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HUA CHUNG COLLEGE DEPARTMENT REPORTS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 1941-1942

Hua Chung College
Dean's Report for 1941-42

July 10, 1942

Dr. Francis C. M. Wei, President
Hua Chung College.

Dear President Wei,

I have the honour to present the following report for the academic year 1941-1942.

One outstanding feature of this year's work has been the fairly large freshman class compared with the rest of the student body. This has affected the college in various ways, as will be mentioned below.

STANDARD OF WORK.

Many of the freshman students admitted were much below standard in certain subjects, and special classes had to be opened in English, Chinese and Mathematics. It soon became apparent that some of these students were inadequately prepared to take the full College course, for in addition to their weakness in English, certain required subjects such as Logic, Chinese History and Sociology proved especially hard for them. Therefore a Five-Year-Plan has been worked out by which such students will be able to spread the first two years work over three years, giving extra time to those subjects in which they are weak and postponing to later years those subjects which they find especially difficult. The fact has to be faced that five years of war, with all the upheaval it has caused, has had an effect on the general standard of education, and adjustments have to be made to meet this situation. Also the Yunnan students, on whom we are increasingly depending, are less well prepared than those from other provinces.

SIZE OF CLASSES.

Another result of this situation is that certain required subjects in the freshman year such as Chinese, English, History, Biology, Economics, Logic, with their large numbers, constitute a heavy load for the teacher and the department concerned, while classes for other students are usually very small. Since some departments have very few major students among the upper-class men, it happens that there are many courses (50) with three students or less, and actually 19 which have only one student. Thus a great deal of effort is being spent on a very small number, and while it is good for the student to get what amounts to individual tuition, it ought to be possible to give courses in alternate years, and thus lighten the burden on the teacher. In fact, as retrenchment of the Faculty increases, this will become a necessity.

DISCIPLINE.

Hua Chung College has always prided itself on the wholesome spirit of discipline it expects and exacts from the students. When regulations have been made, they are enforced. But conditions in this part of the country and the previous environment of some of the new students, make it more difficult to enforce regulations as in the past. For example, some students arrive at the beginning of each term when it suits their convenience, not on the date set by the college. Some also constantly desired to absent themselves from college to attend to private affairs. Just before and after certain holidays the mortality among

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grandmothers takes a sharp rise! To teach these students that regulations have to be observed is a slow process, but possibly one of the best things we are doing for such students is to teach them the meaning and value of discipline.

STUDENT SELF-HELP.

Because of the constantly rising cost of living many students have to take outside work, mainly teaching in middle and primary schools and private coaching. Some are doing an excessive amount of such work, and this question needs careful watching, lest both their academic work and their health should suffer.

In conclusion, I would like to pay a tribute to the loyal work of the Faculty, which is carried on under very trying circumstances. Many of them cannot afford to employ a servant; housekeeping in these primitive conditions without any modern convenience of any kind is a hard task and takes a great deal of time; financial problems loom large; yet the members of the Faculty in general perform their duties faithfully and cheerfully.

Respectfully submitted.

L. Constantine (signed)

Acting-Dean of Faculty.

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REPORT ON ENROLLMENT
HUA CHUNG COLLEGE, HSICHOW, Yunnan.
Fall Term - 1941-42

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	MEN	WOMEN	TOTAL
Seniors	17	6	23
Juniors	8	8	16
Sophomores	11	4	15
Freshmen	65	30	95
	<u>101</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>149</u>

Christian Students 68
 Non-Christian Students 81
Total: -- 149

	<u>Christian Middle School</u>	<u>Non-Christian Middle School</u>	
GRADUATES:-	69	80	<u>Total: 149</u>

GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION

Anhwei	3
Fukien	10
Chekiang	3
Hunan	17
Hupei	23
Kiangsi	5
Kiangsu	7
Kwangtung	32
Kwangsi	2
Kweichow	2
Szechuan	2
Yunnan	42
America	1
<u>Total: -</u>	<u>149</u>

MAJORS	SENIORS	JUNIORS	SOPHOMORES	FRESHMEN	TOTAL
Chinese	1	1	1	11	14
English	4	1	3	11	19
Econ.-Com.	2	2	4	35	43
Hist. -Soc.	1	2*	1	8	12
	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>88</u>
Biology	4	1	0	2	7
Chemistry	3	2	2	10	17
Physics	5	1	0	4	10
	<u>12</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>34</u>
Education	3	6	4	14	27
					<u>Total: - 149</u>

6 Hua Chung Graduates taking one or more courses in Hua Chung.
 16 C.U.T.C. Students taking one or more courses in Hua Chung.
 *Including one transferred student from Lien Ta.

December 5, 1941.

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HUA CHUNG COLLEGE, HSICHOW, YUNNAN
Spring Term - 1941-42

	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOMEN</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Seniors	17	6	23
Juniors	8	8	16
Sophomores	10	4	14
Freshmen	47	28	75
Pre-freshmen	3	0	3
	<u>85</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>131</u>

Christian Students	64
Non-Christian Students	67
<u>Total: -</u>	<u>131</u>

	<u>Christian Middle School</u>	<u>Non-Christian Middle School</u>	
<u>Graduates:-</u>	64	67	<u>Total:-131</u>

GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION

Anhwei	1
Fukien	6
Chekiang	3
Hunan	16
Hupei	23
Kiangsi	5
Kiangsu	7
Kwangtung	29
Kwangsi	1
Kweichow	2
Szechuan	2
Yunnan	35
America	1
<u>Total:-</u>	<u>131</u>

<u>MAJORS</u>	<u>SENIORS</u>	<u>JUNIORS</u>	<u>SOPHOMORES</u>	<u>FRESHMEN</u>	<u>PRE-FRESHMEN</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Chinese	1	1	1	10	0	13
English	4	1	3	9	0	17
Econ.-Com.	2	2	3	26	0	33
Hist.-Soc.	1	2	1	7	0	11
	8	6	8	52	0	74---74
Biology	4	1	0	3	0	8
Chemistry	3	2	1	5	0	11
Physics	5	1	1	3	0	10
	12	4	2	11	0	29---29
Education	3	6	4	12	0	25---25
<u>Unassigned</u>					3	3--- 3
						<u>Total:- 131</u>

3 Hua Chung graduates taking one or more courses in Hua Chung.
 11 C.U.T.C. students taking one or more courses in Hua Chung.

March 21, 1942.

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Hua Chung College
Report of the Warden of the Men's Hostels
1941 - 1942

The men's hostels are managed by the Students Hostel Committees under the supervision of the warden who is assisted in his work by a Committee appointed by the President. The management is fairly satisfactory especially when responsible students are elected to the office.

During the past year one serious case of discipline was brought before the President and when the ring leader was put under special supervision the whole affair subsided and the hostels have remained quiet and orderly ever since.

Student life in the men's hostels is hard and difficult. The food served at the common kitchen is not at all inviting to the hungry students although its cost mounted to over one hundred dollars a month. Because of the high cost of wood and charcoal the students have to give up warm water for baths and washing purposes; even boiling water is limited. The beds on which they have their night's rest are infested with bed bugs and not secure because of poor carpenter work. Some of the rooms are not well ventilated and therefore a little overcrowded.

Because of limited resources, the vague hope of our moving back to Wuchang in the not distant future and the prevailing difficult circumstances of wartime China everybody seems to be well contented with the conditions in the men's hostels.

Carl H. F. Liu (Signed)
Warden.

July 9, 1942.

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Hua Chung College
Report on the Women's Hostel for
1941 - 1942

During the school year 1941-1942 there have been forty-six women students in the College of whom four are living in the Theological Seminary Hostel and four in their own homes with their parents, and the other thirty-eight in our hostel. As the majority of these students are christians and have come from our Christian Middle Schools the Hostel has a christian atmosphere and we try to make it like a big family bound with sisterly love. This is really one of the very obvious differences from other institutions and a great comfort to the new students. Below are two tables that show the exact number of Christians (Tab. I) and the Middle Schools the students come from (Tab. II). I have also given two other tables which I think might interest you; they show the classes (Tab. III) and the provinces from which the students come (Tab. IV):

Protestant Christians	30
Roman Catholic	1
Non-christians including one Mohammedan	15
Christian Middle Schools	33
Non-christian Middle Schools	13
Fourth year, Senior	6
Third year, Junior	8
Second year, Sophomore	4
First year, Freshman	28

Hupeh	Hunan	Kwantung	Kiangsi	Fukien	Kweichow
11	9	11	3	2	1
Chiangsu	Szechuan				
1	1				

The next thing I should like to mention is the financial conditions. Our daily expenses are very much higher than at the time when the College first moved to Hsichow. Owing to these high prices the scholarship students find it difficult to pay their board which is now over one hundred and twenty dollars per-month while it was formerly but twenty odd dollars. So the students have discharged one of the two cooks and they themselves in turn do the buying and cooking and salting of vegetables when they are cheap. This is indeed good experience for them, for they can learn and meet all the difficulties of buying and managing as well as cooking. From this experience of cooking daily food these students are well qualified to cook a real feast. I think President Wei should offer a certificate for cooking and domestic work beside the regular diploma for academic work.

Since the students have a sufficient load of work and activities in the College there is not much time and energy left purely for hostel activities. However, beside the management of the board and cooking there are hostel prayers held twice a week, Tuesdays and Thursdays lead by all the Christian students in turn. The average attendance is about half the Christian students and the greater half of them attend regularly. This is a real chance for increasing the Christian atmosphere and family feeling of the Hostel.

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Report of the Work of the Chapel Committee of Hua Chung College, for the year 1941-1942.

In looking back over the year's work in the Chapel Committee, one has to strike a fair balance between points in which some progress seems to have been made, and items in regard to which improvement is still needed. This report will present first the credit then the debit side of the account.

One great defect of which the effects are increasingly felt in Christian education in China is the lack of proper opportunities for definite and specific instruction in the facts of the Christian faith. Under systems of education where religious instruction can be required of students as part of their academic work, this difficulty does not arise to the same extent. Where religion is relegated to the sphere of extracurricular and voluntary activities, as in China, it is always difficult to get students to give it the serious and systematic study which it deserves. Students can be persuaded to attend worship services on Sundays and weekdays, while large numbers will come to special musical services at the chief Church festivals, but the purpose of worship is not primarily instruction, though a little of that may come in by the way. Something more systematic is needed, and during this year an attempt has been made to meet the need. For the more mature students of the junior and senior years, Dr. Wei has given a course entitled "Christianity in the light of Modern Knowledge" which met for two hours a week during the year, with an extra seminar meeting once a week in the second term for special students. The course covered mainly apologetics in the first term and Christian doctrine in the second. The great majority of students in two senior years enrolled in the course, and, though there was some falling off in the second term owing to pressure thesis work and final exams, those who continued to the end received a very thorough presentation of main teachings of Christianity in relation to modern thought. It is planned to follow up this effort by a survey course on the Bible and Church History during the coming year. These two courses will then be offered in alternate years for junior and senior students, so that all graduates hereafter will have had at least the opportunity of taking a systematic course on the facts and doctrines of Christianity. The courses cannot be reported to the Ministry of Education as counting towards the students' degree, but are reckoned within the College as part of his load. In addition to this course of study, three series of consecutive talks were given in morning chapel during the year, on "Aspects of the Character of Jesus," "The Lord's Prayer" and "Christian Vocations". The last represented an attempt to present various types of professional work, including the ministry, teaching, medicine, etc., in the light of the Christian ideal of vocation, and so to guide students to a wise choice of profession. This course attracted a good deal of attention and interest. During the autumn three discussion groups met for eight meetings each, having as their purpose to interest younger students, especially non-Christians in Christianity. Judging by the attendance of non-Christians, the groups achieved a fair measure of success. It may also be mentioned that six students have been baptized during the year and several confirmed. This represents a considerable amount of private instruction, carried on under the denominational fellowships in the College.

The observance of common worship still remains one of the chief concerns of the Chapel Committee. The Sunday services have been enriched by the faithful work of the Hua Chung and Canton Theological College choirs which attained new levels of proficiency during the year. Special services of music were given on Christmas Eve, Good Friday and Easter Sunday, which were inspiring occasions. On Christmas Day over one hundred people made their communion at the College Communion Service. Special offerings were taken up at Christmas, as a result of which nearly \$1,000 was sent as an expression of sympathy with bombed churches in England. Similarly, on the Sundays of Lent and Easter special offerings resulted in \$765 being sent

for the relief of Chinese Christian workers in occupied China. At present exchange rates these amounts may not seem large, but they represent an effort to combat the spiritual dangers of our present isolation from the general life of the Church in China and abroad.

Besides the direct work of the Chapel Committee, it is necessary to note other religious activities carried on in the College. First, there is the Faculty Christian Fellowship which exists to promote religious and social fellowship among the members of the Faculty and staff. Generally two meetings were held each month at various Faculty members' homes, one being devoted to the reading of a paper and discussion on some specifically religious topic. Papers on various aspects of Confucianism, Taoism and Buddhism, "Miracles" "Adoniram Judson" "The Future of the Christian Movement in China after the War," etc., have been given. At the other meetings topics of a more general nature included "Why Poetry?" "Indian Problems" "Current Literature", etc., while two musical evenings and a picnic were much enjoyed. The students also have their students' Christian Fellowship, which has been responsible for the organization and conducting of two lake-side services last term, and for initiating two general College Communion services. This committee was also responsible for a Christmas pageant and play. Then each of the three main churches co-operating in the College maintains its own denominational fellowship, holding Communion services and other meetings which help to preserve their identity and individual church interests. Finally, a word is due about the Canton Union Theological College which has recently left Hsichow on its way back to its own province. During the three years of their stay in Hsichow, the majority of their students and Faculty have contributed regularly to the religious life of our institution, both by attending and conducting services and other meetings. We have enjoyed their fellowship and have benefited from the contribution they have made both personally, through their choir, and by placing their library of religious books generously at our disposal.

When one comes to the debit side of this annual balance sheet, no doubt there are several items which should be entered. They may be conveniently summed up in the phrase - a certain passivity in the religious attitudes of our Christian students. For example, many will attend services but comparatively few have any well developed habit of private prayer: they will attend a class or discussion group in which they are interested, but few do any individual Bible reading. In general, they are willing to participate in group activities provided for them, but they have little private religious life of their own. Even admitting the real difficulties of times and places, the seriousness of this condition for students going out into a non-Christian society is self-evident. The same need for more initiative is apparent in the lack of social service activities. It is a matter of regret that during the past year practically no effort has been made by students or faculty to render any voluntary social service to the community in which we live. Of course one recognizes the difficulties, such as, the students' own financial straits which lead them to look for self-help work which has some remuneration, the very real difficulty of knowing exactly what kind of service is actually needed in a community such as ours, and the precedent set by other bodies of paying for social service work which ought to be undertaken voluntarily. Having admitted these difficulties, however, the impression still remains that the College community as a whole, in its emphasis upon academic and scholastic attainment, takes up a negative or even discouraging attitude towards voluntary social service work. This leads to a self-centered attitude, which, from a Christian point of view, is highly undesirable, and in our graduates is a serious defect. Exhortations to social service are not absent from chapel talks, and the "motif" of the College song is "sacrifice and service"; but when the feelings so aroused receive no practical outlet, such talk may become meaningless and even a source of spiritual danger. It is to be hoped that some steps may be taken to remedy the state of affairs, and to find opportunities for students to give practical expression to the Christian spirit, and so make "sacrifice and service" in the lives of our students and graduates.

David F. Anderson (signed)
Secretary.

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June 22, 1944

DEAN'S REPORT

Dr. Frances C. M. Wei, President
Hua Chung College

Dear President Wei,

I have the honor to present the following report for the academic year 1943-44.

We have been able to offer during the year all the courses required by the Ministry of Education, but owing to the shortage of teachers, it has involved almost superhuman efforts by some members of the Faculty. Particularly are those teachers to be thanked who took courses out of their own departments in order to meet the emergency, namely, Dr. Wei who in addition to his other courses and heavy administrative duties, taught a course in the Economics Department, and Drs. Hsiao and Bien who taught courses in Chemistry. The Senate took action to commend these and other teachers as follows:

That the Board of Founders be asked to give special recognition to Dr. Hsiao for his extra-ordinary load of 27 credit hours during the first term.

That the names of the following teachers, who combined heavy teaching and administrative duties, should be recorded:

Miss Bleakley	20 credit hours	Dr. Wei	19 credit hours
Dr. Lo	16 credit hours	Dr. Bien	17 credit hours
Mr. Coe	15½ credit hours	Mr. Constantine	16 credit hours.

The table below by no means gives a complete picture of the work of teachers for many activities do not come under the heading of administrative duties; for example, Mr. Carl Liu carried on duties as Warden of the Men's Hostel and as Sheng Kung Hui chaplain; Mr. Anderson has heavy duties as secretary of the Chapel Committee, Secretary of the Executive Committee pro-tem, and choir leader; and many other teachers have similar duties.

The hours, even of those with heavy loads, may not seem excessive compared with the extra burdens shouldered by teachers in American Universities under the pressure of war, but I wish strongly to emphasize the adverse conditions under which they are working: lack of domestic help, primitive conditions of life and total lack of any modern conveniences; poor food, financial problems caused by inflation, and intellectual starvation due to the isolation of China. These things do not keep a man at his most efficient level, and in view of such circumstances, the extra work given is very meritorious.

Teaching Load of Faculty. First term 1943-44.

(This list includes official administrative duties, but does not include research work or general duties.)

Chinese Dept.	Credit hours	Department of Foreign Languages	Credit hours
Mr. Pao	6	Miss Bleakley	20
Mr. C. T. Ling	6	Mrs. C. F. Lo	11
Mr. F. L. Ying	7	Mr. H. F. Liu	10½
Mr. Deng	9	Mr. W. P. Allen	14
Mr. P. M. Yang	6	Mr. M. Y. Kao	14½
Mr. C. C. Che	3	Mr. D. Wang	13
		Mrs. Constantine	6
History Department		Philosophy, Psychology, and Religion	
Mr. Constantine	16	Dr. F. C. M. Wei	19
Mr. F. S. Ma	10	Dr. C. F. Lo	16
Mr. Y. C. Wang	8	Dr. W. K. Taai	6

Economics-Commerce Department

Mr. J. I. T'an	14
Mr. T. M. Ngan	12
Mr. O. H. Wu	3
Mrs. Coe	3

Mathematics Department

Mr. Coe	15½
Mr. O. H. Shen	12

Education Department

Dr. P. Hwang	11
Mr. Anderson	8
Mr. Paul Wu	2
Mrs. Allen	8
Mrs. Anderson	11

Courses Given in each department

Chinese	15	English (including divisions of courses)	25
History and Pol. Science	10	Economics-Commerce	10
Philosophy, Psy. and Rel.	8	Biology (lab. work listed separately)	11
Chemistry (Lab. work sep.)	8	Physics (" " " ")	13
Mathematics	7	Education(" " " ")	6
Music	9		

In some departments, such as Chemistry and Economics-Commerce, it has been a year of emergency, and while such make-shifts may do for a year, students will leave unless new teachers are found.

Students. At the beginning of the year a number of students were admitted on their middle school records only, according to the regulations of the Ministry of Education. This proved to be very unwise as their middle school records were completely unreliable as guides to their academic standing. Apart from these students, most of the others have found it impossible to keep up with the standards required of the freshman class. The college is striving to maintain a high academic standard in face of many difficulties. The five year course continues to prove useful to students who are of a lower standard.

It is still necessary to pay attention to discipline, and to keep a strict watch over examinations and over the general behavior of students.

During the year we lost some of our best students because they volunteered for service as interpreters with the United States Army. Many of our graduates are also serving in this way, and we are well qualified to prepare students for this necessary piece of service.

Conclusion. The college has successfully survived another year of progressively hard conditions. This has only been possible by the loyal cooperation of all the members of the Faculty and Administrative Staff.

Respectfully submitted,

L. Constantine

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Miss Bleakley	20
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Mr. H. F. Liu	10 1/2
Mr. W. P. Allen	14
Mr. M.Y. Kao	14 1/2
Mr. D. Wang	13
Mrs. Constantine	6

History Department.

Mr. Constantine 16
 Mr. F. S. Ma 16
 Mr. Y. C. Wang 8

Economics-Commerce Department.

Mr. J. I. T'ian 14
 Mr. T. M. Ngan 12
 Mr. C. H. Wu 3
 Mrs. Coe 3

Mathematics Department.

Mr. Coe 15 1/2
 Mr. C. H. Shen 12

Education Department.

Dr. P. Hwang 11
 Mr. Anderson 8
 Mr. Paul Wu 2
 Mrs. Allen 8
 Mrs. Anderson 11

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 History and ^{Sci.} Science 10
 Philosophy, Psy. and Rel. 8
 Chemistry 8 (Lab. work sep.)
 Mathematics 7
 Music 9

Philosophy, Psychology, and Religion.

Dr. F. C. M. Wei 19
 Dr. C. F. Lo 16
 Dr. W. K. Taai 6

Biology Department.

Dr. S. D. Hsiac 27 (Biol. and Chem.)
 Miss H. C. Wang 5

Physics Department.

Dr. R. P. Bien 17 (Physics and ^{Chem.} Chem.)
~~Mr. C. F. Ying~~ 10
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 Physics 13 " " " "
 Education 6

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Dean of Faculty.

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Acting Dean's Report for the Year 1944-45

During this academic year there have been three acting Deans! Such a condition scarcely makes for efficiency in the running of an office, and is an indication of the hand-to-mouth nature of the College situation at the present time in the matter of personnel. As the longest holder of the office among the three, it falls to me to make some report, but in the nature of the case, what can be recorded is a little more than a few scattered impressions.

The enrolment at the beginning of this year was the biggest since the College left Wuchang. Political conditions at the time of the entrance examinations in Kunning made a larger number of students than usual willing to take the expensive trip to Hsichow; but besides this there was a definite lowering of the entrance standards to admit over one hundred new students. Among the students who registered for the first time, the range of ability and academic accomplishment was extraordinary. After classification tests given in Hsichow, some were found unable to take regular freshmen classes and had to be put down to conditioned courses, and even there some of them found the work beyond them. On the other hand, about one third were good college material with adequate preparation in the tool subjects. It is very difficult to see what can be done about the problem of poorly prepared students. The middle school standards all over the country have dropped far below pre-war, and all universities are forced to take in students with inadequate preparation. Further, in entrance examinations in a big centre like Kunning, a large amount of cheating goes on and can hardly be prevented. The best possibility seems to be to decide on the number of students that the College can provide lodging for in any one year, and then qualify in examination a number sufficient to provide for that number of students actually coming to Hsichow. Then the first year must be considered as a trail year when the standards in college examinations are kept sufficiently high to cause the poorer students to ~~drop-out~~ be dropped. Towards this end, some attention has been concentrated on the grades given by teachers, each teacher's average grade being announced in the Faculty meeting along with analyses of the students' grades by years and departments. In this way too great discrepancies between different teachers and departments can be reduced and the problem of standards is kept before the attention of the faculty. A certain amount of success has attended this policy. The worst students have mostly been dropped, and the poor students who remain at least understand that they have to work, and work hard in Hua Chung. The official figures give only registrations at the beginning of each term, but the actual amount of elimination is shown by comparing the 216 students admitted in September with the 165 who were still in college at the beginning of June. When it is found that only three students dropped out from the junior and senior years, it can be seen that the amount of elimination in the sophomore and freshman classes is considerable.

Difficulties of staffing have not much lessened this year, and will be reported on by the Deans of the different schools. The needs of the English department have to some extent been met and will be adequately provided for in the near future, but the state of the department of Economics-Commerce is parlous indeed and it seems impossible to find teachers of Economics in China just now. A certain amount of war weariness is inevitably making itself felt among teachers and shows itself on the part of a minority in an unwillingness to carry the minimum load of work required by the College regulations. Owing to the difficulty of replacing teachers who leave, it is hard to enforce the regulations as strictly as might otherwise be desirable. On the other hand, there are other teachers, particularly among the more senior members of the Faculty, who carry much more than the minimum load of work and do it with the best spirit.

David F. Anderson (signed)

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REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT

June 25, 1945.

President Wei,
Huachung University.

Dear Mr. President:

At the beginning of this academic year, 33 students registered in the Department of Chinese, 39 in the Department of Foreign Languages and Literature, 56 in the Department of Economics-Commerce, and 17 in the Department of History. Out of a total college enrollment of 216 students, 145 were registered in the School of Arts.

Mr. Sun Chang-hsi, who joined the Department of Chinese as Lecturer, was the only new member in the department. Mr. Hsu Yen-liang, appointed Lecturer in History, was not able to come until after the opening of the second term. The Department of Foreign Languages and Literature had the misfortune of losing Mr. Peter Kao since the middle of the first term, due to Mr. Kao's illness. But the department was later strengthened by the arrival of Father Wood and Miss K. Langford who took an active part in teaching throughout the second term.

The Department of Economics-Commerce was barely able to carry on with less than two full time teachers.

I take this opportunity to commend all the junior members in the School of Arts for their conscientious teaching and their co-operative spirit throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

John C. F. Lo, (signed)
Dean, School of Arts

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June 27th 1947.

The President,
Huachung University,
Wuchang.

Report
of the
Dean of Faculty

Dear President Wei,

I have the honour to present the following report for the academic year 1946-1947.

In this first year of post-war reconstruction we can look back on a year of achievements and steady progress. Twelve months ago the buildings were still largely in a state of disrepair, there was practically no equipment or apparatus, and only a handful of books. The summer months were a very busy period, at times it seemed as if it would be impossible to open the university in September, but with the co-operation of all concerned, this was done, and on September 30th 1946 classes started again on the Wuchang campus after an interval of 8 years.

ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS

Entrance examinations provided us with a new problem. We were completely in the dark as to how many students would apply for admission, and where we expected hundreds there were thousands. Nearly 4000 students sat for the entrance examinations in the different centres, and in Wuchang we had to stop registration earlier than we had announced. Of this large number only 300 could be admitted. The work of conducting the entrance examinations and marking papers proved a heavy burden on the limited staff available.

STANDARDS

It was our hope that after our return to Wuchang, when we could again receive students from our own affiliated schools, ~~we are able~~ standards would rise. That is being proved true. Once again we are able to serve the Christian middle schools of the Central China area and it was gratifying to receive so many students from our affiliated schools. The standard of work of the freshman class is very promising, and there have been fewer failures than in the war years. In the upper classes there are still many students of low quality who will have to take 5 or even 6 years to graduate, but year by year we may expect to see higher standards throughout the university.

Most of our problems this year have been concerned with the difficulty of dealing with a big enrollment. Before the war we were never equipped to deal with more than 300 students. Classroom accommodation is very limited, and owing to shortage of space and of teaching staff, classes cannot be sub-divided as much as they ought. Some of the classes in required freshman subjects are entirely too large, and the teachers have had to carry a heavy burden in the correcting of papers etc.

TEACHING STAFF

The teaching staff has been adequate to maintain most of the departments at a reasonable level of efficiency. The Music Department has been handicapped through the absence on leave of several teachers, but the transfer of Miss Cox from St. Hilda's School has made it possible to continue all the essential courses in Music. The appointment of new missionary teachers has greatly strengthened the School of Arts, and they have brought new vision

and enthusiasm to those who perhaps have become tired by the struggles of the war years. Many teachers are carrying a heavy burden of administrative work as the university is unable to afford sufficient assistants and clerks. It is to be remembered that teachers in Christian universities are expected to teach more hours and do more humdrum administrative work than their colleagues in the government universities, and this is mostly done with a willing spirit.

During the year there have been serious student disturbances in the Chinese universities. Strikes for reasons of politics or questions of internal administration have taken place at most of the universities both government and private. It is a tribute to the leadership of President Wei that no strike has taken place at Huachung, nor a single day's work been lost on account of these agitations.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed: L. Constantine,
Dean of Faculty.

<u>Number of courses offered</u> 2nd term 1947 (including sections)	<u>Teachers</u>	
	Full time.	Part time.
Chinese	7.	
Foreign Languages	7	2
History & Geography	5	
Economics-Commerce	5	
Philosophy & Religion	3	
Biology	3	1
Chemistry	5	
Physics	4	
Mathematics	2	
Education & Psychology	4	
Music	2	
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It is to be noted that some of the teachers listed as full time spend half time or more on administrative duties.

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COLLEGE OF ARTS: REPORT

Dear Mr. President:

At the beginning of the academic year 1947-48, three hundred fifteen students were enrolled in the four major departments in the College of Arts. The distribution of students and teaching personnel in the four departments is as follows:

	Teaching staff	No. of Students
Department of Chinese	8	31
Department of Foreign Languages	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	80
Department of Economics-Commerce	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	175
Department of History-Sociology	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	29

In addition to the minor departments of Religion, Philosophy and Psychology, a minor department of Geography was established last Fall, under the supervision of Professor T. R. Tregear. This was done to increase academic efficiency in the planning of Geography courses, and to allow room in the budget for books on Geography.

DEPARTMENT OF CHINESE LITERATURE: The only addition to this department last year was an assistant, Mr. Hsu Ching-po, who spent the greater part of his time reading and correcting Freshman compositions. He was also put in charge of the departmental reading room.

Professor Chien Chipo, nationally famous Chinese scholar, has been engaged in writing, in addition to class-room teaching. His latest publications includes two volumes on "SUN TZE", sometimes called "the oldest military treatise in the world."

Professor Hsu Mon-ling, who joined us two years ago on short appointment, returned to Kunming in June to resume his duties as Head of the Department of Literature and History at National Yunnan University.

Professor Fu Mou-chi is expected to sail in July for England for advanced study at Cambridge. During Professor Fu's leave, Professor Ling Chi-tang will act as Head of the Chinese Department.

Two professors of Chinese will be appointed next year to fill the vacancies left by Professors Hsu Mon-ling and Fu Mou-chi.

DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES: Our Department of Foreign Languages is generally considered the best in this area, because of the large number of English-speaking teachers we have. Mrs. Ruth Earnshaw Lo returned to this department last August as Assistant Professor of English Literature after an absence of three years. Mrs. L. Constantine gave part of her time to this department as teacher of English Literature

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and Composition. Miss M. Sheets, Assistant Professor, offered a course in French which she hoped to develop further next year. Assistant Professor E. M. Hutton was very helpful in the promotion of Dramatics, but she is leaving Huachung for good this month. Part-time lecturer Pan Shao-hua and Assistant Chen Wen-po are also leaving by the end of the academic year.

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY-SOCIOLOGY: For the first term, Dr. Paul Ward, Professor of European History, could not give his whole time to teaching, as he was acting as College Treasurer for Mr. Cœ. But beginning from the second term, Professor Ward became a full-time member of the department, which was a great help. Although we have three full-time Chinese lecturers in this department, we still need a first-rate teacher on Chinese History, and this need should be met as soon as possible.

We must make up our mind whether to develop Sociology at all in Huachung, or to drop the subject entirely. We have now no sociologist in this department. Judged by the number of students who have asked for more courses in sociology, there is certainly no lack of student interest in this field of study. As Huachung is the only Christian College in Central China, it should take a lead in the scientific study of society and in sound Christian social service.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS-COMMERCE: This department remains the largest in the whole university, with an enrollment of approximately one third of the total student body. But in terms of teaching personnel, this department is miserably over-crowded. It is hoped that by next fall, two more Chinese members of professorial rank will be added to the department.

By action of the Arts Faculty this Spring, the department of Economics-Commerce will, for the next few years, concentrate on the development of the Economics Section, and will not receive any student in the Commerce Section. For several years, only a few students have been majoring in "Commerce", and it was generally agreed that it would not be worthwhile to load the few teachers in the department with "Commercial" courses, when the demand for Economics courses is already beyond the power of the department to satisfy.

The addition of Dr. E. R. Van Sant and Dr. Brank Fulton to this department was most welcome. Their courses were mostly for upper class students, since they must use English as the medium of instruction. An attempt will be made next year to raise the English standing of students majoring in Economics, so that more of them can receive their instruction from Western members of the department.

At the beginning of the Spring Term, Miss Mary Tregear was invited

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to give a series of illustrated lectures on "Western Art" under the auspices of the College of Arts. The lectures were well attended by both faculty and students.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed: John C. F. Lo

Dean, College of Arts.

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The Report of the Dean of Women to the President
for the year Year 1947 - 1948.

All women students in Huachung University except daughters of members of faculty and staff with their residence on the university campus are required to reside in the university hostels for women.

There are two hostels for women in the university known as the Old Yen Hostel and the New Yen Hostel. The Old Yen Hostel is a double house remodelled for the purpose more than 15 years ago, and the New Yen Hostel was only half finished just before the outbreak of the War in 1937.

The normal capacity of the Old Yen Hostel is 58, and that of the New Yen Hostel as it is now is 35, making a total of 95.

During the year 1947 - 1948 we had 183 women students resident in the two hostels during the first term, and 174 during the second term. We were able to crowd so many students into the two hostels only by using double-decker beds, making the life of the students very uncomfortable and giving them practically no privacy. Conditions during the war years have continued three years after the end of the War.

These crowded conditions exist not only in the students' bedrooms but have affected also the life of the hostel itself. The dining room is filled to the utmost and one half of the social room, already too small for so many students, has to be used to accommodate the overflow from the dining room for three meals every day. The prayer room used by students of the two hostels is large enough for only 20 students sitting in kindergarten chairs. This is certainly not conducive to the promotion of the spirit of worship and devotion. The students provide themselves with two daily papers in Chinese, one local and one from Shanghai by air every day. They have to read these papers in the social room. There are certain books in both Chinese and English, and they are locked up in a book case, opened only three times a week from noon until two o'clock. There ought to be a reading room if not a small library for this purpose. But space does not permit it.

Another problem of the physical plant is that the toilet space is too limited and so is the space for the washing rooms. Both the toilets and the washing rooms must be rebuilt in order to have better sanitary conditions and to teach the girls better sanitary habits.

The students ranged from the age of 17 to age of 27 taking the 174 students during the second term. The following table shows the range of age:

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17 years	4
18 "	9
19 "	39
20 "	45
21 "	36
22 "	15
23 "	16
24 "	5
25 "	1
26 "	2
27 "	2

Total 174

The 174 students during the second term were by class as follow:

Freshmen	69
Sophmores	34
Juniors	16
Seniors	5

Total 174

The most popular department for the girls during the year were Education with 58 students, English Literature 38, Economics 32, 17 in Biology, 9 in History, 6 in Chinese, 11 in Chemistry, and 3 in Physics. The students who took music were mostly Education students. A few of them from other departments took music as an elective.

As the largest number of student in the University by province was from Hunan, so the largest number of girls was also from Hunan, it being 58. The next largest number, 54, was from Hupeh, and then the next 20, from Kwangtung. There were also representatives from 12 other provinces: Yunan, Kiangsi, Kiangsu, Chekiang, Hopeh, Shansi, Szechuen, Kwangsi, Shantung, Honan, and Anhwei.

Of the 174 students 91 were Christians and 83 none-Christians.

59 of the girls came from business families, 24 from Education families, 9 from families of church workers, and 27 from government circles, 4 from military, 5 from agricultural, 6 from medical, 6 from engineering, 2 from lawyer families, and 31 from families without work.

As a whole the girls studied very hard. The result is shown by the scholarship awards at the end of the year.

	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>
First class Scholarships	5	4
Second "	16	15
Third "	39	21
Total	<u>60</u>	<u>40</u>

There were 296 men and 174 girls in the University during the

second term and the proportion ought to be approximately 5:3.

Owing to the application of the girls to study extra curricular activities have been fewer than they ought to be, particularly those for girls alone in the hostels. It is natural that in a co-educational institution the girls are with the boys in most of the activities and this has been the case, but we would wish to see the girls have more activities of their own. They manage their own board, and they have two evening prayers a week in the hostels, arrange some of their own athletic games, and these are about all besides the welcome party at the beginning of the term and farewell party at the end.

It is difficult to do religious work in the hostels for women which are interdenominational in organization. The girls naturally go to their own church fellowships, and while the faculty leader of each fellowship group is a man it is not so easy for the women students to go to see him. The consequence is the relatively small number of girls joining the church compared with the number of boys baptized during the year. Ways and means must be found to make more direct religious approach to the girls as it has to be done through denominational channels.

Plans have been made to complete the New Yen Hostel, and when this is done there will be more accommodation for the girl students next year. But the construction will not be finished until the middle of the year and so the hostels will be even more crowded for at least half a year. More girl students will seek to enter the university in September, because the families are having more and more confidence in us, and it is gratifying that young women in China are having the opportunity for a good college education. It is also a challenge to the church cooperating in Huachung to pay more attention to the religious work among our girl students.

Respectfully submitted,

Wai King Tai

Dean of Women

June, 1948.

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