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150 Fifth Avenue
New York New York
21 January 1941

Dear Miss Sutherland:

Before writing the Clipper letter which goes today to President Wu Yi-fang, I have talked with Miss Hodge, Mr. Evans, and Miss Tyler, and have re-thought the message to make it as wise as possible. I think of you as being the one member of the faculty who will understand most deeply certain requirements of the next few weeks in our American program, and who can help Dr. Wu to secure something of the quiet of spirit which she so much needs.

There are four things which I have tried to say:

- (1) We should be able to go forward in early February with assurance that there will be no change in Dr. Wu's plans after that date unless they need to be taken on very unexpected and emergency grounds.
- (2) That the program for her time in this country will be made most carefully to put a minimum demand upon her strength and a maximum emphasis upon her presence here as one to be honored for high distinction.
- (3) That one month of time within our borders is the absolute minimum which can be considered.
- (4) That, although we shall minimize so far as possible the requests for speeches, and shall try to omit any avoidable demand for oratory from Dr. Wu, there will be several thousand people who will have a right to expect from her statements of considerable import. These statements need not be lengthy, but there will, no doubt, be three or four occasions when fifteen-minute speeches of significance cannot be avoided. She

has
Dr. Wu has recently expressed deep dissatisfaction with the effect upon her of rereading some of the things she has written in haste in the last year, and we are trying to be fair in this warning of what probably lies ahead. Even if, in early February, we need to face the disappointment of her decision not to come to this country at all this year, the significant statements of which I have spoken would still be needed, particularly such a statement as might be embodied in a Transpacific radio message to mark the climax of the Anniversary effort in America.

Your family very kindly has returned to us the kit of colored photographs which we put into your hands last year. This is a pleasing surprise, and we are grateful to you for asking that they be returned. We hope, however, that the members of your family will ask for their use again, or for any other of our materials which would of interest for special groups with whom they are in touch.

Affectionately yours,

Mrs. T. D. Macmillan

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Miss Catharine E. Sutherland
Ginling College
Chengtu Szechuan
China

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Please give my kind regards to Mr. Kwan

Oct. 11, 1943

Dear Dr. Wu,

So many messages have come from various friends in America about having seen you that it seems as if you are nearer to us these days. My mother and sister have written hoping that you may be stopping in St. Louis. I am somewhat conscious of the fact that while you are seeing all these people, it is a kind of continuation of the life you led here, with very few vacant spaces that you could call your own. I wonder if that month of vacation, which Mrs. Mills promised on your schedule, has materialized. We hope so.

I am writing especially just now to speak of Djang Bing-i, and her hope of getting to America along with her husband. It seems that Dr. Lautermilk is helping to get Mr. Feng a chance for study (of course we know that he had started a year or two ago), and Bing-i naturally hopes to go with him. She is a little doubtful of the prospects because she thinks her college grades averaged only a C. I don't know how much weight that has. Stella and I felt that we should write to express our growing conviction of her growing development in many ways, and our belief that she has matured noticeably since her marriage, so that she would probably take seriously whatever opportunities for further study she might receive. We have always felt that she had a real gift for teaching public school music, and there is no doubt that she has done successful work in her normal school teaching both in Nanking and at Pengshan, and now at Gao chi, where the boys are very devoted to her. Musically she is far above average in her natural talent and feeling, and she has a quick and active mind which holds her in good stead in dealing with adolescent children. She has never had very great application in technical discipline, and therein is her regret and her loss. It seems to me that having failed during these years to accomplish much in the way of solo performance, she should not seek after too much study along that line, but should try to study into the best methods of teaching singing, ^(music education) and should probably have a chance to observe teaching in some of the best centers. We understand that her husband may go to Ames, Iowa, and we have also heard that there is a good music course there. I do not really know about this. Stella and I both hope that she might be with her husband, if there is a good music course in the same school. Bing-i naturally hopes for a scholarship, though she thinks she may have enough funds for at least a year of study. My understanding is that her chief desire is to get permission to enter a college, which would need a letter from the college, dependent upon your recommendation, I suppose. She will write and perhaps Ruth will be writing. This is the combined thought of Stella and myself in regard to her going. We feel that she is worthy of more study, and that a certain charm of her personality would win her many friends in America. Her husband's going would make it seem timely for her to go just now, if the way should open.

We are happy in our new home, which does really seem like a home, in comparison with the "Ba Guo Ting", even if there are some difficulties in getting the house plans going. To all of us it seems a great relief to have Mrs. Djang (Djang Kwen Yuan's mother) as our matron, and we hope you will feel that way too. And we have a garden! And we can pick our own flowers, without having to ask our neighbors! Tho we still go to them for wedding bouquets. Yesterday I had my first experience in giving a bride away. Please come back soon—I didn't keep step nearly as well as you. It was Djo Bing-i, our mathematics major, now our teacher.

We were surprised by a visit from Louise Kwan and her husband, soon after school started. Dr. Kwan was getting recruits for his faculty and Louise came for a visit. She was a bit tired, having brought her 5 months old baby, and she said she really did not want to sing, but she couldn't resist the urging, and finally consented to give a benefit for several combined things: the air force, Y.W.C.A. nursery school, & a memorial for Jennie Tang. Our piano fund also got a boost. She was giving another on the campus for our piano fund.

but a call & her new situation simply put her voice in the shell. She has to be careful. Everyone seemed to be very sympathetic. We are all missing you, but also don't like to write you too many back. I think Stella is a very good person. We are all missing you, but also don't like to write you too many back. I think Stella is a very good person.

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445 BAKER AVENUE
WEBSTER GROVES, MISSOURI

Dec. 16 - 1943

My dear Mr. Scott.

Dr. Uris very interesting letter is just here - stating that she leaves early in January. I personally am definitely disappointed at not seeing her. We feel honored by her stay in our home - some years ago. I am enclosing my check for forty dollars - I should so appreciate Dr. Uris taking twenty of it to my daughter Catharine Sutherland. The other twenty for Girdling. The reason I am asking this favor of Dr. Uris, is that our last check to Catharine was returned by the Censor: so we feel helpless as to sending her money - as we have given down these past years. Will some one of your Board kindly let us know how we can send money if at all. Of course, if it is not feasible for Dr. Uris to take this twenty to Catharine - let the entire forty be

applied to Ginkgo's own needs -
also I am ready to predict that
a good share of Cathartes turtles
will find its way to "Ginkgo's" anyway.

Thank you. & also Dr. You for
your very interesting letter. I hope
she returns much re-created.
One reads the morning news from
China with avid interest.

Thanking you I am

Most cordially

(Mrs. Geo. W.) Ella B. Sutherland

- I am passing Dr. W.'s
letter - on! -

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December 27, 1943.

Mrs. George B. Sutherland
445 Baker Avenue
Webster Groves, Missouri

Dear Mrs. Sutherland,

Thank you for your generous gift of \$20.00 for Ginling which Mrs. Scott has passed on to this office. I am enclosing our receipt.

We shall be most happy to send the other \$20.00 to Miss Catharine Sutherland by Dr. Wu, who expects to start back early in January. We can forward money at any time for you, and shall be very glad to do so. A personal check cannot be negotiated in China now, and that is why the censor returned yours to you. However we send money to the College regularly by special arrangements with the bank, and through a government permit. At any time you want to send money to your daughter we can include it with our regular remittances.

Dr. Wu has asked me to say how very sorry she is that she will not see you on this trip. She is returning somewhat earlier than she had planned, and has had to cancel several trips which she had hoped to make.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. W. Plumer Mills

Miss Catherine Sutherland
Ginling College
Chengtu, Szechwan, China

Ginling College
150 Fifth Avenue
New York 11, N.Y.
June 14, 1944

Dear Catherine:

A day or two ago we got the enclosed letter and a check for \$75.00 from the Society for Religious and Social work at Western College. Mr. Evans is sending the money through Miss Priest in the usual way. You may have already received it when you get this letter, but if not, it will be coming along soon.

I have just written Dr. Wu a long letter and so will let her tell you anything in the way of news that we have. All of you are constantly in our minds, and we send our greetings and best wishes to all.

Affectionately yours,

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Mrs. W. Plumer Mills

Enclosure: Letter from Western College

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THE WESTERN COLLEGE
Oxford, Ohio

June 5, 1944

Ginling College Committee
150 Fifth Avenue
N.Y.C.

Dear Sirs:

The Western College Society for Religious and Social Work has wished to send \$75.00 to Miss Catherine Sutherland. Realizing the difficulty of sending a check to China in these times, we felt that the money could reach her best through your organization.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) Charlotte Ervin

Treasurer of the Society for Religious and
Social Work

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The schools I suggested to Mary were
Juilliard, Eastman, Oberlin, Peabody, Con.
N.E. Con., Michigan (I doubt whether she could get
into a college), & Curtis.

Ginling College,
Chengtu.
Aug. 13, 1944.

Dear Stella,

Where are you? We are so eager to hear. I wish that I had asked you to cable when you arrived home. Anna Moffat has just arrived from India. Maybe she has word of you, but no one else seems to have had any. We are delighted that Miriam Null may have had an almost complete recovery. She was never delirious, they say.

Now about the matter in hand. I am sending in duplicate this letter, along with several copies in each letter of Mary Fei's credentials. You have no doubt already received the cable sent by her to you, asking whether Juilliard or other school would admit her for violin, and for you to cable a reply. She wants speed so as to be able to go ahead to get her passport and visas as soon as possible. It seems as if she may be able to get govt permission to go abroad thru the influence of friends here. She is most eager to do so.

Her hope is to get into a school with a good violin teacher, and she asks you to help in inquiring about this. If she could get a scholarship she would be glad, but she can apparently support herself financially, and Dr. Wu, with her usual cautiousness, said to remember that Ginling may wish to be looking for scholarships for some of ours, so maybe it would be better not to push the matter of a scholarship for Mary. If she makes good, she herself may win one for a second year.

Dr. Wu also thinks that it might be well if she could go to a smaller community like Oberlin for her first year, and to a larger city the next. However, it might be a good experience for her to be in Juilliard where she would have plenty of quite musical associates, so as to not have an undue opinion of her ability, in case her popularity here might have influenced her otherwise. I hope she will be somewhere where either you or Mrs. Stockwell or other fine people can be near her as companions.

Of course leaving the country here may be quite a question, but it may be more and more possible in certain cases. Anything you can do to expedite the going will be much appreciated by her.

There are so many things I want to say, and perhaps will have to leave till another letter—you have heard of the sad news of Mary McCullure's death, in India, from cholera and some complication. A Miss Margaret Dow has just arrived from home, having had two years in the Westminster Choir School. She was in Peking doing secretarial work with the American Board, but did choir leading etc., on the side and prefers music. She was to go to the Tungchow school in Sian, but the govt will not allow them to go north now. We are pressing her to stay as your substitute. If so, it will be like a drop from heaven, and too good to be true. She likes theory teaching, too, though has not had much advanced work. She is youthful and attractive and full of energy.

One reason I must stop is that Dr. Wu goes to Kwanhsien tomorrow, along with Mary and Ruth, and there are a few little notes and things which she asks me to get off. I had a lovely two weeks at Hwa Mei School in Miss Parson's room, and felt like a real "country girl" among the rice fields, and with a lovely grove of trees right off of my doorstep. It was really a change and a rest. We do hope to hear from you soon.

Much love, Catherine.

P.S. A cable "Accepted Juilliard", or "Accepted Oberlin" would be sufficient for word about Mary, I think.

Ginling College
150 Fifth Avenue
New York 11, N.Y.
December 11, 1944

Miss Catharine Sutherland
Ginling College
Chengtou, Szechwan, China

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Dear Catherine:

We have just had a letter from Miss Zimmerly at Western College enclosing a check for \$100.00 to be sent to you for your work at Ginling. I am enclosing a copy of the letter which she sent. The money, of course, will go through our regular channels and you will hear of it from Miss Priest. I have written to Miss Zimmerly and told her that we were forwarding the money to you.

Stella Marie Graves is now in New York working with Dr. Wagenaar of the Juilliard School of Music. She and Miss Ruth Phillips have taken a small apartment and are settled down very happily and fairly comfortably. Stella is working hard at her music and is doing exceedingly well with it, as you would expect.

Ettie Chin is at Smith and a letter from her this morning says how much she has enjoyed her work there and the opportunities that she is having to tell of Ginling.

We still hope that Wu Mao-i will get off in the near future, though I must confess that progress seems a bit slow. I am wondering about the two or three girls who are supposed to be on their way to America, - Chen I-djen, Mary Fei, and Hung Dah-ling. Stella was asking about the last two last night and hopes that they will be able to get here in time for the spring term.

I have just written to Dr. Wu, giving her the story of the last meeting of the Board and the vote on the United Board. I am sure she will share news with you.

I hope all goes well with you and that you have been able to keep your health in spite of the strenuous life that you lead. Affectionate greetings and all best wishes,

Cordially yours,

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Enclosure: Copy of letter from Western College
Via China Clipper

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MRS. GEO. W. SUTHERLAND
445 BAKER AVENUE
WEBSTER GROVES 19, MO.

Dec. 12-1944

Gueling Board.

Dear Sirs:-

I am writing in regard
to my daughter Catharine Sutherland -
with Gueling College in Cheng-tu.

I should like to send her some money -
and feel ignorant as to the method. Normally
I used to send her my personal check - since
I can no longer do this - what is the
method? If I send thro your Board - shall
I write my personal check & to whom
shall I make it out. Are you able to
send money across - Can you give me
an idea of Catharine's salary - She does
not speak of money - only remarks about the
tremendous inflation & what it means to the
Poor. - I shall appreciate so much

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your suggestions as to how I may send
money - really I mean directions.
Please tell me exactly what to do -
- as early as is feasible.

Thanking you for your
kindly attention I am

Most cordially
Olea B. Sutherland

- I am not sure of your address.
Please correct, if 150 Fifth Ave is
not right.

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December 14, 1944

Mrs. George W. Sutherland
445 Baker Avenue
Webster Groves 19, Mo.

Dear Mrs. Sutherland:

This will answer the questions in your letter of December 12th with reference to sending money to your daughter, Miss Catherine Sutherland, at Ginling College. We are able to send money regularly to the College and will be glad to include any amount that you wish to send to Miss Sutherland with our remittances.

You ask for definite instructions about how to send this money to us, so I am going to give them to you. Please make your check payable to Ginling College and mail it to the above address. We will then take care of it and see that it gets to Miss Sutherland as quickly as possible.

It is difficult for me to answer your question about Miss Sutherland's salary. There is, of course, a basic salary paid to the teachers at Ginling, but because of the inflation and the great fluctuation in exchange, there have had to be adjustments in this salary and its value in U.S. currency varies from month to month. The College has made an effort to pay the teachers enough to live on, I fear with very little margin. You will be glad to know that recent adjustments in exchange have offered a measure of relief not only to the westerners but to the Chinese faculty as well, as they, too, benefit by the better rate of exchange on gifts made to the College.

Cordially yours,

MRS. W. Plumer Mills

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Ginling College,
Chengt'u, China
May 14, 1945

Dear Cornelia,

It has been so kind of you to send the little personal notes now and then, when there was some item of business, and always the news has been full of interest. I do think Ginling is very lucky to have you as its secretary. Since you couldn't be out here, it may seem good to keep in touch in that way, though I imagine the details of work get pretty strenuous at times.

It was business that prompted this letter, I am bound to confess, as you will see from the enclosed, part of a letter which I sent to Dr. Wu, and which I thought you ought to have, in case you are approached by Stella or others. I do hope that something may be found for Miss Hu, as she is psychologically very much in need of a change, and I think she has the talent and ability to warrant some special arrangement, if such is possible.

If such a thing can be arranged, will you be so kind as to help a cable message to get thru as soon as possible; for with that, procedure here for visa's etc. could go forward. Miss Hu's family are mostly in Shanghai now, and she is much troubled about them and the near future possibility of bombing, etc., and her married sister has been in the Philippines all this time. One or two messages got thru at the beginning of the occupation, but she has heard nothing for a year or two. In one way she doesn't want to leave, but if she could go now, maybe she would be ready to return when it was possible to get back to Shanghai, and a change of environment would help her mental and emotional condition, I do believe.

We go on day by day, with quite a bit of "up-look" since V.E. day. The air seems a little different, somehow. I am hoping that the miracles of American science will manage to bring some airborne railways and drop them across some sections of Szechuan. What it would mean to our traffic problem.

At the moment we are having an orgy of concerts, mostly for war relief, along with our regular ones in connection with the department this time of year. There are four senior graduates including one from Yenching. We have enjoyed some of the American talent very much, both in music and dramatics. A recent play, "Our Town", given by the Saturday Night Club had a professional playwright in the audience and a professional actor to make-up. So the old hats and costumes took a new lease on life and began to think they were "somethin'".

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P.S. Just as I was about to mail this, word came from our office that Dr. Wu had received a letter from the Minister of Education, in which he asked for Miss Hu's credentials, in relation to going abroad. Since Dr. Wu had apparently spoken to him before she left, and since it is good to strike while the iron is hot, and while there seems to be interest, we are cabling at once to see if Stella can get a scholarship for Miss Hu in Julliard, as Stella had written that Mr. Wedge was very favorable to this, after seeing her recital program and knowing of her work, etc. I hope this has already been received by you, and that we may have a reply before you receive this. The scholarship offer would enable her to go ahead with definite plans for leaving.

C.E.S.

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Ginling College,
Chengtu, China
May 14, 1945.

Dear Dr. W u,

Here is a letter from me, and of course it is about business, so I may as well go right to the point, although I must say first how we really miss you, and hope for your return when it seems right to come. But even though your coming will help Ruth to get off, I'm sure she as well as all of us will feel happier if you can take at least a month's rest before trying to come back.

The business is about Hu Shih-tsang. She may have written that she did not receive the Babbour scholarship. It was quite a blow to her, especially as a friend of hers did receive it, for science. But of course she sees how science would be apt to take precedence these days. I wrote to Mrs. Han, Chen Yueh-mei, asking her whether her husband could give us any advice about a way to help Shih-tsang to get abroad, and she wrote the following: "The Ministry of Ed. is trying to make it easier for teachers in universities to go abroad on fellowships or appointments. The proposed new regulations stipulate that assistants after four years of service, or professors after two years of service may apply for permission to go abroad if they have been offered fellowships or appointments. If Miss H. cannot fulfill either of the requirements she might try to get an appointment from any of the American universities for teaching Chinese, as in wartime some of the American educational institutions and even military services need a number of teachers."

The letter doesn't make clear whether it means assistants or assistant professors. In any case I am wondering whether it may seem right to try to get an appointment of some kind for her. She herself has written to Stella about it, as I have. I also wrote to my family, and they forwarded the letter to Mrs. Mills, who wrote to them, saying that it seemed impossible. But from Yueh-mei's letter, it seems that Mrs. Mills may not know of some of the possibilities, or perhaps she was thinking only of teaching music, and felt there were no openings. I don't know whether Stella may have gotten anything. I am writing partly so that you may know what we have done and are doing, and then we may all work together, if possible. Also I wanted to say that recently I received a small legacy from an aunt, which would make it possible for me to pay at least some of Shih-tsang's traveling expenses and maybe a salary of \$150 for a year. With that possibility, would you think that we might safely go ahead to try to find something definite. My sister's high school principal said that he would very much like such a person, but that it would be a luxury at present and he couldn't afford it.

Perhaps Ruth has written that there seems little possibility of anyone leaving (after the next boat which Mary hopes to take) for some months. But if we had a cable offering a job to Shih-tsang then we could go ahead and hope she would be ready when the next chance came. I am sending a copy of this to Cornelia Mills, and I would hope that she and Stella and maybe my family could do the acting, if they might have your sanction and o.k. about it.

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Things do seem different since the V-E day, although we go trudging along about our daily duties in about the same way. The spring rush of concerts has come. There have been numbers of them for war relief, and now the dance drama comes this Saturday, combined effort of the P.E. and Ho Sheng Tuan for raising money to buy soldiers' shoes.

We have our usual annual concert and 4 senior graduates, including the one Yenching girl, so there are not many dull moments at present.

Our garden looks more beautiful than ever before, and it was certainly a help to have the cooperation of M.U. in giving us seeds and seedlings. We send some to the hospital now and then. Recently I have been taking a girl or two each Sunday evening to sing for the sick men, and it seems to work quite well. I hadn't intended to be so regular, but the Red Cross workers were so cordial in urging us that we go almost each week. Very often we have a regular "sing", the boys joining in on folk songs. But they also like our girls' solos very much.

We have a little supper party last night at the Womens' College, in honor of Mary and Mary Elizabeth and their going. We don't like to see Mary leave, but am glad it is possible for her to get away. Claude Thompson writes from India that he hopes to come with many pounds of Chemistry supplies. Dr. Hyla Watters just arrived from India.

Now I will stop, supposing that Ruth gives you all the important items.

With many good wishes from us all,

Cartier S. S.

P.S. Just as I was about to mail this, word has come that the Minister of Education has written to you (Mr. Ming spoke to Hu S hih-tsang about it) asking for her credentials in regard to going abroad. It seems best to us here to cable to Stella asking her to reply by cable as to whether Juilliard School will give a scholarship to Shih-tsang. If so, then seh will proceed to make plans to leave. We sent the cable thru Cornelia, but thought Stella could act more quickly, since she had already written that Mr. Wedge, dean of Juilliard was quite favorable to granting Shih-tsang a scholarship, after seeing her recital program and hearing Stella's recommendation.

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Ginling College
150 Fifth Avenue
New York 11, N.Y.
June 25, 1945

Miss Catherine Sutherland
Ginling College
Chengtu, Szechwan, China

Dear Miss Sutherland:

Enclosed I am sending a copy of a letter we received recently, with a check for \$175. We have acknowledged the letter and told Miss Davis that the money has been forwarded to you. It has gone through the regular channels and is available to you when you want it. Mr. Evans notifies Miss Priest of all such amounts, and as he is not in the office just now, I cannot find out whether he has specifically mentioned this gift to her yet or not, but in any case, you can draw it from Miss Priest when you need it.

I sent a cable to Ruth Chester today telling her that in addition to tuition for Hu Shih-tsang, which Juillard is offering, board for her is also available. This is through the generosity of your brother, who offers Miss Hu a home while she is in America. I had a long talk with him a few days ago, and he said that he and his wife would be happy to have Miss Hu live with them while she is studying here. Of course, that raises the question of commuting between New York and Montclair, but Stella assures me that it will not be necessary for Miss Hu to come into the city more than two or three times a week, and that does not seem impossible. With tuition and board assured, it seems to me that Miss Hu ought to be able to get along on \$500 in cash a year for such items as transportation, books, clothes and incidentals. I am assuming of course that she has funds for travel from China to America. I do not know what the College can do for her in the matter of expenses, but I'll take that up with Dr. Wu when she gets here the end of this week. I do hope that it will be possible for Miss Hu to get passage without too much delay.

In addition to offering hospitality to Miss Hu, your generous brother and his wife have invited Hung Dah-ling to spend the summer with them in Montclair. She is a lucky girl I think.

Stella has left New York, starting on a round of visits that will bring her eventually to her niece's home in California. I do not know what her chances for getting back to China will be, but she is ready and eager to start when it is possible.

Dr. Wu was in New York for just a day and a half before going to San Francisco. Since she has been out there she has naturally been so much occupied with the Conference that she has not had time to consider college matters. We are therefore looking forward eagerly to her arrival here on June 28th. I want her to have the rest she so definitely needs, but I hope she will be able to give a few days to Ginling affairs. We need to know her thoughts on a number of things related to the College.

I wonder if Wu Mao-i has reached Chengtu yet. She will be a great help to Ruth, I know, and I hope she has not been delayed in India.

Cordially yours,

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Enclosure: Copy of letter from Western
College

Mrs. W. Plumer Mills

Miss Catherine Sutherland
Ginling College
Chengtú, Szechwan, China

Ginling College
150 Fifth Avenue
New York 11, N. Y.
July 16, 1945

Dear Catherine:

I wrote you on June 25th, telling you of the offer your brother had made to give Hu Shih-tsang a home, and on the same day I cabled that tuition, board and room were available for her. I hope this information reached you promptly.

A few days ago I had your letter of May 14th, enclosing a copy of the one you wrote to Dr. Wu on the same day. Since receiving your letter I have heard through Stella that Miss Hu is now raising the question of the possibility of going to Smith or some other place rather than to Juilliard. I do not know how seriously she is considering such a plan, and I naturally wonder if the arrangements offered her in my cable and former letter would be so satisfactory to her that she would not contemplate any change. As I wrote you before, we think that in addition to passage money, she would need only about U.S.\$500 for incidental expenses for a year. I do not know what sort of scholarship we could get for her at Smith, but I am inclined to think that the arrangements suggested for study at Juilliard may call for the least possible cash outlay. For that reason, as well as many others, it is worth her very serious consideration.

I am very anxious to know what progress she has made in the matter of passport and passage. I know it is extremely difficult, but I do hope that it can be arranged. You may be sure that she will receive a warm welcome from all of us and that we will gladly do everything possible for her.

Stella is now in Royal Oak, Michigan, with her friend, Dr. Wagner. She had her tonsils out this past week, and arrangements were all made for a fine long rest after the operation. I am sure she has written to you about her trip and what a wonderful time she has been having. I miss her here, but I am delighted that she is having so much pleasure after her winter's work.

Dr. Wu is now in the hospital, and I hope will be much better when she comes out. She now realizes that the trip to England would be too much for her, so she is giving that up. The doctor says the most important thing for her at present is complete rest, and Dr. Wu is willing to follow that advice. This gives us reason to hope that she will be greatly improved in health when she returns to China.

Affectionately yours,

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Sep 28 - 1945

My dear Mrs. Miles:

A letter dated Aug 9 -
Came yesterday from my daughter
Catharine Sutherland of Quincy - she
wrote from a Hospital some distance from
Cheng-tu - saying that she was here for a
complete rest - having undertaken a lecture
tour at Guilin this summer year. I am
her strength would warrant. I am
hoping that by now she is much restored -
perhaps back to normal. Can you
send me any news of her - Has she been
able to resume her place in the faculty.
I do not have any information as to her
probable future. Stella Grant was with
us last week: in fact her on a
Northern Pacific train for Los Angeles -
(really Long Beach where her niece
lives) on Friday Sep. 21st. Do you
at the Board know where - or
how she may return to Cheng-tu. I
think Catharine expected to await

Stella's return before beginning
her furlough. Of course a later
letter may reach us shortly, but
I thought that possibly you had some
information later than Aug 9th. Yes,
can you let us know something of Dr.
Wiss plans I do hope her health is
quite restored.

Thanking you for your
trouble in the matter

Most cordially

Dea B. Duthart

If I undertake to send Catharine
a little money - to your Board
as I think you suggested. to whom
shall I write a check -

Truly I don't know your
initials!

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Mrs. Olla B. Sutherland
445 Baker Avenue
Webster Groves, Missouri

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Mrs. W. Plumer Mills

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October 7 - 1945

My dear Mrs. Niles -

I was very glad of your
kindly letter - assuring me that
Catharine would be well cared for - and
sometimes deemed necessary. I am
enclosing my check for twenty five dollars -
leaving its transmittal to her - to your
discretion. - It was well too - to learn
of Dr. W's definite improvement. I should
so like to see her myself - I have her a
'good by' of she leaves for New York -

With cordially

Olga B. Sutcliffe

(Mrs. Geo. W.)

445 - Baker Avenue

Webster Mass. 19.

No.

\$25.00

Given to Miss Cloud

10/11/45

Got check back from Miss Cloud

10/15/45

Ginling College
150 Fifth Avenue
New York 11, N.Y.
October 9, 1945

Miss Catharine Sutherland
Ginling College
Chengtú, Szechwan, China

Dear Catharine:

From Ruth's letters I have learned about how Dr. Hyla Watters sent you to Dr. Gale for a change and rest in Tse Chung. I do hope that Dr. Gale has managed to give you a real rest and you are feeling much better now.

While I know that the work of the Department is bound to be heavy for you, I do hope you will try your best not to work too hard this fall. If Dr. Watters should still think it is wiser in the long run for you to plan to take your furlough right away, I do wish to urge you to follow her advice. I have come to realize more than ever the importance of one's health. In caring for it, it does not mean selfishness at all, but it will mean safe-guarding your continued contribution to the College later on. From here, Mr. Evans and Mrs. Mills are doing their very best to get Stella Graves started on the journey as soon as possible. However, the fact still remains that the State Department has not yet issued a single passport to a woman missionary to return to China. The Methodist Board is trying hard to get in some women medical missionaries first.

One definite word I wish to say is in regard to your food. While you continue teaching in Chengtu, I do earnestly ask that you start taking foreign food with some family. I have become more conscious of the importance of nutrition ever since my trip to America this time. The people here are placing more emphasis on nutrition from childhood through college. During the last two days, I have had informal gatherings with two different Chinese people here. Both evenings the question came up that we in China must pay more attention to the proper food in order to have the healthy physique necessary to do the work ahead of us. On Saturday it was Dju Yu-bao who was in for a supper with Mrs. New, myself and Mao Yun-nan. Dju Yu-bao definitely said that we in Chengtu had neglected this question of food, and that made me want to write to you and Ruth, and to beg you to discontinue your practice of boarding with the college dormitory. When my doctor saw me on Thursday, and I talked with her about my plans for returning, she also asked me about what kind of food I would get on my return, and she wanted me to promise her that I would see to it that I would take the proper food to keep up my health. Please excuse me for writing so much on this seemingly small matter of food. My only purpose is to share with you what I have learned recently, and I hope that you may also be less insistent about taking the same food as the rest of the faculty. For one thing, individual requirements are different, and for another, I do think we should try to do what we can in supplementing the diet, even for the whole college.

Through Mrs. Mills I have kept in close touch with the arrangement for bringing Hu Shih-tsang here for this school year. Both you and your brother certainly have been most generous in wanting to help her. While she was disappointed in not being able to come this summer, I think that perhaps she will be glad now to come a little later. If I were she, I would like to have the chance of seeing my family next summer before sailing for America. Furthermore, travel expenses will be so much less by taking a straight route across the Pacific.

In regard to the future staff for the Department, if you have any suggestions for anything I might do while in America, please write to me at once. There is the possibility that air-mail letters will be much faster now, and I may still get your reply before I leave. The only thing I have done is in regard to Miss Butler and Mrs. Rhead. I saw Miss Louise Robinson, who is the Methodist Board secretary for China now, and asked her whether Miss Butler has been assigned to any special institution. She told me that Miss Butler is teaching music in Scarritt College this year and no assignment has been made. If we want to have

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her come to Ginling, we should write to her and also ask her Board to send her to us. I think that in order to get our application in, I am going to write to her, but the final decision is not to be made so soon yet, as Miss Robinson said that Miss Butler may like to know more definitely about the specific work expected of her if she came to Ginling. Will you please let me know what your recommendation is?

With regard to Mrs. Rhead, she has written me that if Ginling should still wish her to go out, she would be glad to consider it after she finishes at Michigan by the summer of 1947. Her regular sabbatical leave will be due that year. It seems to me that it would be splendid for Ginling to have her at any time that she is ready to come. In fact, 1947 may be better than next fall, because in the restarting of our College in Nanking, the first year will probably be a period of adjustment, particularly in the securing of additional equipment. Mrs. Rhead did mention in her letter that she did not wish now to have this plan talked about in Ann Arbor, and I am only telling you so that you will know of this possibility.

With love and best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

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Yi-fang Wu

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October 15, 1945

Mrs. George B. Sutherland
445 Baker Avenue
Webster Groves 19, Mo.

Dear Mrs. Sutherland:

I have just had a telephone call from your son and from him learned that you had a cable giving the good news that Catharine is now in India. I had a letter this morning from Florence Kirk, dated September 8th, in which Florence said that Catharine had left for India the day before. Your news is therefore later than mine. I am indeed glad to know that she has gotten as far as India and I hope that her wait there will not be long.

The check which you sent me for her had not even been deposited, since it arrived just before the Columbus Day holiday, and I am therefore returning it to you. I do not think it would be very practical to try to reach Catharine enroute with it.

We are all rejoicing with you in your anticipation of her arrival. We shall look forward with pleasure to seeing her.

Cordially yours,

Mrs. W. Plumer Mills

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Enclosure: Return of Check

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October 22-1945

My dear Mrs. Millos:-

It is quite unpardonable
that I am so slow - in acknowledging
your letter - with its enclosure - very
check for transfer from Dallas - for Catharine -
your letter came some days ago - it has
been a busy week here. We had a letter from
Catharine dated September 12th - written
from Calcutta. She seemed to be resting
comfortably - but quite uncertain as to when
she might get a sailing thro' way. Nothing
has come since. Her sister has written - air
mail to Calcutta - the mail seems uncertain.
a letter sent in July was returned by some
one at Quincy. evidently it reached Chester
after Catharine left Sep. 8th.

Thank you so much for your letter
and for your kindly attention to the
check.

Most cordially,

Ella B. Lickel

445 - Baker Ave

Webster Mass 19

Mo.

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Nov. 26-1945

Sutherland

My dear Mrs. Mills:-

The enclosed letter has gone to Long Beach twice - & returned each time. It acknowledges a package which Stella Gano took with her - in the expectation of carrying it to Mr. Catham. Hearing of Catham's start toward Lure - Stella returned the package to me. She will wonder why it was not acknowledged, but I have no idea now where Stella is - en route to Chicago? possibly.

A letter from Catham came this morning. written from Calcutta Nov. 14th. He is staying at the Y.M.C. - and seems busy with visits to the Hospital - & doing some shopping for the British Boys. "A dress for my wife" - "a rug for my mother" - a birthday card - "a watch" a fountain pen". These last two items are not to be found. He seems well - and still speaks of a prosaice

reservation on a Cargo ship - at
the end of November - I am so
very glad that she is comfortably
located during this long delay.
I keep wondering about her financial
resources. but do not know how
to help her.

Most cordially

Deen B. Luchford

I shall surely appreciate your
taking care of this enclosed letter.
If Stella is on her way to China -
it may as well be destroyed.

11-26-45.

December 8, 1945

Mrs. George W. Sutherland
445 Baker Avenue
Webster Groves 19, Mo.

Dear Mrs. Sutherland:

We have forwarded your letter to Stella in California. I do not understand why it was returned to you the second time since you had the correct address. I hope that she has it by now. You will be glad to know that at last we have Stella's passport and hope that she will be on her way to China before very long.

I am interested to know that Catharine is still in Calcutta. I had hoped that she would be in America by now. It is good to know that she is comfortably located in Calcutta and that she finds friends and interesting things to do. I know how eagerly you are waiting for her arrival, and I sincerely hope that she will be here soon.

Cordially yours,

Mrs. W. Plumer Mills

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445 Baker Ave
Webster Groves, Mo.

Mar. 12, 1946

Dear Cornelia,

I have been meaning to write a little note just to say thank you for all your kindness to me when I was in New York. I am only one of many who feels such a happy satisfaction and thankfulness that you are in the Smiling office, doing just what needs to be done there. Whenever your letters come to Cheryl I always felt how clear, business-like & yet personal they were. Am glad for Smiling that you may be remaining until Augie's graduation from college as you said.

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I had such a happy day with my niece & the two children in Rochester, & then came on to St. Louis, a whole hour ahead of time because of a new Diesel engine!

It has been lovely to see my mother & sister again - mother older, of course, but almost as active as before. She realizes she is too active, & so I am glad I can begin to help in various little ways. That will be my chief job for the present.

I am writing also to Mr. Evans to settle my account & saying that I had spoken with you about counting me as retired from this year. I think it is better just to count it so, so as to stop the salary at the right time.

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Edith Haight came this last week end, & of course we had a good visit, getting caught up on many things. It is nice having her so comparatively near. Some letters were also waiting from China which gave recent news.

Your folders are just fine.

Thank you again & believe me

Most gratefully
Catharine Aetherland.

March 25, 1946

Miss Catheline Sutherland
445 Baker Avenue
Webster Groves, Mo.

Dear Catherine,

I was delighted to get your letter of March 12, and to know that you are happily established at home with your mother and sister. I am sure that nothing will make you feel your normal self again more quickly than being at home with your own family, and the rest and relaxation that comes through these happy associations. So do eat and sleep a lot!

I am sure that your sister and brother have written you about Dah-ling's lovely wedding. Thanks to their efficient help everything went beautifully and everyone had a grand time. Dah-ling looked lovely and seemed very happy. I have not seen her since the wedding. She is probably very busy getting used to being a married woman! Ettie Chin was down for the occasion and Chen I-djen was maid of honor.

Ettie stayed at my apartment but I just caught glimpses of her as she ran in and out having a wonderful time with her many friends here. She is a charmer and many people know it. She and Alice Chong helped Harriet run a tea for me Sunday afternoon. Bill and Frances Penn were there and I asked all the Nanking people I could find, with the result that there were nineteen of us in my tiny apartment, and I was busy finding places for them to sit. I was grateful to the girls for their efficient help as well as for their good company.

Lilliath Bates spent the week end with me March 16 - 17th, and we went to The Red Mill. It is colorful and lovely and we thoroughly enjoyed it. After the play we had dinner with Mary and Sam and of course talked over old times in Nanking.

Mrs. Evans and I both feel that you should not make any major decisions about your future work now. I have talked it over with Miss MacKinnon also, and she heartily agrees. We therefore suggest that for the present at least you regard yourself as still a member of the Ginling faculty, at home on furlough. Later when you have had time

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to rest, and are feeling better we can discuss future plans again. In the meantime we prefer to continue your salary and all other furlough arrangements.

Let me know if there is anything that I can do for you.

Affectionately yours,

Sutherland
445 Baker Hn
Webster Groves, Mo.
Mar. 25, 1946.

Dear Cornelia,

This is just to ask a favor.
May I trouble you for a statement
saying that I arrived in the U. S. Feb. 17th
from China & from missionary work
SS. Magdapor
here for the last 5 years - all in order
that I may get my sugar ration!
It seems that returning citizens in
St. Louis must have some kind of
an official statement - before the
ration card will be issued. Sorry to
trouble you.

Spring is here with a most unusual
burst of blossoms & we are digging in
the garden beds.

With thanks to you.

Sincerely
Catherine Sutherland

March 28, 1946

Miss Catherine Sutherland
445 Baker Avenue
Webster Groves, Mo.

Dear Catherine:

I hope the enclosed statement will enable you to get a bit of sugar now and then. It has been very hard to come by in New York - stamp or no stamp!

How I envy you a chance to dig in a garden in the spring! I know it do you worlds of good and I hope you spend a lot of time that way.

Affectionately,

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enclosure

Mrs W. Plumer Mills

Ginling College, Chongtu, April 23, 1946

Dear Catharine,

I have wanted to write you for ages, but somehow I have not been able to write letters at all. My excuse is I have had no secretary.

First of all, I wish to tell you that at the last meeting of the Executive Committee of the Ginling Board here in Chongtu, I followed the usual procedure, and presented to the Board the recommendations from the College Council concerning foreign members now on furlough. Unanimously the Executive Committee voted to extend to you a cordial invitation to return to China after a full year's furlough in America. I should add that the College Council voted unanimously for your return. The phrase, "A full year" was included because of the long wait you had in India before getting a boat for America. Through all these hard war years you have carried more than a full load, and it is no wonder that you were exhausted near the end of your term. Furthermore, Miss Graves will have had two years before she returns, so you should not feel this action is any special consideration. So now please try to give yourself a real rest and some play. Ever since my two different illnesses when I was laid up for several months I realize the importance of taking care of one's health. Besides merely resting perhaps you should have a medical checkup to see if you should take vitamins, iron, or liver. I am still faithfully taking vitamins and iron.

Now, if I turn to College news, I don't know where to begin. Florence has written an account of the starting of the trek back to Nanking, and I am asking Mrs. Mills to send you a copy. As for repairs in Nanking, the minimum necessary things are being done. I have invited Dr. Hsiung to be Chairman of the Rehabilitation Committee, so that he will take charge of the tremendous task of repairs and the making of furniture. You will be interested to know that the Baby Grand was discovered in Ming Teh School, and naturally we claimed it. The Japanese had a girls' school there, so they collected equipment from various places. In fact, many of our classroom chairs and tables which are now there we hope to get back when the school has completed this semester's work. Now we are attempting to get together the absolute minimum essential furniture, and shall try to gradually add to this later.

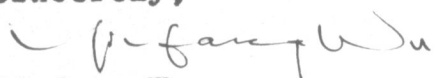
I wonder if you had an opportunity to talk over with Mrs. Mills the situation of the Music Department for next year. I approached the Methodists to assign Miss Butler to Ginling, but somehow no definite word has come from them. I don't need to tell you I am getting anxious because I have no one in mind for piano teaching next year. Have I told you in my last letter that I approached Mrs. Rhead, and she has said she would be willing to consider coming to Nanking in 1947 after her retirement? I felt that her delay until then might be a very good thing in view of the unsettlement of conditions in Nanking next year. I am sorry to tell you that Mrs. Yeh has been sick for several weeks; now she is making real improvement, and she and Mr. Yeh plan to spend the summer in this region until she is fully recovered.

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Will you please give my kind regards and love to Mother Sutherland? I was sorry I could not arrange a stopover in St. Louis when the Conference train passed through. After that, of course, I was not again near that part of the country.

With love and best wishes to you and your sister,

Sincerely,


Yi-fang Wu

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445 Baker ^[17]
Webster Groves, Mo.
May 1, 1946.

Dear Cornelia,

Just a little line, partly to
enclose the letter to Mr. Evans, enclosing
two checks, - a small one for "children's
work" which I think may be used for
Griming's neighborhood children - & the
other a personal one for Miss Ellen Koo.
It may be that you wish to keep record
of the first. - I wasn't sure where to
send it to you or to Mr. Evans.

Alta has written that she will
have a sailing on or near May 20th,
which I know brings great joy to her.
She seems to have been gathering
many things for the - refurnishing of
the faculty house, as well as other
things. I'm sorry to hear of Chinese
music couldn't have materials
for she was getting such fun out of
the preparation, but of course she was

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eager to get going on her way to China.

I've just returned from a pleasant little visit with Edith Hayth in Charleston, Ill.

She drove us over on returning from a health convention here, & the spring blossoms along the way were very beautiful. I hope you are having a glimpse of them somewhere in the suburbs of N.Y.

There are still ups & downs with me, but "ups" are coming "tops" more frequently, I believe. I think it right to say that, in accordance with what you so kindly wrote, I am continuing to accept the furlough salary, but shall keep it intact beyond the first six months, so as to be able to return it when we become more definite. My heart naturally aches for China, but I think the mind must function as best it can in this decision & the balance of thought seems against trying to return. I repeat it especially because I hope salary set aside for me would not delay the appointment

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of needed new persons. Ruth wrote a
good letter asking me to consider returning
but I think that does not change my feeling
about it, so far as it is clear to me. I don't
know what Dr. W. may have written, but
if several of the Chinese music faculty are
coming aboard or are otherwise not available,
they will surely hope for new ones from
here. I do hope just the right persons
may be found & believe they will.

Will you be so kind as to pass on
to Mr. Evans his letter & the checks.

I am often thinking of you & hoping
that you are having all the strength
needed for each busy day. It is
quite thrilling to think of Smiling
setting out on the homeward march.

Love & yours

Esther Smithland

The recent Smiling Pamphlet is very fine
due to your thought & work, I know.

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May 10, 1946

Miss Catharine Sutherland
445 Baker Avenue
Webster Groves 19, Mo.

Dear Catharine:

Thank you for your letter of May 1st and for the checks enclosed with the one to Mr. Egan. I have turned all of this over to him and he will see that the money goes where you wish it.

We were all very happy that Stella could make her arrangements to get away tomorrow. I know that she had to work very hard and very fast, but she seemed so happy that the work did not bother her. Like you, I am sorry that her program of Chinese music could not be arranged, but we will hope that a little later someone can give such a program. My only regret is that it will not be Stella herself.

I am happy to know that you are feeling better and that your "ups" are more frequently on top than your "downs". My greatest concern is that you really rest and relax and take advantage of spring weather to be outdoors as much as possible so that you will soon be completely yourself again.

I have nothing to add to my former letter to you in which I said that I did not want you to make any decision about returning to China until you really are well again. You say that Ruth has written asking you to return, and I am sure that she expresses the desire of all of the faculty to have you back. Dr. Wu has not mentioned your return in any of her letters, but when she was here, she assumed that you would take furlough and come back to Ginling. Let's leave it that way now; get well first and make far-reaching decisions later.

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Miss Catherine Sutherland

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May 10, 1946

I am enclosing a copy of a letter that Harriet Whitmer wrote to Mrs. Thurston, as I am sure you will be interested in much that Harriet says. Just yesterday I received a report from Harriet and a news letter from Dr. Wu. I hope to get both of these copied and will send them to you as soon as possible.

You will be interested to know that the first truckload from Ginling started to Nanking via Pao Chi on April 16th. On April 21st, a telegram came to Chengtu, saying that they had reached Sian safely and in record time. I hope that by now they are in Nanking. The plan was for two or three trucks to leave at a time until they had all gotten away. The schedule was April 16th, April 22nd, April 29th and May 15th. I am looking forward eagerly to word from Nanking, telling of their arrival.

I wonder if you have heard anything about Hu Shih-tsang's plans to come to America. We had hoped that she would be awarded a Barbour Scholarship and I have tried to find out how that stood, but so far have heard nothing. Dr. Wu's last letter speaks of her coming as though it were settled. If you know anything definite, will you please share it with me?

All best wishes,

Affectionately yours,

Mrs. W. Plumer Mills

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Enclosure: Copy of Miss Whitmer's letter to
Mrs. Thurston

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Thank you for news of
Hankin & Harriet's very good letter. May 21, 1946. ⁵¹⁷
(Oh sorry I can't remember what
your name has 2 m's or one!!)

Dear Cornelia,

Thank you for your
letter of some days ago.

I hope that Stella has finally
gotter off the mole of her delay.
She had asked me to pack some
things for dramatics - old curtains,
gowns or things that could be used for
plays; & finally advised that I
send them to you instead of to
her boat, since she tho't her
sailing might be suddenly changed.
So I did so & mailed a package
last Saturday. Perhaps it can be
included among some of your
freight to Hankin or sent with

someone who is going.

5-21-46^[2]

You asked about Hn Shi Tsang
& the Barbour Scholarship. A recent
letter brought from Shi Tsang by
Mrs. Lai said that she had rec'd
no word from Michigan & she
was becoming a bit doubtful. But
she said Dr. Lu was so sure that
it would be sent. I recently
heard from Mrs. Phead, also &
she said she had heard nothing
about it, but that Dr. Rufus was
not easy to approach or talk to, &
she hadn't seen him for a long
time. I wonder if it is right for you
to drop him a line just to inquire,
with the thought of approaching fullard
again in case Michigan hasn't

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granted a scholarship. & I am glad
to do it, if you think it is better to
ask informally. I know she wants
needs to come. I could possibly
find a place in a music school
here, as a temporary opening, but
she would of course prefer N.Y. or
Michigan, I believe.

The enclosed letter from Dr. Wen
mentions her concern for music
teachers. He doubt she has written
the same to you. I hope one or two
Americans can be found to go. I also
mentioned to her the possibility of
getting Hsing Da-ling, as I heard
from my sister-in-law that Da-ling
may go back this summer. Of
course she may not be living in Hankow,
but she might be available.

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As for my return, I said to Dr. Wm, as I had to you, that I believe it is best. Not to, & that I am probably needed here with my mother now, but that I was "acquiescing" to your kind suggestion that I don't be absolutely final at the moment.

The doctor whom the board suggested I see is helping me with some related education about the emotions etc. & to "acquiescence" in some other respects, I think.

With thanks again for all your help & understanding, I am

Sincerely

Catharine.

In June I will go with Edith Haight for a couple of weeks to North Car. in her car. It will be lonely, I know. And Chang Bing-i (Mrs. Teng) said she will come from Oberlin for a week June 25th.

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445 Baker Ave.,
Webster Groves, Mo.
May 25, 1946

Dear Cornelia,

A letter just came from Stella from New Orleans, in which she mentioned Hu Shi-tsang. I had written to her that no certain word had been received from Michigan, and she wrote as follows:

"I feel sure that Hu Shi-tsang should study at the Institute of Musical Art. I'm sure that when she comes Dr. Wedge will welcome her. I don't think there should be any effort made again to try for the U. of M. She has been rejected before because her grades are too low, and other students who have applied had higher averages - so there was nothing Dr. Wu nor Dr. Rufus could do, Mrs. Rhead told me. And there is no question of the Institute. Dr. Wedge promised her the chance to enter, and a scholarship. There the emphasis is on ~~Handicapping Theoretical studies for important, but secondary~~ performance. Theoretical studies are important but secondary. Da-ling can help her to ask for a good teacher. Ruth Phillips can help on the living problem, so too Mrs. Mills."

I had not heard about the fact of Shi-tsang's grades being a handicap for Michigan. Her music grades were very high, but they no doubt consider the whole average. I don't remember her other grades but believe they were not low. I was about to write to Juillard, but then wondered if it would be more profitable if you could see

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Dr. Wedge personally, and ask him whether the scholarship would hold good for the coming year, beginning in September. A year or so ago he was quite anxious that we let him know, if she could not use her scholarship, so that he could apply it to some other foreign student. They may not have reconsidered her for next year. Of course we do not know finally about Michigan. I am writing to Dr. Rufus to-day to ask him to kindly let me know what the results were, and will let you know when I hear.

If she does not get Michigan's scholarship, and can have one from the Institute of Fine Arts, do you think it would be well to cable Dr. Wu to that effect, hoping that she will make plans to sail as soon as possible. The Barbour Scholarship would have provided travel and all expenses, I believe. I don't know whether there is any provision for her by the college-she herself has nothing. If there is nothing, I will try to find her travel money and perhaps her living for a year. So that could also be wired to Dr. Wu-"travel and other expenses assured."

I know that Shi-tsang wasn't so keen about Juillard, but maybe that was because two of her friends there had not secured very satisfactory teachers at the beginning. It might be that she would like it very well, or, if not, could change the second year. She is quite diffident by nature, and would find it hard to live alone. If she could be at Smith with Ettie or Chen (her first name has slipped me,) it would be fine for her, but there is probably no chance there.

Thank you for doing whatever seems best.

Lovingly
Catharine

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May 29, 1946

Miss Catharine Sutherland
445 Baker Avenue
Webster Groves, 19, Mo.

Dear Datharine:

Thank you for your letters of May 21st and May 25th. It seemed a long time since I had heard from you, and I was glad for news of you again. Thank you, too, for enclosing Dr. Wu's letter.

I am sure that you know by now that Stella finally got away from New Orleans about May 20th. It was too bad that she was delayed in Texas so long, as I am sure that she could have used the time to much better advantage in California. I hope that all goes well with her from now on and that she reaches Nanking in good time.

The package and letter that you sent to Mrs. Lai, in care of this office, have both arrived and been delivered to her. The box of materials for Ginling has also arrived and will be included in the next shipment to the College. I am sure that they will find good use for these things.

I had a letter from Dr. Rufus at Ann Arbor, saying that Hu Shih-tsang was not awarded a Barbour Scholarship. I am sure that you have gotten the same information in answer to the letter that you wrote. I was afraid that they had not given her a scholarship because we had heard nothing from them, but I was nevertheless greatly disappointed as I know Dr. Wu and Miss Hu will be. As soon as I got this information, I began to see what could be done about getting her a scholarship at Juilliard. I have just heard that Juilliard is no longer making outright scholarship grants. They sent me a number of applications for a competitive examination to be taken in September with the suggestion that Miss Hu appear for these examinations if she thought

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she was qualified. As I understand it, she has to have definite word of admission to an American institution before her passport is granted. Therefore a statement that she would be allowed to sit for these examinations would hardly be sufficient. This refusal, too, is disappointing, but the scholarship was really not worth a great deal financially, only \$275.

What would you suggest we do for Miss Hu now? Do you know whether she would be happy studying music at Oberlin, and to whom should we apply there? What about Smith? You know that Mrs. Yeh studied there, but I do not know how she felt about her time in their graduate school. I shall be grateful to you for suggestions and will gladly follow up any leads that you can give me. Miss Hu's time is very short, as she must make her arrangements immediately if she is to get here for the fall term.

Dr. Wu's last letter to me mentioned the necessity for additional faculty for the Music Department. At that time she had not yet had my letter saying that Miss Butler was to go to McTyeire for the coming year. I am sure this will be a great disappointment to Dr. Wu. It also makes me happier than ever to know that Stella is on her way to Nanking.

Your suggestion of Hung Dah-ling may be a very happy one, as I happen to know that they are returning to China. I do not know that they are going to Nanking, however, so it may not work after all.

I am enclosing a list of music that Stella bought and which we have shipped to Nanking. I also enclose a brief list that came to me from the College. I have not bought the things on this shorter list and I am asking for your opinion as to whether these should be secured and sent in addition to the things that Stella has already bought. Stella's purchases were shipped some time ago and should be in Nanking well before the opening of College. If you think that it would be well to purchase the additional items on this shorter list, please let me know and I will put in the order at once. We are now in the process of purchasing and shipping a number of books and supplies to Ginling.

I hope you have a very happy vacation with Edith Haight. North Carolina in June is a lovely spot and I envy you the drive down. I think it will be a wonderful vacation for you, and I am very happy that you can go.

With all best wishes,

Affectionately yours,

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Enclosure: Lists of music

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May 31, 1946

Dear Cornelia,

Thank you for your letter about Hu Shi-tsang, etc., which came just after I had mailed mine, ~~enclosing~~ the letter from Dr. Ryfys. It is rather disappointing about Juillard, and I wonder what is the next best thing to try for.

Do you think Smith is a possibility, and will it be right for you to try, representing Ginling? Dr. Wu seemed so sure of Michigan, as appears also in her letter to friends in general, that I wondered whether we could tell that to Smith, explaining how Shi-tsang has been disappointed several times, and she is badly in need of a change and more training. I don't know how she would find the requirements of an M.A. Apparently they were very strict with Mrs. Yeh on the literary side, and she found it difficult. Shi-tsang is mentally tired, and I don't know how she would like too much research-the practical being her first interest, but I think it would be right to risk it, if they would accept her.

Oberlin might be possible, but I know that Stella felt last year that she had made all the appeal she should. I would be glad to write there, but believe your letter would carry more weight. I do not know to whom to apply. The teachers Stella knew are mostly gone, I believe, but Catherine Chang (Djang Bing-i) may give us the name of the proper person. I will write to her asking her to send you the name of the head of the conservatory or some other person whom Stella knows.

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I feel that she would be happier at Smith than at Oberlin, but am not sure.

Would Juilliard accept her if she paid her own tuition? I wasn't sure from your letter but presume this is doubtful.

Do you know how strict the govt is about acceptance by an institution (the Chinese gov't, I mean)? I suppose they would not allow acceptance by a private music teacher. If other things fail, I think that I can secure acceptance by a conservatory here in St. Louis, thinking of it only as a stepping stone, as I know ours here have not the reputation of the eastern schools.

I'm sorry to be going away for the next few weeks, for in case I try to get something here, it would be the end of June. I do hope Smith might help.

Do you think we might cable to Dr. Wu something like the following: Barber Scholarship for Hu Shi-tsang fails. Hopeful for information about other scholarship by end of June. Advise her making all preliminary plans and secure a boat passage meanwhile."

This is written hurriedly in order to catch the mail. Something else might occur to mind later. I will also write about the music order in the next mail.

Sincerely,

Cachani S. S.

May 31, 1946

Miss Catharine Sutherland
445 Baker Avenue
Webster Groves 19, Mo.

Dear Catharine:

Since I last wrote to you I have been thinking a great deal about getting Hu Shih-tsang into a school in America. As a result of my cogitations I have this morning written to Mrs. Rhead in Michigan, asking that she see if it is possible to get Miss Hu admitted to Michigan without any reference to scholarship aid. Dr. Wu wrote that Miss Hu had some funds toward her expenses and I think that we could get some additional assistance for her from the Scholarship Committee of the Associated Boards. The main thing is to get her admitted to an institution in America, so that she can apply for her passport and passage.

I have also written to the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, asking about her chances there. I am wondering if there is any place in St. Louis that you would recommend. I have not yet written to Smith but may do that also very soon.

Please let me know what you think of the relative merits of these various places.

We face two problems in Miss Hu's case. One, of course, is the financial one, but I think that can probably be taken care of. The other problem is that her transcript and letters of recommendation are now on file at Michigan. If they admit her there, of course everything is all right. If she is not admitted there, we may have difficulty in getting the necessary papers to present to another institution. Of course, a word from you, as head of the Music Department, would have great weight, and I am sure that you would be willing to write a word of recommendation for Miss Hu.

Affectionately yours,

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Via Air Mail

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June, 4, 1946
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Dear Comelia.

Your letter of May 31st is here,
✓ I am replying as I can.

I hope Michigan has sent a favorable reply. Nichols' to me didn't sound very hopeful, when I wrote in the same vein, but your letter may have more weight.

I think you may now have my letter mentioning my idea about Orestin Smith, etc. Perhaps, as you say, my opening would be good as a starter. I am getting in touch with our best conservatory of music here to see if they will admit her, & will hope to let you know in a few days. A funny thing happened to me - I fell out of a cherry tree! & broke my arm at

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the shneider (it was the only one in our garden
✓ beautifully laden with cherries, so I was
picking them from a ladder & it broke -)
Now I'm all swathed like a mummy on
one side, so the nice trip with Edith had
to be cancelled. Maybe it is as well, from
the point of view of helping Shih Tsang.
Because of the accident I can't run
about for a while & so I am writing to
the head of the conservatory here, instead
of phoning, as I feel a letter is more
satisfactory.

I am enclosing a couple of recom-
mendation letters for Shih Tsang,
hoping they are what you want & if they
should be addressed to a particular
institution, please let me know & I'll
do it again. Later I can get my sister
to type for me - she is involved in exams

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correcting these next few days.

As for the list of music, I will attempt a tentative one, not having any music catalogue here. That small list you enclosed was made by me when we were asked to send a very minimum which might reach us during the war period - about 2 yrs ago -

All this list is entirely vocal. This will be piano, except the small vocal item which Mrs Yeh had asked for.

I hope Mrs Yeh will send her request from China. Perhaps I had better include a few standard volumes anyway.

Also a short list of books, which would be in addition to what they have in Chengtu - presuming those are to be sent to Nanking. If not, another list should be made. But also to have a list of

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what has been salvaged in Nanking.
This especially in regard to Brown's
Dictionary, which is really an encyclo-
pedia in 5 or 6 volumes & rather
& expensive. As for the others an extra
copy would always be useful.

However, if there is to be a selection
from this ^{whole list}, I would suggest 1 copy
each of everything, voice first

Placed next (started
ones most
important)

books last

This is a messy letter. But good
enough.

Answering
Catharine.

Edith Haight is going to "detour" by
way of her. So nice of her.

Yesterday Ethel Davis of Chungking dropped in
with her little Chinese boy, aged 7, the brother of one of

our Guiding Teachers.

June 5, 1946

Miss Catherine Sutherland
445 Baker Street
Webster Groves, Mo.

Dear Catherine,

Your letter of June 4th has just come in, and I hasten to answer it.

First of all let me say how sorry I am that you had an accident, and especially such a painful and disabling one as a broken arm. I was just beginning to think of you as off on a beautiful trip to North Carolina. I hope the trip will merely be delayed, not given up altogether.

Now about Hu Shih-tsang. Yesterday I had a cable from Dr. Wu saying that the College would pay tuition at Juilliard and asking me to try to get her admitted. I immediately got in touch with the office of admissions and put the matter before them. They could not give an answer without some consultation and reference to their records, but they will let me know very soon. I think they will take her, especially as Dr. Wedge had offered her a scholarship for last year on the basis of Stella's recommendation.

That brings me to the second part of Dr. Wu's cable in which she asked if your brother's generous offer of a home is still open. Here I am frankly asking for your assistance or at least advice. Shall I just ask your brother and sister if they want Miss Hu to live with them, or would it be better for you to do it? Their plans may have changed since they made the offer, and so they may not now be able to take her. If this is the case would they be more frank with me or with you? Dr. Wu asked for a cabled reply on both these questions, i.e. of admission to Juilliard and of living arrangements, so I need your advice at once.

Since Dr. Wu is suggesting this arrangement with Juilliard I am not pushing any other plan. I wrote to Oberlin and to Mrs. Rhead, but have not heard from either of them. I am not too keen to send Miss Hu to Smith where you say Mrs. Yeh found the work difficult, and especially as Miss Hu's grades are apparently not too impressive. Smith

has just turned down another Ginling applicant because of low grades, and Chen I-djen's record at Smith had not been good. We do not want Smith to get a bad impression of our girls. Probably Juilliard is best if all arrangements can be satisfactorily made, so let's not push any other application till we know whether or not she can get in there.

Thank you for the letters of recommendation. I am sure they will be what we need, but if anything more is required I will let you know.

Thank you for your attention to to music order. You see I am no musician and so had no idea what field Stella's order covered, or what more was needed. I will order the things on your list at once, and include them in the next shipment. When the College is all settled in Nanking again and they find out what more they need we can place an additional order.

With best wishes for a speedy recovery,

Affectionately yours,

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June 2, 1945

Dear Cornelia -

Thank you for your
letter of June 5 about Mr Shih-tsang.
I am hastening to reply that I am
sending a letter to my brother + sister-in-
law by special delivery, hoping they
will have it by Sunday + be able to
give you a reply by Monday -

If they should for any reason feel
they couldn't offer Mr the room, I am
wondering about the Episcopalian School
or Dormitory? - about 90th St. which I
visited many years ago. Shih-tsang
happens to be Episcopalian + they
might accept Mr.

I am enclosing also

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a check & letter sent by
Western College. Will you kindly
see that it is sent on with the
instructions about it. I don't
know whether Miss Streicher will
be at the college next year. If you
think it wise to put them on the
mailing list under the Society
for Religion & Social Work, it
might be well. Also, a short note
from your office in thanks might be
good, tho' I will write too. They
may be too busy now at Hankow for
much correspondence.

I do hope Shih-tsai is accepted
by Swellord.

Lovingly
Catharine.

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Dear Cornelia,

I wonder what has been heard from Inleand or elsewhere about Hn Shih tsang. I have gotten in touch with 2 places here. The first was involved in spring recitals, & as they were slow in replying. When they did they were very gracious about accepting her, altho the housing problem is difficult here as there. I had supposed we could take someone with us, & perhaps we can, altho' it may not be best for my mother, who is quite old & finds it a strain having new people in the home. In other days she would have more than welcomed anyone. However I think we can find a living place if that is the only question.

Mr. Miller, who is head of the most

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popular & perhaps the best school suggested
that I try Webster College, a Catholic
school, where the music is my good, &
where college credit is given. As I did, &
they are also willing to take her. I am
sure she would get good instruction in
either.

If you wish to have her apply for
either I can get the written acceptance
for her. And if you wish to send a
cable ahead of the letter I presume it
will be alright--

The first is

- 1) Leo C. Miller Music Studios
St. Louis, Mo.

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- 2) Webster College
Webster Groves, Mo.

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I suppose the record would sound
best to the Chinese govt.

My sister-in-law wrote that my brother
David was going to call you about the
matter of Shih-tsang's room. Their opinion
being that it would work better if she could
get a room such as Hung Da-ling had,
near Guilford. Rachel didn't say whether
they would be willing to take her if she
couldn't get a place in N.Y., but my
impression was that maybe they were
hesitating a bit, especially as Rachel's
mother has come to visit them, & I'm not
sure about the length of her visit - she
has no home & goes about among her
daughters a good deal of the time.

I do hope it will work out well for
Shih-tsang. Or might be that some other

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family might be formed to take her.
I shall be eager to hear what has developed.

Another smiling girl - Ruby Swen (daughter of former pastor Swen of Hansimen Church) (Swen En-hien - Mrs. Chen) has been writing me about getting a place for her. I don't know whether she has written to the office or not. Just before Stella left she put in an application for her to Union School of Sacred Music, to Mr. Hugh Porter, & the reply was to come to me. I've heard nothing yet & imagine there may be no chance this year. I may send her word about these schools here, if she is interested. She has taught in McIntyre's & Shanghai public schools for many years & has quite a bit of ability, & being one of the older ones, seems worthy of a chance. I don't mean that you

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should do anything about it - am just
letting you know by way of information.

However, if you should know anything about
her or whether any school has accepted her, I
will be glad to hear about it.

Edith Haydock left yesterday having
made us all happy by her visit.

I hope you'll be having a vacation.

Sincerely
Catharine.

Sutherland

June 14, 1946

Miss Catharine Sutherland
445 Baker Avenue
Webster Groves 19, Mo.

Dear Catharine:

You will be glad to know that we have just heard from Juilliard that they will admit Hu Shih-tsang. They sent me official certificates of admission that are already on their way to Nanking. I hope that this will solve the problem of getting passport and passage for Miss Hu and that she will soon be on her way to America.

I had a long telephone conversation with your brother on Tuesday, in which he explained some of the difficulties that they face in offering Miss Hu a home for next year. Everything considered, it seems best for her not to try to live in Montclair. Your brother feels strongly that commuting would be a very serious difficulty. He says that Dah-ling said she would not try to live in Montclair and work in Juilliard.

As soon as I have any indication from Dr. Wu about the amount that Miss Hu can count on for her running expenses, I shall attempt to make living arrangements for her. I am sure that we can get some help for her through the Scholarship Committee of the Associated Boards, and so I have no fear about arranging her finances satisfactorily.

I had a nice letter from Mrs. Rhead in which she explained that in spite of her best efforts it was not possible for her to get Miss Hu admitted to Michigan. I have had no response at all to the other letters that I sent out asking for admissions for Miss Hu.

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Thank you for sending us the check for \$175 from the Society for Religious and Social Work of Western College. We are sending this amount on to Ruth Chester at Ginling with the instructions about it. We will also put the Society on our mailing list and see that they get all the information about Ginling. We are also acknowledging the check and telling them that we have forwarded it to Nanking.

I hope that your arm is making satisfactory progress and that you are planning a nice vacation trip.

The above had just been dictated when your air mail letter of June 13th arrived.

You have indeed been good to make all the inquiries you have for Hu Shih-tsang, but I think perhaps it will be better for her to go to Juilliard as planned. I have gotten no farther on living arrangements for Miss Hu, but I am sure that we shall be able to work out something. Your brother told me that his mother-in-law was living with them for an indefinite period and he also said that he was afraid that his wife was not as well as she was a year ago. I hope that this is nothing serious, but of course it would make us all hesitate to add anything to her burdens. As I have already written you, no matter what sort of arrangements could be made for her in Montclair, we all feel that it would be better for her to live nearer Juilliard. When I know more about her plans, I will make more definite efforts to secure a room close to the school.

Mrs. Thurston had written me about Ruby Swen and sent me a copy of the letter of application to Union Theological Seminary. I took the matter up with Union and found that they have no place for any more students for this year and probably none for next year. I have sent this information on to Mrs. Thurston but I have heard nothing further from her. It may be that Ruby Swen could get in at Juilliard, but I frankly do not recommend it for her, especially in view of the difficulty of finding a place to live in New York. She has not written to me directly, and so I have done nothing about making arrangements for her except to follow up the application at Union, as Mrs. Thurston had requested. It is entirely possible that one of the St. Louis schools may meet her needs very adequately.

Cordially yours,

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July 14, 1946. [13]

Sutherland

Dear Cornelia,

Your letter is just here & I am interested to know about the news from the Shih-tang. I agree with you that Ingrid will no doubt be better for her, tho' I should love having her here. Perhaps she is a bit timid about Ingrid, tho' I feel she need not be. She is exceedingly shy at times & she may fear that she would not know what to do in case she is not given a satisfactory teacher at first. Or she may just fear that she won't make good because she is out of practice. I'm so glad you have Miss Phelps' help in the matter of finding a room for her.

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As for Louise Shoups. I'm sorry I
do not have her address. Do you think
Leland Stanford could give it to you.
Since she got her degree there, I think.
Also I remember that she & Meret Mosman
were very good friends & perhaps Meret
could help you. Katherine Boye of the
Methodist ~~Board~~ Mission (you remember her
from Hankin) was also her good friend.
Her father is (or was) connected with the
Southern Pacific R.R., I think, & did
have his office in N. Y. at one time, if
I remember correctly.

Thank you my arm is progressing
nicely. I do all sorts of wild &
wacky "exercises" trying to get it back in
place. Because of it, I think it best

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not to take the trip with Edith. It would have been very pleasant. We're having some unusually cool weather for St. Louis, so it has been delightful eating & practically living out of doors. We have open-air light opera which I've attended a couple of times.

Ruby Owen (the girl about whom Mrs. Thurston wrote you) replied that she hopes to come here to Webster College, as a stepping stone, of course, to something else, if possible. I doubt whether she can make it for September.

I hope you may have a good & restful vacation, with problems thrown aside for a while.

Sincerely
Catharine

P.S. If easy & convenient, could you send or recommend a pamphlet telling no. of Xhans in China no. of missionaries & that sort of thing? Thank you!

July 19, 1946

Miss Catharine Sutherland
445 Baker Avenue
Webster Groves 19, Mo.

Dear Catharine:

Thank you for your letter of July 14th. I have nothing further to add about Hu Shih-tsang, but we still hope that she will get here in time for the opening of school in September.

We are following up every lead about Louise Shoup. Dr. Wu is anxious to have her, and of course we would be happy to send her if we could find her. I have no success to report as yet.

I am glad to know that Ruby Swen is cared for at Webster College. I hope that it works out satisfactorily for all concerned. From what Liu En-lan told me yesterday I wonder if she will be here in September, but she may have good luck.

Liu En-lan came in to see me yesterday and we had a good visit. She looks and seems very well, and claims that she is getting fat, but that is not noticeable as yet. She will be in New York only three days this time and then goes to Worcester, Boston, Syracuse and Chicago. From Chicago, she starts on a long trip, visiting Indian Reservations through the west and southwest. That will take her until about the end of September. She had not been up to Nanking and had not seen Dr. Wu recently, so really could not bring any very new items about the College.

I am sending you, under separate cover, a study made by Beale Bates in 1943, called "Data on the Distribution of the Missionary Enterprise". This is the best thing I know to

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I am glad to know that your arm is progressing nicely, but I am sorry that you did not get the trip with Edith as planned.

With all best wishes,

Cordially yours,

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