, April 16, 1931

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Gifts from Doctors Hills and Warner: I am enclosing herewith my letters to Dr. Hill and Dr. Warner asking them to continue their gifts for next year. You may like to take this matter with them from New York end also.

Yours very sincerely,

*C. J. Lin*

C. J. LIN

CJL:HCY



April 17, 1931

Mr. Yu Chi Lin  
P. O. Box 836  
E. Lansing, Michigan  
U. S. A.

Dear Mr. Lin:

Your cable accepting our appointment reached us duly, and is much appreciated. We hope that you will find this University a pleasant and profitable place for your service. Our faculty members and families are trying earnestly to build up a truly Christian community. They cooperate very loyally for the work in Christian higher education. You will also find our students very faithful in their studies. They cooperate heartily with the faculty. We shall look forward for your part in our work here that this institution may grow stronger because of your presence.

I wrote you before with regard to the desirability of your informing us about your definite date of arrival in Shanghai and your plan to come to Foochow from the latter city. We provide an office in the Science Building for each of our teaching staff. You will be given a bedroom free of charge in one of the dormitories. If anything else that we can do to make your stay here more comfortable, kindly let us know. You can be sured that we are always ready to do what we can for our teachers.

We have an office in New York City at 150 Fifth Avenue. Our secretary in charge of our office there is Mr. B. A. Garside. If you need any assistance in booking your passage or securing further information about the University, you will please kindly correspond with him. I have already written to him about you. I am sure Mr. Garside will do his best to help, as he always does to our staff members.

As indicated in our contract letter to you, your salary will be one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) silver per month. The payment will begin with August, 1931. We pay our staff members and employees here at the end of each month. Of course, you understand that we are not responsible for any part of your travelling expenses, which we understand you are prepared to arrange for yourself.

Mr. YCL 2, April 17, 1931

In our contract letter you will also notice that the appointment is for one year ending July 31, 1932. We generally make our new appointment on one year term, but it is subject to renewal before the expiration of the contract if both parties desire to do so. It is our hope that you will find our work here satisfactory to yourself that we may avail ourselves of your service for a longer period. It is not our policy to often change our staff. We always appreciate our teachers who will devote themselves to steadily develop their respective department. We shall look forward to have some decided improvement in our work in Mathematics and Physics with your joining us.

I wish here to express my personal pleasure of having you working at this University. I remember you quite well while we were in Hingwa. Through our correspondence in America, I follow quite closely the progress of a number of our old friends, including yourself. I am looking forward with greatest pleasure your cooperation with us in our common undertaking for the training of the youth of our country to build up a new and better China.

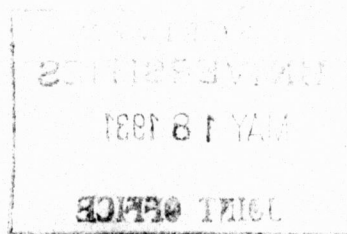
With warmest personal regards,

Yours very sincerely,

*C. J. Lin*  
C. J. Lin  
President

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P.S. Under separate cover we are sending you a number of literature published by this University.



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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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April 23, 1931

Mr. B. A. Garside,  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N. Y.  
U. S. A.

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Dear Mr. Garside:

*Send by  
D. Vaughan*

Norvil Beeman: Enclosed herewith I am sending you a statement written by Dr. Campbell with regard to Mr. Beeman's physical condition and a list of doctors which Dr. Campbell recommended. Mr. Beeman is willing to leave the matter to our New York Office for some definite arrangement about his treatment. Would you be good enough to take the matter up with either Dr. Vaughan of the Methodist Board of Foreign Missions, New York, or Dr. Ward of the American Board Mission, Boston, and see which doctor is best for Mr. Beeman and what kind of arrangement should be effected upon the arrival of the Beemans in America?

Our office here has not yet been informed about the passage. But it is very likely that Mr. Beeman will go by a Japanese boat to London and from London he will change into one of the Atlantic boats to New York. He should be in New York about the middle of July. We will inform you about the definite date when we get the booking\*. Mr. Beeman will get in touch with you as soon as he arrives in New York with his family. His address until September 1, 1931 will be 621 Clifton Avenue, Newark, N.J. He might stay first with his brother, Carl Beeman, at 2123 Tiebont Avenue, New York City.

*Account*

We are getting steamship tickets for the Beemans' family to New York. We shall advance to him enough money up to the sum provided in our budget for his other expenses in connection with the trip. We shall also pay his May and June salary in gold at the rate of two to one. Mr. Beeman will make an itemized statement to you with regard to the expenses upon his arrival in New York. We then can adjust his traveling account. At first, we were thinking to give him a lump-sum appropriation for his traveling purpose according to the general amount determined by the direct route to America. Mr. Beeman's return this time by long water trip is strongly recommended by the doctors here, and we think it is only fair that we should consider this case a special one. Should he spend a little more than the regular allowance, we would be willing to con-

\* Booking secured. Leaving Hongkong 31 May, on Pres. Fillmore.

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sider his reasons for having done so.

Should he need an operation, the University should be prepared to bear the entire expenses. According to our regulation, any member of our staff who goes in for an operation which calls for our financial assistance has to be first approved by the proper authorities of the University. As we shall be too far away from Mr. Beeman, we will leave the whole matter to our Trustees. I would suggest that you make definite arrangement with regard to our financial responsibility toward Mr. Beeman and let him know our Trustees' decision when he comes to see you in your office. We shall be glad to have a copy of the decision. I think the Managers will accede to whatever decision the Trustees may arrive at. We want to do everything possible for Mr. Beeman.

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**Roy H. Jones's Special Contribution:** Enclosed herewith you will find a copy of my letter to Mr. Jones, asking him to make a contribution of \$500 gold toward Mr. Lin Yu Chi's salary, who is our newly appointed Mathematics teacher for the year 1931-32. A copy of my last letter to Mr. Lin is also enclosed herewith for your reference. I am sure you will do whatever is necessary to follow up Mr. Jones, whose address is 4E 28th Street, New York City.

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**The English Anniversary Bulletin:** We are now sending you fifty copies. The reprints of Bishop Gowdy's address and Dean Chen's article have not been received. We shall send fifty copies of them to you later. As I wrote before, we shall send to all of our donors in America and England direct from our office. Our mailing list here includes a list which you furnished us sometime ago together with what later addition of names which we picked up from your monthly financial statements. We shall also mail to our Trustees and cooperated Mission Board offices direct. Our faculty members are taking their responsibility of sending the bulletin to their friends direct after they have submitted their mailing list to our office for checking in order to avoid any possible duplication. So you can keep these fifty copies in your office for your use at convenience.

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letter*

**W.Y.Chen's Account:** Dr. W.Y.Chen has submitted his traveling account to us. Herewith I am enclosing a copy of his statement to you. You will notice that he spent G\$359 while he only received G\$350 from your office. Our office has paid, in addition, for him his freight charges G\$35.67 and M.\$6.53. We are also going to pay the moving expenses of his family down to the campus. We understand that your office paid Dr. Chen to the end of December, 1930. We began to pay his salary in January, 1931. Would you kindly correct us if there is any mistake?

Yours very sincerely,

CJL:HCY

Enc.

*C. J. Lin*  
C. J. Lin

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HENRY V. LACY  
SUPERINTENDENT

福州基督教協和醫院  
FOOCHOW CHRISTIAN UNION HOSPITAL  
FOOCHOW CHINA

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"HOSPL" FOOCHOW.

APRIL 15, 1931.

REPORT ON CASE OF MR. NORVIL PEEMAN.

SOMETIME DURING THE LAST FEW DAYS OF APRIL 1930 MR. PEEMAN CONSULTED ME AND GAVE THE FOLLOWING STORY.

On Kuliang on the previous summer (1929) during a sudden great exertion in a game of tennis he experienced severe pain in the right groin. The soreness was marked, and persisted for a week or more in this degree. It then became better but he played no more tennis for that season. He played but little tennis in the Fall and thought no more of the incident until during a rather prolonged match in the early spring the soreness returned. This soreness and dragging sensation persisted and he noted a swelling along the direction of the cord in the lower and middle groin. This has persisted for six weeks until the present time.

ON EXAMINATION I FOUND INDURATION AND TENDERNESS OF THE EPIDIDYMS MOSTLY IN THE GLOBUS MAJOR WITH THICKENING OF THE CORD BUT NO BEADING OF THE VAS. NO THICKENING OF THE SEMINAL VESICLES, NO TENDERNESS OF THE SAME, NO TENDERNESS OR ABNORMALITIES OF THE PROSTATE. I COULD SEE THE DEFINITE SWELLING OVER THE COURSE OF THE CORD IN THE GROIN. SUSPENSORY ORDERED.

AFTER THIS EXAMINATION MR. PEEMAN TOLD ME THAT ALL THE SYMPTOMS WERE INCREASED AND ONLY BECAME AS BEFORE THE EXAMINATION AFTER TWO WEEKS.

I HAD TOLD HIM TO RETURN IN ABOUT A MONTH AND ON JUNE 18 HE RETURNED AND I FOUND THAT "WHILE THERE IS STILL SOME THICKENING AND TENDERNESS OF GLOBUS MAJOR THE WHOLE PROCESS IS LESS THAN ONE THIRD AS SEVERE AS LAST TIME." IT WAS THEN THAT I TOLD HIM THAT I SHOULD LIKE TO TRY A TUBERCULIN TEST TO SEE IF THIS COULD BE TUBERCULOUS.

ON JUNE 28, 1930 HE ENTERED THE HOSPITAL AND I MADE A THORO EXAMINATION OF THE CHEST AND FOUND NO ABNORMALITY. THE RECORD OF THE URINE EXAMINATION IS NOT ON THE CHART BUT I RECALL THAT THE MICROSCOPIC EXAMINATION SHOWED NO CELLS AT ALL. I HAD PLANNED TO MAKE UP SOME FRESH TUBERCULIN BUT FOUND THAT WE WERE OUT, BUT I GAVE A DOSE OF ICC. OF 1/100,000 THAT WE HAD HAD ABOUT A MONTH. SOME OF THIS WAS GIVEN TO A CASE OF TUBERCULOUS HIP WITH NO REACTION HENCE WE FEEL THAT THIS TEST WAS VALUELESS, ALTHO THERE WAS SOME SORENESS AND REDDENING AT THE SITE OF INJECTION. THERE WAS NO SYTEMIC OR FOCAL REACTION.

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HENRY V. LACY  
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福州基督教協和醫院  
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AFTER THIS HE TOOK COD LIVER OIL REGULARLY, SUNBATHS OF GRADUATED INTENSITY, AND AFTERNOON NAPS. ON NOVEMBER 19 BECAUSE THE SORENESS AND DRAGGING PERSISTED AND BECAUSE OF THE PARTIAL ASSURANCE ONLY OF THE EFFICACY OF THE FIRST TEST HE ENTERED THE HOSPITAL FOR A SECOND TUBERCULIN INJECTION. ONE HALF CC. OF 1/10,000 (PURROUGHS-WELLCOME OLD TUBERCULIN). THERE WAS A MODERATE LOCAL REACTION, BUT NO GENERAL OR FOCAL REACTION. MR. PEEMAN SAYS, "THE SWELLING HAS NEVER BEEN AS GREAT SINCE THESE TESTS AS IT WAS WHEN I FIRST CALLED".

IN DECEMBER HE NOTICED A RECURRENCE OF MORE THAN USUAL PAIN AND I SUGGESTED THAT HE HAVE ANOTHER INJECTION OF TUBERCULIN AND THAT IF THIS DID NOT GIVE A FOCAL REACTION WE COULD BELIEVE THAT HIS EPIDIDYMITIS WAS NOT TUBERCULOUS. ON DECEMBER 16 I GAVE 1CC. OF 1/1000 OF A FRESH PREPARATION OF THE ABOVE. THERE WAS NO GENERAL REACTION, A RATHER MARKED LOCAL REACTION, AND HE SAID THAT HIS SCROTUM FELT JUST LIKE IT HAD WHEN I HAD EXAMINED IT THE FIRST TIME. I MADE BOTH A LOCAL AND A RECTAL EXAMINATION BEFORE AND AFTER THE INJECTION. THIS SORENESS AND INCREASED MALAISE PERSISTED FOR ABOUT TEN DAYS AFTER THE INJECTION. I GAVE IT AS MY OPINION THAT HIS DISEASE WAS TUBERCULOUS, AND SUGGESTED THAT HE CONSULT A SPECIALIST. IT WAS DIFFICULT TO ARRANGE SUCH A CONSULTATION AND HE ASKED THE OPINION OF SOME OF THE OTHER LOCAL PHYSICIANS HERE. MOST OF THEM DOUBTED ITS BEING TUBERCULOUS AND MR. PEEMAN HIMSELF FELT MOST STRONGLY THAT THE EXPERIMENT WAS NOT PROPERLY CONTROLLED IN THAT SUCH VIGOROUS EXAMINATION AS WAS ENTAILED SHOULD NOT HAVE BEEN USED AT THE SAME TIME THAT AN INJECTION WAS MADE. I AGREED, AND ON FEBRUARY 25 ANOTHER EXAMINATION INJECTION OF THE SAME STRENGTH AS THE LAST AND OF FRESH PREPARATION (BUT WITHOUT ANY EXAMINATION AT ALL) WAS GIVEN. THERE WAS NO GENERAL REACTION, BUT THE SYMPTOMS WERE INCREASED AND PERSISTED FOR A WEEK OR TEN DAYS.

THIS CONFIRMED THE DIAGNOSIS IN MY OPINION AND IT IS MY IMPRESSION THAT THE TREATMENT OF CHOICE IS EPIDIDYMECTOMY AND VASECTOMY TOGETHER WITH GENERAL SUPPORTIVE TREATMENT. HOWEVER I HAVE URGED MR. PEEMAN TO HAVE THIS DIAGNOSIS CONFIRMED BY A SPECIALIST AT HOME BEFORE SUBMITTING TO OPERATION. HE FELT AT ONE TIME THAT HE WOULD PREFER TO HAVE THE OPERATION HERE, BUT HAS WISELY CHANGED HIS MIND, AND I AM GLAD TO HEAR THAT HE IS CONTEMPLATING A SOMEWHAT EARLY RETURN TO HIS HOME.

*Horace E. Campbell M.D.*  
HORACE E. CAMPBELL

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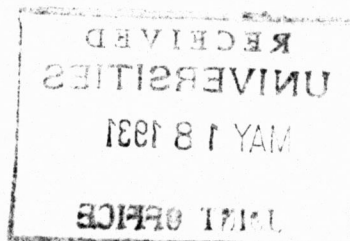
List Of Doctors Recommended For

Mr. Beeman

The names given by Dr. Campbell are as follows:-

- (1) M. F. Campbell -- Bellevue Hospital -- N.Y.
- (2) Edward L. Keyes - 121 East 60th -- N.Y.
- (3) Abraham Hymen --- 45 E 85th -- N.Y.
- (4) Oswald Lowsky --- 32 E 65th -- N.Y.
- (5) J. D. Barney --- Mass.General Hospital,  
Boston
- (6) C. L. Deming ---- Yale Medical -- New Haven

He thinks M. F. Campbell one of the most outstanding. It is a urologist that Mr. Beeman needs, he says, not one of the other vareeties.



April 20, 1931

Mr. Roy H. Jones  
4E 28th Street  
New York, N. Y.  
U. S. A.

Dear Mr. Jones:

Enclosed herewith please find a copy of my letter to Mr. Lin Yu Chi acknowledging his cable of acceptance to join our teaching staff next fall. We hope that Mr. Lin will find our place pleasant for his work. We wish to thank you for your good office in bringing Mr. Lin to our attention.

Our Science College has been chiefly depending on the Rockefeller Foundation grant for support. The amount of the grant has been cut down a great deal in a graduated schedule for the years 1929-32 as follows: 1929-30 Mex.\$15,000; 1930-31 G\$5,000; 1931-32 G\$2,500. The Foundation may cut us out entirely in 1932. Meanwhile the cost of living and the general expenditure of the institution have been rising very rapidly. So, you see, we are facing a very critical financial condition in our Science work here.

I wonder if you or some of your friends would be good enough to contribute a sum of \$500 gold toward Mr. Lin Yu Chi's salary for 1931-32. The present high rate of gold exchange may last for a while. If you would arrange for a contribution of that amount, it will defray a large part of the salary of Mr. Lin. I hope that your interest in this University will lead you to do the best you can to help us out in this need in spite of the generally poor business conditions in the United States.

Under separate cover, we are sending you two copies of our Anniversary Bulletin in English. An account of the Anniversary by Dean Chen and the commemoration service address by Bishop Gowdy will be mailed to you a little later.

Hoping that we may hear from you,

Yours very faithfully,

*C. J. Lin*

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W. Y. CHEN IN ACCOUNT WITH F. C. U.

TRAVELLING EXPENSES FROM BERLIN TO FOOCHOW

RECEIPT

1. From New York Office (Nov. 21 1930)-----\$350.00

EXPENDITURE

1. Living expenses in Berlin for December & other incidental exps. for travelling	80.00
2. Railway fare from Berlin to Shanghai 2nd class -----	225.00
3. Board in the train crossing Siberia-----	26.00
4. Hotels & other expenses in Harbin, Mukden Peipin, Tientsin and Nanking-----	12.00
5. Shanghai-----	9.00
6. Steamer from Shanghai to Foochow-----	7.00
	<u>\$359.00</u>

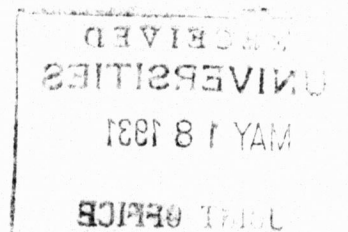
(Signed) W. Y. Chen

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Charges on Baggages paid by the Field Treasurer

N. Y. Bill                      G\$35-67

Local Charges                M\$6.53



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Fukien Christian University

April 25, 1931

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

My dear President Lin:

We are enclosing a confirmation copy of the cablegram sent you yesterday. A few days ago Mr. Beeman's brother received a cablegram from him stating that his plans have been changed, and that, upon the advice of physicians, he is planning to begin his furlough at once. Naturally Mr. Beeman's brother has been very much concerned over this intimation that some serious illness may have developed rather suddenly, though he hopes that the cablegram does not indicate anything more serious than a general lowering of physical condition which makes it advisable to antedate Mr. Beeman's furlough somewhat. Moreover Mr. Beeman's brother has been contemplating making some readjustments in his own living arrangements during the coming year with the thought that they could thereby provide more satisfactory facilities for Mr. Beeman's rest and recuperation. More detailed information as to his exact physical condition will help in determining what readjustments are desirable.

We sincerely hope that neither Mr. Beeman nor any members of his family are seriously ill, and believe that if any very serious situation had developed the University would have informed us by cable. No doubt we shall be receiving within a fortnight or so some letter from you or from Mr. Beeman giving us further information.

Very cordially yours,

*B. A. Garvide*

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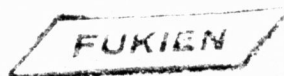
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CABLE ADDRESS:  
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
處公辦長校



May 4, 1931

Mr. B. A. Garside  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N. Y.  
U. S. A.

Dear Mr. Garside:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of March 27th, together with a copy of the minutes of the Special Committee on Co-Education. Other copies of the minutes have also been received and distributed to our Managers. We are very glad to note the action of the Special Committee to recommend to our Board of Trustees, giving approval, in principle, to the admission of women students to Fukien Christian University. We are also glad to know that the Special Committee was in line with the report of the Faculty Committee on Co-Education, April, 1930, to the general consideration with regard to the necessary funds. We hope that before long we may be able to secure the necessary money which will permit us to admit women students.

Our proposed budget for 1931-32 and the covering letter on the minutes of the last meeting of the Fukien Board of Managers were sent to you some time ago. I hope they will be there in time for the next meeting of our Board of Trustees.

Rev. Henry V. Lacy took charge of our treasurer's office in the University on May 1st. Mr. McCann is still in Foochow. He will be available for consultation about our work here before he leaves for the North in the early part of June. We are certainly fortunate to be able to secure the service of Mr. Lacy before Mr. McClure returns to the field next October.

Yours very sincerely,

*C. J. Lin*  
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Fukien Christian University

May 4, 1931

*ack. by Lucy 6/3/31*

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

My dear President Lin:

We enclose herewith the monthly financial statements as of April 30th, 1931. Will you not please pass these on to the acting field treasurer together with the comments given below.

There have been few transactions in our Fukien accounts during the previous month and not many comments are necessary. The one item on which we would like advice from the field is the payment made on April 7th to Cox Sons & Mining for the cap and hood ordered by Dr. W. Y. Chen amounting to \$25.50. We have charged this at the flat rate of 2:1 and do not give any gain on exchange on the statement because any figure we might use would probably differ somewhat from the figure used on the field. Also there may be some correction in policy involved as to the rate of exchange used where Chinese members of staff make necessary purchases in the West. We therefore look to the field treasurer's office to report to us any gain on exchange which should be charged to this item. If such a figure is reported to us before we close our books at the end of this fiscal year, we will add it to the account "gain on exchange" which now stands at L.C.\$16,330.80.

From the budget analysis, we notice that approximately L.C. \$30,500.00 is still to be disbursed by our office to complete the appropriation of the Trustees. We note that authorizations #3102 to 3106 are still outstanding and that authorization #3009, payable on December 1st, 1930 has not as yet been drawn. These six authorizations together would amount to L.C.\$36,000.00; assuming that authorization #3009 will not be drawn at this late date, we will have remaining five authorizations totaling L.C.\$30,000. In my letter to Mr. McCann dated February 14th, I suggested that inasmuch as the authorizations outstanding would probably mean an overdraft on the current budget, it might be well for us to cancel authorization #3106. At that time we assume that authorization #3009 would be drawn.

Since we are making payments here in New York at the request of the field at the rate of approximately \$400.00 per month, it appears that even with one authorization for L.C.\$6,000.00 cancelled we will

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Pres. C. J. Lin

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probably exceed somewhat the amount appropriated by the Trustees. We would suggest, therefore, that both authorizations #3009 and #3106 be considered as cancelled. When we close our books just before the end of the fiscal year at July 31st, we can send a draft in local currency for the exact amount of any balance which might remain to the credit of the field on the 1930-31 appropriation.

Please let us know whether this is satisfactory.

Second copies of these April financial statements will be forwarded in a later mail.

Very cordially yours,

*B. A. Linside*

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May 14, 1931

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Mr. B. A. Garside  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N. Y.  
U. S. A.

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Dear Mr. Garside:

Enclosed herewith I am sending you a copy of my letter to Dr. Fairfield about the Scotts. A recent letter from Mrs. Scott indicates that they have decided to come back in the fall. We are very glad that they have made this decision and shall look forward to have their valuable service here again.

We have printed our calendar for next academic year sometime ago. Herewith you will find a typewritten copy of the college calendar in English. You will notice that our fall semester begins on September 1, but our classes will begin a week later. If the Scotts could be here during the first week of September, it will not be too late. When I hear from Mr. Scott direct about his definite decision, we will make definite arrangement for his residence.

Our college work is getting on quite well. Our students who participated in the Foochow Metropolitan Athletic Meet made quite a good show, although we did not have a regular athletic director, nor did the students have much practice before hand.

The students Y.M. and Y.W.C.A.'s will hold their summer conference on our campus from June 27 to July 4. Our students have been taking the leading part in the Christian students' movements in this province.

Our campus is getting very popular. During the last month we had more than a dozen groups of people who came to visit us. This afternoon the fifty-seven district educational superintendents of the province will spend an afternoon here with us. They are holding their annual conference, under the auspices of the Educational Commissioner of Fukien Province, in Foochow. Before long we might have to ask our Trustees to give us an additional appropriation for a man whose chief business is to show our work to the educational visitors to this University!

Yours very sincerely,

*C. J. Lin*  
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May 1, 1931

Dr. Wynn C. Fairfield  
American Board Mission  
14 Beacon Street  
Boston, Mass.  
U. S. A.

Dear Dr. Fairfield:

I am writing to ask you to do your best for the return of Mr. and Mrs. R. Scott to us in the fall of 1931. We do not know very clearly what are some of the problems that make Scott so uncertain as to their plan of return. I thought you informed us while you were here that the financial part had already been arranged. We also cabled to Scott in the first part of March that we would be able to accommodate Mr. Scott's parents should they think that by bringing the parents over here ~~will~~ solve the family problem in America. I have since written to Mr. Scott also about this point. It is our earnest desire that nothing should prevent the return of Mr. and Mrs. Scott to us this year.

I do not need to write here again how much we need the Scotts. We depend on Mr. Scott to carry on the academic work in the Department of Philosophy which we have stopped almost entirely this year on account of his furlough. We are also counting on Mrs. Scott to continue her splendid work in Musical Education here. Mr. Scott is also needed in the help of the general run of the college because of his experience and wisdom, as well as his loyalty to Fokien Christian University. But above all, we need the unselfish, devoted Christian lives of the Scotts to develop further our Christian community spirit. The Scotts are among the best personal workers with the students among our faculty. We trust that you and your Board will make satisfactory arrangement so that they can come back to us.

Under separate cover I am sending you five copies each of the English Bulletin on the Fifteenth Anniversary and the reprint of an article by Dean Chen on the celebration, together with the address as delivered by Bishop Gowdy on the commemoration day. If you desire to have more copies, you can get same from Mr. Garside of our New York Office, or let us know here so that we can send them direct to you. Our



Mr. WCF 2, May 1, 1931

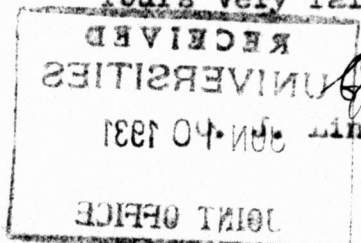
faculty members are sending to their friends direct from here.

I trust that you have had a fine trip home. The Laymen's Inquiry Commission visited us during the last week of March. We were very glad that they spent sometime here with us. Dr. E. W. Knight, in charge of the Higher Education, was good enough to give us some fine comments after his nearly three days' stay here with us.

The enclosed snapshot of our small family shows our daughter of six months' old last February.

Mrs. Lin joins me in sending you our best regards,

Yours very faithfully,



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Fukien Christian University

May 21, 1931

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

My dear President Lin:

You will remember that on page 3 of my letter of January 9, 1931, I asked for your opinion as to the rate of exchange we should use in charging Miss Asher for payments made in gold on the appropriation of Mex.\$1,000 made to her this year. In your letter of February 16 you acknowledged receipt of our letter of January 9, but stated that you would reply "a little later" to some of these questions which I had raised. I believe that thus far we have not received any further word from you in regard to the rate of exchange to be used in computing this Mex.\$1,000 which we are to pay to Miss Asher.

To date we have made two remittances to Miss Asher, one for G\$100 paid on January 29, the other for G\$46 paid yesterday. Until we know the rate of exchange the field wishes us to use it is impossible for us to determine how much she is still entitled to receive under this appropriation. Possibly there is already a communication on its way to us dealing with this subject. If, however, the matter has escaped your attention we would appreciate it if you would send us some word in the near future so that we can settle this account with Miss Asher on a basis that is mutually agreeable.

Very cordially yours,

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May 22, 1931

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

My dear Mr.Lin:

This letter will deal with the various questions concerning Dr.W.Y.Chen's salary and allowances, which are raised in your letters of April 16 and April 23.

During the time Dr.Chen was studying here in the West the general procedure of our office was to make his expenses a first charge against the G\$2,500 contributed annually by Dr.William Bancroft Hill, and to credit the remainder of this G\$2,500 toward the general budget expenditures of the University.

The 1929-30 budget of the University was drawn up on the basis of an estimate of G\$1,500 as required to cover Dr.Chen's expenses, leaving G\$1,000 of Dr.Hill's gift to be applied to the general budget. As a matter of fact, Dr.Chen, who was always extremely economical in his expenditures, did not use all the G\$1,500 estimated as required for his needs, and on July 31, 1930, there was a balance of G\$536.63 available for him from this fund.

During the fiscal year 1930-31 we made two disbursements on Dr.Chen's account:-

August 6, 1930, G\$300 cabled to Germany at Dr.Chen's request, plus \$3, cost of cable	\$303.00
November 12, 1930, remittance sent Dr.Chen to cover cost of return journey to China	350.00
	<u>\$653.00</u>

I understand that the G\$300.00 sent to Dr.Chen in Germany in August was required to meet his necessary living expenses up to the time of his departure for China. I believe we did not ask him for an itemized accounting for the expenditure of this amount. The second remittance of G\$350 was used in meeting the expenses of his journey to China and is accounted for in the expense statement attached to your letter of April 23.

Our procedure in accounting for the expenditure of this G\$653.00 is shown in journal voucher #132 under date of December 31, 1930, I believe a copy of this voucher was sent to the field with our December 1930 financial statements. We applied against this expenditure of \$653.00 the sum of G\$536.63 standing to Dr.Chen's credit on July 31, 1930, leaving a deficit of

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G\$116.37. This amount we took from the G\$2,500.00 received from Dr.Hill for the fiscal year 1930-31, leaving a balance of G\$2,383.63. This amount we have credited toward the general budget income available for the work on the field this year. You will note that this item of income is shown on our monthly budget reports.

While Dr.Chen was studying here in the West he did not receive any fixed salary. From time to time we sent him remittances sufficient to cover his living expenses, and this was all he received. During the whole time he was here in the West he guarded his expenditures very carefully, and I am afraid that he was sometimes so economical as to injure his own health. The date from which his salary as a member of the University staff should begin is a point we did not discuss with him, but have considered it to be a matter for determination on the field. I am sure that if the date from which you have paid his salary, January 1, 1931, is mutually agreeable to you and to Dr.Chen there can be no further question as to the correctness of that date.

Since we have transferred to the general budget income the entire balance available in Dr.Hill's gift the logical procedure would seem to be for the Field Treasurer to reimburse Dr.Chen for the over-expenditure of G\$9.00 on his journey from Berlin to Foochow, provided you find his travel account to be in satisfactory form. So far as I am able to judge Dr.Chen made the trip with scrupulous attention to the utmost economy. The charges on baggage amounting to G\$36.67, plus L.C.\$6.53, would likewise be items for adjustment within the University budget. Since Dr.Chen is receiving salary and allowances from the University for only the last seven months of the fiscal year 1930-31, it seems that the fund of G\$2,383.63 available for his support, and for the carrying on of other work in Religious Education, will probably be fully adequate to meet the demands.

I believe there is no necessity whatever for the field to send us any further special financial reports with regard to Dr.Chen, for we have gone on the theory that as soon as he arrived on the field all matters affecting his financial arrangements pass into your hands to be dealt with in exactly the same way as other members of the University staff.

We sincerely hope that Dr.Chen's health has improved, and that all of you are greatly enjoying his presence on the campus this spring.

Very cordially yours,

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Mr. B. A. Garside  
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Dear Mr. Garside:

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Enclosed herewith please find a copy of my letter to Mr. Beeman with regard to his traveling expense account. On account of his health, the doctors have advised us to send him home through <sup>a long</sup> water trip on which he will get certain amount of rest before he appears before the doctors in New York, whose service you may have already arranged. His expenses have already amounted to a little more than full first class passage allowance to his family, which we used to figure at about \$500 gold per each adult. I think the University ought to pay his traveling expenses between New York and Oberlin, Ohio, also. As we do not know the exact amount for the latter, would you arrange to pay to Mr. Beeman what is required for the railway tickets and other necessary expenses in connection with the trip of his family to Oberlin, Ohio, if the Trustees approve my suggestion.

I wrote you last time about the possible medical expenses for Mr. Beeman, should he need an operation. We shall leave this matter entirely in your hand. Our Trustees, of course, will have to give formal approval before the operation takes place.

I am also enclosing herewith a copy of my letter to Miss Helen B. North. She is a friend of Mr. Roderick Scott, to whom a copy of the enclosed letter is also sent.

Yours very sincerely,

*C. J. Lin*

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May 23, 1931

Dean Norvil Beeman  
College of Science  
Fukien Christian University

Dear Norvil:

The Treasurer Office reported to me that the following items have been paid toward your traveling expense account:

May	8	To Tickets from Foochow to Hongkong M\$180 @ 4.3339	G\$	41.53
	9	" Freight from Hongkong to Boston . . . . .		48.00
	22	" Tickets from Hongkong to New York . . . . .		1,337.62
		Telegrams sent to Hongkong M\$8.50 @ 4,3339		1.96
		" Norvil Beeman . . . . .		<u>100000</u> <u>\$1,529.11</u>

You will note that the money paid for your tickets to Hongkong and for telegrams has been converted into gold equivalence at the current rate of that time, that is, 4.3339. Thus a total amount of gold \$1,529.11 has either been expended or advanced to you. Would you be good enough to prepare an itemized statement to be submitted to our Trustees on your arrival in New York? We can adjust your account of traveling allowances then.

Your medical expenses, if there should be any, will be subject to the decision of our Trustees. I shall ask our New York Office to take care of your traveling expenses between New York and Oberlin. If there ~~are~~ anything further that we can do here to facilitate your preparation for the trip, kindly let us know.

Yours very sincerely,

C. J. Lin  
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May 25, 1931.

Miss Helen B. North  
River Lane  
Geneva, Ill.  
U. S. A.

Dear Miss North:

In the last mail we sent you one copy each of our two English Fifteenth Anniversary Bulletins. We hope that they have reached you duly. The Fifteenth Anniversary was celebrated on January 17, in our new Arts Hall with a large part of our new furniture already in it. Every body pays high compliments to the beautiful design and construction of our new furniture both in the chapel and in library. We are certainly grateful to you for your gift which makes this possible.

We have not entirely finished making our needed furniture for both our chapel and library on account of the lack of fund as well as the lack of wood. During the last year the contractor could not get the same kind of wood from Northern Fukien to complete our orders. I am reporting to you the following for your reference. When all the work is finished a more complete report will be made to you again.

Furniture in the Chapel:

1 Hand-carved Altar	1 Hand-carved Lectern
6 Large Platform Chairs	50 Small Single-seat Chairs
26 Pew Seats	1 No. 7372 Moutrie Piano

Furniture in the Library

11 General Reading Tables	135 Armed Chairs
35 Book Shelves for the Stack	1 Office Desk
1 Typewriter Table	2 Counters
1 Newspaper Table with	2 Umbrella Racks
9 High Stools	1 File Index Box Stand

General Furniture

1 Office Desk	5 Filing Cases
50 Bamboo Curtains	

For all the above we spent up to date \$5,351.15 silver currency. From your gift of \$1,500 gold we got the equivalence in silver currency \$4,918.03. This leaves

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a debit balance of \$433.12. We have yet to make the following:

24 Pew Seats	@ \$20	\$480.00
10 Stack Shelves	@ \$35	350.00
2 Index Filing Boxes with a Stand		40.00
10 Office Desks	@ \$40	400.00
20 Office Chairs	@ \$7	<u>140.00</u>

Silver \$1,410.00

The prices of things have been rising very rapidly on account of the general rise of the cost of living, as well as the effect of the fall in silver. In a number of cases the actual cost has been much higher than the original estimates. But the gold rate is still quite high. A sum of about U.S. \$500 will enable us to pay off the furniture which we have already got, as well as for those which need to be added. I wonder if you would be willing to make an additional contribution of that amount.

We have heard quite much about the recent general business depression in America. Our friends there have been kind to keep up their contributions to our work. We certainly appreciate their genuine interest and loyal support. But we dare not expect any body to make gift to us under difficult circumstances. Therefore I am just making this report to you for your reference. We shall of course appreciate if it is agreeable to you to make that additional contribution toward our furniture expenses in the Arts Hall sometime.

The college work has been getting on quite well. We are strengthening our School of Education so as to train more teachers to meet the increasing demand of the schools in this province. We are also planning to enlarge our Agricultural Experiment Station work so as to serve the rural population more effectively. In our college curriculum, we have made some further improvements in our Chinese Department, and we have just reorganized our social science studies with a view to helping the young students to be better and more intelligent citizens of the world as well as of their country. If we can secure a fund of about \$10,000 gold to build a dormitory for women we shall open our doors to girl students who every year make earnest request to be given an opportunity for higher education.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Scott are coming back to us next fall. They have been speaking a great deal in America during the last few months. At present both of them are studying in New York City, preparing for their further service in this institution.

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Yours very sincerely,

*L. H. Lin*

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Fukien Christian University

May 25, 1931

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Miss C.J. Lin  
Fukien Christian University,  
Foochow, China.

My dear Mr. Lin:

I have for acknowledgment and reply the following letters from your office: April 13 (3), April 15, April 16, and April 23. A number of topics are dealt with in two or more of these letters so I will reply to all six of them by topic rather than in chronological order.

1931-32 Budget. We are having a meeting of the Board of Trustees on May 29. Along with the docket for that meeting we are sending copies of the budget as submitted by the field, together with a budget analysis prepared by our New York Office. We are also reporting to the Trustees, either as a part of the docket, or verbally at the meeting itself, the various items in connection with the budget to which you call our attention.

We note that for next year you have set up a budget at 3 to 1, instead of 2 to 1 as heretofore. This adoption of the ratio of 3 to 1 for the coming fiscal year is in general accordance with the financial policy of various other Christian colleges in China.

I note that you are hoping for a substantial gain in exchange next year. We certainly hope that such a substantial gain can be realized, though we must keep in mind such gains are apt to be much smaller than original estimates call for. I find that nearly all our Universities, in calculating the anticipated gain on exchange, fail to take into account that a substantial part of the money received in gold from the Board of Trustees in the West is spent in gold for purchases of supplies, equipment, books, etc., and for payment of salaries that are receivable either in whole or in part in gold. As we approach the end of the fiscal year 1930-31 we discover that in practically all of the Universities that have been counting on substantial gains in exchange this year we have only very small gains to report. In every case expenditures in gold have been so large that even with the abnormally favorable rate of exchange, the actual gain is disappointingly small. We are calling special attention to the items in the budget of L.C.\$5,000 for the fence, and L.C.\$2,000 for the new water reservoir. Since both these items are in the budget as submitted, and since that budget is in balance, I am sure that the Trustees will raise no objections to the items.

Supplementary Budget. In connection with the regular budget we are presenting also to the Trustees the supplementary budget as drafted

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by the field. I am sure that the Trustees will agree at once to the desirability of all the objectives listed in the supplementary budget, but it is difficult to see where they will be able to secure during the coming year any substantial income to meet these needs.

Return of the Scotts. We note your comments on the possibility that Mr. and Mrs. Scott may be able to bring their parents to China next year. Mr. Scott mentioned this possibility to me very briefly but I have not ascertained his final decision in the matter. So far as I know, however, Mr. and Mrs. Scott are definitely planning to return this summer, and we sincerely trust that nothing will intervene.

Health furlough of Mr. Beeman. We are indeed distressed to learn that Mr. Beeman finds it necessary to return to the States for examinations, and possibly an operation. I have been encouraged to note, however, that the closing paragraphs of Dr. Campbell's medical report give ground for the hope that Mr. Beeman's trouble may not, after all, be of tubercular nature. I am sending a copy of the report, and of the suggested list of specialists, to Dr. Vaughan of our Methodist Board, and will ask his opinion and recommendations. I have also been in touch with Mr. Beeman's brother Carl. We will try to have all possible preparations made before Mr. Beeman's arrival, so that there will be the least delay in securing early and effective treatment.

Mr. Lin Yu Chi. We are glad to learn of Mr. Lin's appointment to the Department of Mathematics. Mr. Roy H. Jones telephoned to me several days ago for suggestions as to the most economical and satisfactory arrangements for Mr. Lin's outgoing journey to China. I assured Mr. Jones that we would be happy to assist in any way we could in securing Mr. Lin's transportation for him, and would give him the benefit of all the discounts we were able to secure. We understand, however, that the expense of the trip is to be borne by Mr. Lin personally and is not to be in any way a charge upon University funds.

I am sure that Mr. Jones is warmly interested in Mr. Lin, though I have not yet learned whether he is planning to make the proposed gift toward Mr. Lin's salary. I have invited Mr. Jones to be present at the meeting of the Trustees on May 29, and he told me in a tentative way that he might be able to come.

Fifteenth Anniversary Bulletin. Our supply of this bulletin has not as yet arrived. We are looking forward with interest to receiving this booklet, and will distribute it promptly to the Trustees and to others who may be interested.

Gift from Dr. Hill and Dr. Warner. As yet I have not heard from either of these gentlemen. I am sending each of them a note of inquiring tentatively as to their plans for the renewal of their gifts next year, and giving as the reason for my inquiry the necessity of having all these estimates at hand in preparing our analysis of the 1931-32 budget. Dr. Warner and Dr. Hill are such stalwart friends of the University that it would be undesirable for us to do more than simply call the matter to their attention and inquire as to their wishes without pressing the request unduly.

Possible History teacher. Shortly after his arrival Dr. Wernshuis discussed with me the possibility of securing support from private sources for a young man by the name of Mr. Robert Rano whom he considers particularly well qualified for a teaching position in History. Mr. Rano came in the office for a conference some weeks ago and our general impression of him was quite favorable. I am giving Dr. Wernshuis general estimates of what the support of Mr. Rano would

involve and I believe he expects to take the matter up with some friend who he thinks would be interested. If it appears that the necessary support is forthcoming we will at once undertake a very careful study of Mr. Runo's qualifications for this work, and will keep you supplied with full information.

Scholarships by anonymous donor. We are grateful to you for giving us the detailed figures as to tuition and other student costs at Fukien. I am forwarding to the anonymous donor<sup>of</sup> these scholarships the letter and annual report which you have sent in our care.

Dr. H. Y. Chen's salary and allowances. I am writing a separate letter on this subject.

Surplus for 1929-30. Thank you for the detailed information you give on this subject. Since the actions of the Trustees have placed the use of these surplus funds entirely in the hands of the field authorities of the University I believe that no further action is necessary at this end.

Western staff. I will report to the Trustees the comments in one of your letters of April 13 with regard to the University supported Western staff, and will mention in particular the problem whether these salaries should or can be paid in gold rather than local currency. I am sure that the Trustees already recognize the difficulties that would be involved in paying these salaries on a gold basis with the present resources of the University.

The Rockefeller Foundation. We are glad to note the progress being made in the direction of the presentation to the Rockefeller Foundation. We will await further developments.

New double residence. I have examined with keen interest the set of blue prints of the two-family residence, and will report these plans to the Trustees for their information. It appears to me that the arrangement of this double residence should prove very inviting and favorable. A study of these plans make me the more desirous of getting back to China to live again on the campus of some one of our Universities.

Dr. Butterfield's conference in Nanking. I am very much interested in your comments on this conference. We have all watched with keen interest the work that Dr. Butterfield is doing in China in stimulating interest and activity in the field of training for rural leadership. This seems to be one of the most needed and most neglected phases of Christian higher education in China today.

Meeting of Council of Higher Education. Mr. Cressy has been in New York for several weeks now and has informed us of the progress being made in China on the Correlated Program. We have had two or three meetings already of groups representing the Committee for Christian Colleges in China and hope to have a meeting of the entire group sometime in June.

Visit of the Laymen's Missionary Inquiry Group. We are glad that this group was able to visit Fukien at a fairly early date, and are gratified at the news that they were very much pleased with what they found on the campus. We trust that the reports to be prepared by the members of this group will give due place to the work of Fukien should carry on in any adequate program of Christian higher education in China.

I believe that this covers all the most important matters in the



six letters listed at the beginning of this communication. However, I cannot close without adding a personal comment in regard to the delightful family group of which we catch a glimpse in the snap shot you sent us. All of the young ladies around the office here have fallen very much in love with the young daughter, and unanimously pronounce her "the cutest baby" they have ever seen. We all agree that there is every justification for the very obvious parental pride radiated by Mrs. Lin and yourself.

Very cordially yours,

*B. A. Laride*

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May 27, 1931

Mr. B. A. Garside  
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Dear Mr. Garside:

Enclosed herewith I am sending you a copy of my recent letter to Mr. Roy H. Jones. This is in response to his letter to me dated April 17, 1931, asking me to send him a brief statement of some of the University's most urgent needs, stating: "While I am not able to give money, it is perhaps possible that I ~~am~~ interest those who may." He writes further that he would be specially interested in matters pertaining to Biology, Chemistry, and General Science. I hope you may have a chance to encourage him further in working for the interest of Fukien.

I wish also to acknowledge your letter of April 25 with a confirmation copy of a cablegram inquiring after Beeman's health. You will find full information about Mr. Beeman from my other letters by this time. Mr. Beeman and his family left here last Sunday, May 24, for Hongkong, where he will take "s.s. 'President Fillmore'" on May 31. He is due to arrive in New York on July 21 at about 3:00 p.m. In my last letter to you, I enclosed a copy of Mr. Beeman's traveling expenses paid from our office here for your reference.

Mr. Beeman is now apparently on a rather good health. With his long water trip rest, he may improve to need little medical attention. He has been working very hard during last two or three years, and he certainly deserves some real rest and recuperation.

Before Mr. Beeman left here, I sent him a copy of our contract for the renewal of his service here after his furlough year. You may talk this matter over with him while he is near you.

Yours very sincerely,

*C. J. Lin*  
C. J. Lin

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May 25, 1931

Mr. Roy H. Jones  
4E 28th Street  
New York, N. Y.  
U. S. A.

Dear Mr. Jones:

I wish to thank you for your kind letter of April 17. We sent you sometime ago two copies each of our <sup>new</sup> English Fifteenth Anniversary Bulletins. If you need more, Mr. B.A. Garside, at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City, will supply you with any number.

In reply to your kind inquiry, I am sending you, enclosed herewith, a copy of our urgent needs. Some of the figures have to be revised upward a little bit on account of the rise of the cost of things. But the rate of gold exchange is still high; one dollar U.S. currency is at present equivalent to over four dollars silver. If you can interest some of your friends in some of the projects in the list, it will be a great help to our work here.

For those who are not ready to give large amount for our building projects, a gift of a set of the latest edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica for our library will be particularly appreciated. We have been in need of that great work of general reference for sometime. The set which we have been using in our library is of the 9th edition, and is of course a great deal out of date.

Twenty-five dollars U.S. gold will furnish a free tuition scholarship for a student in college for a year.

Our library is in need of new books on all fields of knowledge. The present high gold rate of exchange prevents us a great deal from getting new useful books for our library. If some of your friends who will send to us books of general and scientific value, it will be highly appreciated.

For our urgent needs in the Science College, I would mention first, a gas plant. It is mentioned in the enclosed list under 7. I went over the detailed estimate for such a plant with our Science staff the other day, and found that we need \$10,000 silver

Mr. RHJ 2, May 25, 1931

when we finish piping work for the distribution of gas in the Science Hall. This figure provides only one producer and one gas tank, both of which we are trying to make in China instead of importing from abroad. We have been using alcohol in all the departments of our Science College. It has become very expensive to us, for we have to import alcohol and the tax on it is very high. Our Chemistry Department feels the need of a gas plant the most, because it uses alcohol much more than either the Department of Biology or Physics. A gift of \$2500 gold will enable us to instal such a plant.

The Department of Biology needs urgently enough funds to equip its Applied Biology courses. We need an initial cost of \$5,000 silver for experimental station work. We need an equal amount, that is, \$5,000 silver, each year for its current maintenance, which means an endowment of about \$100,000.00 silver or about US gold \$25,000.00. We need about 2,000 silver, or \$500 gold, for our Zoology Museum cases. Most of our collections of native birds and animals, as well as insects, are now piled together in drawers or boxes, which are not convenient for either students laboratory work or for public instruction.

For our Physics Department we would like to build an astronomical observatory near the top of our hill. The departmental staff has nearly finished grinding two eight-inch diameter lences for a telescope. We are mounting them in our own Physics Shop. But we need to have an observatory before we can make effective use of it for our Astronomy course. We do not know yet definitely how much the building will cost, because several important parts of the observatory have to be imported from abroad. Our listed figure is \$6,000 silver. I think \$2,000 gold will probably cover the cost, not including the telescope.

Ours is a young and growing institution of higher learning. We need many things to keep pace with the educational development in this country. Gifts of any kind can be used to best advantage. The above items, as well as those on the list, are among the apparent needs. Of course, we are ever in urgent need for endowment for professorial chairs in all of our three colleges. One thousand dollars gold, at the current rate of exchange, will, on average, support a teacher in our college.

I hope that we have given you the information you need. If there is anything more that we can supply, kindly let me know. We shall always appreciate any help that you can give to us by interesting other friends in our work here.

With warmest regards and best wishes,

Yours very sincerely,

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Supplementary Budget for 1931-32  
New Projects

1.	2 additional dormitory units for boys . . .	\$30,000.00 L.c.
2.	1 dormitory unit and dining hall for girls.	30,000.00
3.	Encyclopedia Britannica and other books for Library . . . . .	3,000.00
4.	25 Scholarships (Endowment needed \$35,000).	1,750.00
5.	Additional land purchase and removal of graves	3,000.00
6.	Athletics field improvement . . . . .	3,000.00
7.	Gas plant . . . . .	9,000.00
8.	Astronomical observatory . . . . .	<u>6,000.00</u>
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May 27, 1931

Dr. A. L. Warshuis  
International Missionary Council  
419 Fourth Avenue  
New York City, N. Y.  
U. S. A.

Dear Dr. Warshuis:

It was a great privilege indeed for me to have met you, first in Nanking and again in Shanghai. I appreciate the opportunity of hearing your speeches about the various things of Christian church in China, particularly the Christian higher education. I shall always remember the very pleasant visits with you while we were in Shanghai. I hope you have a fine trip back to America.

I wish also to thank you again for your gift of Dr. Jones's book to me. I enjoy reading it very much. The four principles which he lays down there are really fundamental in character. We hope that we can gradually turn our schools along these lines.

After our visit in Shanghai, I wrote to Mr. Garside of our New York office about the possibility of a round-table conference on our correlated program for Christian colleges in China by educational experts and members of various trustees from America with the Chinese educators and church leaders in China. I hope some plan of that kind can be worked out so that we can carry on our Christian higher education more intelligently and effectively.

I have also written to Mr. Garside about the possibility of securing the support for a History teacher through you. I hope your friend will be interested in the work of that sort. The person appointed for that chair will not only be an addition to our teaching staff here, but will be a messenger of good will from our American friends to this country. By teaching History and probably also Comparative Government, he can bring about a better international understanding among our young people here. We feel that it is one of the fields of work which we must provide for the liberal education of our students here, which we have neglected during the last couple years.

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Dr. ALW 2, May 27, 1931

Our people here are much interested in learning from me that you, as one of our founders, still keep a keen interest in our work here in spite of your heavy responsibilities of your present office. We only wished that you could have time to visit us while you were in China. When you come to this country again, please make this University a definite place of your call.

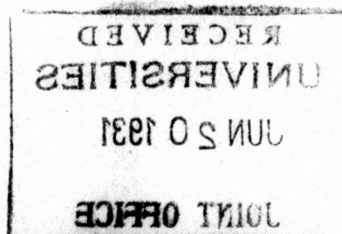
Under separate <sup>cover</sup> I sent you a copy each of our two English Fifteenth Anniversary Bulletins, about which I told you while we met in Shanghai. If you need some more copies for your friends who may be interested in our work here, kindly send for the same from Mr. B.A. Carside, at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

With kindest regards and best wishes,

Yours very faithfully,

*C. J. Lin*  
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May 28, 1931

Mr. B. A. Garside  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N. Y.  
U. S. A.

Dear Mr. Garside:

Under separate cover I am sending a copy each of our recent students' publications for the reference of our Trustees. In each I have made a translation of the contents into English, so you will see what kind of literature they are putting out. Most of the material is quite of a high standard.

Yours very sincerely,

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