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FUKIEN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY
Shaowu, China

February 12, 1942

Mr. C. A. Evans
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

Enclosed herewith I am sending you a copy of the minutes of the annual meeting of the Fukien Board of Managers held in Foochow on December 3, 1941. The President's report is also enclosed herewith as it was read and explained before the Board. Miss Asher sent you a copy of the Treasurer's annual report sometime ago. There does not seem to be the need of detailed comments on the actions of the Board. I wish, however, to explain a little for your reference the revised budget for 1941-42 and the budget estimates for 1942-43.

M-950 Revised Budget, 1941-42. The largest increase in the revised budget for 1941-42 is for the adjustment of salaries for our faculty and staff members. Up to January, 1942, we had not been paying a living scale of salaries to our members and as a result practically all of them ran into debt in one way or another due to the high cost of living which, as I reported to you sometime ago, has increased more than twenty times as compared with last year in the matter of the daily essentials of life, such as rice, fuel, oil for cooking, etc. Our salary adjustments increased around 30% on an average, which, as the Trustees will see, is still far short of meeting the necessary needs, but that is all we can do at present on account of our limited income. Our salary schedule as adjusted follows fairly closely that promulgated by the Ministry of Education in September, 1940. The only difference is that the government institutions now give a subsidy of two or three times more than the salary. If it is at all possible, I would strongly urge recommending another 20%-30% increase sometime during the present fiscal year, but I cannot make the recommendation until we know there is a possibility of increasing our income. The departmental expenses increased very little although prices for the things used have increased 10-30 times. We simply limit the amount that can be used. I am enclosing a summary of the revised budget, totaling LC\$830,000.

M-951 Budget Estimates for 1942-43. The adjusted salary scale and about the same standard of expenses for the departments are used in this budget as in the 1941-42 budget, the total amounting to LC\$1,111,595.00. We see no way of cutting this much further, and if prices continue to increase even at the same rate as during last year, we will not be able to carry on the work on this minimum budget. Although we figured the exchange rate at 10:1, we have already counted additional income of \$350,000 from the exchange over and above 10:1. A considerable part of our income in U.S. currency will continue to be spent in U.S. currency, from which we cannot get the benefit of exchange, and besides the Harvard-Yenching Institute fund has to be kept separate and the exchange gained thereon cannot be used for general university expenses.

The action taken on the building program on the Foochow Campus (M-955) and the program for work in the South Sea Islands (M-957) will of necessity have to be laid on the table for the time being since the war in the Pacific started. The votes on Western personnel (M-958-962) will probably not be able to be carried out, but we hope the Trustees will use their best judgment to see what can be done with regard to the expenses of Sutton and Bishop while they are in America.

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With regard to M-954 re Professor Farley's collection at the university, I have had recent correspondence from Mr. Paul P. Wiant stating that he was hoping to get the U.S. Court in Shanghai to give him some legal title for the arrangement of the property, but that he had heard nothing from the court since Shanghai fell into Japanese hands. We are still trying to see what can be done for the protection of the property which is on the Foochow campus, though we have moved practically all of the movable science equipment and library to Shaowu. We have no authority to deal with Mrs. Farley's property there until she gives us specific authorization for so doing. If you could communicate with Mrs. Farley and see if she sees fit to make an arrangement with us or Mr. Paul P. Wiant in this connection, we would do what we could but we could not take the full responsibility of ensuring the safety of the property under present conditions, either on the Foochow campus or if moved to Shaowu. The expense of moving the things would be quite large. You probably know that the U.S. Consulate in Foochow has been closed and many of the American citizens have been advised to move into the interior because of the exposed position of Foochow City.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ C. J. Lin

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May 11, 1942

Dr. C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaowai, CHINA

Dear Dr. Lin:

Your letter of February 12th enclosing the budget for 1941-42 and 1942-43 came to hand promptly, reaching us on April 14th. We can well appreciate the way the budgets have been distorted through the advance of commodities and wages.

We are studying your request as contained in your cable of May 7th. These figures are practically assured for the askings from the Associated Boards for next year, but there must be a great deal of study and thinking before the claims are presented to the Institute. We will write you as soon as any definite conclusions are reached and, if necessary, cable you.

The request in your cable for an additional amount to purchase the Farley collection will be given attention and presented to the Institute at its next meeting on May 25th.

I can give no assurance that \$10,000.00 will be secured, but will do the best we possibly can in presenting the case.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Via China Clipper
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May 12, 1942

Dr. C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaowu, CHINA

Dear Dr. Lin:

Grave questions have arisen growing out of the Annual Meeting of the Board here in New York last week — one being the participation of the Church Missionary Society.

The new representative who is a resident of Canada does not wish to permit the matter to drift, and at present even preferring a participation by the Anglican Church in Canada.

We are being asked to furnish information as to how many students attend Fukien Christian University as coming from the Church Missionary Society activities in China; also do you have any register of the number of students attending Fukien as directly credited to the Anglican Church in Canada?

Answers to these questions will give us an intelligent approach to the problem Mr. Dillistone has raised.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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May 18, 1942

Dr. C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaowu, CHINA

Dear Dr. Lin:

I am acknowledging your cable of May 7th quoting figures on the 1942-43 budget and requesting \$40,000.00 American from Sustaining Funds. Today I am cabling you as follows:

"CABLING FULLER CHUNGKING 4155 AMERICAN PAY DOCTOR CHENG 144 DAVID LIN ELEVEN AIRMAIL BUDGET RECEIVED FRAMING REQUEST FARLEY COLLECTION."

The \$4,000.00, of course, will be charged to your current budget and we can do this only so long as funds are available or are received from United China Relief. Adjustments must be made within our askings of the Allocation Committee as \$38,000.00 was the figure presented to the Fukien Board.

The \$144.00 is for Dr. T. H. Cheng which was sent us by H. C. Cheng of Miamisburg, Ohio. There has been some correspondence between these two cousins.

We received \$11.00 from the Methodist Sunday School of Jeffers, Minnesota for the work of David Linn.

We are preparing a statement to be presented to the Harvard-Yenching Institute, but I do not know that it can be filed at this time for the meeting to come up next Monday. As I understand it, a specially called meeting is being arranged for the purpose of studying the budgets for the Colleges in China. I will keep you informed of the outcome.

When the minutes of the Annual Meeting are written up, more will be said regarding the considerations given at that time.

Very sincerely yours,

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C. A. EVANS

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Via China Clipper
c.c. via next Clipper

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May 23, 1942

Dr. C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaowu, CHINA

Dear Dr. Lin:

The Harvard-Yenching Institute was in the act of preparing letters to be sent to China covering the actions of the Institute at the meeting held November 17th when the Pearl Harbor incident occurred. They were not sent out, and after holding them for some time they were forwarded to our office with the hope that we would be able to get them to the field through some channel in our office not known to the Institute.

However, we have not been able to do this and are forwarding same through Mr. Glenn Fuller at Chungking with the hope that he will get them to you with as little delay as possible.

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Via China Clipper

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June 8, 1942

President C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaswu, CHINA

Dear President Lin:

I cabled you on Friday as follows:

"INSTITUTE DISAPPOINTED FARLEY COLLECTION GRANT REASONS PRESENT COMMERCIAL VALUE NIL EDUCATIONAL VALUE CONTINGENT CATALOGING RELIEF FUNDS UNUSABLE AWAIT INSTRUCTIONS."

Undoubtedly, you were greatly disappointed upon receiving this message and I had some faint hope that the Institute might make a tentative appropriation for a smaller sum. However, they looked at it from a very practical standpoint and took action on the following basis:

1. There is absolutely no value in the collection at the present time.
2. There is an educational value contingent upon proper classifications.
3. Lacking number 2, even the educational value decreases.
4. The war in its present stage in China makes it highly speculative as to whether the collection can be saved at all.

In a more elaborate way, the Institute recognized the fact that if the best part of the collection were in America there might be a limited commercial value, although private collectors are few and far between these days and museums are not making any purchases whatsoever.

I have a long letter at hand from Mrs. Farley who finds no fault with the decision of the Institute, especially under prevailing conditions and is fully aware that the educational value has greatly diminished as Mr. Farley was not able to do the proper classification.

I have talked with Carrington Goodrich, Oliver Caldwell, Frank Cartwright, Dr. Eric North and two museum individuals, as well as Mr. Bishop, and none of them can find any argument against the action of the Institute. Mrs. Farley even goes on to say that it would be impossible to move some of the collection as it would entirely lose its identity. Mr. Bishop states that Mr. Farley told him that many of the cards were now worthless as the tags indicating the origin have been eaten by the ants and Mr. Farley forgot their history.

It would seem that the matter now rests in the hands of the field and if you have any further suggestions, we would be glad to pass them on to Mrs. Farley if you will let us know.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Via China Clipper

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June 12, 1942

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

Dear President Lin:

We have received from the Board of Regents in Albany the blanks for the financial and statistical reports to be sent to Albany for this year. The difficulties of sending these blanks by mail to China led us to make the following suggestions since the forms are the same as those of last year. Make out the information in accordance with last year's blanks, numbering the answers and indicating the pages. You may put these reports on flight post paper and send them to us by Clipper mail. We can then transfer the details to the regular blanks which we will hold here, and forward them to Albany.

We trust that the above will enable you to forward the reports as usual. We doubt very much if we attempted to send the blanks that they would reach you in time for returns.

Sincerely yours,

J. I. Parker
Assistant Secretary

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June 15, 1942

Dr. C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaswu, CHINA

Dear Dr. Lin:

It is no secret that there is a first-hand invasion of Chekiang and we have been fearful lest the direction be turned southward.

In anticipation of an emergency and in compliance with previous cabled instructions, we cabled \$4,000.00 to Mr. Fuller last Friday. This morning, we received your cable of the 11th reading as follows:

"CABLE FULLER SIX THOUSAND IMMEDIATELY POSSIBLE EMERGENCY."

Agreeable thereto, we sent \$2,000.00 extra and replied as follows:

"CABLE ELEVENTH RECEIVED STOP CABLED FULLER 4000 FRIDAY STOP CABLING 2000 MORE TODAY TO FULLER PRAYERS WITH YOU."

The "whys" and "wherefors" back of this - either from your standpoint or ours - will be explained long before covering letters are received and I will not dwell longer upon this. Meanwhile, may I say that the last three words of this cable are really significant. The Board of Trustees actually stands back of you in a spiritual way as well as cooperating with you to the best of their ability from a materialistic standpoint.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

CAE/B
cc: Accounting Office

Via China Clipper
c.c. via next Clipper

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July 23, 1942

Dr. C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shagwa, CHINA

Dear Dr. Lin:

Your two letters of February 11th were not acknowledged as they were so long in transit and as later matters had been cleared by cable and also by other mail from your office, it did not seem important to reply immediately.

As a matter of fact, there has been some advantage in waiting -- for instance, your letter dealing with the visit of Dr. Charles Stelle has had further amplification from various other sources. We have been able to check certain conditions with Mr. Stelle, both as far as the Farley collection is concerned and some things developing in West China.

I have written to you regarding the Farley collection and hope that the communication has reached you safely. I can really find no fault with the decision of the Institute and I am quite sure that you will agree with their wisdom.

Another letter of February 11th dealt with the opening of the College year and gave us a good idea of the work involved under new conditions.

Cables and later letters have dealt with the Shanghai Colleges' situation and the war situation in Chekiang Province has greatly altered the conditions. We have watched the papers with increasing interest each day and note that not much progress is being made in any drive to the south from the invasion point in Chekiang. In any event, we hope you will be protected to the west even if the eastern part of Fukien is taken.

The last cable received from Miss Asher indicated the need of caution and we are following her instructions closely.

I note what you say regarding the request to secure an appropriation from the Methodist Board to cover vacancy on the staff due to the inability of Professor Kellogg to return. I hope that Bishop Lacy's recommendation will come through, as it will help materially in our efforts at this end. However, where funds are not available, it is exceedingly difficult to get an appropriation, especially after a year has started.

The United China Relief performed very well indeed this Spring and in closing you will note that Fukien has secured \$24,208.34. These askings have been increased for next year, but we cannot report immediately what the allocation will be. The next meeting is to be August 5th and we hope there will be a pronouncement then, but even so the allocations of the Associated Boards must be made thereafter.

Very sincerely yours,

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the question was raised if the Associated Boards is contributing money so that the Shanghai universities are able to pay higher salaries, why leave the regular members of the Associated Boards to suffer from the lack of adequate salaries and allowances. Our faculty and staff have been living on a very low economic scale from the sheer lack of funds to maintain themselves and their families on a normal basis. Our only appeal to them is loyalty to the work while suffering with the rest of the country and in the meanwhile to be grateful for what our friends in America can do for us. But with the close association with professors of varying higher scales of remuneration, the morale of our group might be greatly disturbed.

Both during and after the last conference at Nanping, Fukien, offered the Shanghai institutions any possible assistance we could render to them and told them that ways were open for any or all of them to avail themselves of our facilities. We hope that at some future date we shall be able to make a more encouraging report.

Yours sincerely,

E. J. Lin

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Cable Address:
Hsiho, Foochow

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FUKIEN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY
SHAOWU, CHINA.

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August 13, 1942

President's Office
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Mr. C. Al Evans
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

In your letter of May 13 to Miss Asher you mentioned our efforts to help the Shanghai universities get established at Shaowu. As Dr. Cressy preferred to take care of the official correspondence in connection with this question we have not written you fully about it before. It seems to be proper now, however, that I should give you a summary of what has been going on with regard to the Shanghai universities at Shaowu for your general reference. As Dr. Cressy is far away from the scene he may not be able to report to you in full details.

On February 26, 1942, Dr. Frank Price, representing the National Christian Council and the China Christian Educational Association, and Dean Daniel C. Koo, of Hangchow Christian University, representing the Shanghai universities, came to Shaowu to see about the possibility of moving the Shanghai universities to Fukien. We had a three-day conference and agreed upon several general principles, the most important of which were that there should be a "federation" of two units; the Shanghai universities be organized as one unit to operate three colleges, namely, Law, Commerce, and Engineering, and that F.C.U. be the other unit and operate the Colleges of Arts, Science, and Agriculture, and that there should be no duplication of departmental work either within the Shanghai unit or between the two units. Each unit was to be responsible for its own work, faculty, student body, etc., This arrangement was made because it was thought of as a temporary affair and each institution wanted to keep its own identity. Fukien consented to this by modifying its earlier proposal by correspondence to the effect that we offer all facilities to accommodate the faculty and students from the Shanghai universities, but were not in favor of establishing independent institutions on the campus.

On May 7, President Baen Lee and Dean Daniel C. Koo of Hangchow Christian University, and Vice-president T. L. Shen of Soochow University with the Dean of the Science College, Dr. Pan, and the Dean of the Law School, Dr. Robert Shen, arrived at Shaowu and we began a week's conference. We went over almost the same ground that was covered in the February meeting and came to substantially the same plan. Detailed plans for possible new student enrollments and buildings were worked out, with estimated cost, and a preliminary sketch of departments to be opened in each college was made. I believe it was on the strength of this report that Dr. Cressy asked the Associated Boards to send out US\$20,000 for building purposes. Then came the military operations in Chekiang and Kiangsi around the middle of May which kept our Shanghai friends busy in trying to move their temporary headquarters and other things from Kihwa to Shaowu and held up the program of building construction and an official report to the Ministry of Education at Chungking.

In the middle part of June our Hangchow friends returned from Kihwa after encountering great difficulties there and on the return trip. Bishop Carleton Lacy of the Methodist Church was here at the same time to preach the baccalaureate sermon to our graduating class. He frankly pointed out that the

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nominal federation which we were trying to work out was in no way better than the so-called Associated Colleges in Shanghai had been during the last few years which cooperated only on the surface without accomplishing any real coordination, nor was it any better than the conditions which existed in Chengtu which during the first two years were on the feelings and spirits of everybody, and which were only recently adjusted so that each institution could run independently with competition in the background. The only advantage would be under the camouflage of "federation" as we too could secure funds from the Associated Boards. All of us saw the justice of the Bishop's criticism, and Fukien proposed that a real union be effected among the institutions of Christian higher education in the Southeastern provinces. All of our friends agreed to this in general principle, the only important question being how to carry it out on a proper legal basis as it would be hard to get all the Boards of Managers and Trustees to meet together during this period. Then the military situation became more acute and both the Soochow and Hangchow groups moved to Nanping.

After some delay in correspondence back and forth our Shanghai friends asked us to send representatives to Nanping for another conference which was held there on July 19 - 21, with an additional representative from Hwa Nan College. The chief problem was "Is Shaowu safe for educational work?" There was difference of opinion, and it was voted to cancel all past agreements leaving each institution free to select its own location and to enter into agreement with any institution it saw fit. Vice-president T. L. Shen of Soochow University wrote a very cordial letter thanking us for what we did for them while they were in Shaowu and expressed the regret that they felt they could not risk coming to Shaowu with their families and staff. This marked the sad conclusion of the first chapter of what might be a noble movement for Christian cooperation. But President Lee of Hangchow wrote that they were planning to come back with the intention of operating a College of Engineering and a College of Commerce, entrusting their College of Arts to us, thus avoiding duplication in academic work but maintaining independent entities. We replied to Soochow with our sympathy and sent words of welcome to Hangchow Christian University. We recently received word from President Lee that he would be coming to Shaowu in about a week's time. We have heard indirectly that the Soochow Law School has moved to Chungking.

The Ministry of Education has granted to each of the Shanghai universities \$100,000 to help in the expense of moving. The US\$20,000 from the Associated Boards, amounting to LC\$374,224.86 net, was received in the middle part of June. We understand that this was for the construction of additional buildings for the Shanghai institutions at Shaowu. I think that fund is still intact. Before all of this, Fukien received US\$1000 from the Associated Boards through Dr. Cressy towards providing preliminary physical accommodations for students who might come from the Shanghai area. Part of it was spent in fixing up the military barracks, consisting of ~~five~~ ^{one} one-story buildings which were ~~leased~~ ^{now} ~~to~~ ^{by} the Ministry of War. It was because of this that we could with assurance wire to our Shanghai friends in Kinkwa in the early spring that we could accommodate 250 students immediately. We also used part of the fund for extending our assembly hall to take care of general meetings and large classes. We have a number of other items of expenses in connection with planning for the Shanghai universities and accommodating the Shanghai people while here.

In this connection you may be interested to know that the question of finances is a problem in the matter of closer cooperation among the various institutions. There is an appreciable difference between the salaries and allowances of the faculty and staff members of the Shanghai group and the Fukien group. At least for Soochow we understand they are still maintaining all whom they call key members and their families in Shanghai with the steadily rising cost of living there. They were planning to engage teachers in Fukien on the same basis as they pay their Shanghai members. Thus

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August 13, 1942

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Mr. C. A. Evans
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

We were glad to get your Clipper letter dated June 15, received on August 2. It is the most recent and quickest letter we have received since the outbreak of the Pacific war. We certainly appreciate you writing us and sending the funds we requested by cable sometime ago. About the same time we received your letters dated May 11, 12, 18, 23. The letter of May 23 with letters from the Harvard-Yenching Institute arrived on August 9. Miss Asher has already written you about the financial items mentioned in those letters. I shall here only reply to a few points which are pertinent to general policy and plans of the university.

We were very much touched by your letter of June 15, just as we were when we received your cable quoted therein. Throughout the present crisis all of us have been driven much closer to God. At times the threat of a Japanese invasion of Shaowu seemed quite imminent. We felt the heavy responsibility of how to deal with the situation arising from the possible difficulties as we have so many families here, besides our library and science equipment which are now second to almost none in China. Yet we were not desperate or unnecessarily anxious because we trusted that somehow we would be able to meet whatever might come. We all planned with our best judgment and ability, leaving the rest to God, knowing also that our Trustees and other friends would certainly give us spiritual help as well as other assistance. Please convey to our Trustees when there is occasion that we never felt so close to them and what they mean to us as when we thought of carrying on the work which they have entrusted to us in this time of difficulty, and that we appreciate all they have done for us, both spiritually and materially.

A few weeks ago Rev. C. L. Storrs received a cable from Dr. Fairfield inquiring as to the whereabouts of the American Board missionaries and the plan of the university. We collaborated with Mr. Storrs in drafting the reply stating that the situation was improving and that the Scotts, Miss Thomas, and Mrs. Storrs were in Sun Chuan, and that the university was carrying on as usual. Of course, the danger is not yet entirely over for a possible Japanese threat to Shaowu will exist until the war is ended, but I think it is not probably. We are doing all we can now to scatter our more valuable library collections and science equipment over the various sections of the compounds under our control to avoid loss in case of bombing. So far we have had no air raids in Shaowu. We are also trying to check a further growth of our student body so that we will not need to build additional dormitories although even at the present time the dormitories are rather crowded. We hope to be able to limit the student enrollment to 500 in the fall of 1942. Certainly we do not want to go beyond that number. There is also the problem of housing our faculty. It is almost impossible to rent residences for faculty members with families. They are, therefore, quite crowded in what residential space we have already prepared on the campus and some rented rooms here and there in the city. All of the American members of our staff are now back on the campus

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and some of the equipment and library which we sent to Sun Chuan will be shipped back within the next two weeks for use in the fall.

We are quite disappointed in the action of the Harvard-Yenching Institute refusing to make any grant to purchase the Farley collection. I was glad to learn, however, that Mrs. Farley understands the case. At the present time we do not have any concrete suggestion to make as it would take a great deal of time and effort, as well as money, to catalogue the things in the collection or even to put them into cases. We are not doing anything at the present time, pending authorization from Mrs. Farley. Mr. Paul Pl. Wiant whom she appointed with power to act for her in Foochow has left for America. It seems to be important that she should authorize somebody with full authority to act in case of an emergency. We are having a difficult time in keeping our property intact on the Foochow campus due to insufficient personnel there.

We note with interest that the Canadian representative on our Board of Trustees is looking into the problem of the participation of the Anglican Church in our work. We are gathering facts which will be sent you before long. Will you please send us a complete list of the members of our Board of Trustees giving their address and the kind of work each is doing. I used to write a letter to each of the new members of the Board when they accepted the service so as to establish some personal contact with them.

The university is planning to open for the registration of new students on September 7, and classes will begin on September 22. The time in between those dates will be used for special training for the freshman class. We have reports from the various places where we conducted entrance examinations for the fall term. The number of applicants to the freshman class is quite large but due to the difficulties of communication, even within Fukien Province itself, we have not received all of the examination papers.

With kindest personal regards,

Yours sincerely,

C. J. Lin



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September 11, 1942

Agreement Between Fukien Christian University and
Hangchow Christian University on a Basis of
Friendly Cooperation.

It is understood by both Fukien Christian University and Hangchow Christian University that all former plans for a Federated University in Shaoowu or any form of union or cooperation have been cancelled, and that Hangchow will operate in Shaoowu as an independent institution conducting two colleges, namely, Commerce and Engineering, entrusting its Arts College to F.C.U. But detailed arrangements have been made for friendly cooperation between the two institutions in (1) Academic Matters, (2) Physical Accommodations, (3) Religious Activities, and (4) Student Discipline, as follows:

I. ACADEMIC MATTERS:

1. General:

- a) The courses offered by Hangchow and Fukien are available to students of either institution by previous arrangements of the respective deans.
- b) Fukien will make available all class rooms possible for use by Hangchow.

2. University of Shanghai Students

- a) Students from the University of Shanghai who desire to be connected with Hangchow University will be accepted by F.C.U. for courses on the same basis as regular Hangchow University students. F.C.U. will be free, however, to accept or reject students from the University of Shanghai either as visiting or transfer students.

3. Hangchow University Students

- a) New students who take the Hangchow University entrance examinations and old students who may come back to join Hangchow will register with Hangchow.
- b) When there are enough Hangchow students in a Fukien class to make it necessary to have additional teaching forces, Hangchow will be responsible for the additional cost, the person assisting to be directly under the teacher in charge of the course. This applies to both lectures and laboratory work. The cost of materials used by Hangchow students in the Fukien laboratories will be paid by Hangchow on a per capita basis.
- c) Students in the class room are under the control of the teacher in charge, according to the regulations of the institution offering the course.
- d) Neither institution is under any obligation to offer courses which are not offered for its own students.
- e) Teachers will report grades and any other matters relating to students in their classes to the Dean of the institution under which the course is offered.

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4. Reporting to the Ministry. Hangchow University will report all of its old students taking courses with F.C.U. to the Ministry, and Fukien may also report them as visiting students from Hangchow.
5. Class Schedule. Hangchow University proposes to follow the schedule adopted by F.C.U.
6. Flag Raising. Hangchow will join with F.C.U. in the daily flag-raising ceremony so long as their students are living on the F.C.U. campus. The Hangchow students will be in a group to themselves, with Hangchow responsible for taking attendance, etc.
7. Physical Education to be given jointly by the two institutions.
8. Use of the Library. The present library space seats only 350, which is not enough for F.C.U. students alone on the basis of last year's enrollment. Detailed plans as to how all students of both institutions can be accommodated to be worked out later. The regular library fee of \$10 will be paid by Hangchow for Hangchow students.
9. Military Training is to be given separately, each institution being responsible for making its own arrangement.
10. Convocation and Memorial Meeting will be held separately, each institution being responsible for its own.

II. PHYSICAL ACCOMMODATIONS FOR HANGCHOW STUDENTS

1. After reserving space in the present F.C.U. men students' dining room to seat 400, space in that building can be partitioned off to accommodate about 60 Hangchow men students, Hangchow University being responsible for the job both as to work and cost, until Hangchow can build its own dormitory.
2. The Hangchow students may eat with the Fukien students so long as the above arrangement lasts; details to be worked out by the Deans of Students of Hangchow and Fukien with Prof. Y. C. Lin of the F.C.U. General Affairs Office.
3. Wash rooms for Hangchow students to be referred to Hangchow and Prof. Lin.
4. Hangchow women students, not more than 10, may be accommodated in the F.C.U. women's dormitory if there is any available space for them, depending on the number of women students F.C.U. will have. If they cannot be accommodated there, Hangchow University will be responsible for arranging for them outside. If they live in the Fukien dormitory they will be treated the same as Fukien students and will be subject to the same rules and regulations.

III. RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES

1. President Lin and President Lee will appoint a small committee to study the problem with a view to working out a joint program.

IV. DISCIPLINE

1. In general, matters of discipline will be handled separately by each institution (Hangchow reports that so long as their students are living on the Fukien campus Hangchow will observe the same rules and regulations as Fukien). Should there be cases of discipline involving both institutions, the Dean of Students of both institutions shall be present in the committee deciding the case.

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September 11, 1942

Dr. C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaowu, CHINA

Dear Dr. Lin:

We have had some correspondence with the Methodist Board regarding the filling of the vacancy caused by the transfer of Claude R. Kellogg to Mexico. I am quoting two paragraphs from his letter to Dr. Cartwright:

"I, too, regret, the severance of relations with the University and I must admit it came as a great blow to me. Of course I admit that I made a serious mistake, the worst blunder of my life, in coming home, but I thought you would send me back where I was needed. I should have been at FCU when Sutton came home, for when he left there was no one to be there at the University, where I felt I could do my best work."

It is very doubtful if the University, after war is over, will want to have any one back who left them at a time of need and failed to get back, but if such an opportunity should present itself, I would be very glad to return to Foochow, altho it would be very hard to face the faculty members and students who staid through the trouble. Of course, I would be prepared, either to stay here or go to Foochow, depending upon where the greatest need should be. But, other things being equal, I would prefer Foochow."

The answer which the Board makes regarding the filling of his vacancy is as follows:

"The appointment of Prof. Kellogg to Mexico was not a vacancy, therefore it did not relieve the Board financially. It was a great need, one which Kellogg himself considers as possibly even greater than that in China but the appointment of him to meet that need was an effort on our part to use him constructively at a time when because of the war and his physical condition, he could not return to China."

Apparently, there is no way to secure a cash substitute for this vacancy. Unfortunately Fukien has no organic agreement with the boards requiring the payment of cash in lieu of vacancies. Some previous correspondence on another similar case has brought an expression from one cooperating board that the whole matter should be up for consideration and discussion at a later date.

From the foregoing paragraph from Claude Kellogg, he will be glad to return to China when it is possible, although he does feel a bit chagrined that he is not able to be there during the thick of the struggle.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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*Covering letter
to Dr. Lin
9/28/42*

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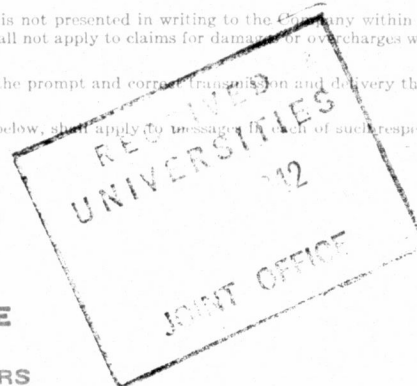
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September 28, 1942

President C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaowu, CHINA

Dear President Lin:

We cabled you today quoting the various funds available for 1942-43. Within the last few days general approval by the Special Finance Committee has been given by the proposed budget. The conclusions arrived at are as follows:

General appropriation from Trustees.....	\$5,727.00
Pierce Fund.....	350.00
Harvard-Yenching Institute.....	8,947.36

Scholarships as received, but we have budgeted them as follows:

Groff Scholarship.....	\$ 36.00
R. W. Jones Scholarship.....	28.50
E. C. Jones Scholarship.....	247.50
Library Fund.....	57.04

The Sustaining Funds for Fukien have been voted at \$45,000.00. Your cablegram of September 15th asking for \$20,000.00 came while we were in session in the special meeting, but with the allocations adjusted as they were at that time, it didn't seem possible for us to vote an additional \$20,000.00 to Fukien. I am suggesting that a case study be made as to the needs and some thought given to the current funds on hand with the Trustees, also the 25th Anniversary Fund. You also have available in Accounts Payable general funds amounting to \$2,580.00 and Harvard-Yenching Institute balance from last year of \$3,947.00.

It is possible that later on in the year some re-adjustments may be made which will give you time to make further study of the requirements. I realize that this may appear to be a ridiculous statement in view of prevailing conditions. Nevertheless, there cannot be a very large variation in the current year's appropriation unless unexpected income is received. If the opportunity is presented for further expansion, I will let you know immediately.

Fukien has \$10,000.00 being held by the Harvard-Yenching Institute as Reserve Funds, but it may be used for special purposes. It is the income from Alumina Company accumulated when they resume paying dividends. Possibly the field will desire to use some of this fund if it is found necessary.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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October 13, 1942

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C. J. Lin

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October 24, 1942

Mr. C. A. Evans
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

We have your cable dated October 13 which arrived on the 15th. On October 17 we sent you the following reply to this and your earlier cable of September 22 which has already been acknowledged:

"Fukien students men 317 women 86, faculty men 49 women 18, others 381 Shaowu normal except prices continue soaring creating greater hardships. Soochow operating Arts with Lingnan, Kukong. Hangchow entrusting Arts Fukien, operating Engineering Commerce Colleges Shaowu temporarily for freshmen due lack of staff with 59 men 11 women students, 5 men 3 women staff. 150 upper classmen guests in Free China universities. Expect 30 faculty 200 students from Shanghai within year."
Signed C. J. Lin Baen Lee.

The last part of the cable regarding Hangchow was drafted by President Baen Lee himself, so we used both signatures in the reply.

We mean to convey to you in the first part of the cable the student enrollment in Fukien, the total of which is now 406, including 87 women. Due to the difficulties of communications quite a large number of our women students, 30 to 40 including old and new, were not able to come to Shaowu. Quite a few stopped with Hwa Nan in Nanping due to the difficulty of securing bus transportation to come on up to Shaowu. Over sixty men students were not able to come in time for the opening of school and had either to return to their homes or stop at other colleges for the present year. But we have more than enough already because of the presence of the Hangchow students who are sharing our dormitories, both men and women. For a fuller account of the present state of our campus I am enclosing herewith a copy of my letter to Mr. Cressy.

The second point in the cable is in reply to your inquiry about the general situation in Shaowu. Militarily and otherwise Shaowu has been normal since the middle part of August. Many soldiers who came here have left but the high prices which followed in their trek still remain. This creates a serious situation for our faculty members and students. While we were able to secure some relief help from the National Student Relief Committee and a considerable grant from the Ministry of Education towards student board, etc., we have not been able to do much for our faculty and staff members. We sent a cable to you on September 15 about this requesting the Associated Boards to grant us an additional US\$20,000 from Sustaining Funds. We hope the Associated Boards will be able to make the grant as we are in urgent need.

The third part of our cable is to inform you what we heard about Soochow University. We received information from a friend who was formerly

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connected with Lingnan, and we are quite sure the information is reliable although we have not heard directly from Soochow friends or Lingnan. Soochow University is reported to have opened an Arts College at Kukong in the northern part of Kwangtung Province in connection with Lingnan. We have not heard the details of the arrangement or their present conditions. Beginning about the middle of the fourth line of the cable Hangchow is reporting. The enclosed copy of my letter to Dr. Cressy will supplement what may not be so clear in the cable.

In our letter of October 3 acknowledging your cable of September 22 we were not able to give you the detailed information requested because our registration was strung out much longer than planned on account of serious difficulties in communications. One point you mentioned therein, the number of applicants, we failed to give you a reply in our cable of October 17. F.C.U. had 500 applicants. Of this number we admitted 215, and 150 actually registered. Hangchow had 124 applicants, admitted 87, and 63 actually registered. The percentage of F.C.U.'s applicants which were admitted is about the same as for the last two years, and the smaller percentage between those admitted and those who actually registered is definitely due to communication difficulties caused by the military operations in Chekiang-Kiangsi and the preparation for resistance in Fukien where many roads were torn up.

You will be interested to take notice of the financial statement showing what F.C.U. spent towards the Federated University as is reported in my letter to Dr. Cressy. We received from your office through Dr. Cressy US\$1,000 which exchanged for LC\$18,713.45 while we spent LC\$55,885.23, leaving us in the red to the amount of LC\$37,171.78.

I would also like to call your attention to the arrangement for academic work between Hangchow University and F.C.U. I referred to this in my letter to Dr. Cressy, and I am also enclosing herewith a copy of the agreement between President Lee and myself for your reference. We find that more problems to be solved have arisen since the agreement was made, and we are daily adjusting ourselves to meet the needs. Because of the sharp rise in the cost of labor, materials, and things generally people hesitate to do what is necessary to meet what we may call essential needs at the present time. But before long prices will probably increase another 50% - 100%. As I often say in talking with President Lee of Hangchow University unless they hurry up and build their temporary buildings they may find that they do not have enough funds in hand to build even one dormitory for their students next year. We were planning to build several dormitories, faculty residences, and a number of academic buildings, including the extension of the library, chapel, class rooms, etc., costing around \$400,000, and except for the Chekiang-Kiangsi war we could have done it during the summer, including furniture for the same. Now the estimate for one dormitory for Hangchow University to accommodate only 120 students instead of 400 as we first planned is around LC\$70,000.

With kindest personal regards,

Yours sincerely,

C. J. Lin

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Cable Address:
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October 24, 1942

Dr. E. H. Cressy
10 Dai Chia Hang
Chungking, Szechuen

Dear Dr. Cressy:

I am writing to report the conditions here to date. First about Hangchow University which is operating with us. As I wrote you before they are conducting two colleges independently of F.C.U. in administration, namely, the College of Commerce and the College of Engineering, but their students are taking most of their courses in our classes as well as using our facilities, such as dormitories, library, science laboratories, etc. Their student enrollment is 71 both old and new and including those from the University of Shanghai, - five I believe. Besides President Lee and Dean Koo they have two graduate assistants, a treasurer, a nurse, and Miss Mather.

We are in the fourth week of classes for the fall term. F.C.U. has 406 students, including 87 women. As you remember we were not planning for additional dormitories for Hangchow during the summer as both the Hangchow and Soochow people left here in June on account of the Chekiang-Kiangsi war and the former agreement was officially cancelled in the Nanping Conference of July 20. So when Hangchow decided to come in the latter part of August nothing could be made ready except what we had already started before the Chekiang-Kiangsi war began, namely, the extension of our assembly hall and the enlargement of a class room building. The military barracks, as you can easily imagine, have been occupied by soldiers since the beginning of the Chekiang war, and they are still using them. So Hangchow could not have any use of the barracks at all although we spent some money in fixing them up last spring. You probably have heard that the Soochow University people are now in Kukong, northern Kwangtung Province, where they are operating an Arts College in connection with Lingnan University. We have not heard the details.

As you can readily realize the general situation in Shaowu has become normal again since the Japanese withdrew from the Chekiang-Kiangsi railway line, but unfortunately the cost of living, due in large part to the war not only remains with us but goes on increasing. So although we are quite peaceful in conducting our college work both our faculty members and students are affected by the increased cost of living. We have cabled our New York office asking for additional help in order to avoid real starvation due to our inability to give our staff members enough subsidy towards their cost of living.

I have already reported to you about the division of the funds ^{between Hangchow and Soochow}, which you secured from the Associated Boards towards the construction work at Shaowu for Hangchow and Soochow Universities, namely, around LC\$187,000 each, after the Nanping conference without my knowledge. So the expenses we advanced for the Federated University as authorized by you have not been met. Enclosed herewith I am sending you a summary of the items, both expenditures and receipts. You will see that the expenses incurred when the plan was in

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earnest amounted to LC\$55,923.23, while the only funds we received were the proceeds from the US\$1,000 from the Associated Boards which at that time exchanged for LC\$18,713.45. Thus the balance due F.C.U. is LC\$37,271.78. We should appreciate having this balance refunded to us as soon as possible because we are quite short of funds and want the money for urgent needs here.

Our arrangement with Hangchow University with regard to academic work is contained in the enclosed copy of our agreement. As you will see, it is roughly that we extend to them the privilege of all of their students to attend our classes. With the exception of two or three courses which the Hangchow people give particularly for their students of Commerce and Engineering and one course in Ethics, all the classes are combined with F.C.U. classes. This makes many of our classes too large, and although Hangchow promised to pay for additional assistants where help was needed none of us could get any assistants even though we are willing to pay fairly high prices. The situation is even more serious in the science work because of the laboratory equipment and materials involved. Our library has great difficulty in maintaining good order due to the fact that we have electric light for our library and the larger part of the students go there to study in the evening. Besides the lack of seats there is a great scramble for reference books which we have no way of supplementing. The living conditions in the dormitory and dining room are not as they should be, and we only hope that before very long Hangchow will be able to put up their own buildings for which we have already secured the necessary land. There is need also for some common fund for providing more class room space, furniture for the same, and an extension of the library and clinic. The money which Hangchow divided with Soochow seems to be held as belonging to their respective institutions and they naturally want to spend it as they see fit and not to meet the needs which are connected with their work at F.C.U. We should not forget that F.C.U. itself is a very poor institution and that we have been struggling year by year for additions to meet our needs which we have never done satisfactorily. Hence we cannot do very much to accommodate guest colleges without additional help. So please keep this in mind when you are asking for or appropriating additional funds for Hangchow University. Of course if Hangchow could be completely independent of our physical accommodations then we would have nothing to say about this.

Another difficulty we are having is the lack of teachers. We still lack a number of teachers of professorial rank in Botany, Entomology, Horticulture, Chemistry, and Physics, and Lecturers and above for practically all the departments. The Hangchow staff will not be able to take care of their own freshmen and there is yet little assurance that any of their members from Shanghai will be able to come soon. Probably President Lee has written you about this. As our work in F.C.U. is quite different from Engineering and Commerce there will be very few courses in common for upper classmen between Fukien and Hangchow which can be shared.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

CJL:A

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Statement of Federated University Expense Account

1942

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LC\$ 18,713.45

To cost of repairing West Gate Barracks, including mud wall	LC\$17,021.00	
To cost of extension of Assembly Hall . .	12,783.00	
To cost of rebuilding Building No. 3 and enlarging it as a class room building.	24,361.10	
To cost of travel expenses to Kinhwa and Nanping.	976.50	
To cost of telegrams.	240.40	
To cost of entertaining Shanghai representatives.	392.40	
To miscellaneous expenses	<u>210.83</u>	
	LC\$55,985.23	18,713.45
To Debit Balance due F.C.U.		<u>37,271.78</u>
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November 17, 1942

President C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaowu, CHINA

Dear President Lin:

Your letter of August 13th deserved an earlier answer for it gave a fine account of the problems at Shaowu.

First of all, however, let me report that Dr. William P. Fenn has consented to act as our special Representative in China, as Dr. Cressy is more than occupied with the office work at Chungking. Dr. Fenn is asked to visit all of the Universities and study problems, budgets and programs, and reporting to the Associated Boards also to Dwight Edwards, Chairman of the United China Relief Program Committee in China. His fine background in China and his special education for institutional work make him well qualified to help bind us all together more closely and effectively in the Christian fellowship where we are serving the Master. I know you well enough to believe that you and Fukien will cooperate in this new venture.

Your letter of August 13th is a testimonial of your splendid spirit of co-operation and speaks volumes. The fact that you all conferred together in the hope of working out a practical plan for cooperation is indeed encouraging. That war intervened is no fault of the idea. We are indeed grateful for the effort and the possible consummation of any plans which will assist in the carrying on of the work of any of the Christian Colleges.

Surely the developments in Chekiang Province kept us all worried for a time and to you all it must have been of infinite concern. It would seem, as an outcome of the various ups and downs in the military situation and the results of your conferences, that Soochow Law School is now in Chungking; whereas the Arts College is at Kukong with Lingnan; that Fukien expects 200 art students and faculty from Hangchow University and that you are operating the Engineering and Commerce Colleges at Shaowu with 59 men and 11 women students and 5 men and 3 women staff. It would appear that refugee students to the number of 150 are scattered throughout free China and that probably 30 will be enrolled at Fukien. We are gratified to learn that Fukien has an enrollment of 317 men and 86 women students with male faculty of 49 and 18 women, while assistants, workers, clerks etc. number 38 additional. We are indeed grateful for the information which comes at a later date than your letter of the 13th.

I wish we could talk with Bishop Lacy and secure his first-hand reactions to the work at Chengtu. It is not at all in keeping with our understanding of the history of the developments there, and with the employment of Dr. Fenn, we hope for still greater clarity. The salary schedule will then also come in for closer study and analysis as a very similar situation has developed at Chengtu with the opening of Yenching as described in your experience with the group from Shanghai.

The statement regarding the grants from the Ministry of Education is indeed heartening, but one would wish for greater assistance in the light of the skyrocketing of commodities.

It is gratifying to know that the funds we sent out for the implementing of

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work at Shaowu is probably intact although it was sent for the use of getting these institutions on their feet.

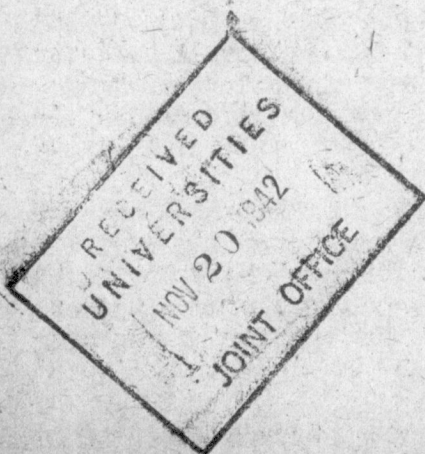
Again I am exceedingly grateful for your cooperation and the report of conditions in your locality. May the good Lord continue to watch over you all and care for you.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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November 19, 1942

Dr. C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaowu, CHINA

Dear Dr. Lin:

I am replying to your letter of August 13th which refers to the receipt of the Harvard-Yenching Institute's letter and more particularly regarding the conditions in Chekiang Province and their influence on the work at Shaowu.

On December 21st we are having a meeting of the Committee on Christian Character, Staff & Curriculum of the Associated Boards, but this meeting will give thought to the broader mission of the Colleges with respect to what has been done as well as to the future prospects. I am looking forward to a most inspiring occasion as the group will be under the leadership of Dr. Henry P. Van Dusen of Union Theological Seminary. It is an occasion when some of the things you have said in your letter might well be reported, reflecting the spiritual oneness which is being deepened and intensified by this present struggle. During the days when the invasion of Fukien seemed imminent we were so deeply concerned that the prayers of the whole Board were solicited in behalf of the work in Fukien Province. That, together with the extreme danger which you faced with such courage, undoubtedly welded the link of fellowship more strongly than ever before. At the next meeting of the Trustees, your letter will form the background of a devotional period which will be true thanksgiving in the name of the Lord.

We are indeed grateful for the additional word regarding the personnel at Shaowu and also for the knowledge that you are re-established for the carrying on of the work as long as permitted at Shaowu.

I can very well sympathize with you in your disappointment over the outcome of the Harvard-Yenching Institute's attitude toward the Farley Collection. The whole matter has been reported to Mrs. Farley, however, and she understands why no action was taken.

I am attaching herewith a list of the Board of Trustees. If, however, you wish to save expense and have the letters mailed from our office, we shall be glad to do so. I realize that this does not have the direct flavor and atmosphere of China, and you must be the judge of this direct value and contact.

I must now hurry out to a meeting on Greater Unity which is scheduled for this afternoon.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Mr. Brewster Bingham
14 Beacon Street
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Brewster:

We were glad to hear from our New York office sometime ago that you had sent in your 1941-42 contribution towards the support of our Dean of Students. I want to report to you how we used the fund.

You remember that we recommended to you Mr. K. S. Wang as the recipient of part of your gift, but Mr. Wang could not get released from his Central Government appointment. He had to stay on in Nanping, but fortunately for us we were able to secure in his place Mr. Lin Kwan Te whom you also know very well. He used to be Dean of the Senior High School at Anglo-Chinese College, Foochow, and has been one of the most active workers among students generally. With the consent of Principal James Ding he joined our staff a year ago. When the Dean of Students work was left vacant by K. W. Wang he was good enough to accept our appointment and has been very successful in his service. We are, therefore, applying your contribution towards his salary and allowances. I hope you will approve our appointment which from our experience we believe is really a very choice one.

For work among the women students we were not able to get either of the candidates we first proposed to you because of war conditions, but we were able to secure the services of Miss Teng Pi Yu, a F.C.U. graduate who has been successful in service in this province before returning to F.C.U. She is now Acting Assistant Dean of Women and is doing very well. If we can locate another qualified lady we shall be prepared to offer her a place on our staff. Our student body has greatly increased, that is, more than three times since we moved to Shaowu in May, 1938. We have 406 students at the present time, including 87 women.

We have started our new academic year quite auspiciously and the general spirit is good. With the Japanese withdrawal from the Chekiang-Kiangsi railway line Shaowu is as safe as ever and there is no feeling of further invasion from that side. The greatest difficulty we are facing is the rising cost of things which have increased from 25 to 100 times during the last three years. We have experienced a rather sharp rise in prices during the last three months. But all of our people are in good spirits and we are trying to do our best in carrying on our work.

We should appreciate your sending in your 1942-43 contribution to Mr. C. A. Evans, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City, designated for the salary of the Dean of Students at Fukien.

We often think of you and Frances and we hope that when the war situation is better your both may come over and join us in our work here.

With kindest personal regards,

Yours sincerely,

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B. J. Lin

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November 20, 1942

Mr. John G. Talcott X
Talcottville, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Talcott:

I am writing to report to you that we have been getting on quite well in spite of the war conditions. We have made steady progress in our service to college students. The growth of F.C.U. has been steady and we now have a student body of over 400, one-fourth of whom are women. Our fall term has started very well. We feel that we have a greater opportunity for service than ever but our forces are not yet adequate to meet the increasing demands.

I also wish to report to you that Miss Eunice T. Thomas has been a great help in the work here since her return to Fukien. She has recently published a book in English Readings for College Students which meets an urgent need for textbooks for college freshmen which can hardly be secured during the war time in China. Her second book, Readings in Poetry Selections, is now in the press. She has helped to raise our English Department to a very high standard of work. It has been said that our English Department is probably one of the very best in the whole country. We certainly appreciate your contribution through her to the work here.

I remember the very fine way in which you offered to help us in securing Miss Thomas in 1935 when you said you would be glad to support her for a seven-year term of service which will soon be ended. I now appeal to you for another seven-year term of support for Miss Thomas. She has become a real part of F.C.U. and we are much in need of her services. Due to war conditions our expenses have greatly increased and the income from the various mission boards has remained the same for the last ten years and in some cases the amount has been decreased. With the present war conditions it would also be very hard to replace a person like Miss Thomas, either in China or from abroad. It is, therefore, our sincere hope that you will be able to see your way clear to help us for another seven-year term.

Since the attack on Pearl Harbor correspondence between China and America has been greatly delayed. Only recently we have received 1941 Christmas greetings from friends in America, and it has been quite difficult for us to send mail so we have not been able to keep in close touch with our friends there. We hope, however, that things have been going on smoothly with you. It is the prayer of all of us here that before long we shall be able to secure a really just and honorable peace so that mankind may again live in happy relationships.

With kindest personal regards,

Yours sincerely,

B. L. Lin

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November 25, 1942

Mr. C. E. Evans,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

We have received a telegram from Mr. E. H. Cressy, Chungking, asking us to send you the estimates of our 1943-44 budget to reach you before January 31. We are enclosing a copy of our estimated income and expenses. You will note that the income is based on the current year's income, and the expenses are based on the current year's expenses plus a 25% increase in faculty and staff salaries and allowances and a 40% increase in office and departmental expenses. You will note that on this basis we have a deficit of LC\$289,076.10, or approximately US\$16,000.

As you can easily see this proposed increase of 25% and 40%, respectively, for the period in question cannot be other than a pure guess. The rise of the price of things during the last two years has been very great, and during the last few months especially we have experienced considerable hardships. The tendency seems to be a continued rise. What conditions will be in a year and a half from now cannot be predicted. Our proposed percentages of increase are certainly the minimum as we would need that much increase almost right now to give some relief to our members. On the other hand, we do not like to give too large a figure which might discourage our supporters. We are asking therefore that if the average increase to the other Christian educational institutions in China is more than we have proposed that you increase ours proportionately.

Since mail is so uncertain, and we want you to be sure to have this information in good time, we are asking you to kindly cable us if you receive our estimates by or before the middle of January. If you cable "estimates received" we shall understand. If we have not heard from you by the middle of January, we shall cable you as much of this information as we can. But if you can let us know by cable that you have received it it will save us the expense of a long cable while yours will be short.

The university work has been going on quite normally. We are calling the annual meeting of our Board of Managers on December 5 in Foochow, and the proposed budget estimates will be submitted to them for their approval. We are sending the estimates to you first in order that they may reach you in time for your plan, and too because our Board of Managers will probably not make many changes as this is only tentative and none of us can make an accurate guess. We hope very much, however, that our Trustees will seriously study our needs and make plans, particularly on the financial side, to help us carry on the work after the end of the war. It does not seem that prices will go back to those of former days and the demands for Christian Education will certainly be greatly increased by that time. Fukien has been running a very conservative policy of a steady growth rather than phenomenal expansion. As I wrote you sometime ago we could easily have 1000 students if we were willing to sacrifice our present quality of work in both teaching forces and physical accommodations. It means that our budget will probably have to be maintained on the basis of a 25% increase of the present amount, and sufficient regular income should be planned for.

Yours sincerely,

/s/ C. J. Lin

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November 25, 1942

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WILLIAM FEHN NOW SPECIAL CHINA REPRESENTATIVE ASSOCIATED BOARDS PURPOSE INCREASING OUR EFFECTIVENESS TOWARD SUPPORTING YOU AND FACILITATING PUBLICITY HEREBY CONSULTING COLLEGES IN CHINA REGARDING PROGRAMS BUDGETS PERSONNEL REPORTING IN FULL TO US STOP EXACTING REQUIREMENTS AMERICAN FUND RAISING NECESSITATES FULLEST INFORMATION AND COOPERATION WE SOLICIT YOUR SYMPATHETIC ASSISTANCE STOP ALSO NOTIFY HUANAN.

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HARVARD-YENCHING INSTITUTE

December 4, 1942

Dear President Lin:

Thank you for your letter, dated August 29, 1942, and your report for 1941-42, which I presented to the Trustees of the Institute at their meeting on November 9, 1942. I did not receive them until November 2nd.

I was pleased to know that your History Department is now a going concern, and I approve your wise policy of emphasizing the teaching because of the increase of students in the field of Chinese studies. The feeling of the Trustees is that research is only important if it can be done in the right way and only on subjects which are worth studying; they realize that the first condition to carry on is a well-equipped library, without which even the best scholar cannot produce work of a high academic standard.

I was glad to know that, of the three people whom you added to your staff, Mr. Chiang Shin-ken is interested in the Chinese language, and that Mr. Lin Kwan-te, a graduate of Yenching University, is interested in geography. I hope that his course, in spite of the small number of students, will attract more students in the next year because, in general, geographical studies have been neglected in China. I also hope that Mr. Fu Chia-lin will contribute to the improvement of the faculty.

I was impressed by the fact that you moved your entire library to Snaowu and I hope that you have an appropriate place in which to keep the books. It was a pleasure to read your detailed report about the different books which you purchased for the library, and the Trustees appreciated the fact that the library is being improved.

I was also impressed by the large number of courses and I think they are better balanced than in your previous program.

I appreciate the fact that your effort in research is concentrated mostly on Chinese civilization in the Fukien area.

In the fourth paragraph of your letter of August 29th, you state that you did not receive any reply to your specific questions as to what should be omitted in your budget. It was not a criticism of the form of your financial report, and it has been answered by your policy of cutting down the large amount spent for administration for Board of Trustees office (salaries and expenses) in your budget for 1941-42, thus reducing the total amount spent for administration by one-half or to about 24% of the total expenditures of the University for administration, which it seems to me is normal.

The feeling of the Trustees was that, during this emergency and especially because of the inflation in China, the universities will have to take care of their teaching staffs and raise salaries to adequate amounts in order to keep your best teachers.

I notice in paragraph 6 of your budget, item 6, Chinese Literature and History Departmental Expenses of \$2,171.45. Will you be so good as to let me know what this represents.

I thank you very much for your spirit of cooperation and for your efforts in reorganizing your budget to meet the wishes of the Trustees of the Institute.

Sincerely yours,

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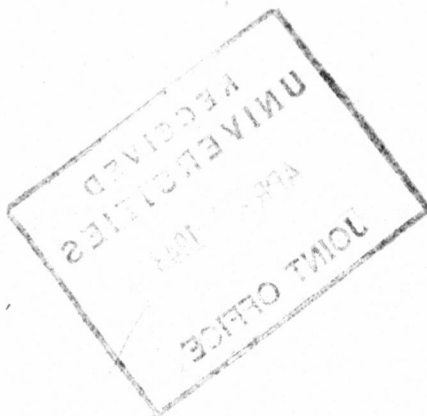
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January 9, 1943



Mr. Charles H. Corbett
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Corbett:

We are glad to know that you are now serving as a Secretary of the Associated Boards taking the place vacated by Mr. Parker. In the two letters we received from you you show that you have certainly done well for our common cause and we know that there will be constant contributions from your good self. We pledge our cooperation. Kindly let us know from time to time what we may be able to do.

In your circular letter to College Presidents dated September 24 I note with great interest your statement about the United China Relief That President McConaughy is heading it up and that satisfactory progress is being made in the financial campaign up to date. I feel a sense of close relationship with the movement because I have a degree from Wesleyan University under President McConaughy. My predecessor, Bishop John Gowdy, as well as our first President, the late Edwin Chester Jones, are both graduates of that institution. You certainly have chosen the right person and he will do much for the welfare of the Chinese during this time of difficulty.

We also note the need for cultivating friends for the colleges and the necessity of supplying material for publicity in the form of writings, letters, photographs. We have a committee on public information at Fukien and we hope you have seen the things we have sent to the New York office through Mr. Oliver Caldwell. We shall also send in accounts of some of the distinctive contributions from our graduates during this time of emergency in the form of the production of fuel oil, dye, and research work in production farm products and animal husbandry work.

We are certainly very grateful for the sincere interest and help of the American people in the welfare of China, and particularly for their courageous efforts in the prosecution of the war. It is very interesting to note Miss McAfee's work in mobilizing the women of America and the part played by the colleges there. All of this inspires us a great deal and helps us to do our part here more earnestly. We also want to thank you for the list of repatriates among whom we recognized a number of our friends.

Also I want to acknowledge your circular letter of October 30. I am particularly interested in the organization of a Committee on Executive Leadership and the appointment of Dr. William Fenn as representative of the Associated Boards in China. I have written to Dr. Fenn congratulating him as well as ourselves in having such an agent here, and we shall cooperate most loyally with him.

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I hope the Committee on Christian Character Staff and Curriculum which met on December 21 had a good beginning in discussing the future of the colleges in China. There is ~~real~~ need of a great vision and far-sighted planning. While we shall do our best in China we still look a great deal to the leadership of our Founders in America. The historical background and institutional pride and interest often blind our intelligent thinking and wise planning. To be sure we need more Christian colleges than we have at the present time, but there is also too limited a number of first class Christian teachers and administrators and financial resources. Some readjustment is needed if Christian higher education in China is to meet the challenging and growing need in this country after the war.

We have made extra copies of the minutes and documents you sent to us for both President Lucy Wang of Hwan Nan and President Baen Lee of Hangchow. You must know by this time that Hangchow is at Shaowu operating on the F.C.U. campus. President Lee and Dean Daniel C. Koo have been here since early in September, and they have taken in a new class of students, mostly from Fukien, in their Colleges of Commerce and Engineering. The curriculum for the first college year in all the colleges is more or less the same, so their students joined the F.C.U. classes. We hope that before long they will be able to have more teachers from Shanghai or elsewhere so that our classes will not be too crowded. They are starting to build new dormitories which will somewhat relieve the pressure of our limited dormitory space. We are glad to have them with us in friendly cooperation although we are practically independent of each other in every other respect. They have at the present time a little over 50 students, 10 of whom are women who live in our women's dormitory.

With kinest regards and best wishes for your work,

Yours sincerely,

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The general war situation affecting Fukien seems to be of a more serious character than during the last few months. The Japanese are bombing more often some of the important cities in this province. As they meet more difficulties in the Southwest Pacific region they may try to do something in China along the Southeast coast in connection with their preparation for holding Formosa. There is not yet, however, any indication of troop movements in the neighboring provinces of Fukien.

We are glad that you have Mr. Corbett to help you in the office. We know that you and your staff there must be working harder than ever to help all of us in China in this time of many urgent needs and requirements. We want to assure you that we shall do our part to carry on the torch of Christian Higher education in China, and we believe have even brighter possibilities now than ever. When there is occasion kindly convey our deep appreciation to your staff members.

Yours sincerely,

President.

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Cable Address:
Hsiho, Foochow

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President's Office
處公辦長校

January 9, 1943

Mr. Carl Evans
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

We had a very unfortunate thing happen in the burning of one of the buildings used as a faculty apartments in the early morning of January 5. I am enclosing herewith a copy of my letter to Dr. Fairfield for your reference. I sent him a cable on January 5 just after the fire. Our problem now is how to accommodate the five families who have no place to live although they are temporarily assigned quarters in some of the college buildings. The cost of building is so high now that we dare not undertake to build any new residences but without proper housing accommodations we can hardly keep our work going. It is still almost impossible to rent houses in the city. We would greatly appreciate it if there is any possibility of getting some extra money for providing living quarters for the older members of our faculty.

We held our Board of Managers meeting in Foochow on December 8. It was well attended and lasted from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with lunch together in between. The spirit was very fine. I am only sorry that the secretary was not able to give me the minutes before I left Foochow and they still have not come. I shall send you a copy with covering letter explaining the various actions as soon as possible. The Managers in general accepted our reports of the year as satisfactory and approved our budgets as submitted. You will remember that we asked the Trustees to put in a request to the Associated Boards for US\$60,000 Sustaining Fund which would provide for only 25% increase in salaries and allowances while the price of things in Shaowu, especially rice, have already increased 50% since the Board meeting. The national authorities in Chungking are trying to put some stop to the rise in general. We hope they will have some success. But even now our staff members are suffering from the high cost of living not being able to meet the daily necessities of the members of their families. The Board also requested to increase the appropriation from the cooperating mission boards and the strengthening of the missionary personnel, especially the Methodist to fill Mr. Kellogg's place and a man each from the Reformed Church and the Church Missionary Society. Mr. Vander Meer representing the Reformed Church and Bishop Sargent the C.M.S. thought it would be possible to do this. I hope you are still working on the Canadian members of our Board of Trustees that they may be encouraged to give us some appropriation or a person on our staff.

The fall term is drawing near to the close. We shall have a week of vacation between terms. We are not taking in a new class in the spring except transfer students. Hangchow University has advertised for a new class of freshmen, but we do not know how they will be able to accommodate them either in class or in dormitories as our dormitories are already full and they have no new staff coming.

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FUKIEN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY
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President's Office

January 9, 1943

Dr. Wynn C. Fairfield
14 Beacon Street
Boston, Massachusetts

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Dear Dr. Fairfield:

On January 5 we sent you the following cable:

"Shaowu Kellogg house completely burned January fifth
accidental fire."

The fire was definitely believed to be accidental due to some defect in the fire place. It was discovered around 3:00 a.m. by a child who saw the flame coming out between the ceiling and floor above. The men living in the apartments made every effort to get at the flame but each time when they thought they had it under control in one place it broke out in another. Even when the whole student body, men and women, brought all the water they could it was without avail and the fire got into the attic and the roof. The entire building was burned out by dawn.

The building was built and occupied by Mr. Kellogg of Shaowu. As you may remember it was the first residence in the compound of three missionary residences, the other two being the Bliss house and the Walker house. When the university moved to Shaowu we fixed the Kellogg house into five apartments. Our Dean and Dr. E. M. Stowe occupied the upper floor and three other members of our staff the first floor. When the fire was seriously on efforts were made to save the belongings of those families. There were some losses by the people on the first floor, but the losses of those on the upper floor were much greater. It was fortunate that no person was injured. There were eleven children and eight women besides the five men in that building. If the fire had not been discovered as early as it was at least two families may have been burned to death. So in spite of the great material loss we still feel very grateful that the worst did not happen.

We shall send you a picture of the skeleton of the burned building as soon as we can have it developed. We hope that a claim for insurance may be made through the proper channels. The cost of things have gone up so much that whatever insurance may be secured will hardly be enough for the replacement of the building. A rough estimate by a representative of the Arch Union Architectural Service who is here now building the Hangchow University dormitories states that with mud walls instead of brick, without counting the cost of glass and hardware, it would cost LC\$270,000 to rebuild at the present cost of materials and labor. We should appreciate it if you will cable us how much we can have from insurance for rebuilding purposes.

There is another business matter we have here, that is, the paying of taxes on the land at Shaowu. We succeeded in delaying the government action

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last year on the basis that we are operating an educational institution and that all the land of the Board is being used by the university for that purpose. This year the government authorities came again saying that the land used for buildings might be exempt from tax but that the farms outside the South Gate used for production would have to be taxed. The amount of the tax according to the present rate is 97 loads of unhulled rice which is quite high as all the land there cannot produce that much in a year's time. We have been using about 40 mou of the better land for rice experiment work. The remaining 50 mou can hardly be used for productive purposes. Shaowu has only one crop of rice a year, due to labor, fertilizer, etc., problems. Our harvest from that farm is less than 90 loads of rice from which we have to pay 40 loads as rent to the Mission Board according to our lease agreement which is the same amount the former tenant paid before we came. The government authorities hold that so long as the land is not used exclusively for educational purposes and so long as the ownership belongs to some other party the tax has to be paid. The last day of grace is January 15, after which time the tax is doubled as a fine. I have written to Mr. McClure about this as well as taking the matter up with Dr. Leger who is now acting somewhat in Storrs' place since he left, suggesting that the rent be paid first and then carry on negotiations. But the problem needs to be settled sometime soon, as the university cannot claim ownership as ownership belongs to the Mission Board and without ownership or free gift of use no claim can be made for tax exemption. I took the matter up with Mr. McClure last year when the case came up, but he could not think of any fitting way to settle the problem. I believe the property here should be kept instead of being abandoned or sold. The future opportunities for Christian work in North Fukien should be much greater, as in other parts of China, after the war. Even at the present time we feel very keenly the lack of land under our control. We need a great deal more land near us, although we have bought quite a little which amounts to almost double the space formerly occupied by the Han Mei School and missionary residences, and recently we have had to pay more than \$2000 per mou which in former years would cost less than \$50.

You have undoubtedly received our cable and air mail reports sent to the New York office stating that we have over 400 students in the university and over 100 in the Agricultural Middle School, and that things have been going on fairly well on the whole. The greatest problem is the rise in the cost of living which has brought considerable hardships upon the entire faculty and staff even to take care of the minimum living expenses of the families. We are very grateful to our Trustees who work hard for additional funds and other agencies who make special contributions. We are facing greater difficulties ahead, but we believe our work is worthwhile and will continue to do our very best for the unprecedented opportunity for the growth of Christian Higher Education in China.

Yours sincerely

(Signed) C. J. Lin

President

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February 3, 1943

Dr. C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaowu, CHINA

Dear Dr. Lin:

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This /the first opportunity I have had to answer your letter of October 24th as we have been waiting for further information regarding the developments of the other colleges which are supposed to cooperate with Fukien.

It was our hope that in some manner we would be able to reconcile the requests of other sister institutions that were endeavoring to set up their work in Fukien Province. The last mail brings us very little new light and I feel compelled to give you at least the satisfaction of a reply. Of course, I am deeply ehagrined that Fukien should be inconvenienced, to say the least, by the overtures which were made toward establishing cooperative work. Note that this is my own conviction and I am perfectly sincere in this as I seconded the proposal that the Associated Boards' grant US\$20,000 from Sustaining Funds for the reestablishment of Soochow and Hangchow. I am hoping that you will be able to report to Dr. William Fenn the situation which you outlined to Dr. Cressy, and of which you dwelt upon in your letter of October 24th to me. We look to Dr. Fenn to give us the viewpoint of all concerned and hope to establish a mutually helpful and sympathetic relationship between the Colleges, the United China Relief Committee and ourselves through his good efforts.

It is remarkable that we have received so many letters from China--delayed though they may be. Nevertheless, they are not enough and do not arrive with sufficient promptness. Things are happening so quickly in this day and age that letters two months in transit are out-dated when received. Of course, they do bring us valuable information and amplify any cables which have been sent. Thus we are grateful for the information which the letter of October 24th contained and for such progress as has been made toward a closer cooperation in the work, especially with Hangchow.

We are also grateful for the cable which came to hand giving us the information which we sought, and for the copy of the agreement worked out between President Lee and yourself. Nevertheless, in spite of all of the difficulties occasioned by the invasion of Chekiang Province, we are exceedingly grateful that it was turned back through the good work of the Chinese Army.

I am taking occasion today to cable you of the receipt of your estimate quotations of November 20th which came through in record time. This gave the estimates for 1943-44 and there is a cable going forward to Dr. Fenn urging that the figures for all the Universities be put in the hands of Dwight Edwards and also that he send to United China Relief approved figures for the 1943-44 budget.

The Fukien budget, which was enclosed in your letter, is most gratefully received.

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Very sincerely yours,

G. A. EVANS

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Via China Clipper
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February 23, 1943

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

Dear President Lin:

Herewith I transmit to you the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Associated Boards, held on February 15th, 1943. In order to save postage, we are sending only one copy and asking you to share both the minutes and the letter with the other Presidents on the Shaowu campus. There are only a few items that need comment.

You will note that considerable thought is being given to the future role of the Colleges in the post-war world and that a committee is being carefully selected to give continuous attention to this subject. May I repeat what I have previously stated, that it is recognized as fundamental here that the major decisions must be made in China, in the light of the situation that prevails when the war is over. But it is also realized that it is essential that careful study be given both in America and Great Britain, to the changing scene in China, so that western friends of the Colleges may be prepared to cooperate promptly and intelligently with the Boards of Managers in China.

It is felt that you have no doubt done considerable thinking on the subject already, and will do a great deal more before the war is over. The members of the Executive Committee will welcome at any time suggestions that you may have, and they hope you will not hesitate to write with the utmost freedom, and not wait for a deputation to be sent from here. Even should such a deputation materialize - and there is no certainty that it will - you would still be invited to send your ideas directly to this office. This is the meaning of the paragraph at the end of page 2.

The problem of finance is such a difficult one that the Special Committee on Emergency Askings requested that its membership be enlarged and that it be allowed more time to study the matter. Before this letter reaches you, word will probably be sent by radiogram on this vital subject, so that you will know on what basis you may plan for the coming year.

The creation of a Committee on Medical Education ought to strengthen this important part of our work. The personnel is being carefully selected and will include both physicians and nurses with a background of experience in China, as well as acquaintance with the best procedures here. As soon as the group is organized we shall have more definite word to report about what it will attempt to do, but one thing can be predicted with certainty - it will ask for much more information about the present status of the medical schools, to supplement the very incomplete reports we now have.

With very kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

CHC:D

Charles H. Corbett

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MINUTES OF MEETING
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
ASSOCIATED BOARDS FOR CHRISTIAN COLLEGES IN CHINA

10:00 A.M., Monday, February 15, 1943
Room 900, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York

List of Members

Dr. J. W. Decker, Chairman

Fukien	Amy O. Welcher	W. C. Fairfield	*F. T. Cartwright
Ginling	Sallie L. MacKinnon	*Mrs. Emory Ross	
Hangchow	Lloyd S. Ruland	H. Kerr Taylor	
Hua Chung	*John W. Wood		
Hwa Nan	*Mrs. L. H. Hough	Mrs. A. E. Beebe	
Lingnan	*Edward H. Hume	*O. D. Wannamaker	
Nanking	*J. W. Decker	R. E. Diffendorfer	Lloyd S. Ruland
Shanghai	C. E. Maddry	Mrs. C. H. Sears	Forrest Smith
Shantung	Lloyd S. Ruland	*S. M. Milliken	*C. M. Wright
Shantung Wom. Comm.	Mrs. J. M. Avann	Mrs. E. L. Phillips	
Soochow	A. W. Wasson	W. G. Cram	
West China	*Herbert Welch	*J. W. Decker	*F. T. Cartwright
	J. H. Arnup		
West China Wom. Comm.	Mrs. G. D. Atkinson	Sallie Lou MacKinnon	
Yenching	E. M. McBrier	*Eric M. North	*F. D. Gamewell
	Girvan N. Snider		
Yenching Col. Comm.	*Mrs. J. H. Finley	*Mrs. C. C. Parlin	
Coopted	Mrs. C. K. Roys	Samuel Thorne	
	Harold B. Hoskins	*Oliver S. Lyford	*E. C. Lobenstine
Ex Officio	*J. W. Decker	E. M. McBrier	

Those whose names are starred were present, as were: Dr. A. E. Armstrong as proxy for Dr. Arnup and Dr. Roland Cross as proxy for Dr. Fairfield. Members of the staff who were present were: Mrs. Mills, Mr. Evans, Mr. Corbett and Mr. Caldwell.

REGRETS FOR NON-ATTENDANCE

Regrets for non-attendance were received from: Mrs. J. M. Avann, Mrs. Albert E. Beebe, Dr. W. G. Cram, Dr. R. E. Diffendorfer, Dr. Wynn C. Fairfield, Lt. Col. Harold B. Hoskins, Dr. Charles E. Maddry, Mr. E. M. McBrier, Mrs. Ellis L. Phillips, Mrs. Charles Kirkland Roys, Dr. Lloyd S. Ruland, Mrs. Charles H. Sears, Mr. Forrest Smith, Dr. Samuel Thorne, Miss Amy O. Welcher and Mrs. G. D. Atkinson.

The Chairman called upon Dr. Wood to open the meeting with prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Attention was called to the following Minutes of the Associated Boards which had been distributed:

(a) Executive Committee, October 2nd, 1942. It was

E-1470 VOTED: To approve these Minutes as circulated.

(b) Circulation Votes, Committee on Scholarships - November 12, 1942 and January 5, 1943. It was

E-1471 VOTED: To approve the Circulation Votes, Committee on Scholarships, of November 12, 1942 and January 5, 1943, as circulated.

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(c) Special Committee on Emergency Askings, November 27, 1942. It was

E-1472 VOTED: To approve the Minutes of the Special Committee on Emergency Askings, November 27, 1942, as circulated.

(d) Committee on Promotion, December 1, 1942. It was

E-1473 VOTED: To approve the Minutes of the Committee on Promotion, December 1, 1942 as circulated.

(e) Committee on Christian Character, Staff and Curriculum, December 21, 1942.
It was

E-1474 VOTED: To approve the Minutes of the Committee on Christian Character, Staff and Curriculum, December 21, 1942, as circulated, with an expression of appreciation.

The Chairman expressed the opinion that we are very much indebted to Dr. Van Dusen for the way in which he is giving leadership to the Committee on Christian Character, Staff and Curriculum, and stated that the conference held on December 21, 1942 was worth while in bringing together a considerable amount of material on the present situation of the Colleges and the future which they face.

During the discussion a feeling developed that the impact of the December 21st meeting should be conserved as much as possible and that other committees should be brought into the further consideration of the problems of the future, especially as related to the post-war planning.

After considerable discussion as to the best way to secure a committee that would be thoroughly representative of all the Colleges and of the standing committees of the Associated Boards, and at the same time would provide adequately for the consideration of new points of view, it was

E-1475 VOTED: To refer to the Committee on Executive Leadership the question of a planning committee to be set up, composed of representatives from each college board, either the chairman or some one appointed by him, plus such additional membership as is necessary to provide for adequate representation of the main committees of the Associated Boards - the Executive Committee, the Finance Committee, the Committee on Christian Character, Staff and Curriculum, and the Committee on Promotion - as well as outside experts who would contribute to the discussion. The Committee on Executive Leadership to report back to the Executive Committee at its next meeting.

It was also

E-1476 VOTED: To ask the Executive Secretary at this time to write to the committee in London and advise them in general what we are planning to do in this matter, with the suggestion that they set up a similar committee in England.

A further suggestion was made that, as our Chinese colleagues are undoubtedly thinking about the future, steps should be taken to find out what they are thinking, and to make them feel that they are free to express their ideas directly to us, and not merely through an investigator sent from here.

MINUTES OF THE UNITED COMMITTEE IN LONDON, NOVEMBER 20, 1942

The following summary of the minutes was presented:-

The principal business of this meeting was connected with the United Aid to China Fund. It was reported that up to the time of the meeting, the sum of £221,000 had been raised, of which £120,000 had been transmitted to Madame Chiang to allocate in consultation with the British Ambassador and the First Secretary of the Embassy. Among Madame Chiang's allocations was a grant of £25,000 to "Christian Institutions of Higher Learning."

In view of this large grant, and the fact that the average annual income of the United Committee does not ordinarily exceed £1,500, it was agreed that any funds received by the Committee during the current year in excess of this amount would be handed over to the United Aid to China Fund.

Action was taken inviting Rev. Noel B. Slater to accept the position of Secretary to the United Committee for Christian Universities in China for a period of six years in the first instance, the London Missionary Society being requested to extend the present arrangement for the duration of the war, with the hope that Mr. Slater's services might be secured on a full-time basis after the war.

Because the name "Cheeloo" means so little in England, it was decided to seek permission from the Board of Governors of Shantung Christian University to suggest to local Associations that the name be changed from the local "Cheeloo" Association to the "United Committee for Christian Universities" such and such.

In commenting on the foregoing summary of the Minutes of the British Section, the Secretary explained in relation to the distribution of £25,000, that £2,000 was granted to each of the Colleges with the exception of Hwa Nan, which received £1,000. This grant has somewhat modified our requests to United China Relief for further funds. Some of the Colleges will be able to finish their year without deficits. £1,000 additional was granted to West China as the host for the occasion, which presumably will give them £3,000 instead of £2,000.

The Executive Committee noted with pleasure that Mr. Slater had been appointed Secretary to the United Committee for Christian Universities in China, and asked the Secretary to write to him.

REPORTS FROM CHINA

The Secretary reported that a letter has been received from Dr. Fenn wherein he states that he is perfectly willing to go ahead with the work assigned to him and will do the best he can. Presumably at the present time he is in the eastern part of China among the Fukien group. The spirit of his letter is admirable and tells us that Dr. Fenn has no illusions as to what kind of work is required of him and the difficulties. This letter has been circulated among the officers of the Executive Committee of the Associated Boards. It was

E-1477 VOTED: That the Executive Committee is gratified that Dr. Fenn has accepted the appointment and has begun his work in China.

The Secretary gave a brief summary of the status of the Christian Colleges in China at the present time.

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The Chairman stated that the authorities of the University of Shanghai in this country are pressing the matter of some formal re-establishment of an official board to represent the University and that some work has been started in Shanghai and some at Shaowu.

With regard to reports from Dr. Fenn, it was stated that none had been received with the exception of reports on the financial situation.

RESIGNATION OF DR. A. L. WARNSHUIS

The Secretary read a letter which had been received from Dr. Warnshuis tendering his resignation as a member of the Committee on Promotion. It was

E-1478 VOTED: To accept with regret the resignation of Dr. A. L. Warnshuis from the membership of the Committee on Promotion.

It was also

E-1479 VOTED: To refer to the Nominating Committee the question of the vacancy on the Committee on Promotion, due to the resignation of Dr. A. L. Warnshuis.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP

The Chairman reported that since the last meeting of the Executive Committee in October, the Committee on Executive Leadership has had six or seven meetings; that it has had a conference with one candidate for the position of Executive Secretary and is soon to meet with another candidate. As the Committee on Executive Leadership does not have the power to make a final decision, its recommendations when ready will be presented to the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON EMERGENCY ASKINGS

The Secretary stated that at the request of the Chairman of the Special Committee on Emergency Askings, he had prepared a study of the A.B.C.C.C. budgets 1943-1944 - (See Appendix A). He explained that the figures did not include the regular on-going budgets of the Colleges and therefore the amounts for the cost per pupil apply only to that part carried by emergency funds. He added that in view of the serious financial situation in China and the fact that the Colleges are asking for twice as much money for sustaining funds as last year, the Committee had decided to request that its membership be enlarged and that it be given further time for the study of the matter before making recommendation to the Executive Committee. It was therefore

E-1480 VOTED: That the Chairman add four members to the present Special Committee on Emergency Askings, bringing the total membership to ten, with instructions to report back to the Executive Committee.

In connection with the foregoing discussion, it was pointed out that the money being raised in Great Britain should help in solving this problem, and that perhaps Canadian friends might help out in a similar way.

It was then reported that the Canadian Red Cross had raised some \$300,000 for China Relief and that the next Red Cross drive has earmarked half a million dollars for China Relief.

REPORT ON PROMOTION

Mr. Caldwell presented a staff report on the promotional program, a copy of which

is attached to these Minutes as Appendix B.

It was suggested that a report of the contributions received through the World Day of Prayer should be included in promotional results.

REPORT ON UNITED CHINA RELIEF

The Secretary reported that United China Relief concluded its 1942 campaign with \$7,000,000, of which amount the Colleges will secure presumably by the end of the year \$600,000. However, there is pressure upon us to decrease our askings this year because the Community Chest, War Relief Funds and the Red Cross will ask for large amounts and a China Relief campaign cannot be instituted until the Fall of 1943.

NEED FOR A COMMITTEE ON MEDICAL EDUCATION

It was reported that United China Relief has organized an "Advisory Committee on Medicine and Public Health" with several sub-committees including one on "Medical Education" and that the Associated Boards are consequently under increased pressure for facts about the present status of their medical schools and their future plans. The question was therefore raised whether the time had not come for the Associated Boards to have their own "Committee on Medical Education." Several members expressed approval of the suggestion. It was therefore

E-1481 VOTED: That the Chairman be asked to appoint a Committee on Medical Education, the membership of which is not to exceed nine persons.

LETTERS FROM HARVARD-YENCHING INSTITUTE

The Secretary stated that it is well known that the Harvard-Yenching Institute as an expression of its warm interest in the China Colleges, has voted \$78,000 for them this year. We have also received letters expressing the deep concern of the Institute in the on-going work of the Colleges, and its interest in a closer coordination of the work. That is the burden of a letter going out to the Trustees and to the Chairman of Boards of Managers, and the Presidents of our Universities and Colleges.

The hope was expressed both by Dr. North and by the Chairman that the letter would be read very carefully because it has important implications for the future.

INTERCULTURAL RELATIONS

A brief statement was presented on "The Christian Colleges and the Sino-American Cultural Program" with suggestions as to what the Colleges might do. Members of the Committee were asked to read and consider this statement. (Appendix C).

It was reported also that Dr. Y. C. Yang has now taken up part-time work with the Chinese News Service and is going to organize a Speakers' Bureau.

COMMITTEE ON GREATER UNITY

Dr. North gave a brief report on the present status of the conference with the Regents' Charter Committee, saying that it is hoped another meeting with the committee can be arranged this month and then perhaps have more specific information.

ACADEMY OF POLITICAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCE

It was reported that the Academy of Political and Social Science had requested that the Associated Boards appoint three representatives to set with that group.

It was

E-1482 VOTED: That Dr. Gamewell be appointed to represent the Associated Boards on the Academy of Political and Social Science, and that the possibility of adding two other members from the vicinity of Philadelphia be referred to the staff.

LISLE FELLOWSHIP

It was reported that another request had been received from the Lisle Fellowship asking the Associated Boards to appoint a representative on the National Advisory Board of the Fellowship. It was

E-1483 VOTED: To refer to the Nominating Committee for their further study and recommendation, the matter of having a representative of the Associated Boards on the National Advisory Board of the Lisle Fellowship.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Committee took note of the fact that the annual meeting of the Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China will be held on May 3 - 4, the balance of that week being given over to annual meetings of the various College boards.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 12:40 P.M. after closing with a prayer by Bishop Welch.

Charles H. Corbett
Charles H. Corbett
Secretary

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Cable Address:
Hsiho, Foochow

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President's Office
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March 26, 1943

Mr. Carl A. Evans
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

Let me make a brief report to you and through you to our Trustees of the conditions at the university since the opening of the spring term, 1943. We now have a student body of 358, including 77 women. We graduated nine students in January and dropped several on account of their academic standard. The rest discontinued their studies temporarily either because of illness or financial difficulties. We did not take in a new class of students in the spring, but the living conditions of the students and the facilities for academic work are as crowded as ever as Hangchow Christian College did take in a new class of freshmen and we have to accommodate all of them at the present time.

The students have a very fine spirit as all of the new students taken in last fall are now accustomed to the F.C.U. ways of life. More emphasis is put on self-help through manual labor, and greater attention is being given to religious guidance through the organization of a university church. The academic curriculum, as well as the teaching personnel, remains practically the same as that of last semester.

The ever present problem of the living condition of the faculty and staff members is still before us. The jump in prices since July, 1942, has been rather phenomenal, and the speed at which increases in price have been taking place has not decreased to the present time. In spite of the additional relief which we were able to distribute from the special grant of the British Relief Fund of £2000 there is still considerable privation among our faculty families. We are now working to effect a little relief by increasing the living subsidy by 50% of the basic salary beginning with March. We hope that additional income might be had for the next fiscal year beginning with July, 1943, in the form of a larger amount from the Associated Boards appropriations than we asked for, namely US\$16,000 in addition to the 1942-43 budget, or US\$6,000 making a total of US\$22,000 increase over the US\$45,000.

I am planning to leave here around the middle part of April for Chengtu to attend the Council of Higher Education meeting there on May 5. President Lucy-Wan Lee of Hangchow and possibly President Lucy Wang of Hwanan College will make the trip together with me. We hope to discuss the general question of higher Christian education in China and the future problems connected therewith.

Yours sincerely,

CJL:A

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March 26, 1943

Mr. C. A. Evans
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

Enclosed herewith please find a copy of the minutes of the annual meeting of the Board of Managers held on December 8, 1942, in Foochow. I wrote you almost immediately after the meeting about the spirit of the group. I regret that due to the delay in receiving the official minutes from the Secretary we have not been able to send you the minutes with a covering letter earlier.

A copy of the president's report was sent to you in December and a copy of the treasurer's report in August of last year. We have not been able to arrange for the auditing of our books for the last two years. Mr. Paulson promised to come back from Lichwan, Kiangsi, in the near future to do the work for us. We have also written you previously about our revised budget for 1942-43 and the budget estimates for 1943-44. I hope the votes in the minutes are clear. I only wish to call your attention to the following few points.

1. Finances for 1943-44. You will note that we are asking for an additional grant of US\$16,000 for the 1943-44 budget over and above the sum granted for 1942-43. If it is possible we hope that you will be able to secure additional funds as you can easily see that the plan for a 25% increase in salaries for our staff members is far from meeting the needs. The departmental expenses would in most cases have to be increased 100%, due to the rapid rise in the cost of things generally. We requested only US\$16,000, as I wrote you before, in order to keep the total amount of the budget down as low as possible so as not to prejudice the United China Relief. I have talked this over with Dr. William Fenn who was here March 14 - 18, and he gave me the personal confession that our budget was the only one which he recommended in full, and suggested that our plan for increase in faculty and staff salaries should be 50% instead of 25%.

2. Department of Rural Education. I believe I wrote you before about the facts of our Education Department being discontinued by the Ministry of Education. In view of the volume of correspondence both with the Ministry of Education and friends in Chungking together with further information learned from the recent visits of Bishop W. Y. Onen and Dr. William Fenn, it is a foregone conclusion that the action of the Ministry cannot be rescinded. We have, therefore, applied for the reorganization of the department into a Department of Rural Education and Service, but have not yet had a definite reply from the Ministry. I am planning to take the matter up with them myself during my visit to Chungking in connection with the Council of Higher Education meeting at Chengtu early in May. We felt that our educational service to the Christian secondary schools in Fukien at least should be kept up in some way. If we can establish the new department as proposed our service will be enlarged instead of curtailed.

3. Graduate Work. A word of explanation may be needed concerning our plans for graduate work in the future. It is not to be done right away, but plans should be ready when the opportunity comes. We have, probably, one of the best college libraries in this country in Chinese Literature and History and our Harvard-Yenching fund is sufficient to finance additional teaching staff for higher studies which are in such great demand both for teachers in the high schools and for graduates of colleges

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who wish to pursue their work further. It is almost impossible for students now to go to other institutions in China because of the prohibitive cost of travel. It was estimated by Bishop Chen and Dr. Fenn that the cost of a one-way trip to Chengtu would cost LC\$8000, from Fukien. Our Biology Department is probably among the strongest in the country. Fukien is also among the few best places in China for botanical specimens which we have been collecting during the last twenty-seven years with good results. We have graduated students in the Biology Department who are now head of departments in many other colleges in China. It does not call, therefore, for materials and expensive equipment from abroad, and if the war goes on for a considerable length of time it would probably be the best for F.C.U. to add graduate work in this line. To put the plan into effect for both of these departments the only requirement would be to get two or three additional qualified men. When it is effected it will greatly enhance our academic work, research studies, and better training for teachers.

4. Fellowship Funds. We are planning to establish three or four fellowships for further study at F.C.U. for alumni and for further study for our tested graduate assistants at other universities in China. Dr. Elisseff of the Harvard-Yenching Institut has suggested this to us several times, but the opportunity in those days ¹⁹³⁹ were limited to Yenching and we could not get persons to go to occupied territory in North China. We are planning now for one to study Philosophy and one History in Chungking for next year, and another fellowship will be granted for Agricultural Economics. The amount is around LC\$3000 each per year, and we specify that the fellows should return to F.C.U. for teaching work for at least double the number of years they received the grant from us.

5. The Request to Mission Boards for Increased Support. This is a question which we have raised several times before, and we hope that now you can put in a further request for us to the Mission Boards concerned. Mr. William Vander Meer, representing the Reformed Church of America, said that they have on their candidate list at least seven new persons whom the Board will send out in connection with their Centenary Celebration and that there is certainly a good chance for F.C.U. to get one. He promised to write to the Board also. It may be that we should press for the appointment of a missionary teacher first and then they would probably make a larger appropriation as well to carry on the work of their representative. Any person qualified academically in any field would be needed in F.C.U. Should you want some preferences to submit we mention the following, listed in the order of importance: Agriculture, English, Religion, Physics or Mathematics, Chemistry, Botany.

Bishop Carleton Lacy of the Methodist Church has recently written me that he has received a cable from Dr. Cartwright that Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Bishop, formerly of the Christian Herald Industrial Mission, have been appointed as regular members of the of the Methodist Church to join the F.C.U. faculty to take the place of Professor C. R. Kellogg. We are glad of this action and we hope that you will exert your influence on the Methodists to send them out as soon as possible. The Bishops will be a good addition to our work. Mr. Bishop can help us in setting up industrial educational work which we want so much to do and Mrs. Bishop can help in Education.

Bishop Sargent of the Church Missionary Society said he had already requested the C.M.S. to send a man whom he mentioned by name as soon as war conditions would permit. Recently he is willing to send one of their missionary doctors already on the field to Shaowu at the Society's expense as our college physician, but on account of his being an Austrian there is some difficulty in securing the necessary passport for him to come to Shaowu.

The financial question is a real serious one viewed from the mission boards' side. You can see that their appropriations have been steadily decreasing and that altogether they constitute a small amount of the university income. We have long been conscious of the fact that we have to depend so much on the Sustaining Fund which comes from the United China Relief. Unless in some way we can have the mission boards take greater interest in the work of the university directly in the form of larger

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appropriations it will be not only serious for the life of the institution in the future, but will also threaten the character of the educational service as they would have to depend more and more on funds from agencies not so much interested in seeing that the Christian character is maintained and promoted. We in F.C.U. would, of course, always keep our objective clearly before us, but we would be greatly handicapped by the meager financial support when the additional funds are dropped. I believe this is the time to put this question more pointedly before our cooperating Mission Boards. While pledging our absolute loyalty we would ask them to start doing more in the way of support if they consider the work at all worthwhile.

6. Department of Religion. After the Board meeting this special committee met for a long session. It was felt that the question could be dealt with more thoroughly in a later conference which Bishop Carleton Lacy has been asked by the Nanking Theological Seminary to call sometime in the summer to consider the whole question of the training of religious workers in this part of the country, and our Board's special committee thought we could better put our efforts into the general meeting and planning. There is, therefore, no specific recommendation to be made right now. It may be mentioned, however, that our South Fukien people feel very strongly that such a department at the university is urgently needed because a number of young people down there are now deprived of any kind of opportunity for training for the Christian service on a college level.

7. Planning for the Future of the University. You will remember that we proposed to the Trustees three years ago our plan for the future of the university in connection with our Twenty-Fifth Anniversary Fund. At that time we outlined a group of buildings which might be needed, and Mr. Paul P. Wiant of the Union Architectural Service in Foochow has since made plans for the academic buildings and residences. It is the general feeling of the Board that plans should be made more definitely as time goes on so that when peace comes we shall be able to move back and continue our work without too much interruption. Owing to the difficulty of securing materials it is probably not advisable to do anything specific now, but they suggest two things that should be done as soon as possible; namely, (1) the securing of additional land near our Foochow campus, and (2) planning for communication between Foochow and the university so that in case of a rush we could place faculty families in rented buildings in Foochow. Owing to the lack of funds we are not able to go ahead very much with the land purchase.

Yours sincerely,

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April 10, 1943

President's Office
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Mr. Charles H. Corbett
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Corbett:

We have received your letter of February 2 together with the minutes, all of which I have read with great interest and shared with our faculty members. It is undoubtedly one of the main problems which we must deal with in China, and particularly in our coming conference in Chengtu on May 5. I have mentioned some of my opinions of the problems in my letter of April 10 to Mr. Evans. We are very grateful for what your friends have been doing for us, and we hope that we shall be deserving of your continued support.

We really must think in terms of the needs of China after the war in relation to the possible financial support from America. For the former, not only the present number of Christian colleges need not be reduced, but additional ones need to be established as suggested by several speakers in your New York conference, in the yet undeveloped regions in the northwest, southwest, and northeast of China when we recover Manchuria. On the other hand, if the financial resources cannot be had to continue as we are now, which we believe is not likely, then the question of rehabilitating those campuses which have been either destroyed or taken by the Japanese would call for an enormous sum of money, and the Associated Boards really should plan quite definitely how many centers they are going to rehabilitate without jeopardizing the continued development of other college centers which could go on straightway without much difficulty or additional expense, and the further development of Christian higher education in China as a whole. It is quite contradictory to human nature to expect that the various colleges in China would vote to close down themselves, so some additional forces should be supplied to work out a more rational plan which should be organized as soon as possible if we are going to avoid the repetition of former duplication and overlapping of work.

We are much obliged to you for giving us your reaction to the recent developments in America with regard to industrial research work, the women's movement and their part in the war, and the conditions of the colleges in America. It all brings to us more clearly what our friends in America have been doing to meet the war situation which we in China have been lagging far behind. In thinking of our small interests we forget the larger objectives we all struggle to attain, namely, the liberation of people everywhere from military power and oppression and the establishment of a more just and peaceful world order. So often we labor ourselves weary over our own small undertakings and lose sight of the larger tasks. We are glad to have your reports to remind us of the larger things at which we should aim. We always have great pleasure in reading your accounts.

We are, of course, glad to hear of the steady progress of the United China Relief campaign. We hope that through this some permanent channels can be opened for the constant support of the Christian work in China which we shall need for some years yet to come, although we should like to be able to gradually develop such support from the Christian sources here.

Yours sincerely,

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President's Office
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April 10, 1943

Mr. Carl A. Evans
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

Your letter dated February 3 was much appreciated. Your sympathy in our effort to find a new way for cooperation in Christian higher education gave us much encouragement and inspiration though so far we find disappointments. Dr. William Fenn has been here and he has seen things himself. He did not express to us his own opinion but he might report to the Associated Boards directly. Undoubtedly we shall have problems of this kind, namely, cooperation of the colleges after the war, as a chief part of our discussion at the meeting in Chengtu on May 5. Both President Lee and myself are leaving here around April 12 for West China. You were good enough to ask about our relationships, and also from the last few circular letters from Mr. Corbett I feel free to again express what I feel about the problem just for your reference.

As I wrote you sometime ago before our Shaowu Federated University adventure, it would be a good time now to have some definite plan in mind and do some real work in coordination of the Christian Colleges in China. Although we have delayed so long, due to no fault of any one, the chances are still good if we have the vision and courage to do it. One of the chief problems seems to be that the Associated Boards feel the initiative should come from China, and the Chinese here feel that a larger share of the initiative should be taken in New York. This certainly does not mean that we are trying to pass the buck, but it reveals a point of real difficulty. New York cannot determine specifically what should be done on account of the lack of clear information, and China cannot take the initiative on account of institutional loyalty backed up by denominational or board support. If we really believe that there will not be enough money to carry on the work of the thirteen Christian colleges as before the war, some specific steps should be taken, possibly from the New York side having to do with giving the financial support, so that those institutions which may not need to be continued after the war need not to struggle at the present time but might look forward to some kind of union or combination if they want to continue their service in a larger form. This, of course, would seem a hard thing to do because these struggling institutions have suffered so much already would be given further difficulties, and one's sympathies could be easily aroused to maintain the status quo and let everybody go on as they are. There seems to be the need of some kind of impartial commission representing both New York and China to collect all the facts available and make a final decision with regard to the continuation or enlargement of certain colleges after the war, and everybody should stand ready to abide by the same.

The other side of the question would be based on the needs of China after the war, and from that point of view thirteen Christian colleges would not be enough in spite of the enormous growth of the government universities and colleges which will follow when the war is over, as in many places there are enough Christians and many other people who would prefer to send their children to Christian colleges provided they are maintained on a high standard. All of us, of course, wish this could be the case if the question of finances could be solved. The only question then would be how to coordinate some of the work ^{done} by the various colleges and universities which would be

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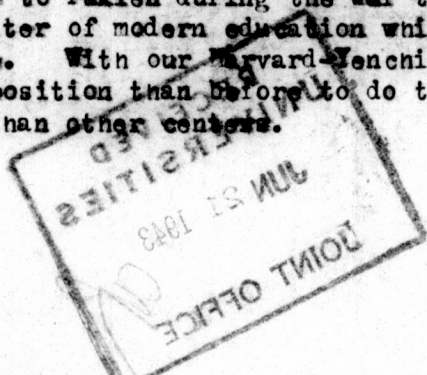
fairly simple since most of us are grouped in different centers and are quite far apart. The chief difficulties would be in East China if those colleges are going to be rehabilitated at all, and secondly in Fukien where we have F.C.U. and Hwa Nan, and thirdly in North China between Yenching and Cheeloo, and fourth Hua Chung College. Then, as before, the so-called East China problem, namely, how those six colleges in Nanking and Shanghai will be correlated, in two centers or in one, and if one center ~~one~~ colleges with several junior colleges or a university with postgraduate work with different undergraduate colleges with definite fields of service? It would require a great deal of money to rebuild all of those college campuses which now are more or less left in skeleton form only with practically all of their equipment and library gone. It seems to be true that out of the thirteen colleges, with the exception of St. Johns which remained in Shanghai, there are only two whose equipment and other physical property have been kept intact, that is, West China Union University and F.C.U. In fact, on both of these campuses additional buildings have been added and so far as Fukien is concerned we have considerably increased our equipment and library collection since the war broke out in 1937. Our Shaoow campus in buildings and land is larger than our Foochow campus and with the road opened again later on these two campuses will be only about a day's journey apart by bus. Very little would be needed for the physical rehabilitation while an enormous amount of money would be needed for other institutions to return to their old places.

Fukien also has a steadily increasing Christian constituency which for a long time has been by far the largest in China in proportion to the population and also in the number of Christian communicants and leadership. Fukien also has the largest number of Christian middle schools both in the number of institutions and in student enrollment. This province is very rich in natural gifts for the study of the biological science as both flora and fauna grows in abundance here in this semi-tropical climate. It is famous not only for its abundance, but also variety as the semi-tropical climate can to a certain extent accommodate both the northern and southern varieties. The production of timber from the forests of North Fukien is probably now the largest in China, not including Manchuria and Central China. The Fukien tea used to be the most famous in the world and Fukien is still the best producing region in China. We have special fruits and vegetables with which no other places in China can compare, such as citrus fruits, lychees, etc. With the coming of so many universities and colleges to Fukien during the war time, altogether about fifteen, Fukien has become a real center of modern education which will raise further the cultural level of the province. With our Harvard-Yenching connections and financial resources we are in a better position than before to do that work more effectively after the war, possibly better than other centers.

Yours sincerely,

B. J. Lin

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June 25, 1943

Dr. C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaowu, CHINA

Dear Dr. Lin:

Your letter of January 8th was held for presentation to the Finance Committee of Fukien Christian University. This referred particularly to the investment of the 25th Anniversary Funds. As a result the Committee voted to invest the cash in U. S. Treasury 2% Bonds due in 1950-52. It is anticipated that these bonds should within two years appreciate a point or two.

We are keeping in touch with all of the Fukien staff and hope that they will be able to return to Fukien at no distant date. By that I mean all of them, at the present time, are definitely tied up to some project or other and as it is a serious question regarding transportation, we cannot do much until these things are clarified.

We have not been able to use Dr. Sutton as he has been carrying on a full-time job at Alfred University. We extended him an invitation to come to the Planning Committee meeting in December, but he could not come. Likewise an invitation to the Associated Boards meeting in May could not be accepted.

I do not think that Mr. Corbett has referred to the travel situation in America, especially in the Eastern States. All pleasure driving is prohibited and for essential work one is allowed a gallon and a half per week. The trains are so crowded with enlisted men that it makes such kind of transportation exceedingly difficult. The newspapers carried a request the other day "to stay home this summer" so as to provide all facilities for the Armed Forces. Thus we have not been able to do any itinerant work in promotion. It is also difficult to get people to attend meetings. Churches likewise have felt the effect.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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President's Office
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January 8, 1943

Mr. C. A. Evans
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

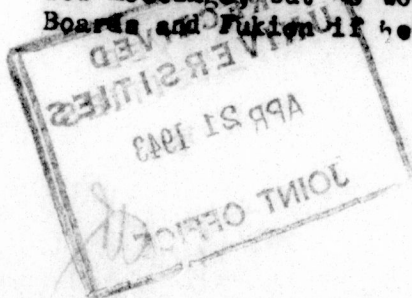
In reply to your letter of November 7 to Miss Asher asking our opinion about the investment of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary Fund, which we are glad to know has come to \$34,000 plus and which may reach the goal of \$50,000 before long, we suggest that the fund be invested on a short term basis, say not more than two years. As you remember, our Trustees had the idea of letting us use this fund in connection with building up our Foochow campus when we return. It will cost us a great deal of money to get ready to return to work on the old campus and we do not want to have money tied up for twelve years in the form of defense bonds.

We also want you to inform the F.C.U. people in America that we expect for them to return to us as early as conditions will permit, particularly Dr. W. J. Sutton, Dr. Theodore Chen, Mr. Yang Hsin Pao, Mr. Li Yi Ying (Chemistry), and Mr. Cheng Chung Fu (Botany), University of Southern California. I know you will keep us in touch with their plans as well as keeping them in touch in regard to our need of them.

Have you ever thought of making good use of Dr. Sutton's time in connection with the Associated Boards publicity work while he is in America. He is one of the best educated persons I have known in an all-around way as well as in his own line of study, Chemistry. He writes good English and is a good speaker, not in the sense of oratorical effectiveness, but in his plain, clear presentation and earnestness of purpose. He understands China and the Chinese very well, and I believe he knows the condition of Christian higher education in China as well. You may not find him to be a very valuable man in the first few meetings, but he would certainly be a great asset to the cause of the Associated Boards and Fukiens if he could be put into some position of helpfulness.

Yours sincerely,

B. L. Yin
President.



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June 28, 1943

Dr. C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shagwu, CHINA

Dear Dr. Lin:

The burning of the faculty apartment was reported to the Annual Meeting of the Board and a resolution passed requesting the American Board to make the adjustment in insurance as soon as possible. I have not had any news from them recently so do not know what progress is being made.

The report which you made covering the Board of Managers meeting was likewise presented to the meeting and suitable action taken. These will all be reported when the minutes are completed and I will write you more in detail at that time.

At present I am trying to clear from my desk a mass of correspondence which has accumulated during the Annual Meetings and subsequent thereto.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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June 29, 1943

President C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaswu, CHINA

Dear President Lin:

Your letter of March 26th was most welcome only it would have been much more welcomed had it arrived in time for the meeting.

As I view it now, we shall have to have another meeting of the Board some time in the Fall.

The statement regarding the financial condition has been given consideration and as I have written elsewhere the goal for next year for Fukien is \$65,000—one-half of which is guaranteed by the Associated Boards and as the campaign progresses you will be notified of the results.

Presumably you were not at the meeting of the Council of Higher Education, but hope that you were able to be with the group which met the following week.

With sincerest best regards to you, I am

Most cordially yours,

C. A. EVANS

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s.s. via next Clipper

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July 10, 1943

President C. J. Lin
Miss Eva M. Asher
Fukien Christian University
Shaowu, CHINA

Dear Friends:

Copies of the minutes of the Annual Meeting are enclosed herewith. While it was not well attended, yet those present were deeply interested and fully recognized the responsibilities, as well as opportunities in the present-day situation in China. Notice that I have stated "opportunities" in relation to "present-day" situations. Confidentially, I am at a loss sometimes to understand the limited vision of some of our very best and oldest friends. Possibly, it is in myself that I have not been able to lead them out of this provincialism but, nevertheless, it is a situation which must be met. Anyway the spirit of the meeting was fine and the very first major action (T-1291) brought forth the warmest kind of commendation and expression of interest and sympathy. The prayers of the entire membership of the Board certainly is with Fukien, and later a letter will be sent to you signed by both the President and the Assistant Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

Conditions at Shaowu. The Board was deeply interested in the report on conditions, and also regarding the fire at the Kellogg home. The American Board already has in hand a request from Fukien to hurry up the adjustments on the burnt property. Other comments upon the conditions will be cited later under the proper heading.

Meeting of the Board of Managers. We were grateful for this report and later we received the minutes which have been distributed to the Board of Trustees. It is our plan that later on - possibly in the Fall - we will have another meeting of this group and make every effort to secure a large attendance. One thing necessary will be a more detailed consideration of the reports from the Committee on Greater Unity and we must have a larger percentage of attendance. At that time further discussion may emerge from these minutes.

In relation to Action T-1293, we have already received word that the Church Missionary Society has restored its appropriation of US\$1,111 to be paid in China and the transfer of one missionary to the Fukien staff. At the present time, our duty is to commend the Church Missionary Society and its representatives for this achievement.

Two things emanated from our Associated Boards Annual Meeting which are executive staff here in the office feels more keenly than the members of the Board of Trustees. It is to the effect that the Mission Boards must pay more attention to the Christian Education in China if they expect to continue their work in this branch in China. Obviously it is in cooperation and under the management of our Chinese colleagues but we must have a greater devotion to this work if the future holds any prospects of development. Action T-1294 was only one instance of where trustees were inspired to take a larger view of present-day opportunities.

Report from Everett Stone. This letter was read with great interest and the Board requested that it be attached to the minutes and distributed to the entire members of the Board of Trustees.

REQUEST FOR RETURN OF STAFF MEMBERS. We have been in touch with this group of Fukien faculty and will do our best to get them back to China as soon as possible. Frankly, we have a terrific task here in America on this very score—it being broadened out by the total membership of Chinese staff in America caught here by the war. In many instances they do not wish to return because of travel dangers. In other cases it is the

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President Lin
Miss Asher

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living problem linked up with exchange and high cost of commodities. Not a day goes by but that much time is taken by someone or other of such a person who is ready to go, but will not return.

FINANCIAL MATTERS. Little need be said on the routine reports involving the current budget, the 1941-42 Treasurer's Report of the Trustees and the Auditors' Report.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE. Likewise the actions on investments require practically no comment as they are self-explanatory.

In the case of the Budget for 1943-44 there were many questions as to the needs of the coming year and of the utter inability to evaluate the requirements for twelve months in advance. Naturally, the Board was content to let the matter rest with those carrying on negotiations with United China Relief. The final word has now been said insofar as we can judge at the present moment, and you have received word through Dr. Fern of the approval of \$65,000 as a goal for 1943-44 for Fukien with 50% being definitely underwritten.

Administration and Promotional Costs of the Associated Boards. We are now just in the midst of collating figures for the costs of last year's work and reports will be made later on.

The 25th Anniversary Fund. The action investing this in Government Securities was the result of the statement from the field regarding the needs for these funds and it seemed wisest to use the Second War Loan which will yield 2%.

HARVARD-YENCHING INSTITUTE LETTER. You received copies of this letter and know its content. Action 1-1306, however, did not face up to the actual issues involved very well. I am afraid that even though the letter was read in the meeting, the Trustees did not appreciate the full import of what was said.

In relation to the entire program—not alone Fukien, but throughout China, there is exceedingly grave danger of being too optimistic and allowing the immediate demands to force some sort of expansion. We recognize the demands of the Government, but at the same time through these days of uncertainty, certain definite lines of procedure must be followed rather than entering into experimentation or new lines of work. We are definitely committed (at least I am) to a healthy continued development of the Colleges up to the most economical and effective enrollment. This it seems must be done.

The Harvard-Yenching Institute situation calls fundamentally for a carrying out of the regulations attached to the use of the Restricted Funds and Undergraduate Chinese Department which will meet with the requirements of the Institute.

Fukien has never reported adequately upon this situation and never had there been an action from the Institute which was wholly in commendation for Fukien's activities in this direction. The lack of the use of the H. Y. I. Funds for the last two years will react still more unfavorably upon the Institute because it must be reported that these funds have not been used. It is true a certain portion might be reserved for book purchases, but otherwise there should be no question about the employment of the fund.

REPORT ON PROMOTIONAL WORK. There was very warm appreciation expressed for the material which came from China and which has been used in our promotional education program. We are indeed grateful that throughout this past year we have been able to secure funds for the carrying on of this work, and pray to God that our efforts during the coming twelve months will be as successful.

As a result of the last paragraph of the minutes, a cable is going forward which, in effect, should have been sent sometime ago, but the minutes have just been

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President Ldn
Miss Asher

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written up and placed on my desk.

With every good wish to you all, I am

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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cc: Accounting Office

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July 10, 1943

President C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaowu, CHINA

Dear President Lin:

Under separate cover you will receive copies of the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fukien Christian University and will without doubt note that Action T-1291 instructed the President and the Secretary to write you personally.

This grew out of the reading of the first part of your letter of August 13, 1942 and produced a deep impression upon the members of the Board. It inspired a responsive record and instructions were given that a reply be sent to you expressing appreciation of the Trustees for the message and the thought which prompted it. Coming as it did at the beginning of the Annual Meeting, it inspired a new sense of devotion in the minds and the hearts of the Trustees, and they desired that new assurances be given to you of their continued interest and support of the work which you have so well directed, especially during these days of hardship in China.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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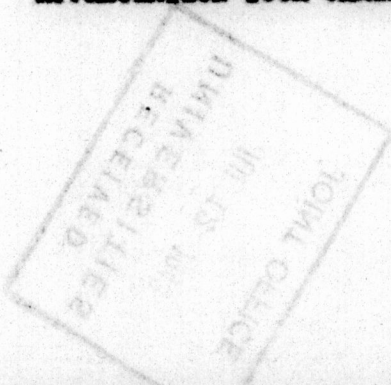
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July 30, 1943

Dr. C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaowu, CHINA

Dear Dr. Lin:

Your letter of April 10th took an especially long time to come through and I am hastening to reply as there are several developments which more or less out-date this communication. For instance, we have heard that you were not able to get through to Chengtu in time for the May 5th meeting. We are very sorry for this, but presume you were available for the later meeting at Chungking.

Your letter also contains some very pertinent remarks as to the present attitude toward the Post-War Program. The approach of your Board of Managers toward additional support from Mission Boards likewise has met instant response in my own thinking. It is more definitely so as Mission Board support for all of the Colleges has decreased tremendously in the last two years. This has resulted in the shifting of control of the Colleges from Mission Boards and the Associated Boards to other agencies which are not backward about voicing their ideas of operating educational institutions.

In this respect we find that we cannot make appeals to the Mission Boards for additional support while at the same time we ignore the demands of denominational institutions. I have a feeling, however, that the time is at hand and that there are enough secretaries in the major boards to have a very clear-cut discussion on this problem of denominational support. I am, therefore, welcoming your comments. The basic premise must form a part of the post-war planning.

The word "provided" in the third paragraph of your letter regarding the standing of the Christian Colleges is most important. We must maintain the Christian character of our institutions but also the highest standard of instruction likewise must be our goal. Your practical analysis of the problem as you see it as related to Fukien is of very deep interest and I am insisting that it be a part of the material which is being submitted to the Post-War Planning Committee.

I notice that you are still extolling the virtues and national resources of Fukien Province, as has been my privilege to hear you do in the past. I think the last paragraph in your letter is a real classic in this respect and I like it immensely. Please be assured, therefore, that you have made a real contribution to the thinking of our problems in connection with the future.

Very sincerely yours,

CAE/B
Via China Clipper
S.S. via post Clipper

C. A. EVANS

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July 30, 1943

Dr. C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaowu, CHINA

Dear Dr. Lin:

Your letter of March 26th arrived too late for use at the Annual Meeting as it actually reached my hand on the 2nd of June. I at once conferred with Dr. Cartwright who agreed that it seemed best to circulate this among the members of the Board.

As some of these items have been alluded to elsewhere, it would seem unnecessary for me to dwell at length upon any special item. One reaction has been regarding the inauguration of graduate work at Fukien Christian University by using Harvard-Yenching Institute funds. This may definitely react against Fukien, especially as it has not been discussed with the Harvard-Yenching Institute.

The request for Mission Board support has had quick response, for you have already received word about the appropriation from the Church Missionary Society and you have notified us about the transfer of Dr. Milch. However, you will hear more regarding the minutes of the Board of Managers when our Board of Trustees meets in the fall.

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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August 10, 1943

Dr. C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaowu, CHINA

Dear Dr. Lin:

I want to explain to you my cable of the 9th referring to the possibility of buying reconditioned printing and industrial equipment to the amount of \$2,500.00.

Mr. Bishop has located some printing apparatus and other industrial equipment at remarkably low figures. This is due especially in the printing industry to the draft which has taken many printers out of small establishments and practically closed up a large number of them in New York City. Some of this machinery was bought on time payments and has been sacrificed, but it is in good condition having been overhauled by the manufacturers.

The Fukien Board did not wish to take any responsibility and this seems to be the only way to put before you promptly this request. Possibly, you will think you have not sufficient information but as the Bishops are awaiting for sailings and as it is quite possible they will be allowed to sail any moment, it seemed imperative that we cable you.

However, before this letter reaches you, you will have made a decision.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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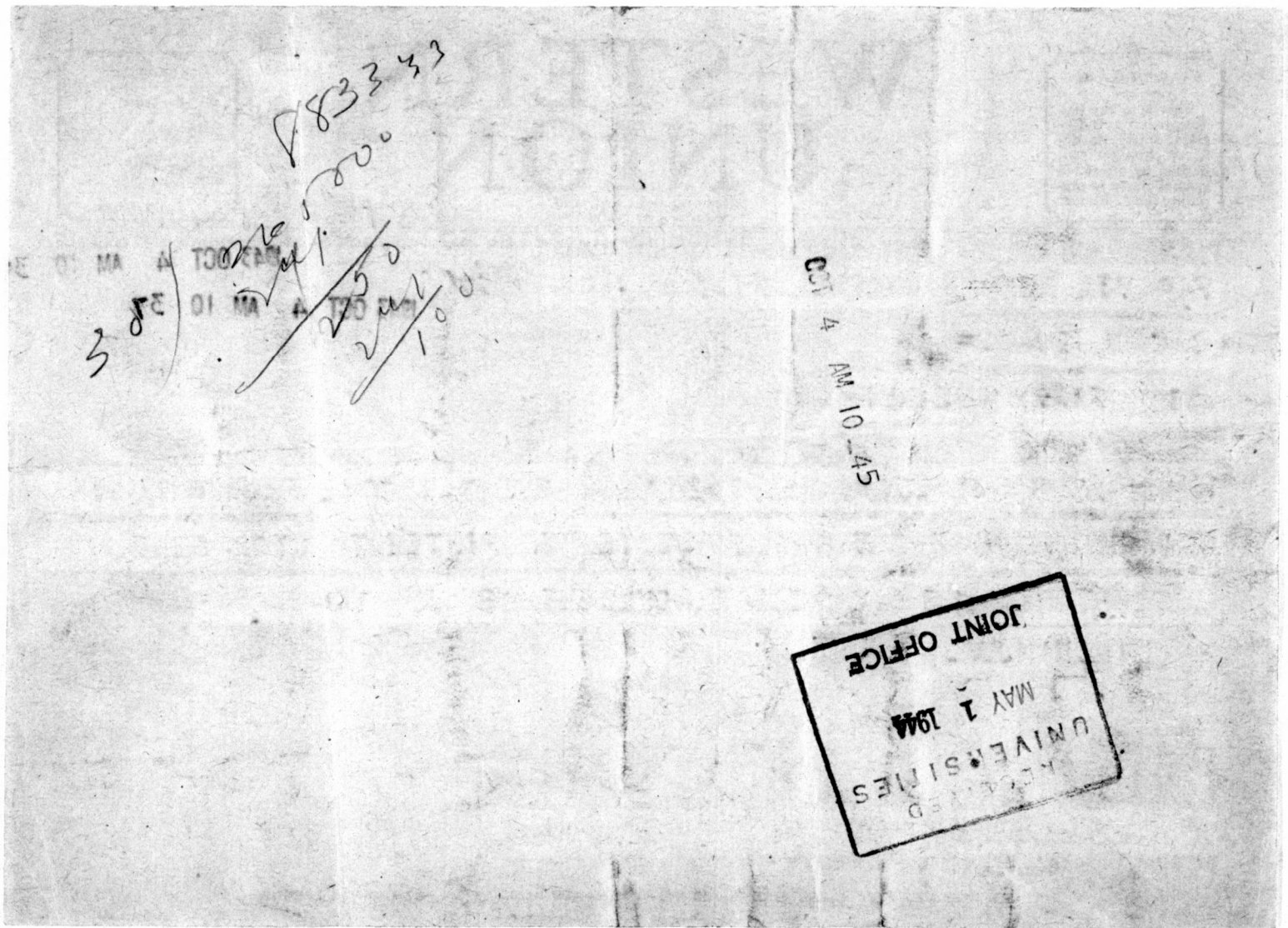
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November 1, 1943

Mr. C. A. Evans
150 Fifth Avenue
New York 11, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

The minutes of the annual meeting of the Fukien Board of Trustees held on May 6 together with covering letter dated July 10 and another letter of the same date reached me on September 18. I wish first of all to express my deep appreciation of the attitude the Trustees have taken with regard to our work. I feel quite humiliated each time when the Trustees say some good words about my service for I have never yet been sure whether my staying here is resulting in the development of F.C.U. or a hindrance to its greater growth. But one thing I know and that is that I have been trying my best although my best is limited ability. I know the Trustees will continue to do all they can to help Fukien which I sincerely believe constitutes a very important part in the development of Christian Education in China.

We want to call the attention of our Trustees to our post-war program. You remember we did this four years ago in presenting to them a program of physical reconstruction which is really only an external expression of our internal spirit for reconstruction. We believe Fukien has enough foundation built by our predecessors to help us in making needed contributions to China in its building of a new country. We can visualize the new difficulties that will come to both Fukien and China in general after the war. We can also see quite definitely many opportunities for real Christian service in China. When our Trustees feel this in their discussion of Fukien problems they may not be too worried about our resources and presentation of our difficulties.

The matter of securing additional support from the mission boards is really an important question. Denominational institutions seem to receive much greater attention from their denominational board than the union institutions. While appreciating very much the work done by our Associated Boards for all the Christian colleges, the union institutions seem to be more or less disowned by the cooperating mission boards, particularly those which maintain denominational colleges. I believe you friends there in New York will be able to work ~~still be~~ able to work this out more satisfactorily, especially since you have been working for the greater unity of the Christian colleges over there. We here, of course, should not shift our own responsibility, and you can be sure of our hearty cooperation from Fukien.

I have no additional comments to make on the minutes of the Trustees Annual Meeting. I shall present some of the items to our Board of Managers and will report their reactions. We are calling for our annual meeting on November 13 which seems to be the best date for many of our members although it is later than usual.

We note with great pleasure that Dr. Cartwright is now Chairman of our Board of Trustees. Frank is a friend of long standing of Fukien and we know

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he will do a great deal in leading the Trustees for the advancement of Fukien's work. We certainly appreciate the service which Wynn Fairfield has done for the Board, and I shall write him before long expressing our appreciation from the field. The absence of Dr. Hill from the meeting must be due to his old age. We could hardly duplicate his interest and support to Fukien throughout the years. When there is occasion please express our deep appreciation to him, and I shall make it a point to write him in the near future. We have been thinking of Bishop and Mrs. Gowdy. Perhaps due to difficulties of transportation they have not been able to come to New York often. You may, however, make contact with Paul P. Wiant who has for more than ten years been a member of the Fukien Board of Managers, representing the Methodist Church, and has been in America for almost two years. He is probably not returning until after the war. He may help our Trustees in the problem of the physical reconstruction of the Fukien campus after the war as he has been the chief architect for our Foochow campus. You can get in touch with him through Dr. Cartwright.

You have undoubtedly by this time heard of the death of Bishop Sargent. I sent your letter representing the Board of Trustees in appreciation of his efforts for Fukien to Archdeacon Williams who has taken over the business of the mission in Foochow since Bishop Sargent's death. He died of plague on August 2. We have lost a true friend of this university, and the Christian Church in Fukien has lost an energetic promising and young leader.

With best personal regards,

Yours sincerely,

C. J. Lin_a

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November 1, 1943

Mr. C. A. Evans
150 Fifth Avenue
New York 11, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

In your covering letter of the Board of Trustees annual meeting and in your letter of July 30 you mentioned about our proposition for postgraduate work in Chinese Studies. I think you will remember that we did not mean to start immediately. We just pointed out that those two departments, Chinese Studies and Biology, would be the proper basis for advanced work when there is a possibility of realizing the same. This would be very desirable both for the increased teaching efficiency for the departments concerned and the impetus for research for all of our staff members and the further training of teachers for the middle schools. We shall not insist on putting this into effect before the Trustees are ready for such work. So far as equipment and other facilities are concerned I have not found many postgraduate departments in either government or Christian institutions much better off than ours. But we want, as you suggest, to have the highest quality of work done and until we can do that we shall not attempt postgraduate work.

We also appreciate your concern about our work in relation to the Harvard-Yenching Institute. We hope that we are improving the situation every year. So far, we have the impression that Dr. Elisseeff was not satisfied with our financial report because we reported such a large part of the expenses as administrative expense which included our New York expenses. Since we eliminated that item last year he expressed satisfaction over this correction and seemed to be pleased with our work in general. We shall always do our best to meet the desires of the Institute. As I pointed out in our general reports for the last two years to Dr. Elisseeff we have been emphasizing undergraduate studies as he wished us to do. He formerly criticised us for not producing more research work, and you will remember our correspondence with him on ~~the~~ point of view, and apparently he has now shifted his grounds and we are glad of it. We believe we shall be able to make our Department of Chinese and its related subjects strong enough in comparison with other institutions receiving the same sort of grant. Due to the expense of postage we sent you only a copy of our general report together with the financial statement to the Harvard-Yenching Institute for the year 1942-43 for your reference. Our list of research work done, manuscripts completed and articles prepared, as well as the description of new Chinese books purchased consists of twelve typewritten pages. If you so desire, we shall be glad to mail you a copy of the full report ~~to you~~ for reference. We ourselves are not satisfied with the work we have been doing and we shall make increasing efforts to make our Chinese Studies more effective in the years to come. But we want to assure our Trustees that we have not failed so badly as you seem to have the impression. The burden of proof is on us and we must show it in the actual work done.

Yours sincerely,

C. J. Lin

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November 1, 1943

Mr. C. A. Evans
150 Fifth Avenue
New York 11, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

Your letters of June 25, 28, and 29 reached me on September 1, and letters of July 30 (2) and August 10 on October 26. We appreciate all that you have done for us, particularly with regard to the additional help from the Church Missionary Society and the possibility of the personnel assistance from the Reformed Church.

We also want to thank you for your effort in trying to get our Fukien staff members who are still in America back to Fukien. I have just heard from **Teddy Chen** that they all received your general letter calling for their return. They raise the question that we did not give them any specific terms which are quite important for their consideration in accepting our offer. I think this is a reasonable request as they are so far away from China and conditions here are so different that they cannot understand. I shall give below the general principles we use here so that you can help us further in negotiations with them in case they want a definite proposition.

*1. Salary Schedule. This item really has become the simplest. The Ministry of Education has issued a general standard for all the institutions of higher learning in China and so far as I know most of the colleges follow it including our Christian institutions. We are doing the same. The teaching staff is divided into four classes; namely, professor, associate professor, Lecturer, and graduate assistant. The salary for a full professor is \$300 - \$600 divided into nine steps according to the years of service and teaching experience. Only those who have post-graduate degrees, such as the Ph.D., etc., with at least three years of teaching as an associate professor can be admitted as professor. Associate professors' salaries begin with \$220 - \$340, divided into seven steps. The qualifications for an associate professor is a post-graduate degree with at least three years of college teaching experience. Lecturers' salary begins with \$140 - \$260 per month; must have at least an M.A. degree and some teaching experience. All those who have B.A. degrees only and some teaching experience in high school for five years or have done some practical work in the same field of teaching for four or five years are classified as graduate assistants.

In the case of our new staff members with a doctor's degree and have done some assistant's work while in America we offer them the rank of associate professor with the highest step in that salary scale, \$340 per month. For those with M.A. degree we can offer them \$300.

The chief question for most of our teaching staff besides salary and rank is the special subsidies during the war period which apply in general to all members of our staff. At the present time we in Fukien are giving a subsidy of 250% of the basic salary, plus a personal allowance of \$240 for each employee, and \$100 per capita for his family including wife and children. The subsidy rate is subject

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to change according to change in conditions and prices. So long as the war lasts the definite tendency is to increase.

2. Travel. The most important question for those of our staff who are now in America and for new candidates is the travel expense. I think there is no other way for Fukien except to follow the other institutions practice of providing for travel expenses to Fukien, and I hope you will recommend this to our Trustees with the idea of adopting the same standard the other institutions are using to get their people back to the campus. Of course, there may be special cases which we will leave to you or to other persons whom you may authorize to negotiate with the candidate. I think I wrote you sometime ago that in these matters we would like to have our Trustees use their own judgment regarding the persons whom we think we ought to have.

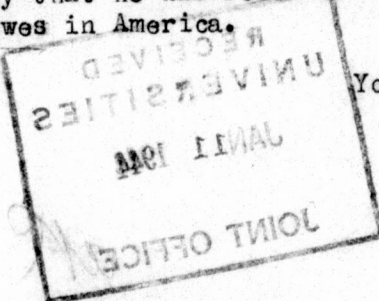
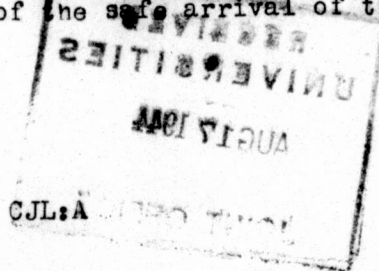
We should like to repeat here that we want the following persons back: Dr. W. J. Sutton, Teddy Chen, with their families, Cheng Chung Fu for Botany, Li Hsiang for Chemistry, and Yang Hsin Pao for extension and general administrative work. We also need additional persons in Physics, Chemistry, and Agriculture in all lines, including Agronomy, Horticulture, and Agriculture Economics, and Rural Education. For the general work in the university the most important need is for a well trained man in religion. We should also like to have additional teachers in English and History.

In Teddy's letter dated July 29 which reached me a few days ago he said it would not be possible for him to think of returning before the end of the war but that he would be ready to make plans for returning to China after the war. We certainly want him to come for he will help a great deal in the work and we do not want to press on him to come now which really would cause him many inconveniences and difficulties, so I suggest you write him an occasional friendly letter reminding him of his plan for returning to Fukien after the war. I shall send you a copy of my letter to him for your reference. In the meantime, I should like to suggest that you plan to make more use of him ^{for Fukien} while he is still in America. After six years of residence in California and making quite a place for himself in the University of Southern California, he has been quite active not only for Fukien but for Christian higher education in China as a whole. I should like to propose to our Board of **Managers** for consideration that he be given some kind of title so that he can more officially represent the university in making contacts and planning for equipment and things in general for our needs here. I shall write you immediately after the Board of Managers meeting about their decision of this. I mention this for your preliminary reference. Teddy is fairly well known to a number of our Trustees and he is too good a man to be lost from Fukien, so I know you will do everything possible to present him most favorably to our Board of Trustees for the purpose of carrying on F.C.U. promotional work while he is still in the United States. Our Trustees should think in terms of making some financial provisions for his work. I may make more concrete suggestions after the Board of Managers meeting with regard to this.

We have heard that Mr. and Mrs. Bishop were in Kweiyang on October 27 ready to leave for Kweilin. They should be here in about two weeks, or they may go direct to Foochow to get their things before coming to Shaowu. We have also heard from Bishop Carleton Lacy that he has received word from the New York office of the safe arrival of the Stowes in America.

Yours sincerely,

L. H. Li.



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December 17, 1943

Dr. C. J. Lin
Fukien Christian University
Shaowu, CHINA

Dear Dr. Lin:

You wrote us sometime ago requesting us to contact Mr. I-Ying Li. We did so and quote you the following three paragraphs from his letter:

"I am awfully sorry to have misplaced your letter of July 10, and not to have read it until this morning. I hope you will pardon me, and hope you are still interested in knowing my present status and of the possibility of returning to F. C. U.

I am now working on the Ph. D. degree in soil science, and I hope to be able to complete my study sometime next year. My permission to stay in this country has been extended to Oct. 11, 1945, but I expect to go back to China as soon as I finish my study and travelling becomes possible.

At present I am holding the State Department scholarship, and unless I am directed to render special service because of the war, I shall be glad to return to F. C. U."

You will see from the foregoing that Mr. Li is not thinking of returning to China until next year.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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

The following postscript was added to President Lin's copy of the letter to the Presidents dated December 20, 1943.

P.S. The interesting statement written on June 23 describing the departure of Dr. and Mrs. Stowe, the graduation exercises, the departure of two men on fellowships to study at the University of Nanking, and the steady rise of prices, etc. has been mimeographed and distributed to the Trustees. This kind of publicity material is very welcome indeed.

Dr. and Mrs. Stowe have now arrived safely in America. I have had only a brief chance to talk with Dr. Stowe but I can imagine how much he will be missed on your campus.

We constantly bear in mind the difficulties which all educationalists are experiencing in China because of the rapid rise in prices, and hope and pray that your deliverance may come soon. We admire the patience and fortitude with which you are all bearing your burdens. C.H.C.