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Dr. Emily J. Werner
Biblical Seminary
235 East 49th Street
New York, New York

Name (maiden or married) by Emily J. Werner
which you were known at Ginling

1933-1935 at Ginling. Work: Taught General Psychology, Educational Psychology,
Mental Hygiene, Religious Education - Bible (not for cred:

B.A. /or B.S. Year 1925 School New York University (School of Education)

M.A. /or M.S. Year 1926 School " " " " " "

Ph.D. Year 1930 School " " " " " "

Other degrees B.R.E. Year 1928 School The Biblical Seminary in New York

Year _____ School _____

Date of Marriage _____ Husband's name _____

Work and Travel (other than at Ginling)

Year(s) 1926 - 1933 Position Professor of Christian Education

Place The Biblical Seminary in New York

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You can get in touch with the following people at the addresses indicated:

BERGER, Mrs. R. R.

RUEFF, Frau Gese

GAILEY, Miss Helen

VAIL, Miss

LAUCKS, Miss Blanche

ZIMMERMAN, Frau

MA, Mme. Yu-guiun

Signed: Emily J. Werner

December 1940

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Ack. 8/16/35
in letter to Miss Giest

Mrs. Macmillan

Re Dr. Werner's health

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208 S. Queen Street
Caucaster
Aug. 12, 1935

Dear Ulin Hodge -

Rebecca and I went as far
as Chambersburg with the Mossman sisters
to-day (Roy driving our car), so that we
had four hours with them before our
final farewell. Without doubt Ulin
Uleved Mossman would have been
more free to carry through the
Werner case to an interview with the
parents, were it not that the
sister who met her in Europe is

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far from well. It is a strained or dislocated spine, a recurrence of an injury last year brought on by an unwisely severe mountain trip recently made in Europe. The girl was evidently in great discomfort to-day, yet was doing the heavier part of the driving. The two (and you know that Miss Merab Ulossman gets about with difficulty because of her polyomyelitis crippling) were rushing through to Kansas to take part in the last two weeks of the family vacation. Merab is considering going to Iowa City

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rather soon for surgery on the crippled leg, and faces the possibility of beginning her work at the University of Chicago dragging a cast about with her.

Rebecca and Ullrich decided that the wisest step toward the Wiener parents would be a letter which Ullrich will write them to-night.

She will assure them that Dr. Wiener was much improved when she left her a week ago, and that the Bochner psychiatrist, Dr. Young, made a favorable prognosis on the basis

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of the month's rest in the Tübingen
sanatorium upon which Dr. Wimmer
entered on August 5th.

There seems no reason to think
that China need be held respon-
sible for this break. Dr. Wimmer has
had a colorful and productive term
in the Orient. She has said that
she was very tired at the end of
her teaching in New York.

Rebecca and I were
to-day filled with admiration
for Ullis Uffmann's management
of this difficult case. Some time

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you should have the details
which she gave to us in today's
conversation

Rebecca plans to supplement
Ullis Wossnauer's letter to Ull. and
Mrs. Warner. She will assure them
of her desire to be of any possible
personal service, and suggest the
Heims of the University of Tübingen
as being available for advice. It
appears that Dr. Warner plans, at the
end of the sanatorium month, to
visit relatives in Stuttgart, not
far from Tübingen.

Sincerely yours -
E. B. Allamiller

12 August 1935

Recd M. E. H. Aug. 19, 1935

Mr. Werner answered Miss Griest 9/16/35 208 South Queen Street
Lancaster Pennsylvania

Thanks, has not yet heard fr. Miss Mossman, sorry not to have seen her. She has been most faithful & devoted friend to Emily. I thank God Emily has recovered so far. She went to Irpensenheim Sanatorium at Tubingen, Germany, Aug. 5th. Has not yet heard from her. She is now back in Brooklyn.

August 14, 1935

My dear Mrs. Werner:

Yesterday Mereb Mossman of the Ginling College faculty stopped here en route for her home in Kansas. She had come from Shanghai to Naples on the same boat with your daughter, and saw her last on August 2nd in Germany. She tried to get in touch with you in New York, and found that you had gone to Bradley Beach. She tried to find you there through Victor Werner and also tried to get in touch with Mrs. Kratzenstein but wasn't successful in any of these efforts. She found that the officials on the Ginling College Board in New York were away on vacation, so I was the first person she found connected with Ginling.

She is writing you telling you of Miss Werner's illness on the boat, and that when she last saw her she seemed much better and that she is now resting in Tubingen, Germany, at the sanatorium there for a month. She expected to go into it on August 5th for this month of rest. You may recall meeting me shortly before Miss Werner sailed for China. I called briefly at your home one evening. If when you receive Miss Mossman's letter, you would like to talk to me, I shall be glad to come over to see you. There will be little that I can add to what Miss Mossman will write you, for all I know I learned in my brief visit with her yesterday, and I learned that only because she could not find anyone at the Ginling offices in New York.

Miss Mossman was due in Kansas to-morrow afternoon, but, while she was doing heavy driving to get there, she hoped to write you a letter last evening. I am sure you will receive it soon.

Such enthusiastic reports have come from China about Miss Werner, her influence, her teaching ability, her personality during her two years there. That she should have had this illness is deeply distressing. She had I am sure the best possible care on the boat and from what Miss Mossman tells me the doctors believe that with sufficient rest and quiet her nerves will be quite all right again.

Please do not hesitate to call on me if you wish to.

Yours most sincerely -

(signed)

Rebecca W. Griest

Addresses.

Mr. A. C. Werner, (Pharmacist) parents of Mr. Emily Werner
5625 Metropolitan Ave., Ridgewood, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Mrs. Kratzenstein (daughter Frieda), Floral Park.

Victor Werner (son) Bradley Beach, N.J.; tel. in name of Park Iron Works

Please Return to R. C. Werner, *WWR*

R. C. WERNER, PHARMACIST

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OPPOSITE FOREST AVENUE

(RIDGEWOOD) BROOKLYN, N. Y.,

Aug. 16 1935

*Thanks 8/19/35
M. S. B.*

Rebecca W. Griest
Lancaster, Pa

Dear Miss Griest:

Upon my return from Bradley Beach, N. J. your kind letter for Mrs. Werner was here. I opened it & forwarded it to her as she will not return till Sunday (18th).

I thank you very much for writing us. I have not heard from Merit Mossman, but we surely are very sorry that we could not talk with her. She has been almost faithful & devoted friend of Emily & she mentioned her in her letters. The last letter we had from Emily is dated July 31st & she was on her way to Stuttgart with Merit Mossman where they arrived on the 3rd of Aug. Miss Mossman

left on the 4th for Bremen.
My daughter Frieda in Floral
Park has also been at Bradley
Beach & my son Victor in Bradley
Beach has his Telephone under
the firm name of Park Iron works.
Hence Min. Moriman could not
get in touch with us.

I thank God that Emily
has recovered so far. She went
to ^{on the 5th} ~~Frankfurt~~ ^{Büdingen} where reservation at
the Tropenhaus has been made for
her. We are anxious for her letter.

We thank you again for
your kind letter with best
wishes

sincerely yours
Mr & Mrs. R. K. Kerner

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Ans. 8/19/35

What date do you prefer first week in Sep.?

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Miss Griest
208 SOUTH QUEEN STREET
LANCASTER PENNSYLVANIA

August 18, 1935.

(Rest of letter filed elsewhere)

My dear Miss Hodge:-
M.E.B. letter of 8/6 remembers received

I am so sorry that I did

not mention your earlier letter in my
recent one to you about Mrs. Werner.

I couldn't answer it at that writing,
but I should have told you that

I had received it.-
Wrote to Dr. Emily Werner's
parents 8/14/35

Eva felt so strongly about

would getting to the Werners that
I wrote Mrs. Werner a note and have
had an acknowledgment of it from
the father. I am enclosing it and

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will send it later to Miss Newman.
I am enclosing also a typed copy of
my hand written note to the
mother. The father's answer
seems reassuring as to the strength
of faith within the family. But
one can't be sure from it how
much he knows of his daughter's
difficulty.

Eva has written Mr. Garside -
and with your letters to Mr. Lobenstein
and to Miss Palmer there seems
nothing else to me at the moment

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to do, save acknowledge Mr. Werner's
note and tell him that we
would like ^{to be kept in touch with} ~~to know~~ of Miss Werner's
plans and her condition.

No suicide
tendency on
the boat.

Miss Mason said that there
had not appeared on the boat
any of the tendencies - "depression".
I think they are called - which
make me fear suicide. Dr. Young
(the mission doctor from Soalow)
thought it unlikely that that

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would appear - but he said he -
nor anyone - could say surely
that that cycle might not come -

Miss Moseman
and Andrew Woods

Miss Moseman for her own
operation - in her job - is planning
to go to Iowa City - where Dr. Andrew
Wood is - Dr. Wood is your cousin is
he not? - Eva has sent Miss Moseman
a note of introduction to Dr. Wood.
He of course would not handle her
type of cases but Eva thought he might
be able in some way to smooth her

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path. If further problems arise
with Miss Werner in which
Miss Houseman needs advice he
would be a splendid person. I
should think, to offer advice in that.

Garside may see P. G.
letter of 9/1/35

I am quite satisfied to have my
letter to you about Miss Werner
stay with Miss Lawrence. Even
in writing Mr. Garside has told him
he will find it there if he needs see
it.

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Now for your earlier letter - -

Miss Li:- Eva has had one letter from
her since she reached Camp Aloha.
Dean Platt of Pinalo Hill wrote me
a note after the close of that school
year being very happy of Miss Li's
This week a letter has come from
Mrs. Leavens ^{Mrs. Leavens} telling of her talk to
the Smith College group at Juniper
Lodge - N. H. (You remember I sent
you her letter and material on
and appreciated very much your
giving some notes up.) Mrs. Seales,
Smiths College Narden, who enter-
tained Miss Li at Commencement,
was at Juniper Lodge and -

comment on both.

Ans. 8/20/35

Enclosed letters to type & send. *Dr. Werner*

Miss Lawrence

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etc. etc. to be returned

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August 19, 1935

My dear Miss Hodge:

yes, with some exceptions.

I have your letter and have written all the letters as you will see by the enclosed carbons. By the way, when talking to Mrs. MacMillan some time ago she asked if I would give her carbons of correspondence which might be of help to her; and she said she would send us carbons of her letters in regard to Ginling. It is only a little more work and would make for better cooperation.

Efforts to find Dr. Werner's family

I am sorry I didn't write to you about Miss Mossman's call here. She came in to the office the afternoon after she got off the boat. I hunted up the phone numbers of the father of Dr. Werner and we decided to call the drug store. From a very intelligent clerk I learned that the family were all away and he gave me the Bradley Beach address. I told him I was calling about the daughter and he said - "oh they would be so glad to hear about her from someone who has seen her." Then he told me of a sister being in this locality and gave me the address. I tried to get her but she was not in and Miss Mossman said she would call again when she was at her sister's. We would have called the family in Bradley Beach but there was no phone listed for them.

That is the story until Miss Mossman arrived at Miss Greist's.

Thanks

I called the Biblical Seminary and found that Miss Palmer was in the West; Dr. White was in and his secretary wanted me to talk to him, which I did. He said he had heard from one of their students who had also been on the boat and from a second person; he said he had written both the father and brother at the Brooklyn address and I gave him the Bradley Beach address. He said we would keep in touch with each other as to further developments and he seemed glad that I was sending your letter to him.

Good

I'm not sending any copies to Miss Tyler; have only sent her brief notes of things and very urgent matters. And she will be back now in another two weeks. How the summer has gone and it certainly has been a hot one; this second hot spell is almost as nice (?) as the first one.

I had a card from Mrs. Bennett last week and she seemed to be enjoying herself very much. It is grand she can stay away long enough to really get relaxed and rested.

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I haven't set the date for Ginling meeting yet for I've been waiting for word from Miss MacKinnon as to her best date, but it looks as though it will have to be 18th and 19th or the 19th and 20th. I am hoping for some word from her in a couple of days.

In my spare moments I've been apartment hunting some of these hot days; our search was for a place which would have as good ventilation as we have now (which is particularly good) and that would save us money. We finally found a place in Knickerbocker Village that filled the bill from the money point of view and ventilation is pretty good too; of course one has to go through three or four very dirty blocks to arrive but when you do arrive it is very nice. You know it is down by the river between the Brooklyn and Manhattan Bridges.

Sincerely yours,

Rhoda B. Lawrence

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MISS HODGE
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August 19, 1935

Rev. E. C. Lobenstine
% Dr. A. L. Warnshuis
156 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Lobenstine:

I have heard from Miss Mossman of Ginling College of the great help you were to her on her recent trip home from China in the trying emergency due to Dr. Emily Werner's sudden nervous breakdown. Miss Mossman in telling of her experience was full of gratitude for you you were and did. I can imagine what a tower of strength you were to her in every way. May I thank you in the name of the College for it all.

A letter this spring from Dr. Wu spoke of your services on the Board of Directors in China, your broad vision and wisdom in the difficult situations of the past year, and she expressed the hope that now you have come home you will be the same helpful friend. You may be sure that we will count on you for just that.

I do not like to think of China and the N.C.C. without you, but there is much to do or them here. I hope to see you in the early fall when we are all back again at "156." If you happen to be at Eggers Rock please give my love to my good friends there. We were all more than sorry that Belle felt it necessary to resign from the Board of Breign Missions, though we realized why she felt it necessary.

Very sincerely yours,

Chairman, Board of Founders

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Miss Merab E. Mossman - page 2

I am writing to ask them to look you up if they are home while you are there. They left Chicago before you arrived but they have been at Kansas and P.U.M.C. and I know would love to meet you.

With renewed expressions of admiration and appreciation for what you did and with best wishes for the future, as ever, believe me,

Very truly yours,

August 19, 1935

Miss Merab E. Mossman
202 College Avenue
Winfield, Kansas.

Chairman
Board of Trustees

My dear Miss Mossman:

I am sending you a formal letter of welcome home which I prepared about a week ago. But now there is much more to add. JPH:EM

I could hardly believe my ears when Miss Griest told me over the phone that you were there and had such a tragic story about Dr. Werner. You stated it so clearly and succinctly that I could almost visualize it all. My sympathy goes to you almost as much as to the parents, for the whole trip must have been like a nightmare to you. Trying as was the phase that the aberration took it was better than if it had been suicidal as I have known one or two other cases to be. And surely the Lord was good to you both to have on board with you such good friends to help you. I am writing to thank Mr. Lobenstine for what he did. And I have written to Dr. White of the Biblical Seminary for it did not seem fair for them not to know.

Also I was afraid Dr. Werner might have asked them for the \$2,500, and though there is slight probability of their being able to lend it, still they might have thought it should be done if they knew nothing of the circumstances. I have quoted to him from the letter Miss Griest wrote me after you left.

I thought under the circumstances the plan worked out was the best. I know it must have been most trying for you to write that letter to her parents but I feel that nothing but a word from you who were with their daughter on the trip will at all satisfy them. Thank you many times in the name of the College for what you have done.

It must have been a great comfort as well as a pleasure to have your sister join you in Europe. Do let me have a line, just a postal, as to how you stood the trip to Kansas. Even in cool weather it would have been tiring to go at such a rapid rate but with the terrible heat of this past week it must have been pretty exhausting. I hope you will have the happiest kind of a family reunion.

I think you are sensible to have something done for your leg, for every year the surgeons seem able to do more along that line. I hope you will be out of the cast before you go to Chicago. Dr. Andrew H. Woods of the Department of Psychology in Iowa State University and his wife are good friends of

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Faithfully yours,

August 16, 1933

Chairman
Board of Founders

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235 East 49th Street

New York, N. Y. August 20, 1935.

Telephone, Eldorado 5-4434
Cable: Bitecol N. Y.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
WILBERT W. WHITE

Dear Miss Hodge:

I thank you for your very informing letter of August 19th concerning Emily Werner. Let this be merely an acknowledgment. I shall hope to write you more fully later.

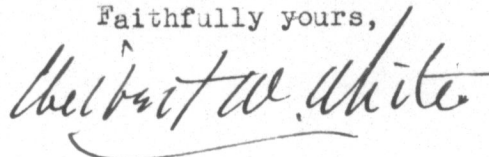
We have not heard from Emily since her arrival in Germany. I have a letter this morning from her parents who did not go over, as you know.

I am taking a hint from your letter and addressing a message to Emily. Did not know before how to send. We are happy to hear that she is growing better. I am afraid that she over-worked.

The problem of filling her position here is not an easy one to solve. Life is full of the unexpected, isn't it?

Deeply appreciating your fellowship, I remain,

Faithfully yours,



Miss Margaret E. Hodge,
c/o Miss Lawrence,
Room 1101, 156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

P.S. I have re-examined your letter after having dictated as cautious a reply to Mr. Werner as I could, and am wondering if it might not be wise to let her parents know something about her aberrations on the boat. Possibly this has been done.

I gather from Mr. Werner's letter that he is not without hope of arranging yet to go to Germany and wonder if this is wise. Have raised the question delicately with him on the ground of luring Emily on home when she is better, and inasmuch as she is in the hands of close relatives. His words are: "I have not been able to arrange for the traveling expenses. If I do not succeed, we have to stay here. They are all very anxious that we should visit them."

Should you feel free to report to the parents concerning her disposition to throw money around recklessly, would it not help? There is enough reason for all of us to be as careful as possible of available funds, isn't there?

W/W

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August 22, 1935

Dr. W. W. White
235 E 49th Street
New York City

My dear Dr. White:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of the 20th which I am sending on to Miss Hodge. I believe that both Miss Mossman, who was on the boat with Dr. Werner, and Miss Griest of our Board have written to the Werners telling them of Dr. Werner's aberrations.

From what Miss Mossman, Miss Griest and Miss Hodge have written me it would seem the wisest thing to manage to get Dr. Werner back here since neither the relatives in Germany nor the family here have a great amount of money. In fact Miss Mossman said that the relatives in Germany were very poor and not able to be of any financial assistance to her.

If there is anything I can do in this matter, please call on me at any time.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Miss Tyler

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NLT HODGE 156 FIFTH AV NEWYORK.

DEL 12 19 SEP 24 35
RECEIVED
SEP 25 1935
MISS M. E. HODGE

ANOTHER MALARIA ATTACK WITH NERVOUS RELAPSE NO MONEY
PLEASE CABLE THOUSAND DOLLARS IMMEDIATELY REPAY LATER.

WERNER SANATORIUM BAUER GERMANY.

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Rev. Martin Schlunk
Tubingen.

Check situation with Dr. White.

Sept 24th Dr. Lobenstein not at hotel - Mr. Garrison thinks

" " told him he might be out of town for a few days.

No statement from the Shelton that he had checked out.

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COPY (Original sent to Mrs. Macmillan at her request)

→ Miss Hodge
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September 26, 1935

Dear Mrs. Macmillan:

You and Miss Griest know more than anyone else, except Mr. Lobenstine, about the case of Dr. Werner, and so I am asking you to do one thing more.

On September 25th I received the following cablegram:

"D.C.105 D Freudenstadt 25 24

"Another malaria attack with nervous relapse no money
please cable thousand dollars immediately repay later.
"Werner Sanatorium Bauer Germany"

Proffidentially Miss Griest, Miss Bender and I were all in New York when it came and we consulted together with Miss Tyler as to what should be done. We agreed:

1. That it would be most unwise to send her this money, even if we had it to give her.
2. That we have no financial responsibility, but a deep interest and desire to help.
3. That the utmost we can do, and that would be straining a point, would be to make a small grant for medical aid on the ground that she contracted malaria while in Ginling.
4. To make no reply until we could have advice from Mr. Lobenstine who came from China on the same boat with Dr. Werner when she broke down and was of great help to Miss Mossman who had the responsibility for the case.
5. To inform Dr. White and Miss Palmer of the Biblical Seminary which had given her leave of absence to go to Ginling, and to inform her parents.

I have been unable to reach Dr. Lobenstine and Dr. White and therefore have written fully to them both. These letters are open to you.

Miss Griest is going this morning to see the parents.

We must decide soon, and we out of town members of the Board of Founders are leaving New York almost immediately and Miss Tyler goes at once to Northfield for the International Missionary Council. Her very capable secretary will do all she can to help, and the correspondence will clear there. But we need someone to head it up in New York and I am venturing to ask you to do this as a "second mile," for officially it is not your responsibility.

I can probably be back in New York October 1st. It occurred to me this morning that we must be careful about sending money to Germany, in view of the difficulty in bringing any of it out.

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Miss Griest will give you her ideas and keep you in touch with developments. Please read whatever comes to me from Mr. Lobenstine or the Biblical Seminary. I suggest that you consult Dr. Dodd also. I doubt if I will have an opportunity before I leave.

Gratefully yours,

(Signed) Margaret E. Hodge

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Copies to:

→ Miss Hodge
Miss Griest
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September 25, 1935

Dr. W. W. White
235 E. 49th Street
New York City

My dear Dr. White:

I was trying to get you on the telephone this afternoon to tell you about the cable from Dr. Werner which says she has had a relapse in Germany. Miss Palmer's secretary has just talked to me and I have given her an outline of the situation and promised her I would send you a carbon of the letter I wrote Dr. Lobenstine asking his advice. You may remember that he was on the boat with Dr. Werner and was most helpful in looking after her.

We feel it is most important that you and we should be in the closest touch and that each should know what the other is doing. We thought it quite possible that Dr. Werner had cabled to you as well as to us, for we knew that when she went to China that that there was some back salary due her, although we do not know the present financial situation between you.

If you have any advice whatever will you be good enough to send it to Miss Tyler, the Secretary of the Board of Founders who is here in New York, as we will try to clear all matters through her. Both Miss Griest and I are leaving New York in a day or two.

With deepest regret that Dr. Werner seems worse instead of better, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Margaret E. Hodge, Chairman

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Encl.

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Miss Griest
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September 26, 1935

Mrs. T. D. Macmillan
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

My dear Mrs. Macmillan:

I have just been talking with Miss Griest and going over Dr. Werner's case. As I leave for Northfield for the I.M.C. meeting tonight I want you to have any information which I have at hand and which might be helpful. Therefore let me say that I phoned Mr. Carter and he will get in touch with you as soon as that cable comes back from Germany.

Although Miss Griest feels, after talking with the family, that they will not wish to have financial help in solving Dr. Werner's problem I would like you to just keep this in the back of your mind. Mr. Casper Voorhees has a very close friend of the Biblical Seminary and does much by way of entertainment, both for faculty and students. He is a man of a great deal of wealth and is very closely tied in there. He has a perfect mania for helping people who are ill. His first reaction when he heard of Dr. McAfee's illness was, "Can't I send Harlow Brooks to see him?"

Now it is absolutely certain that he knows Dr. Werner and knows her well, and if the case were put up to him I feel sure he would be willing to help if help is needed. Helen Kittredge knows him intimately and I am sure would be willing to make that contact if needed. I hope it will not be needed but if it should be I want you to have this bit of information in the background of your thinking.

I am so sorry to walk out on this problem at this point. I shall have it on my mind and when you get any definite word I should deeply appreciate a line from you at the Chateau, Hotel Northfield, East Northfield, Mass.

With my best wishes to you, as ever

Sincerely yours,

Florence G. Tyler, Secretary

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September 30, 1935

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MISS M. E. HODGE

My dear Miss Hodge:

In accordance with your request of Thursday September 26, I called upon Emily Werner's parents on Saturday afternoon upon receipt of a cable placed in my hands by Mr. Carter's office and reading as follows:

REC'D AT 45 E 17 ST

FREUDENSTADT 13 27 2350
LC GINLINGCOL NEWYORK
WERNER ILL NEEDS MONEY FOR TREATMENT AND RETURN TRAVEL
SCHWARZWALDBAUER

No importance is to be attached to this interview of mine. Miss Griest had already successfully conveyed to Mr. and Mrs. Werner the interest of the Ginling Founders to be of any possible service. Moreover, the cable dated September 27 did not come from Herr Slunck's friend, as was hoped, but appeared to be a somewhat perfunctory message from the sanatorium. The full correspondence between Mr. and Mrs. Werner and their German relatives have filled the gap in information which would otherwise have been left by this cablegram.

There was one advantage in the circumstances of my Saturday call. Because Mr. Werner was without a clerk in his pharmacy on that afternoon, he and his wife arranged to talk with me separately. This arrangement resulted in a freedom of speech which brought out facts and attitudes recorded later in this memorandum.

Previous to the call upon the Werners I had a long telephone conversation with Dr. White of the Biblical Seminary. He told me that he had given Mr. Werner a check for \$250 to assist in supplying funds necessary to meet any present needs. He added that, although the Seminary still owes Miss Werner a considerable sum, any further payment at this time is impossible. The Seminary is so much embarrassed for money to meet its current expenses, that it is having difficulty in paying such charges as those for light.

Dr. White promised to take no steps in this case without consultation with the Ginling Board of Founders, and asked that the Founders extend the same courtesy to him. He gave me an impression of feeling definite responsibility for Miss Werner's well-being.

During my call upon Mr. and Mrs. Werner, I was reassured as to the way in which the case is being handled in Germany. Relatives are standing by in a way which gives Miss Werner's parents confidence that all needs will be met. Mr. Werner emphasized the fact that, although these families suffered complete loss of resources during the War years, they are of a class which is financially able to deal effectively with such a situation as this. Before Miss Werner's present illness, she was aware that she could turn to certain of these relatives in case she needed money.

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Definite limitations on amounts available at any one time are, of course, placed by the regulations of the present German government, and in order to offset the operation of these regulations for the time being, Mr. Werner is forwarding the money (to his brother?) just paid to him by Dr. White. Correspondence between Mr. and Mrs. Werner and the relatives in Germany is covering all phases of the present situation, and it appeared clear through our conversations on Saturday that the Ginling Board of Founders could feel confident Miss Werner's needs were being met at every point intelligently and fully.

Correspondence which had passed between Miss Griest's call and mine had brought to Mr. and Mrs. Werner details of the recent malarial attacks. The news of the subsequent nervous break had arrived only in a brief message, which will probably soon be supplemented in detail. This brief message came from the relatives who had gone with Miss Werner to the sanatorium in Freudenstadt, a sanatorium specializing in nervous diseases. This message told the parents that Miss Werner would be unable to take passage for America on the Europa on October 8 as she had planned, and stated that they should expect a delay of a few weeks to permit her recovery.

It may be well at this point to record questions which Mr. and Mrs. Werner raised in a very friendly spirit, and which the Board of Founders will wish to take into consideration in its final review of this case. These questions touch, first, the cut in Miss Werner's salary on the field, and second, the tax upon her strength involved in the celebrations of farewell to her in Ginling.

The first point raised, that of the salary cuts, will naturally be a part of the Founders' considerations of financial obligation to Miss Werner, considerations which include also the question of whether there is obligation resting upon the Founders to cover any part of expenses for the present illness. We are all conscious of the seriousness of this question, in that no case which presents a claim upon Ginling funds can be discussed apart from a realization that President Wu herself is bearing a burden which has brought her near to the breaking point, and which only increased financial support can adequately relieve. We are constantly remembering also that the existence of the College in its present senior status is threatened.

The second point raised by Mr. and Mrs. Werner, that of excess of hospitality during their daughter's final days in Ginling, is one which we will not wish to report to the field in any way which can be misunderstood. We realize that a mature person should be able to protect herself against unwise fatigue, and that in a college group legislation to supply this protection ought to be necessary only to a limited degree. On the other hand, we are remembering that in past years the faculty at Ginling ~~have~~ had a much more adequate health service than they have at present, and that Miss Werner might have had a much more fortunate health experience if she had served under this previous regime. The lack of full-time medical service must make life more difficult for President Wu, and we do not wish to do anything which will emphasize the burden. We can imagine that the problem of a series of student parties could be very well dealt with through a student government organization, which would look forward to the end of the year and insist upon registration with a central executive group of all hospitality planned during the weeks of the Spring. It may be that this is now being done. We only know that Miss Werner's letters to her parents conveyed the impression of an unwise drain upon her strength caused by the large number of parties given in her honor.

Miss Margaret Hodge

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September 30, 1935

Thank you for allowing me to represent the Founders in this slight service of conference with Mr. and Mrs. Werner.

Sincerely yours,

E. B. Macmillan
Mrs. T. D. Macmillan

Miss Margaret E. Hodge
156 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

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Miss Hodge

Dr. Werner sails for U. S., Europa fr. Bremen, Oct. 8.
passage paid for. \$379.50 cabled by her father (1200 marks)

Rec'd Oct. 6 in Phila.

October 2, 1935

Mrs. T. D. Macmillan
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mrs. Macmillan:

I am happy to inform you that a cable from Dr. Bauer, Sanatorium Freudstadt, came yesterday requesting me to send Emily 1500 Marks, to enable her to sail homeward on the eighth.

With a thankful heart for God's help for Emily's quick recovery I sent her today by cable 1200 Marks (\$379.50) which I could just manage with the \$250 received from Dr. White.

You can imagine how happy and glad we old folks feel to have our Emily back again on the fourteenth. She is sailing with the Europa.

Thanking you sincerely for your deep interest, and with best wishes for your work, I am

Sincerely yours,

(R. C. Werner)

Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China

One Hundred-fifty Fifth Avenue New York, N. Y.

5 October 1935

Dear Miss Hodge:

Shortly after my report of yesterday on the Werner case, Mr. Carter's office received the following cable:

FREUDENSTADT 14 4 1310
LC GINLINGCOL NEWYORK
IS MONEY COMING PENNILESS DEBTS BOOKED
OKTOBER 8 ADVISE IMMEDIATELY
WERNER

After consultation with Mr. Garside, the following reply was sent:

October 4, 1935

WERNER
SANATARIUM FREUDENSTADT
GERMANY

HAVE CONFERRED WITH YOUR FATHER WHO IS
CABLING FUNDS DOCTOR BAUER STOP BEST WISHES
PLEASANT VOYAGE COMPLETE RESTORATION HEALTH
GINLING FOUNDERS

This situation will not be without great anxiety for us all until Miss Werner is safely at home. It has been a great help to have Mr. Garside at hand for consultation, and we have gone carefully over the history of recent events. There has seemed no possible middle ground between our recognition of Mr. Werner's responsibility for his daughter's care and our assumption of primary responsibility, and we could see no basis for the latter course of action. We have felt that Mr. Werner should not know of this last cable from his daughter, which undoubtedly crossed his remittance of funds to Dr. Bauer. It would have troubled Mr. and Mrs. Werner to know of this added appeal for funds from Emily, for Mr. Werner has taken every possible precaution to have her needs promptly met.

You will remember our report of last Saturday's conversations, both with Dr. White and with Mr. Werner. Dr. White felt that Emily should be brought home by her father or some other responsible relative and said that he would strongly urge this upon Mr. Werner. And when I talked with Mr. and Mrs. Werner, I spoke as strongly as possible of the desirability of having her accompanied by some one throughout her entire journey. Beyond this advice and our assurances that we wished to be of any possible service, there appeared nothing to be done.

Sincerely yours,


Mrs. T. D. Macmillan

Miss Margaret E. Hodge
112 West Gravers Lane
Chestnut Hill Philadelphia

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MRS T D MACMILLAN
 ASSOCIATED BOARDS FOR CH NA COLLEGES
 150 FIFTH AVENUE
 NEW YORK

WERNER HAS RETURN PASSAGE TO NEWYORK ON GERMAN LINE MY PRESENT ADDRESS IS GREEN HALL
 UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO WRITE HERE IF YOU NEED FURTHER INFORMATION

MEREB MOSSMAN

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Ans. 10/9/35

Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China

One Hundred-fifty Fifth Avenue . . . New York, N. Y.

7 October 1935

Dear Miss Hodge:

On receipt of Saturday's news, Rebecca Givert telephoned me in urgent suggestion of this same question. She has already cancelled out her entry by writing Sunday midnight to Mr. Werner.

On meeting Dr. Lobenstine this morning at the Newark meeting, I reported to him briefly the recent news in Miss Werner's case. He immediately showed serious concern to have everything possible done to assure Miss Werner of a safe journey to New York. Specifically, he expressed the judgment that we should attempt to get two questions answered: (1) whether it is certain that Miss Werner is well enough to travel, and (2) whether she will be assured of appropriate supervision on the voyage. Dr. Lobenstine talked with me of certain disturbing features of Miss Werner's illness during the Ports trip which indicated the importance of making the services of the ship's doctor available to her on this return journey.

He referred to an almost total irresponsibility, and for several days, a loss of mobility.

Now at six o'clock on Monday evening I am in my office with the following report of results from a long conference with Mr. and Mrs. Werner.

Mr. Werner was able to answer ^{my putting of} the first of Dr. Lobenstine's questions in the affirmative. Dr. Bauer of the sanatorium in Freudenstadt has declared Miss Werner to have made a quick recovery from her recent nervous break following a recurrence of the malaria. And Mr. Werner cabled his brother-in-law (Mrs. Werner's brother) in Stuttgart, on receipt of news that Emily was able to leave on the Europa, asking that this brother-in-law attend to Emily's departure for Bremen, and, if possible, to accompany her to the ship.

She must be using a wrong address.

Mr. and Mrs. Werner have not, however, been aware of the seriousness of the symptoms attending their daughter's illness on the voyage through the Ports. Neither of Miss Mossman's letters have yet reached them. Moreover, the serious nature of certain embarrassments resulting from that illness as they were known to Dr. Lobenstine were probably not recorded in Miss Mossman's report to the parents, since she did not speak of them in her conversations with Rebecca and me in August. Therefore, Mr. and Mrs. Werner were eager to-day to think with me toward whatever safeguards we could erect for their daughter's safety, provided there should be no danger of her being refused passage on the Europa, if she is in any way able to take passage. They want her at home as soon as possible, and, since the outbreak of war, they are specially anxious not to have the voyage postponed. We tried this afternoon, therefore, to send a cable which would provide for appropriate supervision on the Atlantic voyage without arousing in the minds of the ship's officers questions which would lead them to refuse passage to Miss Werner.

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At this point let me digress to report on three other matters of interest in this history.

(1) Mr. Werner was impressed by Dr. White's plea that he himself go to Germany to bring Miss Werner home. He was making plans in that direction prior to the receipt of news of what was supposed to be a quick recovery from the recent malarial attack.

(2) Miss Werner has in some way discovered that a stewardess whom she knew on the boat through the Ports is to be on the Europa. The family had jumped to the conclusion that this stewardess might be a help to Miss Werner on the approaching voyage, though they realize that the Stewardess's duties might make it impossible for her to be a direct help.

(3) This afternoon's conversation gave me for the first time the information that Miss Werner was first taken back to the Tropenheim in Tubingen when her recent nervous break occurred, and was refused admission on the ground that she needed specialized care as a nervous case. The relatives decided not to take her to the sanatorium for nervous cases in Tubingen, which is really an asylum for the insane, and chose instead the institution in Freudenstadt, which is a private sanatorium. This raises in our minds a question of the value of the treatment and the prognosis.

These facts also emphasize the seriousness of the recent break.

With an apparent feeling of relief, the Werners approved the sending of the following cable:

SHIP'S DOCTOR STEAMSHIP EUROPA NORD DEUTSCHER LLOYD
BREMEN GERMANY
EMILY WERNER PASSENGER EUROPA RECENTLY
RECOVERED MALARIA STOP DECLARED BY PHYSICIAN
READY TO TRAVEL KINDLY GIVE PROFESSIONAL
ATTENTION IF NECESSARY
R. C. WERNER

This was phrased to avoid any unfavorable reaction on the part of the officials of the steamship line, and yet to give Miss Werner's parents and the Ginling Founders a feeling that she will be protected by professional skill on the voyage.

Sincerely yours,

Eva B. Macmillan
Mrs. T. D. Macmillan

Miss Margaret E. Hodge

Please Return
to P. W. L.
10/14/35

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R. C. WERNER, PHARMACIST
56-25 METROPOLITAN AVENUE
OPPOSITE FOREST AVENUE

(RIDGEWOOD) BROOKLYN, N. Y.,

Oct 8 1935

Dear Miss Griest!

Please accept our sincere thanks for your kind letter and the interest and sympathy for our daughter. The letter was just delivered whilst Mrs. Macmillan was present. She came over after having met & talked with Dr. Loebenstein, who was on the ship with Quincy from Hanking. He did not consider it advisable to let her travel alone, but all we could do was - at the suggestion of Mrs. Macmillan - to send a cable to the doctor of the Europa and requesting him to give Quincy his professional care if necessary.

We received a letter from Quincy this morning expressing her delight of sailing on the 8th to be with us again on the 14th -

Also a letter was enclosed from Dr. Bauer, who stated that in his opinion homesickness contributed to her nervous troubles & that he considered it safe to let her make the trip. He also added that two

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Friends who travelled with Emily
on the 'Scharnhorst' were passengers
on the 'Europa', one of them being
(Miss) Dr. Smithwick. I remember
Emily having written of her & you
can see that we were greatly comforted
by these news.

I sent a cable ^{on the 4th} to my brother-
in-law Auer at Stuttgart asking
him to settle Emily's financial
affairs & to go with her to Bremen
if he could possibly do so.

I cannot understand why Emily
should have sent that cable to you
asking for money, as she had
written that she could get it from
relatives. I only hope that the Marks
I sent arrived in time to relieve
her of worry, which surely disturbed
her mental equilibrium.

I have to write ^{to} Miss Mossman
a letter of thanks & thank you for giving
me her address. I am so sorry that
her letters failed to reach us as I have
received letters addressed = Brooklyn, N.Y.
no number & street given.

Mother & I are happy that Emily sailed
& have her - so God will - with us again next
Monday. We feel that she has Dr. Smithwick
who has done so much for her before she
other friend with her & we know she is in
God's hands! = Thanking you sincerely for
your love and affection shown for Emily & us
yours very sincerely R. Bremer

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EMILY J. WERNER
600 EAST 45TH STREET
NEW YORK

615 South Av.
Bradley Beach, N.J.

RECEIVED
NOV 6 1935
MISS M. E. HODGE

November 4, 1935

My dear Miss Hodge:

I was sorry to miss you when I called at your office about two weeks ago, for I wanted to tell you in person how much I appreciated your cordial letter of welcome, as well as your help.

As you can imagine, it is good to be at home again. For the present, in order to get rested,

*In my knowledge -
did not call here -
C. Werner*

I am staying at my brother's here
at the ocean and am being very
lazy. That puts me to a T these
days!

Shortly before Thanksgiving,
I shall probably return to Brook-
lyn and shall then get into touch
with you.

Cordially yours,
Emily J. Merner

NOV 4 1935

^{week}
Biblical Seminary
January 11th, 1936

Dear Rebecca,

You'll pardon my "Office Stationery," won't you? I don't want to let this day go by without thanking you for the use of your own special film. I should have liked to see you yesterday evening, but I was late as it was and had to hurry home.

The picture works like a charm with every audience, I find! At Holy Trinity Lutheran Church yesterday I had a good group in spite of the rain. They were responsive as could be - and among them were people with money. What will come of it, I don't know, but I plan to ask for some of the outstanding names for your mailing list. That will be a start at least. I just love to "show off" our girls and tell folks about Healing!

How long do you plan to be here this time? Are you going to be here - and free - next Sunday? If so, would you care to go to church with me in the morning, come to dinner with me here at the Seminary, and then go over for a little visit with Mother? He'd be delighted if you could. I'll be here at the Seminary daily for the next three days. If Sunday is not convenient, perhaps we could arrange some other time.

In the meantime, my love to you!

Emily J. W.

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Emily Werner

56-25 Metropolitan Avenue
Brooklyn, New York
January 14th, 1936

Mrs. T. A. Macmillan
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Macmillan:

As you requested, I am returning the Mackinac letters, after having read them with great interest. I have also gone through my pictures and have selected some from which you may be able to choose a few. I find that many of mine would also come under your ban!

A few may need explanation: The group on the lawn, with refreshment table, was taken during a lull in a college party (there were groups all over the campus, each doing something different) Dr. Ma is in the foreground. Girls at left are just passing to a new location.

The "maypole" was put up by some of the girls for decoration at an informal, outdoor tea.
Boys with hoes, etc. - boys' club, with their leader, a Girling Senior, standing on
Windows of gymnasium (Smith College building)

Group in trees - an "Eddy group", organized several years before when Sherwood Eddy visited & worked in Denbigh.

Large group - neighborhood Sunday School conducted by singing girls.

The others, I think, are clear. The "Peter Pan" characters are, Peter, his shadow, Wendy on the ground, and Tinker Bell.

I must hurry to get this posted on time.

Sincerely yours,
Emily J. Turner

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Telephone, Eldorado 5-4434
Cable: Birecol N. Y.

June 24th, 1937

Miss Rebecca W. Griest
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

My dear Miss Griest:

Before leaving New York for the summer I want to express to you again my great appreciation for the privilege of showing your Ginling film. For me personally it is a treat to see it again, every time I show it. Knowing the girls by name as I do of course adds to its value and makes it seem almost like a visit to Ginling.

However, aside from my personal interest, it has been a pleasure to show it because of the un-failing enthusiastic response it evokes from the audience. I have seen a number of missionary films and know of none that can equal "It Happened at Ginling". This opinion has been confirmed more than a few times by individuals in the various audiences. For example, at a recent showing in Connecticut, Miss S., President of the New England Conference of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church in America, said in effect:

"This is the best picture of its kind that I have ever seen."

Should an opportunity present itself, I shall be glad to show it at Montreat, N. C.

Cordially yours,

Emily J. Werner

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WILBERT W. WHITE
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TREASURER

October 29th, 1937

Dear Rebecca,

I don't need to tell you how sorry I am that you cannot be with us tomorrow. We were looking forward to having you in the party. And of course I regret most of all to know that the reason for your not being able to come is your brother's illness. I do hope that you will find him already much improved and that the attack will have proved to be a warning to let up rather than anything serious.

At last I am sending the answers to your questionnaire. I am afraid that even after this long wait you will not find them much of a contribution.

I appreciated your invitation to attend the conference last Friday, but because of delay due to forwarding it did not reach me until

it was too late. (Sorry for the typing!)

I shall be thinking of you as you go home for the week-end. With the best of wishes,

Cordially yours,

Emily J. Mearns

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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS IN QUESTIONNAIRE

1. During my two years in Nanking - Sept., '33 - June, '35 - it was increasingly evident that the Government was making definite preparations for protection against war. For example, during my first year we occasionally took walks on top of the city wall, but during the second year the approach to the wall was shut off, "No trespassing" signs were posted, and soldiers were on guard. Then, too, there were living in Nanking a number of German army officers who were active as military advisors to the Chinese Government, and on all sides one could see troops in training. Even the police were regularly put through a sort of military drill almost at our college "door". Improvement in the equipment of the troops was marked. The only evidence of the preparation of the populace that I recall was the two sham air raids which were held at an interval of a week or two. Preceding each, orders were sent out that all lights were to be turned off at the blowing of the siren. At the set time, then, with the city in darkness, planes flew overhead.
2. In the spring of 1935, (I believe, for the first time) ^{men} students were ordered to spend a definite period (one month?) in military training and the college curriculum had to be adjusted accordingly. That was also true of middle-school students. The following year, I understand, the women also to be "conscripted", but I am not sure that that was done on a large scale so that Ginling College was affected.
3. Among the faculty there was an active interest in the maintenance of peace. Among the students, too, while there was evident a resentment toward Japan and a leaning toward a Japanese boycott, I believe there was a real desire for peace. Just the summer before I arrived at Ginling, one of 1933 graduates missed her own Commencement - after a real struggle on her part - in order to join a small group of students on a friendship mission to Japan.
4. An intense interest in the upbuilding of China was manifest, both on the part of students and faculty. To that end, there was active participation in special meetings called for that purpose, in the Christian social service program of the college, in the relief programs of the city and church, and in the question of "rural reconstruction". Almost without exception the girls left Ginling, imbued with the vision of service in some form and to date a number of alumnae are actively engaged in this form of work.
5. During my two years there, I occasionally received the impression that the Chinese faculty and students were not altogether in sympathy with the Central Government, or at least did not seem to be convinced of Gen. Chiang's sincerity. However, reports since my return, particularly since Gen. Chiang's capture last December, would in-

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- dicade that there is now a spirit of wholehearted cooperation.
6. I saw no evidences of any Communistic tendencies and believe that both students and faculty were practically unanimously opposed to it.
 7. Judging from the accounts I was given of the attitude in 1927 and from what I know of the students, I am convinded that there will be a determination to carry on if at all possible. In fact, reports are ready coming from Ginling, indicate that this is the case.
 8. It seems to me that one of the decided assets of Ginling is to have at her head, in such a time as this, a president of the fine Christian spirit and discriminating judgment of Dr. Yi-fang Wu.

Whenever possible, I shall be glad to speak on China, although I am at present booked up with a number of outside speaking appointments, including several on Ginling, and could hardly take on more than one or two between now and Christmas. I should prefer church or mission society groups.

I know of no one whose name you do not already have, who would be available for this work.

Most of the letters I have been receiving of late are in mimeographed form and no doubt you, too, have been receiving copies of the same. I shall be glad to share any others which I think may be of interest to you.

Concerning the general situation, I should like to pass on this bit of information which came through a letter from China to a missionary on furlough here. According to this letter, Gen. Chiang, since the opening of hostilities on the part of Japan, issued a nation wide call, via the radio, to the people of China to put aside their idols and turn to the one true God, "Who alone can help".

(No connection with Ginling)

Indirectly I learned recently that Shih Bao-djen is living at International House. No doubt you know of this.

Emily J. Merner

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24 August 1938

Dear Dr. Werner:

Yesterday, in conversation here in Northampton, I ran upon a question which I am referring to you. I was talking with the head of the Women's Union of the Edwards Church, which I am to address in October. This Mrs. Phillips attended the Missionary Conference in Northfield this summer, of which I believe you were one of the heads. She heard a brief talk by a Chinese girl, and I am wondering whether you can tell me who the speaker was, and what she intended to say. Mrs. Phillips was not quite clear in her report, and, since there were other Northampton women present, I may be running upon this subject again in the near future.

The brief comments Mrs. Phillips made on the talk of the Chinese girl sounded a bit as though the speaker might have been Shih Pao-chen, for some of the quotations were a bit like the speech which Miss Shih made here at the Smith College Commencement. When she appeared on the same program with Miss Lee and Mrs. Thurston, her comments on America's part in international problems were well balanced by the other speeches. Perhaps taken out of that setting, they were less happy in their effect upon the audience. But this is a mere guess on my part, and I shall be very glad indeed to have you set me straight as to who it was who spoke at Northfield.

There is a chance that I may be more frequently in New York this coming year than I was during 1937-38, and I shall hope to see you from time to time. I am very conscious of the splendid loyalty which you continue to show toward the needs of Ginling.

In the hope that you have had a good summer, I am

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Dear Mrs. Macmillan:

Ever since your letter came, I have been puzzled as to who it might have been who spoke at Northfield and I have not yet found the answer. At any rate I am sure it was not Shih Pao-chen, for I know her personally. And it could hardly have been at one of the large auditorium meetings, for I was present at all but one of those, when I myself was showing the Ginling picture to a small camp group.

I am wondering whether Mrs. Phillips might have confused some things I said with something else. At the request of the Committee, I presented to the auditorium audience audience, a plea to give expression to their disapproval of our active part in supplying munitions, etc. to Japan. In that connection I quoted some official statistics revealing the extent of our participation. Yet I hardly see how anyone there could have taken exception to it.

This will be of little help to you, I realize. I am sorry I cannot be more specific. But I think you need not expect any widespread reaction to whatever statements may have been made.

It has been a pleasure to show the Ginling film and present the cause, for Gonling and China will always have a large place in my affections. It will be good to see more of you this year.

With cordial greetings,

Sincerely yours,

Emily J. Werner

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