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REPORT OF DR. WU'S EUROPEAN TRIP - 1936

Madam Chairman, Miss Hodge, and members of the Board! I wish to thank all of you for giving me this time to say a few words about my trip during the summer. I shall try to be brief and I wish to apologize for not making a formal report.

As I reported in the May meeting I was going to London at the call of Dr. Mott and Miss Hodge to attend the meeting of the International Missionary Council. I reached London just in time to go directly to the meeting place at Old Jordans Hostel in Buckinghamshire. It goes without saying that it was a wonderful experience for me to be meeting in real Country English fashion, and to attend such a meeting with Dr. Mott as the Chairman for the three days; and with such people attending as Dr. Goodsell, Dr. Oldham, Mr. Paton, Dr. Larnshuis, and the Baroness van Boetzelaer, as well as delegates from France, Germany, and Mexico. Dr. Wiao and I represented the National Christian Council of China. We were sorry that no one was able to come from Japan. However the General Secretary of the Japan National Christian Council had sent word that whatever decision was arrived at regarding the place of the 1938 conference would be supported by them.

Dr. Wiao and I presented the reasons for the reconsideration of the meeting place for 1938. It was interesting to see how different people would look at it from different viewpoints. When we mentioned that the name Kowloon would give the impression that we were meeting there to be under British protection they said that at the Northfield meeting no one had thought of that, and that they did not wish to subject the mission movement to any possible misunderstanding on the part of the people of China. The final decision was to hold the meeting in the beautiful city of Hangchow which is very easy to reach by train and by the new roads from Shanghai.

After that conference I made connection with other conferences. I attended the conference of the British Missionary Societies at Swanwick. It is an annual meeting but was held especially to plan preparations for the 1938 meeting. Dr. Wiao and I were asked to talk regarding the National Christian Council in China and the 1938 Conference.

While in London I also attended some of the mission board meetings: the Board meeting of the London Missionary Society in London and the Women's Committee of the English Presbyterian Society and also a combined meeting of the men's and women's general committee of the Baptist Missionary Society. Outside of London I attended at Nottingham a meeting of the London Missionary Society, which is connected with Miss Eva Spicer. I also visited the Selly Oakes Colleges which are a most interesting group of colleges. I was able to attend some of the lectures, although it was towards the end of the session. I was much interested to see how the different denominations, such as the Society of Friends and the Church Missionary Society maintain their training colleges with the use of common lecture rooms and a common library. The first college at Woodbrooke had been promoted by the Cadbury family who continue to contribute generously to this group of colleges.

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I then went to visit Edinburgh where I met a few members of the Scotch Presbyterian Society. Many were on vacation as it was toward the end of July.

During the latter part of July I attended two days of the Student Christian Movement Conference. I asked to go as an observer and to see how the British Student Movement Conferences are held. During my stay there I was asked to speak to small groups.

In addition to the conferences and contacts in Great Britain, through Dr. Oldham I was invited to attend two conferences in Switzerland in August. The first was the Management Committee of the World Alliance for International Friendship Through the Churches. There I met such people as Bishop Amundsen, Lord Dickinson, Dr. Merrill, Dr. Atkinson, Dr. Leiper, and others; and there I was also asked to speak on the conditions in China.

The next conference was the Universal Christian Council for the Life and Work of the Church in preparation for the Conference to be held next year at Oxford.

There for the first time I got to know something of the work of the Universal Christian Council and learned somewhat of the different approach of the continental or British group and the American group. They are working for real research into and the bringing together of information on such fundamental questions as: the church and state; the church and the community; the Christian attitude toward war and peace; education as a tool of the government, etc. As Dr. Oldham expressed it, in twenty years time Dr. Karl Marx produced his books. Christians need to give very real study to crystalize our thinking and to meet the challenging conditions of the world today.

I also took time to visit colleges and schools. I visited Oxford, Cambridge, and the University of London and quite a number of the girls' schools of the boarding school type, including St. Andrews which is Miss Spicer's school. Also I saw the London County Council Schools and one public school for boys. In France and in Germany through the Chinese Embassy I was able to visit some of the officers in the educational boards in Paris and Berlin.

Mr. MacLennan of Edinburgh House arranged for me to broadcast and thus I earned six guineas which I spent on a visit to Scotland.

The China Institute through Mr. Bilcox arranged a meeting where I spoke and showed the Ginling film, also telling of conditions in China. I spoke to one Rotary Club meeting and to their newly formed women's organization. I had some contacts with Chatham House. The Chinese Ambassador included me at a luncheon given to the Chinese tennis players.

In Berlin I had a happy time meeting with four Ginling graduates and two former members of the Faculty, who came as Official Observers for the Olympic games. The Chinese women students and wives of the Chinese men there arranged a luncheon in honor of Mr. Tai Chi-tao who was there in charge of the Chinese team, and also invited these observers and myself. Besides the guest of honor and the Chinese Ambassador the only other speakers were Hwang Li-ming (head of the Ginling College Physical Education Department), Du Ling-yuen (1931) and myself. There was a group of thirty official observers from China. Nine of them were women and six of the nine were either connected with the Ginling Physical Education Department or were alumnae of Ginling.

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On way to Chicago
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Dear Miss Tyler,

I have just gone thru
the pile of letters and found
that I have neglected to
attend to one important
matter.

Miss Hoffsommer
wrote me about her plans
to study & get an M.A. degree
and added that you had
told her I should approve
the plan.

I do approve her plan
for it is what the English
department expected her to
do. As her home is in Phila-
delphia, the University
there is the natural
place for her to go. I had
thought that such matter

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are in the hands of the Special Com. on funding & studies, so I did not say any thing to you or Miss [redacted].

One thing I know is that she can get no help financially from her family, so she will have to depend on the pulch & salary and study grant to carry her through. Really she needs, I am sure, the allowance to pay her university fees. So I hope the College Treasurer has paid her something to enable her getting started in her university.

One other matter, I believe, has been taken up by the Board of Governors that is, medical examination

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My dear friends, members
coming to U.S. on their
journeys. Will you please
see that this important
thing is attended to
sounded by overhauling
doctors? We should
not ask Miss Bond to do
this, as we have not
asked her back. So it
will apply to Miss Hogg-
somer, Miss Whitman
and Mrs. Thomson only.

I am very sorry that
this trip is so cramped that
I could hardly visit with
my friends at all. But
they are wonderfully kind
to me and excuse me in
all sorts of matters.

With very best wishes
for a good season for you.
Most sincerely,
Wifanghu

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On Board S. S. Empress of Canada

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Dear Friends:

While the boat carries me westward towards China, my mind travels eastward to the States. I find myself thinking of the many friends and places I could not visit and of those friends I visited but far too hurriedly. How I would like to write each of you individually! As that is beyond my ability, I hope you will kindly excuse me for using this impersonal method.

From experience I have found that the easiest way to give an account of anything is to start from the beginning. It happens that I am Chairman of the National Christian Council in China for 1935-37, and in that capacity I was called by cable in May to attend the meeting of the Ad Interim Committee of the International Missionary Council in London. It was quite an undertaking to leave College toward the end of the school year, with eight days' notice, yet the faculty and the executive committee of the Board of Directors in China were all in favor of my going, and they were willing to take on extra responsibilities during my absence.

Under the Chairmanship of Dr. John R. Mott, we were to plan in London for a World Conference to be held in China in the autumn of 1938. The decision to hold this at Hangchow is gratifying, for the Chinese saying, "Above is heaven, below are Soochow and Hangchow", indicates the scenic beauty of the city. Furthermore it is easily reached from Shanghai by rail or automobile within four or five hours, and on the quiet shores of the West Lake the conference can have undisturbed deliberations and fellowship.

I was invited after this meeting to attend the conference of the British Missionary Societies. I was very glad to learn something of their extensive work and of the British way of managing a conference. Toward the end of August I also attended the summer conference of the Student Christian Movement at Swanwick. It was a large gathering of over 400 young men and women, and I was impressed with the program and their thinking on religious matters.

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It took some time to understand the educational system in England. It may be that the strength of their education lies in the diversified types of institutions and in the freedom for individual development. At Oxford and Cambridge one cannot but be deeply impressed with the rich heritage through the centuries and the atmosphere of learning in the different Colleges. I understand more fully than before that the Great War wiped out a generation in England, because in every college, school, and church I saw the rolls of honor on the walls.

Mrs. Thurston arrived in London on the big bank holiday in August. Since she had left Ginling two months after I had, I learned from her about the closing of the college year and the preparation for the fall opening. The list of Government grants for 1936-37 to Universities was out, and Ginling received the sum of 12,000 Yuan, which represented an increase of 2,000 Yuan over the grant of last year. The construction of the new faculty house was going on smoothly and it was expected to be ready in September. This was to release for student use the dormitory used for thirteen years by women of the staff. Even with this additional provision we are not solving the problem of student housing, because the dormitories were planned to take care of 200 girls, which we have, according to a recent letter from the college, a total enrollment of 260 students this fall.

My two months in England went by too swiftly. Miss Eva Spicer's sisters and other friends made me feel at home the moment I arrived in London, and they helped me in all sorts of ways to see England and to know the English. I saw too in England Chinese friends. In Oxford I had a delightful visit with Miss Li Chi, Ginling 1931, and Miss Z. N. Loh, Wellesley 1924, who was formerly on the Ginling staff, and is now doing special work in mathematics at Oxford. Li Chi is a British Boxer Indemnity Fund scholar through successfully passing the competitive examination. I was very glad to hear from her supervisor that she was doing splendid work and was just completing her ^{the} thesis on Shelley and Li Po, ^{and} famous poet of the T'ang dynasty. Just before leaving London I was greatly surprised to see Dr. Shan-ming Tao, Ginling 1922, Johns Hopkins Sc. D. Dr. Tao is the technical expert and vice-director of the National

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Epidemic Prevention Bureau in Peiping. She has been sent by the National Health Administration on an investigation tour to Europe and America to keep in touch with the latest scientific developments in the preparation of vaccines and sera. She was then in London, as the only representative from China, at the International Congress for Microbiology.

For a vacation I went to beautiful Switzerland, but attended too while I was at Chambry the meeting of the World Alliance for International Friendship through the Churches, and the University ^{al} ~~Christian~~ Council for Life and Work of the Church. On my way to Switzerland I visited Berlin. It was the time of the Olympic games. With the Chinese teams was a group of 30 official observers, who were physical education directors. There were nine women in this group and only one of them was not connected with Ginling. Four were alumnae, two were formerly on the staff, and two were graduates of the Y.W.C.A. physical Training Normal School, which became combined with the college department in 1925. It may be of interest to you to know what these four graduates are doing. Mrs. Chen Hwang Li-ming, Ginling 1927, Wellesley M.A. 1931, is the head of our department; Miss Ya-lan Tsui, 1929, has given valuable service on the departmental staff and is doing graduate work at Wellesley this year; Miss Du Lung-yuen, 1931, has been on the staff of the Hopei Women's Normal College in Tientsin; and Miss Du Yu-fei of the same class is Principal of a Girls' Physical Education School in Shanghai, the school rated first among all the Physical Education Schools by the inspector from the Ministry of Education last year.

I must come to my wonderful experience in the States and first to the Tercentenary Celebration of Harvard University. The two elements of space and time were well represented there. The long history of 300 years of Harvard itself was significant enough, but among the delegates present were those representing institutions dating back to the tenth century in Egypt and in Italy, the eleventh century in France, and the twelfth in England. Ginling College appeared as an infant, coming as the 465th in the chronological order of the 502 institutions represented. At the

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luncheon given by the President and Faculties of Harvard, Dr. Hu Shih spoke for China and said that we had had academies as early as the second century B.C., but from the lack of self-perpetuating organization, universities in China now date from the last century. Throughout the three-day celebration we were deeply impressed with Harvard's achievements, its educational program and policies, and the loyal sentiments of its alumni. We went away strengthened in our conviction concerning the lasting influence of educational work. I personally had a warm feeling of gratitude for the opportunity of being present and for the delightful hospitality which I received in the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Tudor Gardiner.

In New York the Board of Founders met with me. I was deeply touched, having gone through the last few difficult years, with their keen satisfaction with the growth of the college, their full confidence in me and my colleagues, their thorough understanding of the situation of the college, and their determination to increase its support with the projected \$300,000 endowment fund. Now I return with renewed courage to the task of training women of ability, of character, and with a Christian conception of service. Such workers are in great demand in the tremendous reconstruction program of China today. In my few days in New York I was also honored with important opportunities for speaking of the women of China, and I had the pleasure of meeting old friends and making new ones.

In Newport Mrs. James Cushman of the Board of Founders of the College took me to her home. There I met many distinguished people, among them Mrs. Maude Howe Elliott, the daughter of Julia Ward Howe, Admiral Kalbfus, the president of the Naval War College, and Mrs. Kalbfus welcomed me to their home. I was given there the special honor and privilege of speaking to the prominent and experienced men who compose this college.

I am especially indebted to Smith College women, who showed every courtesy to me and deep interest in their sister college. Mrs. Gleason, the President of the

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Alumnae Association, greatly honored me by inviting me to her beautiful home and by sponsoring the impressive and delightful Smith luncheon in Boston at which I met so many splendid Smith women. In Woods Hole I had the pleasure of visiting Mrs. Elsmith who had so much to do with Smith's adoption of Ginling. In Chicago it was my joy to meet Miss Ellen Holt who gave of her time to me, time very precious because of the preparations for the Smith in Chicago weekend. In Seattle Frederica Mead Hiltner, Smith 1911, and Ginling's longtime friend, arranged a delightful two days for me.

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I carry away ~~with me~~ from America a most precious memory of the warm friendship which greeted me everywhere. From Newport, ~~Rhode Island~~, where I went immediately after landing in Montreal to Seattle where I made my last stop before sailing, I was overwhelmed by the reception given me by friends old and new. Keen interest in Ginling and in China was evident from the ready response to what I had to tell, whether about the work ~~at Ginling~~, Chinese women in general, or the conditions in China today.

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May I express my grateful thanks and deep appreciation to you, each and all, in Newport, Woods Hole, Cambridge, Boston, Williamstown, New York, Plainfield, Dobbs Ferry, Rochester, Detroit, Ann Arbor, Chicago, and Seattle. I wish that time and space would permit me to share with each of you how greatly my life has been enriched by your friendliness and through the experiences in these different places, but I must be content to mention but one more. ~~At Ann Arbor when I spoke at a dinner in celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Republic of China on October the tenth.~~ ^{While in friendly Detroit and Ann Arbor, my American home,} Memories carried me back to my student days in Michigan, and still farther to exactly twenty years ago when, a Sophomore at Ginling, I made my maiden speech on the National Holiday. I had high hopes as a young enthusiast for the new Republic, and I today have high hopes for China. It is not blind optimism ignoring facts nor complacent belief in the absorbing powers of our race. It is hope based on the remarkable results of reconstruction of the last few years and strengthened by our new spirit of determination for self-pre-

servation.

Sincerely yours,

Yi-fang Wu.

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May I take this opportunity also to express my sincere gratitude to all of you who have of you who have made gifts to Ginling College. It is an encouragement to have your confidence. In return I can assure you that we are endeavoring to be worthy of your trust.

Sincerely yours,

Yi-fang Wu

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Outrigger Chicago
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Dear Rebecca,

Just a few lines of
business ^{now} - as I hope
I can write you a ^{longer} letter
later from the boat.

Mrs. Thompson's
boat is, S.S. Carintha
sailing on Oct. 30 and
arriving at Boston on
Nov. 8. She did not say
where she sails from,
nor what line.

I saw Miss Whitman,
Miss Black, Gibson
and Charles at Mrs.
Fisher's. Harriet Whit-
man was very nice
in her willingness to do

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promotional work for S.C.
She even did not make
out plans for the W. F. M. S.
before she would hear
our Board. So I told her
to write to you for suggestions.
It seems to me she
can do something in the
Mid-west and the two
special lines I thought
of are union churches
and sister colleges (such
as Galwegoo Union
College). You may have
a list in Mrs. Macmillan's
file, and I'll ask Miss
Fournier to send you one.
The film too can be used
by her. I agree with you
that perhaps we may
change a little further

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~~show~~ (However, you
know best what is the
right and better thing
to do.

If you happen to be ship
in N. Y. you may want
to go to the Canadian
Pacific Office and find
some names in the
first classes. If you
should find special
good names, could you
send an air mail to me
on the boat? I told you
this is a business note,
so I am not saying any-
thing about the "promotion"
(which I did not really
get until last evening
while packing). So I merely
mention the business side

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I get the most out of
the voyage.

Chen Tsa (1930) is
at Ann Arbor, studying
English. She is in her
own. Ho g-djen probably
can not finish until
next June.

I have to report, my
manager, that I declined
an opportunity in Detroit
Sat. afternoon when it was
near time for the Chinese
students dinner, Dr.
Feiber called up that
he would let me talk
in the Service, and then
use the Forum hour
for questions. Service
from that Church is
broad based, so it was a

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and opportunity for me
or a Girding. I wanted
a long time before I
finally decided not
to attempt it; because
I was feeling tired
then, and was afraid
the early drive, the
strain through the
morning would exhaust
me; and this a labor
group expects the
a new big affair.
As the program worked
out, I was glad I did
not go and attempt the
service. The program
had a count 300 - and I
got back to A.D. just
in time. By it changed

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for the A.A.W.W. of f am.

Mrs. Fisher was much enthusiastic. She promised to make the list of names and send it to you. She was to have made it before I came back on Sunday but did not get time to and so I asked her to send it to you. I told her it was to enable us to send news letters.

Mrs. Shepherd has worked hard and told me she expects that the A.A.W.W. would make a gift to her; their Executive Com. wants

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on Oct. 17th Mrs. Blosser

was sick, so could not
have had the dinner
anyway. Mrs. Welch
and Mrs. I built (also
of Zoology Dept) gave
a lunch for me on
Sat. and had a good
time with old friends
and professors.

I'll follow your
directions about
church with Mrs.
Holt and engagement
to see Mrs. Peck at
Union Station. 24th
afternoon 3:45 see Mrs.
McKair (formerly Mrs.
Florence) very much
happy (w/ 5:15 by 5
see if I can get connection

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with Mrs. Welling and
Bent House. I am sorry
I never answered
any questions in your
letter. Any way, if I
don't see this music
candidate, there is
time to do ~~the~~ correspon-
dence. Yes, I saw Miss
Stillemyer - I was
favorably impressed.
But she is young & I
even suggested that I
teach her a strategy of
classroom ^{time} not to this
the ~~total~~ experience
for the sake of getting the
M.A. degree soon.

With good wishes &
love, - I wish that
you are feeling better & as
I do now. (P. J. Lang)

Jack

October 13, 1936

Dr. Yi-fang Wu
% Mrs. W. G. Hiltner
4215 East 33rd Street
Laurelhurst
Seattle, Washington

My dear Dr. Wu:

I am sure you will pardon a typed letter this morning because I am ~~anxious~~ ~~it~~ should go forward to you Air Mail in care of Mrs. Hiltner.

The time has simply flown and I suddenly realized that in order to be sure of a little package reaching you at the boat I must ask Mrs. Hiltner to get it for me. It contains a book which I have just enjoyed greatly and which I know you are going to enjoy even more than I have. It is, to use a very slang expression, "right up your alley." Now I am sure you will be shocked at this bit of slang but it so perfectly fits your situation that I must use it so please do not show this letter to anybody.

Miss Hoffsommer did not realize that her program had to be approved by anyone so I told her it must be approved by the Committee and that your approval would help to speed the process. I did find out however that she was in need of money before registration at the University of Pennsylvania so I telegraphed Dr. Harlow and preceived permission to pay so she has already received \$150 and the balance will be available whenever she wishes it.

I will take the matter of medical examination up at an early date.

It has been a real disappointment not to have had more of a visit with you while you were here but business is business and we both know the reason why so we will hope for better luck next time. . But I wish you might have been up in the country with us

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yesterday where the leaves were gorgeous and where Mrs. Louderbough and Miss Schultz and I spent the weekend in a little og cabin on a lake miles from nowhere. It would have done you good I know. Next time there must be opportunity for such quiet times as this.

And now my love and prayers will be following you across the wide Pacific and I hope that Neptune will not be too rough to you. Please give my love to all the people at Ginling.

With my love and affection,

Florence G. Tyler, Secretary

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Dear Rebecca,

I have just read over carefully yours of Oct. 6, 9, 10th & the
main body hand. I have also
read over Dr. Stuart's letter.
I promise you now that I'll send
you a letter from Honolulu, ready
to be photo copied and sent out
from N.Y. I had this letter in
mind even before re-reading
your letters, but I have not
been in a mood to write such
a letter on this train. Yester-
day I purposely delayed and
did not do any reading, the
New York Times clipping on
China facts sent 5 or 6 weeks
(loaned to me by Mrs. Wacker,
whose husband is Professor of
Political Sci. in Chicago). Today
my mind has been on China
and the 3 talks in Seattle. The
two talks tomorrow I have to
work out a new outline & I
put in new material, as I
never used just such subjects
the one to the University students.

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I have worked over an old speech
for with Prof. of Pol. Sci. present &
should be more careful than
speaking to League of Women Voters,
even tho' that was in Cambridge.

I am very, very sorry to dis-
appoint & grieve to cause a delay
of about 12-14 days; but it may
be better not to send out a poor
letter. The one I wrote in a
hurry for the Swedish use, I am
not satisfied & I don't think
it is of any value. When I
have more time on boat I may
be able to write a few sentences
about the different stops in
A. A. And the letter after
my return may tell me
about the new year at College
and the Founders Day. Perhaps
it may be actually better
to have the letter reach people
after Christmas - to avoid the
rush of being put aside or into
the waste basket. However
this is up to you to decide, &
I'll try to do the letter as soon
after the Founders Day as I can.
(Founders Day has been postponed
to Nov. 7 & 8)

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Now about my accommodation
The train is not as crowded
as the Co. would like to have
people think. There is no one
using the berth over me, and
the young woman in the section
opposite me, is over in the
Club car all day long listen-
ing to radio. At present there are
only 6 people using the 16
berths in this car, so I am
having as much quiet and
privacy as I want, and
I had a nap after lunch
both yesterday and today. I slept
very well both nights and I'll
go to bed early tonight, so
I am really well rested for
the two days in Seattle. I
do hope this will not disap-
point you too much.

As for the gift from you
for my comfort I accept
with many many thanks,
and I have counted it as part
of the extra fare, on my Pacific
passage. I don't know who
the Santa Claus is, but in

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I think I like to count
this "steamer gift" part of
the other. It was not until
I did my packing in A.D. on
Oct. 11 that I took out the
steamer ticket to look at.
You see, how I had full confi-
dence in my capable and
thoughtful manager, that
I did not even check over
such an important thing as
the ticket, or how ^{well} she
managed every thing, includ-
ing the charge. I remember
now how I ~~read~~ hurriedly
(when Mrs. Grant was driving
me to the Club luncheon)
what you wrote about not
to enter this extra charge
on the Pacific passage in the
SMC account, - and not in the
College account. (While I
am helpless and have to
accept this gift from "Mr.
Hawser" and "his conspirator")
I do honestly feel it is far
too much for any one to give to
me. Of course I am most

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grateful, for I know it is to
 give me a most comfortable
 voyage and better rest
 on the boat. As, when I
 get back, ^{in a} better condition
 physically, it is all due
 to this anonymous gift.

You asked me to suggest
 a phrase for Mrs. Givens.
 I am sorry my mind is
 not active just now. The
 two words I used last May
 were: action & determination;
 but I don't think they are
 good by themselves. The out-
 standing contribution Christi-
 an Colleges should give at this
 moment in China is train-
 ing and sending out men &
 women with sharpened
 mental ability, strengthened
 moral character, and ~~deepened~~
 Christian faith. I mean in
 this gigantic reconstruction
 program in the midst of a
 national struggle, we need

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more than intellect
knowledge; we should have
broadened view about the
future of humanity.

I don't understand
why Miss Morrison wanted
to keep Tai Yung's state
ment as confidential.
I should think it is al-
right to use, if we don't
refer to the fact that
the financial support
came mainly from
Madame Chiang K.S.

This reminds me to
tell you one thing which I
had not the time to talk
to you about. In China I
have tried hard not to
have people know that
Madame Chiang is quite
intimate with me as a
friend, both for Gung's

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make it mine own. For
am. institutions we should
be independent & not
appear attached. A very
special influence of
order in the government.
For myself, also for this
reason & for not having
people come to me to ask
favors from Madame
Chiang. Of course I
know in America it is
different & so I myself
have mentioned it.

Thursday morning

Sorry I did not finish
the letter yesterday
I had a good breakfast
fast, good bath
and slept very well
on the bed.
May I visit I think
with Friday. I think

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R.M.S.

Dear Rebecca,

I have just got
on the boat and we
are sailing very soon.

Thank you for
your very kind
letter.

I had a good and
happy time at
Seattle. I took
the coast steamer
this morning
got to Victoria
about 2, went
and got some gifts
for friends in
China, so camp
on the boat.

Good-bye
best wishes and love
from
John

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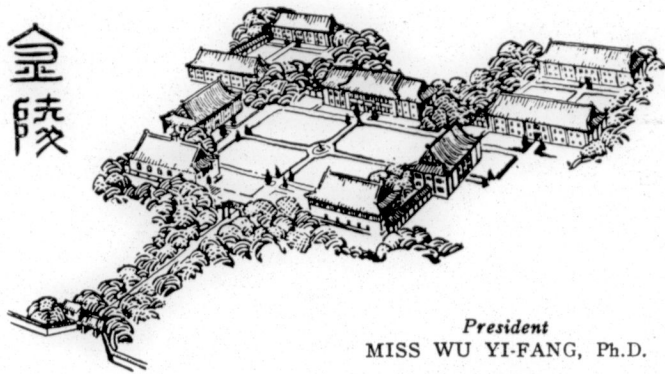
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This is my regretful farewell as I sail back to China. I have been able to see all too few of the friends of Ginling during these few weeks, and I have not adequately told you how much you mean to the College.

Life has been full since I left China early in May. I do not mean merely that my time has been fully occupied, but my life has been enriched by new experiences. I wish I had time now to tell you about them all, but you will appreciate what has been my good fortune if I mention only a few as illustrations. They include the Committee meeting of the International Missionary Council under the chairmanship of Dr. Mott, planning a world conference to be held in 1938 in Hangchow, China; visits to Oxford and Cambridge Universities and to schools illustrating the diversified yet effective school system in England; glimpses into the highly regimented life in Berlin during the cheerful and exciting days of the Olympics; quiet deliberations by Christian agencies in the calm and beauty of Lake Geneva, as to what the Church can do in facing the world situation of today; attendance as an official guest at the significant Tercentenary celebration of Harvard University; renewed assurance of the unfailing support of the Board of Founders of Ginling College, as shown at two Board meetings during my visit; many evidences of the continued interest of Smith in her sister college, especially during my two days at Northampton in June and my return to Boston for a luncheon given by the Alumnae Association; and last but not least, the joy of finding new friends and of renewing the friendships of many years.

How I wish I could stay longer! But it has seemed necessary for me to sail away westward from Vancouver on October seventeenth in time for the Executive Meeting of the National Christian Council in Shanghai November third to fifth and the celebration of Founders day at Ginling on November seventh.

I wish so much I personally could see you and tell you how much your loyal interest means to me and to the College. Will you kindly accept this note as conveying to you my deep appreciation and sincere gratitude?

Sincerely yours,

Yi-fang Wu

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Dear Friends:

My recent trip to America has been so brief that I could hardly do one-tenth of what I would like to have done, so now while the boat carries me westward toward China, my mind still travels eastward to the States. I find myself thinking of the many friends and places I could not visit, and of those friends I visited but much too hurriedly.

How I would like to write each of you a letter personally! But as that is beyond my ability, I have decided to write a general letter and ask our New York Office to send copies to you. I hope you will kindly excuse me for using this method.

From experience I have found that the easiest way to give a brief account of anything is to start from the beginning, so I shall now begin with the how and why of my sudden trip to England.

It happens that I am the Chairman of the National Christian Council in China for 1935-1937, and in that capacity I was suddenly called by cable to attend the meeting of the Ad Interim Committee of the International Missionary Council in London from June 4th to 9th. It was quite an undertaking to leave College toward the end of the school year, with only eight days' notice; yet the faculty and the Executive Committee of the College Board in Nanking were all in favour of my going to attend the meeting, so that they were ready to take on extra responsibilities during my absence.

Under the chairmanship of Dr. John R. Mott, the Committee took up the important business of planning for the World Conference to be held in China in the autumn of 1938. The other Chinese delegate was Dr. Chester C. S. Miao, a Secretary of the National Christian Council. We were both gratified at the final decision of holding the Conference at Hangchow. The Chinese saying, "Above is heaven, below Soochow and Hangchow", is enough to indicate the scenic beauty of the city. But, furthermore, it is easily accessible from Shanghai by rail or automobile within a few hours; and on the quiet shores of the famous West Lake the Conference can have undisturbed deliberation and fellowship.

After this meeting I was invited to attend the Conference of the British Missionary Societies, and was glad to learn something of their great work and of the British way of managing a Conference. I had opportunity later to meet with the Board of the London Missionary Society and the Women's Committees of the English Presbyterian and the Baptist Societies. Toward the end of August I attended a Conference of the Student Christian Movement at Swanwick, and was much impressed with the type of young men and women that gathered there and their thinking on religious matters.

It took me some time to understand the educational systems and various types of schools in England. But it may be just where the strength of education lies in the diversified types of institutions and much freedom for individual development. At Oxford

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and Cambridge one cannot but be deeply impressed with the rich heritage through the centuries, and the atmosphere of learning at the different colleges. I appreciate more fully than before the saying that the World War wiped out one generation in England, because in every college, school or church I visited I saw the rolls of honor on the walls.

Mrs. Thurston, who was on her way to America for her furlough, arrived in London with her sister, Miss Calder, on the big bank holiday in August. Since she left Ginling two months after I did, she had a great deal to tell me about the closing of the school year and the preparation for the fall opening. The announcement of the Government Grant was out and Ginling received a grant of 12,000 dollars, Chinese currency, for 1936-1937, an increase of 2,000 dollars over last year. The construction of the new faculty house was going on satisfactorily and it was expected to be ready by September. This was to release the former faculty house for student use. This building was one of the four original student dormitories but had been used by the faculty women for the last thirteen years. But even with this additional provision we are not solving the problem of student housing, because these four dormitories were planned to take care of only two hundred girls, while we have now, according to a recent letter from College, a total of 260 students this fall.

While in Oxford I had a delightful visit with Miss Li Chi (Ginling 1930) and Miss Z. N. Loh, who was formerly on the Ginling staff and is now doing some special work in Mathematics there. Li Chi is, as some of you know, a Boxer Indemnity Fund Scholar, through successfully passing the competitive examination. I was glad to hear from her supervisor that she was doing splendid work and was just finishing her thesis on Shelly and Li Po, the famous Chinese poet of the Tang Dynasty.

Just before leaving London I was greatly surprised to see Dr. S. M. Tao (Ginling 1922 and Johns Hopkins Sc.D.). Dr. Tao was the technical expert and vice-director of the National Epidemic Prevention Bureau in Peiping, and was sent by the National Health Administration on a tour of investigation to Europe and America to keep in touch with the latest scientific developments in the production of vaccines and sera. She was in London as a representative from China at the Second International Congress of Microbiology. After having deserted my biology, I was very happy to see such people as Dr. Tao keep on in their own line of specialization and contribute their ability toward scientific development.

I timed my trip to Berlin during the Olympic Games, not that I myself was so keen to see the contests, but to meet the group of Ginling graduates who were there at that time. With the Chinese teams was a group of 30 physical education directors, who came to observe the games and also to study physical education in the various countries. There were 9 women in the group; 4 were graduates from Ginling, 2 were formerly on our physical education staff, and 3 were graduates from the Y.W.C.A. Physical Education Normal School, which was combined with our Physical Education Department in 1925.

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It may be of interest to you to know what ^{these} ~~our~~ ^{Ginling} four graduates are doing. Mrs. Chen Hwang Li-ming (Ginling 1927, Wellesley M.A. 1931) is the head of our department; Miss Tsui Ya-lan (1929) has given valuable service on the department staff and is taking graduate work at Wellesley. Miss Du Lung-yuen has since her graduation in 1931 been on the physical education staff of the Tientsin Women's Normal College; and Miss Du Yu-fei is the Principal of a Girls' Physical Education Normal School which was rated first among all the physical education schools in Shanghai because of the high record of her graduates in their general government examinations. At one luncheon given by the Chinese women students in Germany, I was interested indeed to find that the three women who were asked to speak were all from Ginling.

At Chamby, Switzerland, I attended two conferences. The first was the meeting of the World Alliance for International Friendship Through the Churches, and the second was that of the Universal Council for the Life and Work of the Church. It is quite evident that the Christian forces throughout the world should certainly work together to promote fellowship and mutual understanding. At the second meeting the business was in preparation for the Oxford Conference on the Life and Work of the Church to be held next summer. It was most stimulating to see how Christian leaders are taking up the issues facing the world today, and trying to find out how the Church is to meet them. The Research Department, under Dr. J. H. Oldham, is making a thorough study of such topics as The Church and the State; The Church and the Community; The Church, State and Community; ^{in relation to economic and political} The Christian Duty Toward Peace and War; etc. The situation in Europe today is specially challenging for the Church to face such urgent issues seriously.

I must come to my wonderful experiences in the United States. First of all was the Tercentenary Celebration of Harvard University. It seems to me the two usual elements of space and time were well expressed there. From all over the world specialists in Sciences and Philosophy were gathered together for a conference of two weeks. The long history of 300 years of Harvard itself was significant enough, but among the delegates present there were those representing institutions dating from the 10th century in Egypt, ^{and} 10th century in Italy, ^{and} France, and the 12th in England. Ginling College appears as an infant, coming as the 465th in the chronological order of 502 institutions represented. At the luncheon given by the President and Faculties of Harvard, Dr. Hu Shih expressed it well that in China we had Academies as early as 200 B.C., but from lack of self-perpetuating organization, universities in China now date only from the last century. Throughout the three-day celebration, all those present were deeply impressed with Harvard's achievements in the past, its educational policies of today, and the loyal sentiments of the alumni. We went away strengthened in our conviction about the lasting influence of educational work.

The Board of Founders of Ginling arranged to meet when I was in New York to enable me to report on the College and my trip to Europe. But they hardly knew I was to receive so richly from it. After

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having gone through the past few difficult years, I was deeply impressed and touched by their keen satisfaction at the growth of the College, their full confidence in me and my colleagues, their thorough understanding of the situation of the College, and their enthusiastic decision to support ^{with sincere effort} her. Now I return with renewed courage to the task of training women of ability, character and the Christian spirit of service. Such are the workers in great demand in the reconstruction program in China today.

The third great experience I had was that of warm friendship everywhere I went. Starting from Newport, Rhode Island, right after I landed in Montreal, clear to Seattle where I made my last stop before sailing, I was overwhelmed by the reception given me by friends old and new. Keen interest in Ginling and China was evident from the ready response to what I had to tell, whether about the work at Ginling, the Chinese woman in general, or the conditions in China today. I am especially indebted to Smith women, who showed me every kind courtesy and continued interest in their sister college. Mrs. Gleason, the president of the Alumnae Association greatly honored me by inviting me to her beautiful home and giving that delightful Smith luncheon in Boston. Many others have spent time, energy and money in arranging luncheons, dinners and teas, and meetings of Church groups or students. May I express my grateful thanks and deep appreciation to you, each and all, in Newport, Woodshole, Cambridge, Boston, Williamstown, Plainfield, Dobbs Ferry, Rochester, Detroit, Ann Arbor, Chicago, and Seattle.

I wish time and space would permit me to share with you how my life has been enriched through the experiences in these different places; but I shall be content to mention only two outstanding occasions. One happened at Newport when unexpectedly I was asked to lecture to the Naval War College by its President, the Admiral. I was scared by this special honor and privilege of being the first woman to speak to that body of prominent and experienced men. But I am glad to tell you that I did not get stage fright when I spoke, so I did not disgrace us women nor the President because of his unconventional invitation.

The other was at Ann Arbor when I spoke at the dinner given by the Chinese Students' Club in celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Republic of China on the tenth of October. Memories carried me back to my student days at Michigan and still farther to exactly twenty years ago when as a sophomore at Ginling I made my maiden speech on the national holiday. I had high hopes then for the new Republic, and I still have high hopes for her now. It is not blind optimism ignoring facts nor complacent belief in the absorbing powers of our Chinese race through time. But it is a hope based on the remarkable results of reconstruction of the last few years and strengthened by our new spirit of determination for self-preservation. So, in facing the long and hard struggle ahead of us, I am confident that China will come out unconquerable.

May I take this chance to express my sincere gratitude to those of you who were approached by our Board last spring and gave generous-

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ly in order to meet the shortage in the College budget? It is a great relief to begin a new year without a deficit from the previous one. I wish to express my appreciation not only for the financial help which you gave but even more for the encouragement and inspiration which your continued interest and faith in us brings to all of us. We are endeavoring hard to be worthy of your trust.

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R.M.S.

Empress of Canada
Oct. 17, 1926

Dear Miss Tyler,
Just a few
words to thank
you for your kind
letter. It is the
first word we
get. I hope to
write you a real
letter before I
reach Hong Kong.

As for the account,
I am sure I did
not get it as it
is the train to
Seattle, so I have
to send it to you

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also from Long-
Lui.

With many
minutes to make

Sincerely

Wifang Lu



M.S.H. 11/7

R.M.S. Empress of Canada
Oct. 18, 1936

Dear Rebecca,
I must start a
letter to you this morn-
ing, for I do wish you to
know that I am enjoy-
ing my first class
cabin & very, very much.
My cabin is on the south
side, - & being on A Deck
I can keep the porthole
open and have both
sea air & sun shine
in my room. This is
luxury, and I don't
believe I ever had
such accommodation
before. I will thank
Mr. Harvey for me for
all the trouble & ex-
pense taken in arrang-
ing the reservations.

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I could see from the
foot-sketch that
several changes
had been made
in order to get this
figure of 45 ft. high?
And will you please
close among your friends
and generous give
who provided the
other hundred
dollars needed to
make the change?
I still don't know
what I will do with
him or her.

9:30 Oct. 23.

The foot. is down
in a few minutes.
I have failed you
and Girdling com-
pletely, and have
"eaten my word"
about the roots.

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letter. No excuse
whatsoever this
time, except my
old failing of putting
things to the last
day. When my
wink did not seem
to work altho I
shot myself up for
hours in my
cabin.

The Hawaiian
University arranged
a lecture for me
last evening. I was
not by many
people. invited
to dinner &
supper, so I
did not, it the
last few hours.
Have no face to
see you. Yours



R.M.S.

Empress of Canada
Oct. 31, 1936

Dear Miss Tyler,
We are due at
Honolulu tomorrow,
so I wish to get a
few lines. I am
writing to day.

In spite of my
resolution not to
correspond between Vancouver
and Honolulu,
I have started "Wm.
the Unknown," and
it is very difficult
to leave it and
come back to my
letters which I
must write. I am
enjoying it very

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very much, and I
can assure you
that I am right by
a lot to have it
and I will treasure
it, too. I am also
to be assured that
it will give joy to
many folks as in
the case of the
as the. Please, Miss
Worren, Miss Spier
Miss Clara, Miss
etc.

And I should like
to put one item
of business, that is
the one I would
doubt as to how
it will be done.
I wish you to
see all the things for

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that I would send
you the account from
Seattle. I did not
forget about my pro-
mise, but I had
decided to wait till
the end of my journey
before clearing the
account. The main
reason is that Miss
Pierce had advanced
one hundred dollars
(U.S. currency) to me
when I left Chicago,
so it seems to me
better to submit
or to overstate it
in my statement in
connection with the
promotion of work;
and so it I would
cover it - her whole

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Should this item
be permanently en-
tered - I mean, as
from the field treasur-
er's Office or the New
York Office. Personally
I am rather inclining
to leave it about right
in New York, because
the practical work
was done in the States
and some items
had been already
paid in New York.
So, you will hear from
me about the \$100.00
after I get back to
Washington, and I hope
this is not inconve-
nient to you.

With many, many
thanks for your kind
reply - I am
truly yours,
W. H. H. H.

MINUTES OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

October 30, 1936.

The following members of the Building Committee were present at the meeting which convened at 3:30 p.m. on October 30:

Mr. W. P. Mills, Chairman
Miss Chang Siao-sung, - acting for Dr. Wu
Miss Elsie Priest
Miss Minnie Vautrin

Dr. Djang Pang, *Mr. Victor Hanson and *Mr. D. Y. Lin were unable to be present. *Mr. Li Tien-lu had been asked to act for Mr. Lin who is now residing in Canton but at the last minute was not able to be present. Mr. Hanson had been sent the agenda and sent in his opinions through Miss Priest.

In spite of the fact that three members of the committee were not able to be present, it was decided to proceed with the meeting and later to submit the minutes to the absent members for approval.

Minutes of the meeting of September 28 were read and approved.

Reports of the two sub-committees which had been appointed on September 28, the one to make estimates for the furnishings of the Terrace Houses, and the other to make estimates for the removal of graves from the building site, were read and approved. It was reported that steps have already been taken for the removal of graves and it is hoped to have this work finished in a few months.

Voted: That Mr. King and Mr. E. C. Chen be asked to complete the negotiations for the purchase of the Owoh land as soon as possible, as the final location of the Terrace Houses will depend upon the purchase of this land.

Voted: That there be sent to the Board of Founders the one plan which seems best adapted to the needs of the faculty for which it is intended rather than all the plans, some of which are not so desirable.

Voted: That with certain minor changes, Scheme "B" be approved and that it be recommended to the Board of Founders that they authorize \$40,000.00 U. S. for the construction of the same. The changes which are recommended are as follows:

- a. That Mr. Creighton, the architect, be requested to re-think the relation of coat closets and stairs in the two end sections. Also that the question of entrance halls for these two sections be carefully considered.
- b. That fireplaces be included in all living rooms, since they are an economy in heating in both the spring and the autumn and from the artistic standpoint are desirable.

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- c. That making the final plans provision be made for the storage of coal for the individual houses, since each of the five houses will have kitchens and fireplaces.
- d. That the medium sized bedrooms be retained as they are more desirable than the small bedrooms of scheme "A".
- e. That if it seems feasible, the toilets be in separate or semi-separate rooms.
- f. That if possible in the servant's section, there be provision for two toilets and two small bathrooms for the men and women servants.

Voted: That the committee approves of the revision of the estimates made in the meeting of September 28 to the following:

Terrace Houses (Five houses)	\$40,000.00
Bungalow	6,000.00
Grading, road, paths, planting,	1,500.00
Removal of graves	500.00
Furnishings	2,000.00
Contingencies	5,000.00

Total 55,000.00

Voted: That a recommendation be made to the Board of Founders that they make available a total of \$55,000.00 C. C. for the above scheme. Of this amount, \$12,000.00 Gold, or \$39,587.62 C. C. has already been received.

Explanation: If the above houses are approved, the faculty housing situation is as follows:

- a. All women faculty will be provided for, with three additional rooms for expansion. There is also a liberal provision for guests. No studies have been provided in Scheme "B" but it was thought that if the bedrooms are of medium size, small desks could be placed in these rooms when so desired.
- b. Two double houses have already been provided for married men with families. These are presumably for men of the professional rank.

The above does not provide for the following:

- a. A suitable house for the president which the committee believes should be provided in view of her special duties in relation to the college.
- b. A houses for the unmarried men. They are now living in a group of small houses originally provided for the janitors and gardeners of the college, the use of which they requested in 1927. Lack of drainage due to new roads is making these houses undesirable.

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- c. Small houses for the married men of the assistant or clerk rank.

Voted; That inquiry be sent to the Board of Founders for a statement of the balance in the building fund in order to ascertain if it is possible to proceed with plans for "a" and "b".

Voted: That before Scheme "B" is sent to the Board of Founders that the architect be asked to make a detailed statement of the estimates, including the architect's and supervisor's fees and all other necessary expenses.

Voted: That in order to begin the building process as soon as the weather permits in the spring, that we ask the Board of Founders to send final decision by cable.

The matter of reverberation in the studios and practice rooms in the Music Building was discussed. It was felt that the solution of this problem depended upon many types of experimenting in order to ascertain the most successful method.

Voted: That \$100.00 be appropriated for further experimentation, and that Miss Vautrin be asked to cooperate with members of the Music Department in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Minnie Vautrin

Attached sheet of estimates and specifications returned by A. E. H. 10/37

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Dr. Wu

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GINLING COLLEGE
NANKING, CHINA

室公辦長院
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

REPORT OF PRESIDENT ON TRIP

May - November 1936

Two weeks ago today I returned to College after six months' absence. It was early in May when I left for England at the sudden call of Dr. John R. Mott and Miss Hodge jointly that I attend the meeting of the Ad Interim Committee of the International Missionary Council. The message was as follows:

GINLING FOUNDERS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVE YOUR ATTENDING LONDON MEETING YOUR PRESENCE AS CHAIRMAN INDISPENSABLE BECAUSE CRITICAL DECISIONS BUT WELCOME MIAO AS CONSULTANT NO PROMOTION ENTAILED RETURN WHEN YOU THINK BEST THOUSAND AMERICAN DOLLARS SPECIALLY PROVIDED SUGGEST EMPRESS OF JAPAN AT LATEST - HODGE MOTT.

Right after I received the cable I consulted the senior members of the faculty and presented the proposal to the Executive Committee of the Board. The Faculty were enthusiastic for me to attend the meeting and were quite ready to take on extra duties during my absence. The Executive Committee was very generous in granting me the leave of absence. This was done partly for the purpose of giving me a change, as several members of the Board had thought of proposing a year's leave of absence for me during 1936-1937. The Executive Committee also decided to have a special Committee to carry on the administration of the College and not to have anyone as Acting President. During the few days available before my sailing, the College Council was officially organized and the Ad Interim Committee of the Council took the major responsibilities with the help of an Administrative Committee of Three. Dr. Chang Siao-sung was elected the Chairman of both Committees, with Dr. Chester and Miss Liu En-lan to help her on the smaller Committee. It was due to this group of hardworking and loyal members of the faculty that the College was able to go on so smoothly during my absence.

Since our Board of Founders is in New York and I wished to take up college business with them on the way, I decided to go to England via America. Miss Hodge had arranged for a meeting of the Board of Founders just at the time I could be in New York for a few days. It was also arranged that I spend a week-end in Smith College and that I speak at the vesper service there in order to keep up the interest of the undergraduates.

The I.M.C. Meeting was held in Old Jordans, a delightful meeting place managed by the Friends. It was a great experience for me to attend such a small committee meeting under the chairmanship of Dr. John R. Mott. The Committee took up the important business of planning for the World Conference to be held in China in the autumn of 1938. The Committee accepted the invitation from the National Christian Council that the Conference be changed from Kowloon to Hangchow. This is because Hangchow is a beautiful Chinese city and gives facilities for quiet discussion and friendly fellowship among the delegates. The other delegate from China was Dr. Chester

C. S. Miao from the N.C.C.R.E... Both he and I had the privilege of attending the Conference of the British Missionary Societies afterwards. I also had opportunity to attend the Board Meeting of the London Missionary Society and Women's Committee of the English Presbyterian and the Baptist Societies. I was happy to have spent two days at the Conference of the Student Christian Movement at Swanwick. There were over 400 young men and women gathered together, and it was the largest conference they had held for several years.

Although it was my first visit to England it never seemed to me I was in a strange country. This was mostly due to the fact that Miss Eva Spicer's family and friends and other friends were so hospitable and good to me. While I was there I saw Miss Li Chi and Miss Z. N. Loh at Oxford and Mr. Li Kwoh-ting in Cambridge. I also met Mr. Chiu Yu-tsi when he came to London before going to Germany for his special work in ceramics. Mr. and Mrs. Liu Chieh of the Chinese Embassy were very good to me and arranged for a Ginling party when Mrs. Thurston and Miss Calder arrived in London. I was happy to see Mrs. Thurston looking so well after the long trip across Siberia and to hear from her about many things which had happened after I left the College. We were glad that Dr. Tao Shan-ming (Ginling 1922, Johns Hopkins Sc.D.) was able to join the party, as she was in London attending the Second International Congress of Micro-Biology. She has been serving as the Technical Expert of the National Bureau for the Prevention of Epidemics, and is now on a fellowship from the Public Health Administration investigating methods of making vaccines and sera in various countries.

I timed my trip to Berlin during the Olympic Games, not that I myself was so keen to see the contests, but I wanted to meet the group of Ginling graduates who were there at the time. You may know that 30 physical education directors were with the Chinese teams as official observers to see the games and to investigate physical education in the various countries in Europe. There were nine women in the group, and eight of them were connected with Ginling. Four were our own graduates, two were formerly on our physical education staff, and three were graduates of the Y.W.C.A. Physical Education Normal School, which was combined with our Physical Education Department in 1925. Mrs. Chen Hwang Li-ming (Ginling 1927), head of our department, carried the responsibility as chaperon to the women athletes from China and rendered a much needed service. Miss Tsui Ya-lan (1929) who had been on our faculty since her graduation was there on her way to Wellesley. She is in Wellesley this year doing graduate study in the physical education department.

At Chamby, Switzerland, I attended two conferences. The first was the meeting of the World Alliance for International Friendship Through the Churches, and the second was that of the United Christian Council for the Life and Work of the Church. The first was a more informal and friendly group, all keenly interested in promoting international understanding and friendship through Christian forces. At the second the business was the preparation for the Oxford Conference on the Life and Work of the Church to be held next summer. The research department under the leadership of Dr. J. H. Oldham is making a thorough study of such topics as "The Church and the

State", "The Church and the Community", "The Church, State and Community in Relationship to Economics". Dr. Oldham was the one who wanted me to be at the meeting and he hopes that capable Chinese delegates can be sent to the Oxford Conference next summer. It was most stimulating to see how Christian thinkers are taking up the issues which face the world today and which are especially acute in the situation in Europe.

The five weeks in America were taken by attending the Tercentenary Celebration at Harvard University and doing promotional work for Ginling. It was a great experience for me to be at Cambridge for such significant functions. One could not help but be deeply impressed with such facts: the founding of the institution when there were only a few thousand colonists, the tremendous growth throughout its history, the loyal support from its alumni, the significant gathering of ourstanding scientists and philosophers from all over the world for a conference of two weeks, and the present policy of the institution of attaining intellectual eminence and developing its students to the fullest possible extent. There were over five hundred institutions officially represented, nine of which were in China. There was one woman delegate from England and one American woman representing the University of Hawaii, so altogether there were only three women from other countries.

Before I report on my own share in the promotional work, I would like to tell you of what the Board of Founders has done in support of the College. Last spring because of the shortage in the current budget for 1935-1936, they sent out special letters to charter givers, Ginling visitors, former faculty members, Smith alumnae, etc., to solicit gifts in order to meet the deficit. Later on, in May, the Board of Founders took action to raise \$300,000 as the endowment fund to be secured within three years. This was done because they fully appreciate that there will be an annual shortage even with a minimum budget, and they realized the best way to meet such need is to have an endowment fund. Miss Griest was elected Chairman of the Promotional Committee. Mrs. James Cushman, Mr. Lobenstine, Mrs. McConnell, Mrs. Rockwell (formerly Smith representative), Mrs. George Scott, and Mrs. Macmillan are members of this Committee. Miss Griest has proved to be a very capable and tireless chairman, and it was she who took the time and thought to arrange my program.

My experience in promotional work started with the program at Newport arranged by Mrs. Cushman. She certainly was very enthusiastic about the College and capable in managing publicity for me and Ginling. She helped me in making contacts with prominent women in Newport. In New York I spoke briefly at the Shanghai Tiffin Club when Dr. Weward Hume was the main speaker, and I was given fifteen minutes at the China Society Dinner for Dr. Hu Shih and myself. With the help of Miss Griest, I worked out a project for the Education Department and one for the Sociology Department and one for the establishment of Fellowships for faculty members on leave of absence. The first one I presented to Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, who was quite friendly and said that such requests would have to go through many committees. While he did not give any promise, he said "Don't be discouraged. If you don't get it this year, you may ask for it again next." The other effort was to see Mr. Harkness.

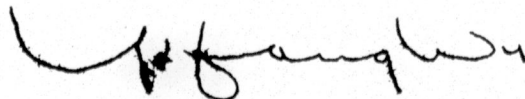
He was not at his office and his secretary was quite firm in saying that Mr. Harkness was no longer interested in giving money to foreign countries. Miss Griest is still considering whether it may not be worthwhile to present the third project to his office anyway. His secretary knows Mrs. Thurston, so she may be able to do something further.

At Plainfield, New Jersey, I was given an opportunity to take the regular morning service of the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church. The minister and others seemed to be quite interested. At the Girls' School at Dobbs Ferry, the film was shown one Sunday afternoon, and I spoke that same evening to their missionary meeting. After that a check for \$50 was given to help pay my expenses. In Cambridge, Boston, Rochester, Detroit, Ann Arbor and Seattle, I spoke to different gatherings such as the A.A.U.W., the League of Women Voters, City Women's Clubs, Smith College Luncheons, and one Wellesley College Luncheon. Everywhere Smith women showed me every courtesy and much interest in Ginling. Mrs. Gleason, the President of the Smith Alumnae Association, was kind enough to arrange an important luncheon in Boston for me. In Ann Arbor I was most happy to be with the Chinese Students' Club in their celebration of the National Holiday on October 10th.

As for Ginling faculty in America, I saw Dr. Werner, Miss Bond, and Miss Hoffsommer in New York; Miss Whitmer, Miss Clark, Miss Black, and Miss Gibson in Detroit. Last May Miss Griest gave a Ginling dinner at which Miss Buse, Miss Sharp, Dr. Werner, Miss Wilson were invited. Of our Ginling graduates, I met Dr. Hieh Chung-en (1931), and Dr. Yü En-mei (1926) in New York; Miss Ho I-djen (1930) and Miss Chen Toh (1930) in Ann Arbor. I saw Miss Tsai Kwei (1927) both in New York and in Geneva.

In Seattle I stayed with Mrs. Hiltner who had worked very hard in arranging a big Smith luncheon in which many other college women joined. Her church also invited me to speak at a large church dinner in the evening. At Honolulu President Crawford of the University arranged for me to speak on "Chinese Women", when my boat was in port, and I met the staff of the Department of Oriental Studies.

This short period of promotional work has meant much to me. I met everywhere enthusiastic interest in Ginling and China and keen response to what I had to tell. Miss Griest is as loyal as ever to the College and is working very hard in her new duties as Chairman of the Promotional Committee. She was looking forward to Mrs. Thurston's arrival in America to help her, and she would also welcome the cooperation of any friends who may help in the States. Those of us in China can help her best by giving her interesting information for publicity purposes. For Ginling I was most gratified to see such real efforts by the Board of Founders to support the College, and we should do our share in China to be worthy of their trust and confidence.



Yi-fang Wu, PRESIDENT

Shanghai, China,
November 4, 1936.

My dear Miss Griest:

After I received your radiogram that you would wait for my own letter, I decided to do it before I reached China. I barely managed to send it off from Kobe. Rather, I asked a fellow-passenger to take it ashore with him to send it by registered mail. I hope it went through all right and it will reach you in due time, but in order to be sure that you get the letter, I have just asked Miss Loomis to type a copy from my draft and send it to you from Shanghai. This is just to be on the safe side, so that if the other one did not leave Japan you will have this one to be duplicated.

There is one thing that I should tell you at once. I wrote a letter to Mrs. Kalbfus telling her that I mentioned my lecture at the Naval War College, and I said that if the Admiral should object to its being included in the letter she write to you. I told her also that this letter is not to go into newspapers or magazines.

I am glad to tell you that I wrote to Mrs. Oppenheim, Mrs. Merrill, Mrs. McEwen, Mrs. Parsons, Mrs. Rebasz, Miss Laing, Mrs. Paddock, Miss Helen Holt, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Grawn, Mrs. Shepherd. I had the best voyage I ever had, that is I did not have any seasickness, and enjoyed the most comfortable stateroom with sunshine and sea air coming through the porthole. I landed in Shanghai around four o'clock. Dr. Reeves and Miss Loomis were down from Nanking to meet me, and the Ginling alumnae in Shanghai gave me a welcome reception-tea at the Shanghai Y.W.C.A. right after the boat came in.

This morning I am attending meetings of the Executive Committee of the National Christian Council. It is to last for three days, but I am going to cut the last day and take the night train on Thursday so that I will be back at College on Friday morning. This is the Founders' Day week-end and on Saturday afternoon we shall dedicate the new infirmary given by the Yen sisters. The Founders' Day address will be given by Dr. J. Leighton Stuart.

I am just taking off a few moments from the Business Committee meeting to dictate this note to you, so will you please excuse me if I do not write a real letter just now.

One other matter--if you send us a few copies of this letter just for our files, it will do, because for China I will have to write a little bit different, and now with the duplicate copy that Miss Loomis has made, it will not be too difficult to get a revised

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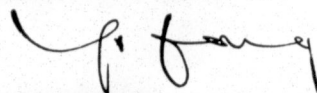
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version for friends in China. For England I really do not know what to do! There are not so many people who would be so interested, so we might just as well decide not to attempt to send this letter to the friends in England.

One name I wish to have added to our mailing list is Mrs. Margaret Scott Harrison, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Scott. (The address is the Rectory, Lawrence, Kansas.)

With all good wishes to you,

Sincerely yours,



Yi-fang Wu,
President.

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GINLING COLLEGE

NANKING, CHINA

院長辦公室

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November 13, 1936.

Dear Miss Hodge, Miss Tyler, and Miss Priest:

My boat arrived in Shanghai on schedule. Dr. Reeves and Miss Loomis came down from Nanking to meet me and the alumnae in Shanghai arranged a reception-tea at the Shanghai Y.W.C.A. right after my arrival. I never had a better voyage in that I was not a bit seasick and really enjoyed the restful days and the sea air. All my friends and relatives said that I looked much better than last May when I left.

For November 4 and 5 I was attending the Executive Committee meeting of the National Christian Council and also I attended the meeting of the Executive Committee of the China Christian Educational Association on the evening of November 5. I took the night train that day to Nanking and was given a grand welcome upon my arrival at the College. Firecrackers went off and the faculty and students had gathered in front of the Central Building to sing welcome songs, so I teased them that they must have learned this stunt from the Ginning Movie. I am certainly happy to be back and to see that the "family" were happy to have me back.

The All Interim Committee under the chairmanship of Mr. Siao-sung Chang has managed the affairs of the College very well, and made thorough preparation for the celebration of the Founders' Day and the Dedication of the new Infirmary. The Alumni Association with the help of the new Executive Secretary, Miss Wu Wen-jing, called the annual meeting on November the 8th, and several classes arranged for class reunions. On Friday evening the music department gave a faculty concert. I was very happy to see such a program as it is the first of its kind ever given in Ginning, and was very well received by the Nanking community. Mrs. Reed is a real asset to the Department and to the College. She is a talented pianist and is very generous in giving concerts. She has given one and will give five more through out the year. There was a large audience at her first concert and they thoroughly appreciated it and I heard very favorable comments even in Shanghai. Both Mr. Reed and Miss Cho-p have fitted into the College life very well and seem to be very enthusiastic over their work.

We had splendid weather here on Saturday and Sunday. The new Infirmary has very attractive furnishings and all the visitors commented highly on the economical way we managed the construction and on the practicability of the building. At the Dedication Service, Mr. James C. Shen, Director of the Government Central Hospital, gave the opening address. This was on Saturday afternoon. Mr. Clarence Young represented the American Board, and the High official from the Ministry of Education represented the Minister and he addressed very highly the spirit of the donors. Daisy and I were expected to be there, but because of family duties she finally had to leave. I will be well enough to attend such a large gathering, and I am sure that I will be a younger person to the people here. I am sure that they will be glad to see me.

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selves were very much satisfied with the building.

Because of the size of the student body it has become impossible to have the banquet together, so we had to omit that this year, but a tea was given instead both to the guests who came to the Dedication Service and for the big Ginling family.

In the evening a program with the singing of the class songs was given in the Chapel. The Singers' Day Exercises were held on Sunday morning, and we were very happy to have Dr. Leighton Stuart give the address.

The Promotional Committee of the Alumni Association, under the chairmanship of Mr. Jew, started a campaign to raise \$30,000 last June. They were very happy to be able to announce on Founders' Day that one-third of the amount, that is \$10,000 had been pledged. It certainly is heartening to see the loyalty of the graduates expressed this way through material gifts.

After meeting with Miss Priest and Miss Vachon, chairman of the Curriculum Committee, we have decided to call a meeting of the Executive and Finance Committee of the Board of Directors on November the 22nd. 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Board of Founders or as straight ownership by the Board of Directors. We shall try to carry out the expectations of the Board of Founders and to protect the interests of the College.

The new faculty house is finished finally. One group moved in on October 1 and the second group moved in yesterday, the national holiday for Dr. Sun Yat Sen's birthday. Altogether there are fifteen in this new house, including Mrs. Naught. Everyone seems to be very enthusiastic and it does provide convenient and practical facilities. The location is most attractive with good southern exposure, and from the east windows and front terrace we may admire Purple Mountain. For the housing of women faculty, we need now to build the proposed terrace houses planned for, which have been well considered by the Building Committee, and will be presented to the Executive Committee on November the 28th. East Court is needed by the Practice School and really does not give adequate housing for faculty women, so it is very desirable to have that house completed and ready for use by September, 1937. From the experience of this summer it does seem necessary to start construction very early in the spring--or rather as soon after the Chinese New Year as possible. Miss Venturin, acting as the Chairman of the ~~Board~~^{Building} Committee, will be writing to you and to Mrs. Thurston more about the actions of the Building Committee.

Permit me to take this chance of expressing to you once more my deep gratitude for all the kind help and thoughtful care given me during my recent trip in America. In spite of the rather full program, I thoroughly enjoyed it all, and I was glad to be able to do a little in the promotional work for the College.

With cordial regards to each one of you,

Sincerely yours,

Yi-fang Lu.

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November 13, 1936.

Dear Miss Hodge, Miss Tyler, and Miss Griest:

My boat arrived in Shanghai on schedule. Dr. Reeves and Miss Loomis came down from Nanking to meet me and the alumnae in Shanghai arranged a reception-tea at the Shanghai Y.W.C.A. right after my arrival. I never had a better voyage in that I was not a bit seasick and really enjoyed the restful days and the sea air. All my friends and relatives said that I looked much better than last day when I left.

For November 4 and 5 I was attending the Executive Committee Meeting of the National Christian Council and also I attended the meeting of the Executive Committee of the China Christian Educational Association on the evening of November 5. I took the night train that day to Nanking and was given a grand welcome upon my arrival at the College. Firecrackers went off and the faculty and students had gathered in front of the Central Building to sing welcome songs, so I teased them that they must have learned this stunt from the Ginling Movie. I am certainly happy to be back and to see that the "family" were happy to have me back.

The Ad Interim Committee under the chairmanship of Dr. Siao-sung Chang has managed the affairs of the College very well, and made thorough preparation for the celebration of the Founders' Day and the Dedication of the new Infirmary. The Alumnae Association with the help of the new Executive Secretary, Miss Kao Ren-ying, called the annual meeting on November the 8th, and several classes arranged for class reunions. On Friday evening the Music Department gave a faculty concert. I was very happy to see such a program as it is the first of its kind ever given in Ginling, and was very well received by the Nanking community. Mrs. Rhead is a real asset to the Department and to the College. She is a talented pianist and is very generous in giving concerts. She has given one and will give five more throughout the year. There was a large audience at her first concert and they thoroughly appreciated it and I heard very favorable comments even in Shanghai. Both Mrs. Rhead and Miss Shoup have fitted into the College life very well and seem to be very enthusiastic over their work.

We had splendid sunny weather both on Saturday and Sunday. The new Infirmary has very attractive furnishings and all the visitors commented highly on the economical way we managed the construction and on the serviceability of the building. At the Dedication Service, Dr. James K. Shen, Director of the Government Central Hospital, here in Nanking, gave the main address. This was on Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Clarence Young represented the Yen sisters, and a high official from the Ministry of Education represented the Minister and commended very highly the spirit of the donors. Daisy Yen was expected to be here, but because of family duties she finally did not come. Lily Yen was still not well enough to attend such a large gathering, although she came with her two younger sisters to the campus and saw the new building herself. The sisters them-

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selves were very much satisfied with the building.

Because of the size of the student body it has become impossible to have the banquet together, so we had to omit that this year, but a tea was given instead both to the guests who came to the Dedication Service and for the big Ginling family.

In the evening a program with the singing of the class songs was given in the Chapel. The Founders' Day Exercises were held on Sunday morning, and we were very happy to have Dr. Leighton Stuart give the address.

The Promotional Committee of the Alumnae Association, under the chairmanship of Mrs. New, started a campaign to raise \$30,000 last June. They were very happy to be able to announce on Founders' Day that one-third of the amount, that is \$10,000 had been pledged. It certainly is heartening to see the loyalty of the graduates expressed this way through material gifts.

After consulting with Miss Priest and Miss Vautrin, Chairman of the Curriculum Committee, we have decided to call a meeting of the Executive and Finance Committees of the Board of Directors on November the 28th. I shall try to report to you as soon as possible on the various decisions after that meeting.

Miss Priest showed me the financial report of last year together with the statement of the auditor. There is a deficit of \$8,877.10, Chinese currency, after the books were closed. No use has been made of the money raised by the alumnae because some of the gifts came in marked for endowment, so we should have a thorough discussion with the Alumnae Promotional Committee whether we are to spend this money from the alumnae for meeting the deficit or to invest the total as endowment. As for the gifts from America, Miss Priest had used only one item of something over U.S. \$1,000 as miscellaneous gifts, but there was an item of U.S. \$2,000 which she has not used. It was labelled Twentieth Anniversary Fund and was already sent to Nanking. Since Miss Priest could not tell if this was meant for endowment or for meeting the deficit in the current budget, she had not entered that amount on the books. I was not able to answer her question definitely, but I seem to recall that this amount of U.S. \$2,000 was raised for the current budget and not as endowment. Will Miss Priest or Mr. Macmillan let us know at once about this. If this can be used to clear the deficit, then it will mean reducing the deficit by about \$6,660, Chinese currency.

In regard to the registration of land, the cable reached the University of Nanking when the situation was very threatening in regard to possible war with Japan. So the Administrative Committee at the University decided to go ahead with the registration keeping it still as perpetual lease to be held by the Board of Founders, but making it clear to the authorities in the Municipal Government that it may be changed to straight ownership by the Board of Directors any time. They received word that this could be done very easily. At Ginling we followed the same process and had applied for registration as perpetual lease before I returned. Since the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors is to meet soon, I shall get their final decision before completing the process. As I told you at the Board meeting in the Park Hotel, it does not make any difference to the administration of the College whether the land is to be held as perpetual lease by the

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Board of Founders or as straight ownership by the Board of Directors. We shall try to carry out the expectations of the Board of Founders and to protect the interests of the College.

The new faculty house is finished finally. One group moved in on October 1 and the second group moved in yesterday, the national holiday for Dr. Sun Yat Sen's birthday. Altogether there are fifteen in this new house, including Mrs. Haight. Everyone seems to be very enthusiastic and it does provide convenient and practical facilities. The location is most attractive with good southern exposure, and from the east windows and front terrace we may admire Purple Mountain. For the housing of women faculty, we need now to build the proposed terrace houses planned for, which have been well considered by the Building Committee, and will be presented to the Executive Committee on November the 29th. East Court is needed by the Practice School and really does not give adequate housing for faculty women, so it is very desirable to have that house completed and ready for use by September, 1937. From the experience of this summer it does seem necessary to start construction very early in the spring--or rather as soon after the Chinese New Year as possible. Miss Vautrin, acting as the Chairman of the ^{Building} Board Committee, will be writing to you and to Mrs. Thurston more about the actions of the Building Committee.

Permit me to take this chance of expressing to you once more my deep gratitude for all the kind help and thoughtful care given me during my recent trip in America. In spite of the rather full program, I thoroughly enjoyed it all, and I was glad to be able to do a little in the promotional work for the College.

With cordial regards to each one of you,

Sincerely yours,



Yi-fang Wu.

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GINLING COLLEGE
NANKING, CHINA

Nov. 14, 1936 (17)

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Dear Rebecca,

I have just finished
there is still a number of
catching the empty
cousins, I was this
vote now.

At Ann Arbor when
the Missionary Society
met in the chapel
church last Friday
evening, a collection
was taken for Ginn
(and the other societies)
so I appeared at the
meeting and was
able to make a contribution.

The result was a handsome
vote of ten dollars given
to me personally when
I left. So I wrote from
the boat between Seattle
and Victoria that I
did not accept personal

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gifts - I would turn \$10
to the College Treasurer
and ask that it be used
toward my travelling
expenses. Yesterday
I secured a check
for \$10 in exchange for
the bank-note from
Priest. Herewith I
am sending it to you.
Will you please turn
it to the proper person
and to be entered in
the right item? I
remember I wrote to
you - I asked that the
50 dollars from Bobbs
Farm be used toward
my travelling expenses,
so this 10 will make
it up to 60 dollars.

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GINLING COLLEGE
NANKING, CHINA

I am ashamed to tell
you that I have not
finished the financial
account for Miss Tyler,
but I do hope to get it
off by next mail.

Will you please ask
that the receipt be
sent to Mrs. Heber
✓ Curtis, Geo. Astronomy
Observatory, Ann Arbor,
Mich.

I must be off to a
wedding of the Assistant
in our Chemistry Dept.
Too many dinners these
days, was invited to a
dinner by Mrs. Ferry to-
morrow this noon; to-
morrow noon to the picnic lunch
given for Dr. C. T. Wang
by Mrs. Tamm (formerly Rice)

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Y Hsin Hwa is now Vice-
~~President~~ Ministry
of Industries and a few
other men.

With love

Yi Fang

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Ginling College
November 25, 1936

Miss Margaret E. Hodge
Chairman of the Executive Committee
156 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Miss Hodge:

It is our hope to send this preliminary material to you on the ~~Express~~ boat which sails on November 27. It is the result of much ^{work} done first by Mrs. Thurston and Mr. Creighton, and then further work by a sub-committee of the Building Committee and the Building Committee itself in cooperation with Mr. Creighton. Final action will be taken by our Executive Committee of the Board of Directors at its meeting the end of this week. That action will be forwarded to you just as soon as possible with the hope that you will have it in time for your regular meeting.

In this letter I am enclosing the Minutes of the Building Committee of the Board of Directors, and have checked those items which are of special interest and need approval. Under separate cover I am forwarding the first plans for the Terrace Houses and the Bungalow, both of which have been approved by the Building Committee. As you will see these plans are not detailed and minor changes will undoubtedly be made as more thought is given to them.

We are very anxious for the Executive Committee of the Board of Founders to send us by cable their decision for we feel it is most desirable to start the building process just as early in the spring as the weather permits. After your cable arrives the working drawings have to be made and a building permit secured from the Municipal Government. Both of these processes take weeks and we would like to complete them in January and the early part of February so that the actual building can be started by the end of February.

An early cable from your Committee will be greatly appreciated. Dr. Wu says that your regular meeting comes early in January, in which case a special meeting will not be necessary.

With apologies for this hastily written letter. It has had to be written in the midst of a busy teaching program.

Very sincerely yours,

Minnie Vautrin

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Chairman of the Building Sub-committee

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EXCERPT FROM LETTERS FROM DR. YU [12/8/36]

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from Miss Wu

December 8, 1936

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Ginling Board of Founders,
156 Fifth Avenue,
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GINLING COLLEGE

NANKING, CHINA

室公辦長院
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

TELEGRAPH ADDRESS
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December 11, 1936.

Dear Miss Griest:

Your letters of November 4 and 12 have been duly received. I wish to thank you very much for all the information and for all the activities that you have been carrying on for Ginling.

I wish now to take up very briefly the various items you mentioned in the letters.

I am sorry to hear that the Riverside Church turned down our appeal for contributions toward our education department. As you wrote, they certainly appear to be attracted to social welfare work. I have not had a thorough discussion with Miss Mossman, but it does seem to us worthwhile to present the project for the training of social welfare workers to the Riverside Church. I shall have Miss Mossman send fresh material to you, but I believe the project she worked on two years ago is in the New York office.

You may be interested to hear that Dr. Reeves has recently been approached by the Public Health Bureau to tackle the problem of mosquito control in the ponds in Nanking in the campaign against malaria. She also has helped Blanche Wu in starting a course in Poultry Culture. This shows how the Biology Department is keen to help in practical programs.

I knew of the relationship between Mrs. Slosson of Ann Arbor and Kathleen Bond. She was having some serious eye trouble when I was in Ann Arbor, so I did not get to see her. However, I wish that I could give you encouraging words now in regard to the future of Kathleen. She certainly has shown strength of character and wonderful spirit in this difficult experience, and for her sake alone and because of her ability to help the girls in a general way I would like to have her with us again. Yet from the professional point of view I rather hesitate. Furthermore the Chinese teacher we secured this year has proved very satisfactory, so from the financial point of view we would like to have her continue. I am afraid this is all I am in a position to say without talking over the problem with Miss Sutherland and others.

In regard to the financial statement for 1935-1936, I wish to write a few more words here to you. Because of the fine response of those who contributed last spring, we should use all of their gifts to clear the deficit. But due to the labelling of one item of G\$2,000 as "twentieth anniversary fund" in the New York financial statement, Miss Priest did not use that fund. However, she did take the amount of over G\$1,000, labelled "miscellaneous gifts" into the receipts for the year, and that is what helped to reduce the deficit to \$8,877.10. Since my return I have had thorough discussions with Mrs. New, and I have given up my hope of launching simultaneously in China a campaign for endowment. Then the best thing for us to do

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is to follow the first plans of the Alumnae Promotional Committee-- that is the campaign for \$30,000 to meet the current deficit for a period of three years, from 1935 to 1938. It seems to me a very good challenge to the American donors. Our alumnae are loyal but without big financial resources. The most they can do is to try to raise this \$30,000. But while they are doing this to tide over the College for a period of three years it is the time for the Board of Founders to devote their whole energies toward raising the endowment. One thing I should make clear is that it will be impossible to expect the alumnae to continue this effort beyond the period of three years. You will fully appreciate that if I tell you that such an amount as \$2,000 was given by Dr. Gien-tsiu Liu in this drive. These are the savings that she has gradually accumulated but in her devotion to the College she said she would like to give this to pay back in a way the \$500 per year spent by the College on her during the four years. We are all gratified to see such fine results within the last few months, yet the total consists of several large gifts like this one and the rest will be more difficult to secure.

Now to come back to the \$2,000. Mr. Carter has answered Miss Priest's inquiry and said it was meant for current use. I am therefore suggesting in the covering letter that we reserve this amount for our estimated shortage in the fiscal year. As you will note it is around \$16,000 and we may be able to count on only \$10,000 from the alumnae, so we shall need this \$2,000 gold.

I am sorry not to have written to you earlier about this division of efforts in money raising, because if you knew you had only the task of raising endowment the methods used might be different. However, it may not be difficult for you to shift the gifts Mrs. Macmillan is securing now in Ann Arbor toward the endowment. In fact, this clear demarkation was not reached until the Executive Committee meeting. If you should have other suggestions, please do not hesitate to write me. What we want is money, and there is always a way of shifting.

No, I have not forgotten the fan Mrs. Oppenheim wanted, and your suggestion is splendid and I shall send it to you when I manage to get such a specimen.

One item of interest is in regard to one of our seniors who went to California to attend the Pacific Area Conference of the World's Student Christian Federation, last summer. I did not know this until I got back to College, and it has been difficult to get detailed information and pictures. I am enclosing herewith a picture of the girl, Miss Gao Gi-yung, which was taken at the conference at Mills College. There were six official delegates from China--one from Yenching, one from Fukien Christian University, one from Lingnan University, one from the Fukien Christian Educational Association, and one from the National Committee of the Y.M.C.A. in addition to the one from Ginling. Our representative was the Chairman of the China delegation. There were a total of 141 people attending the conference which was held from August 23 to September 1 at Mills College. Following is the list of countries represented--Australia (4), Canada (15), China (22), Germany (2), Great Britain (4), India (3), Hawaii (2), Holland (1), Japan (10), Java (1), Korea (3),

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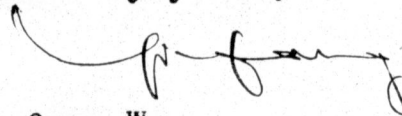
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Mexico (3), New Zealand (3), Philippines (3), U.S.A. (57) and guests (8). Other Chinese besides the six official delegates included Mr. Kiang Wen-han, Vice Chairman of the Federation, and Dr. T. Z. Koo, Secretary of the Federation; also four Chinese students in America and four visiting delegates. There were also six foreigners, visiting delegates from China. Miss Gao is an outstanding member of the class of 1936, and we feel that this experience has been of great value to her. She is a major in the field of sociology and is vitally interested in the social and religious problems of China. Again we feel we have been fortunate in having Ginling represented and in the leadership which the girl from Ginling has taken. Miss Gao is the President of the Student Association this year.

I have read over the copies of Mrs. Scale's letter and your reply. For the present I would let the matter drop. It certainly is not wise to have to write the release from Ginling for the Community Chest for the guarantee of a year's notice should Smith wish to stop making the annual contribution. What Miss Priest and I thought of asking for the \$2,000 was not that it be given to the current budget but rather still kept as savings, to be brought out to China as a revolving fund to help tide over the lean months of July and August. I shall talk over the matter further with Miss Priest before writing to you again.

With cordial regards to you and best wishes for a happy and successful New Year,

Sincerely yours,



Yi-fang Wu.

P.S. I was interrupted several times during dictation so I had not the concentration I would like to have, and I am not satisfied with the letter. Time goes too fast for me and I am too slow in getting things done; I just cannot believe that it was 5 weeks ago that I landed in Shanghai! I went to visit to Mrs. Macmillan when I returned from Shanghai (my second trip down there since my return) and found out that Miss Loomis received the cable from our Club and sent the reply cable. I am afraid that short message did not help Mrs. Macmillan any. But for Helen Loomis I wish to say that the cost of cabling in China is so high that we have always been very careful and stingy about words. Will you tell Eva that we do appreciate her efforts just the same. I have not forgotten the newsletter I promised to write in December. I will try my best to do it after the present rush is over. It happens that, guests, talks, letters to E. S. A. should be attended to at the same time. Miss Gao, daughter of Sir Robert Hocking, just left this morning. W.

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GINLING COLLEGE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
NANKING, CHINA

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Dear Miss Hodges,
Miss Van Lier asked
with regard to her letter
of the 11th. I have
explained to her that it is
"too early" for her to
write. I said that even
what is your suggestion,
but when Miss Van Lier
asked if the Foreign Mission
Conference next year
is to be held at Atlantic
City, I delayed to say that it
is probably coming to a point
it may be carried forward
or delayed - as the
year 24 is not yet over.

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united at the same
time. Now as a result
this Court has called
to our attention the
fact that the
basis of the
schedule of
the various
of G. C. Committee in
January.

Some say that
the Court has
the right to
select, among
the members
with the
a few more.
Nov. 25

Oct 2, 1936 On train to Providence

Dear Rebecca,

I must write you a few words to say "Don't Worry" "Don't regret" over the A. C. & Detroit schedule mix up. It was not your fault at all, and further more, the Council with Mrs. Shepherd & Mrs. Storzon is a small affair, and there will be time for me to see the Biology group. So I am not the least upset, by this cancelling.

Don't think your main help is to write to Mrs. Fischer for word that I'll not stop in Detroit on 7th, but go

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straight to Ann Arbor⁽²⁷⁾
and then come back
to Detroit for the
8th & 9th engagements.
Ann very happy over
the Double Ten celebra-
tion of the Chinese
Club. I would love
to visit them in
A.A. for the occasion.

As for the Baptist
group, I agree with
you Wed. evening
(7th) is better, but I
don't mind it if
it is on Friday as
a present that Church
and it is not a large
group anyway.
The Smiths lunch

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Went off very well,
had a restful night
with Mrs. Gerson.
Gave word to get off
at Providence, Mrs.
Kallpers is sending
a car to meet me,
so everything is
fine.

Do not try to meet
me tomorrow; I
don't know what
arrangement Mrs.
Kallpers will make
for me; I will, however,
get back to N.Y. for
the dinner at Dr.
Vaccillo's.

Please be good and
rest your dear self a
little. With love & affection

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HOTEL BELLEVUE
BOSTON

Thursday P.M.

Dear Rebecca,

I am just back from
having lunch with Mrs.
Wood in her apartment,
and have just finished
reading your letter of
Sept. 30th. It touched
me greatly that I must
write to you at all. If
I did stop thinking at all
that is what would be for
giving, it is all due to
you, that includes, in
addition to your most
careful planning and
arranging, your dear
self. I remember clearly
what you said to me in

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The taxi one night
 that it was I, my father,
 my father's father ---
 and how I was just
 turning to say something
 to you when I stopped
 because I noticed you
 were weeping in your
 eyes. What I did not
 say then, I wish to
 write to you now, that
 it was you, your father,
 your father's father ---
 that made me to sub-
 mit to your manage-
 ment so happily and
 completely, and that
 I thought in my heart
 all the time for giving
 to have such a faithful
 servant in you. I have
 my ups and downs, and
 I know this experience

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3.

Working with you last
week will always be
a strong challenge
and delightful surprise
to cheer up and go on.

I must come to
business. Mrs. Karpis
visited that she was
delighted to have me
go and will wait up
at station. Evidently
she had not received
your letter about change
of schedule. Mr. Bonber's
check came last
evening. and Mrs. Mac
William is getting the
travelers check for
me.

Last evening the
meeting went off quite
well and Eva sang and
did well in my talk.

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4.
This morning I had
a talk with Pres. Chen
and Mrs. Yu, then Eva
took me to Wall Street.
Saw the new President
and talked to Tim Yo-
lan, and much impressed
with the new Parliament
Hall. Present saw Mrs.
Gleason is coming to
take me to her home
for the night, and I'll
come in with her to
the Smith Club lounge.

I do want to thank
you so much for sending
me the 21 demands.
While no one asked for
them I felt much
better to be prepared.
Yes, Mrs. Postback was
very motherly to me
and I had a great
rest there and also
some talk with her

5.

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HOTEL BELLEVUE

BOSTON

about the College.
~~with the~~ She invited some
 guests to tea, but the
 lady from Dobb's Ferry
 was there before my
 time. However Mrs.
 Paddock is a trustee
 of Dobb's Ferry and was
 glad that I was going
 to speak there.

Yesterday just
 before I went out to
 the dinner, Eva
 showed me your note
 about the conflict
 of Detroit at A.D.
 dates. I thought what
 you did was the only
 thing to do - I hoped
 right but the one

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to know about the
lunch, in A.D. Your
letter made it clear
that you have done
everything in your
power to straighten
out the conflict. But
this does make us
think of the necessity
of your going to Detroit
with me again. Could
you possibly change
your plan to pick
up your bag to go?
If you just can't
start with me to
Rochester, can't you
go straight to Detroit?
The addresses of these
few women in Detroit
are very attractive,
because the House
Point I remember is

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a secret with big
events. When I stop
to think of the occasions
I know I will have
to talk with people
I just can't attend
to names. Further-
more, this group has
no connection with
our Board, it will
be difficult for you to
do follow up work. Do
please, Rebecca, come
along. Really you have
to, if you claim me as
"Girdle's green", because
in Detroit & a.d. I'd be
just a white woman
I can't write any
more for I must get
my bag ready. You
see, you are not like

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do my packing. At
dinner it is Mrs. Treen
that does this for me.

Sat. afternoon 9:30
go straight to the
parking. You must
not come to meet me.

"Save your energy"
you and words - after a
busy day in Detroit.

I don't know if you
managed to come off
to Janesville for 24
hours - but do take
better care of yourself
and go to bed earlier.

Affectionately
W. J. F.

1936⁽¹⁾
Monday afternoon

Dear Rebecca,

Miss Prescott made us
feel perfectly at home
and there was nothing to
do this morning, so I
went to bed after break-
fast and slept 1 1/2 hours.
On the train I did not
sleep very well, so this
morning I was made up
over and so felt fine.

At 11 newspaper
photographers and a reporter
came. O yes, we had
got off the train, a
camera man was
there to get the
pictures. I spoke a
bit, and have enough
publicity in Rochester
any way.

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At the Cattle Union,
it was a dinner
arranged by the
Students of W. & H. Waver's
College of N. Y. Rochester;
and I was asked to
speak. I showed them
the large picture
of Girdling.

There is a small
Baptist women's meeting
this afternoon - and
I'll speak about Girdling.
To. Women's Union
is entirely full, and
I'll speak for some
valley union
at noon. So, I am
having a good time.

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as well as some rest
in Rochester.

When I woke up early
this morning, I thought
of a few words feeling
to tell you, from
Rochester.

I would like to get
a copy of "The Cause"
by Little by about the
Woman's Movement in
England. If you can
find it in N.Y. with
you kindly get me a
copy and send it to
me. I would be
asked to send you
my return, and this
book will be of use to

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we can read it in
the front. But it is not
the best in the series;
perhaps just as it
goes, I have plenty of
read. I will be very
w. for the support of
Wagner's work is
sending me a novel
too.

2. I enclosed some
sending you a few
sig. volumes. I am
very glad to see
the little letter.

3. On the list of
names that you are
used to write in -
Wm. Taylor & Co.
Perhaps you don't need

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to write my letter,
for me just now.

4. of convenient,
you may ask at the
parkside if the
road from 3.

Then the things in
my room (on the
wall in the bath
room). But this is
very, very unim-
portant, and you should
not take trouble
to locate them if
they are not needed.
I have in at the desk.

Miss Prescott
is waiting for you
at the gate. I will
be with you at the gate.

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Miss Prescott
just taken me to see
Miss Gann, whose
brother I saw the first
10 thousand to the
campaign in 1890 let
him finish. I am
glad for this contact.
The press campaign
today is a hell of a
business. I am with tea,
and the A.P. dinner.
Last evening I was
asking to a job to find
unions, at the P.W.
dinner. A lot of paper
and not in pictures.
I lost a lot of pictures.
Clippings later. It is
a good idea. I am
to be given a
little book.

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Tuesday Morning (17.)

Dear Rebecca,

wrote a few lines
to tell you that I am
just visiting to Mrs.
Elliot, whose boy is
at Union, Franklin at
his post.

I thank you so much
for the names in Detroit
& also for your
sentiment.

The letter from
College told that we
would have 260 as
total enrollment.
It is not the final
figure yet. But
it will be over 250
now when it is doing
fine work at the
Registration; the Age-dien

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is starting in his fiction
advised, scheduled
officer, - a series of
life's - very rich.

Jonis Group is start-
ing in a small house
with Ruth and Mrs.
H. G. G. and for
Ruth is a change
and some of the
a little separated one;
Jonis with a much
fuller. It is very
East Coast, where
W. G. G. G. G. G. G.
hope as you do too
that Jonis visit
life's G. G. G.

except rain -
but did not -
the church -

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R.M.S. _____

Dear Rebecca,
Finally I finished
the letter!!
I have no time
to read it now; so
will you please do
the reading & correct-
ing the English.
It seems better
to print it, as photo-
setting is too expen-
sive. I'm sorry
about the down on
revising my part.
The paragraph on
Red Wolf was the
last I wrote,
I am sure what
I did write is all
I wish to say that
it is done & I

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yet not say it
in this first letter.
Must stop in
order to write it
at Kobe.

I have been a
very good sailor.
W. Long

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or

Dear Rebecca,

Thank you very much for
your note to Rose Adair, your
note about Helen Hol's
luncheon, your air special
delivery, etc. I intended
to visit you twice, but
both times I was inter-
rupted before I got
very far.

I had a note from
Seattle (the University
of Wash) that Mrs. Hildebrand
had arranged this
professor to deliver
a lecture on Oct. 16
and I have since "yes."

I got to Detroit not
too tired, Mrs. Grant
met me, gave me food
rest after lunch.
I had lunch & then
in the P.M. and went to
call on Mrs. & Mrs. Stock.

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She had the Bryant family to dinner at home.

This morning there was a newspaper reporter; I went with Mrs. Grant early to City Club; saw Mr. Adams there. There were about 150 present at lunch; I got some names of subscribers.

Un-organized, was taken to Ward Palmer & Co. Ltd., spoke informally to the students (on child development) at 10. I came home with Mrs. Fisher to her house. - This evening, Hainst Whitmore,

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Miss Gibson
Clark will come to
dinner

When you have time
could you write to Mrs.
Thurston for me? I
simply can not an-
swer her letter until
I get on the boat. Will
you please tell her that
because of the full
program, I have to
keep the appointments
and not believe to
waste energy; so
I am unable to
write her just now.

Mrs. Fisher was very
nice, did not seem
worried over the conflict
in the school. But
she did not tell in
the car that she

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was a very representative group
at lunch, and that they were
heavily interested
in my work. There
was a woman
from this former
School in the car,
so I could not
ask for the name
then.

With affection
and love

Yfong

Oct. 8 6:50 P.M.