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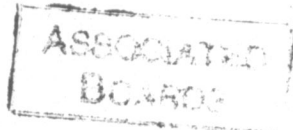
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EDWIN C. LOBENSTINE  
ROOM 5413, 49 WEST 49TH STREET  
NEW YORK



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January 9, 1937

My dear Garside:

I have just been talking with Harry Luce about certain problems connected with Hwa Chung College. He has spoken of certain figures which he prepared some years ago in connection with the first pamphlet gotten out for Yenching University and suggests that I ought to study these figures and have something similar drawn up for Hwa Chung. Would it be asking too much to have someone in your office make a copy of the two pages of figures which he says are what I really need to see?

I wonder just how it happened that the Promotional Committee was called to meet during the Foreign Missions Conference. This affected me only as far as Ginling Promotion was concerned but I should imagine that, with Diffendorfer, Warnshuis and others at the Foreign Missions Conference, several of the most prominent members of your Committee were inevitably absent.

Yours very sincerely,

*Edwin C. Lobenstine*

Mr. B. A. Garside  
Associated Boards of Christian Colleges  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

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BUILDING PROGRAM

Based on detailed estimates by New York and Shanghai Offices of the architects, Murphy and Dana, for buildings approved by the Field Board of Managers and the American Board of Trustees.

Numbers in parentheses indicate numbers of buildings on plan on pages 16 and 17.

The totals given in the first column are those required for housing the University on its new site; the amounts in the other columns are arranged according to the estimated needs of the immediate future.

	I.	II.	III.	Total
Land for site and improvement of same.....	\$100,000	.....	.....	\$100,000
Recitation Bldg., School of Arts & Sciences (No. 4. See pages 16 and 17).....	75,000	.....	.....	75,000
Equipment for same.....	5,000	\$4,000	\$5,000	14,000
Chemistry and Physics Laboratory (No. 9).....	90,000	.....	.....	90,000
Equipment for same.....	10,000	5,000	5,000	20,000
Biological & Geological Laboratory (No. 10)...	.....	90,000	.....	90,000
Equipment for same.....	.....	10,000	10,000	20,000
Dormitory (No. 13).....	60,000	60,000	60,000	180,000
Dormitory Equipment.....	7,500	7,500	7,500	22,500
Dormitory (No. 13).....	60,000	.....	.....	60,000
Equipment for same.....	7,500	.....	.....	7,500
Dormitory (No. 13).....	60,000	.....	.....	60,000
Equipment for same.....	7,500	.....	.....	7,500
Dining Hall and Kitchen (No. 14).....	40,000	40,000	40,000	120,000
Equipment for same.....	5,000	5,000	5,000	15,000
Faculty Residences @ \$6500 (No. 24).....	136,500	52,000	52,000	240,500
Equipment for same @ \$1500.....	31,500	12,000	12,000	55,500
Chapel (No. 1).....	50,000	.....	.....	50,000
Equipment for same.....	7,500	.....	4,000	11,500
Main Bldg. (No. 3) - Administration Offices, Auditorium and Museum.....	100,000	.....	.....	100,000
Equipment for same.....	7,500	.....	2,500	10,000
Library (No. 2).....	50,000	.....	.....	50,000
Books and Equipment.....	7,500	2,500	2,500	12,500

BUILDING PROGRAM

	I.	II.	III.	Total
School of Religion Building (No. 8).....	50,000	.....	.....	50,000
Equipment for same.....	7,500	2,500	2,500	12,500
Bungalow Residences @ \$5000 (No. 24).....	25,000	25,000	25,000	75,000
Athletic Field, Track and Grandstand.....	7,500	2,500	2,500	12,500
Field House (No. 18).....	10,000	.....	2,000	12,000
Equipment for same.....	2,000	.....	1,000	3,000
School of Journalism Equipment.....	5,000	5,000	5,000	15,000
School of Journalism Building (No. 5).....	.....	50,000	.....	50,000
Power House, 1st Section (No. 19).....	10,000	2,000	3,000	15,000
Power House Equipment.....	20,000	7,500	7,500	35,000
Steam Heating Outside Mains.....	30,000	7,500	7,500	45,000
Artesian Wells, Tanks and Outside Mains.....	15,000	.....	5,000	20,000
Water Tower Pagoda (No. 20).....	5,000	.....	.....	5,000
Sewage System.....	15,000	5,000	5,000	25,000
Sub-soil Drainage.....	5,000	3,000	2,000	10,000
Electric Underground Mains.....	7,500	2,000	2,500	12,000
School of Education Building (No. 6).....	.....	50,000	.....	50,000
Equipment for same.....	.....	5,000	.....	5,000
Model and Practice School (No. 7).....	.....	40,000	.....	40,000
Equipment for same.....	.....	5,000	.....	5,000
Y.M.C.A. Bldg. and Student Center (No. 15)..	.....	40,000	.....	40,000
Equipment for same.....	.....	5,000	.....	5,000
Vocational Training Building (No. 12).....	.....	50,000	.....	50,000
Vocational Training Equipment.....	5,000	5,000	5,000	15,000
Gymnasium (No. 17).....	.....	.....	50,000	50,000
Equipment for same.....	.....	.....	10,000	10,000
Agricultural and Animal Husbandry (No. 11)..	.....	.....	50,000	50,000
Equipment.....	.....	5,000	5,000	10,000
Astronomical Observatory.....	.....	10,000	10,000	20,000
Infirmery (No. 16).....	.....	15,000	.....	15,000
Equipment for same.....	.....	3,000	2,000	5,000
Equipment for grounds.....	.....	10,000	10,000	20,000
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$1,137,500</b>	<b>\$645,000</b>	<b>\$418,000</b>	<b>\$2,198,500</b>

EDWIN C. LOBENSTINE  
ROOM 5413, 49 WEST 49TH STREET  
NEW YORK

January 23, 1937

*ack'd Jan 27/37*

Dear Rex:

I have just read with great interest the report which has reached me of the Twentieth Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of the University of Nanking. It seems to me that there is some excellent publicity matter in this report and I hope that you will see that those who are engaged in publicity work in connection with the Associated Boards have their attention called to it.

You may have heard that there is a very real chance of Hwa Chung College being able to purchase the Government Middle School which lies across the street from the Boone Campus, provided the money for the same can be raised in this country.

Francis Wei estimates that from \$120,000 local currency to \$150,000 local currency will be required for the purpose. I am hoping very much that at the next meeting of the Hwa Chung Board and the Yale-in-China Association this matter may be considered and that approval may be given to an effort to raise, say, US\$30,000 to US\$35,000 for this purpose. The present campus of Hwa Chung, as projected, without this land, is bound to remain unsatisfactory. It will be an immense help in planning the layout for the buildings of the College if this site could be secured before plans are drawn and any buildings erected. The land is, as I remember it, quite a bit higher than the land owned by the College outside of the city wall. My hope would be that, if this project is approved, your help might be enlisted in trying to secure someone to be willing to give money for the purpose.

I note that in the minutes of the Nanking meeting you are urged to raise some \$20,000 Chinese currency for an additional much-needed dormitory.

I called you up a few days ago to see if you could take lunch with me, as there were a number of things I wanted to talk over with you, but I heard that you were out of town. Shall hope to be seeing you soon.

Yours sincerely,

*E. Lobenstine*

Reverend W. Reginald Wheeler  
Associated Boards of China College  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

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EDWIN C. LOBENSTINE  
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NEW YORK

June 10, 1937

6/10/37

Dear Garside:

I enclose a paragraph from a letter just received from Mr. Archie T. I. Tsen, a prominent layman in the Anglican Church of China. He is to be in this country, as you probably already know, at the invitation of Dr. John Wood. I have written him, hoping that we may get some help from him in our campaign for Hua Chung, especially in meeting laymen.

Will you kindly let me know what information you have in regard to grants in recent years to the Christian colleges from the British Indemnity Fund?

I have your latest communication regarding the 17th and am keeping that day free for ABCCC meetings.

Yours very sincerely,

*E. C. Lobenstine*

Dr. B. A. Garside  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

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Excerpt from a letter from Mr. Archie T. L. Tsen to E. C. Lobenstine, dated May 12, 1957, in regard to a possible grant for Hua Chung College from the British Indemnity Fund

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"Over a month ago and at Francis Wei's request, I approached Dr. T. C. Yen at a Rotary Club meeting for a grant for Hua Chung College from the British Indemnity Fund. At our first interview, he gave me no encouragement whatever. He even went so far as to say that it would be absolutely hopeless. As a beggar with a thick face, I asked him to try his best. Then I wrote to Francis and asked him to write to Dr. Yen himself and also to give him some more information. Mrs. Shu, sister of Dr. Yen, also wrote him to do his best. Last Thursday, I met Dr. Yen at the Rotary meeting. He was a different man altogether. He was full of smiles and told me that there was hope. He asked me how much I wanted. I refused to name a sum and told him that we would accept as much as their Committee would give us. Then he said that he would try to get \$50,000 (Chinese currency) for Hua Chung to be spread out in three years. He concluded by saying that it was very hopeful. I urged upon him the importance of securing some contributions in China which would then give us some face to make appeals in America. They will meet the end of this month. I am a Boone man and so automatically a Hua Chung man. I will be glad to do anything I can to promote the interests of the College."

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Received from the British Consulate, London, dated May 13, 1937, a letter in connection with the above mentioned matter.

"I was a member of the British Consulate, London, at the time of the above mentioned matter. I am sorry to hear that you were not able to attend the meeting held at the Consulate, London, on May 13, 1937. I am sure you will find the enclosed letter of interest. The letter is a copy of the letter which I received from the British Consulate, London, on May 13, 1937. It contains information which may be of interest to you. I am sure you will find it interesting. I am sure you will find it interesting. I am sure you will find it interesting." (The text is mirrored/reversed in the image)

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June 16, 1937

Dr. E. C. Lobenstine  
China Medical Board  
30 Rockefeller Plaza  
New York City

Dear Dr. Lobenstine:

I have your letter of June 10th, with its enclosed excerpt from the letter you had just received from Mr. Archie T. L. Tsen. We are passing the excerpt along to Mr. Hedrick with your suggestion that we should be able to use Mr. Tsen in our publicity and promotional work for Hua Chung.

I am sorry to say that our office does not have any adequate information as to what grants have been received in recent years from the British Indemnity Fund for the Christian universities and colleges of China. These grants are made on the field direct to the University authorities, so our office hears of them only after a lapse of time, and frequently not at all. I know that the British Indemnity Fund has made two annual grants of \$25,000 Chinese currency toward the erection and equipment of the new Clinical Hospital at West China Union University, and that grants have been made to some of the other Colleges for current and special purposes. But we really do not have any satisfactory list of just what colleges have been its beneficiaries, exactly what amounts have been given and for what purposes, or just what dates are involved.

We look forward to seeing you at the series of meetings tomorrow, beginning at 9:30 A.M.

Very cordially yours,

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Sept. 20, 1937.

Dear Dr. Lobenstine,

I have written an article on "Christian  
States" for a pamphlet got up by the Chinese  
Students Christian Union, & they ask for  
statistics as to the property value of the  
Christian Colleges, Schools, & hospitals, etc.  
in China today together with the number  
of institutions of each kind.

I doubt myself that such statistics  
would do any good for the article I have  
prepared. You read my first draft which  
I have since changed slightly. But I may  
put some in.

Do you have such statistics on hand?  
I should like to get them, if it is not too  
much trouble for you.

Yours sincerely  
Francis C. Wei

Dr. Linside.

Dr. Wei will be here tomorrow. Could you supply him  
with the <sup>educational</sup> information he seeks? (Perhaps Dr. Vaughan or  
Weiss has other facts not in your office.) I think he wants  
only a very few indicative figures. Thanks  
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NEW YORK

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November 18, 1938

Dear Mr. Evans:

A letter from Dr. Francis Wei,  
President of Hua Chung College, dated September 7  
and written in Kweilin, Kwangsi Province, says:

"The moving of the College and the  
necessity of having to rent houses here will con-  
sume all the emergency funds allocated to our Col-  
lege by the Associated Boards during the last year, in-  
cluding the \$3,000 American currency secured by Dr.  
Warnshuis through the Rockefeller emergency fund  
in July. A more detailed report will be sent to  
the Founders shortly after we have started the term  
in October."

I did not know that Dr. Warnshuis was con-  
nected with this in any way and should think his name  
might be dropped unless you find that he was one of  
those who approached Mr. Gunn in the matter. It  
does not alter the main fact with which you are  
concerned.

I will let you know if we receive more  
detailed information in regard to this.

Yours very truly,

*E. C. Lobenstine*

Mr. C. A. Evans  
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150 Fifth Avenue  
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WUCHANG, CHINA

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President of the College  
Francis C. M. Wei, Ph.D.

January 6, 1939

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My dear Garside:

I beg to acknowledge with thanks receipt of your letter of January 5, enclosing check in the amount of \$3636 as Hua Chung's share of the funds thus far received by the Associated Boards in connection with its emergency campaign for the fiscal year July 1, 1938, to June 30, 1939.

I note that the check sent covers 8/33 of the amount allocated to Hua Chung College in the list of objectives for the 1938-39 campaign.

My congratulations to you on the amount thus far received.

Very sincerely yours,

*Edwin C. Lobenstine*

Treasurer

Mr. B. A. Garside  
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150 Fifth Avenue  
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January 9, 1939

Dear Dr. Lobenstine:

I have for acknowledgment three letters from you, dated December 29th, January 7th, and January 8th.

In your letter of December 29th you ask for a list of gifts of \$500 or over received to date on our 1938-39 emergency campaign. We attach hereto a list of all such pledges received before we began sending you these daily reports about the 20th of December.

You ask whether our daily summaries include pledges as well as actual cash. They do. The daily list of gifts, however, records pledges separately from cash contributions. At the present time the pledges included in our 1938-39 emergency gifts to date will not total more than \$2,000 or \$3,000 and these are all due within a short time. I believe that for 1937-38 all pledges were eventually paid in full.

Mr. Caldwell is in Boston this week, but is returning to New York on January 14th. I am passing on to him your message with regard to the Nanking promotional work.

Thank you for your memorandum of January 7th with regard to your gifts made directly in China to Hua Chung, Nanking, and Ginling. Since we know that you have the generous habit of making annual contributions to these three institutions, we assume that these gifts are to be considered within the regular budgets of these colleges, and are not to be tabulated as a part of our emergency fund. If this assumption is wrong, will you please correct it for us. (You are already listed as having contributed to the 1938-39 emergency campaign.)

Thank you for the information that Dr. Angell is speaking at the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church on Friday evening. I am passing this word around to the staff here.

Very sincerely yours,

Dr. E. C. Lobenstine  
China Medical Board  
49 West 49th Street  
New York City

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EMERGENCY FUND - LARGE GIFTS

July 15, 1938 to Jan. 7, 1939.

7/16/38 - \$500.00 - Dayton Foundation, 700 Nicollet Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn.	NEW	Hanking Hosp.
7/20/38 - \$500.00 - Mrs. Mary Barbour Blair, Chicago, Illinois	OLD	Yenching
7/22/38 - \$500.00 - Miss Mary E. Johnston, Glendale, Ohio	<del>NEW</del> <sup>OLD</sup>	Hua Ch.
8/1/38 - \$500.00 - Mrs. Ida Tenney Castle, Honolulu	NEW	Yenching
11/1/38 - \$900.00 - Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of M.E. Church, c/o Mrs. Leon Roy Peel, 607 Wesley Temple, Minneapolis, Minn.	OLD	ABCCC
12/14/38 - \$1270.00 - Mr. J. E. and George Hall, Erie, Penna. (for Hosp. Equipment)	NEW	West Ch.
12/-/38 - \$1000.00 - Mrs. Frederick S. Bell, Winona, Minn.	OLD	Lingnan
12/-/38 - \$529.13 - Mr. E. M. McBrier, New York, N. Y. (School of Religion)	OLD	Yenching
12/21/38 - \$500.00 - Mr. Homer P. Clark, 534 Summit Avenue, St. Paul, Minn.	OLD	Yenching
12/31/38 - \$2500.00 - The Henry Luce Foundation, Inc. 14 West 49th St. N.Y.C.	OLD	ABCCC
1/4/39 - \$10,000.00 - Mr. Henry R. Luce, Rockefeller Plaza, N.Y.C. <sup>now sold</sup> (in securities)	OLD	Yenching

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January 27, 1959

Dr. E. C. Lobenstine  
China Medical Board  
50 Rockefeller Plaza  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Lobenstine:

I am enclosing herewith an excerpt from the minutes of the Harvard-Yenching Institute meeting of November 8, 1957, covering the action regarding the Hua Chung appropriation.

Up to date I have not heard from Dr. Elisseeff as to the disposition of the appropriation. I shall report to you when and if he does give me word.

Very truly yours,

CAE:RC  
Enc.

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Excerpt from Minutes of Meeting of Board of Trustees of Harvard-Yenching Institute, November 8, 1957.

The Director informed the Trustees that he spent four days at Wuchang visiting Hua Chung College; that he delivered a lecture there on methodology in Chinese studies and was much impressed by the work that is being done in the institution. He said that President Wei had sent him a letter, dated June 18, 1957, in which he applied to the Trustees for a grant-in-aid to strengthen the Department of Chinese Literature and History in the College for the teaching of Chinese literature and history and to make possible some research in these fields. At present they have three full-time teachers in Chinese Literature and one in Chinese History; and, while they are able to offer the necessary courses, they are too short-handed to undertake much research work in Chinese studies, as they are doing in other departments in the college. This is a handicap even in the undergraduate teaching, because they are making the senior year a year of training in research in most of the departments, with the hope that their graduates may carry on independent study after their graduation from college. The great majority of students in China cannot afford to spend time in taking post-graduate courses. President Wei further wrote that, owing to their limited resources, they have not been able to build up their library for study and research in Chinese literature and history, and he reminded the Trustees that two years ago, when the College had the hope of having the Williams collection of books in New Haven immediately transported to Wuchang as a bequest to the College of Yale-in-China (to which Hua Chung is the successor), the Trustees voted to grant to Hua Chung for 1955-56 and for four succeeding years annually thereafter the sum of US\$500. for the purpose of furnishing care and upkeep for the collection. As they have not been able to complete their new college buildings as soon as they expected so as to fulfill the condition of a fireproof building to house the collection, the grant has not been paid to the College. They are now erecting a group of college buildings, one of which is a library, and another the Proctor Memorial Hall for the School of Arts. In either of these buildings, both fireproof, they would be able to fulfill the condition of the Trustees' grant when the Williams Collection is sent out to Wuchang. In view of all these needs, President Wei applied to the Trustees for an annual grant amounting to LC\$12,000. The Director stated that the matter was taken up by the Educational Committee, who favored recommending to the Trustees that a grant of US\$4,000. be made to Hua Chung College for 1958-59.

VOTED: That a grant of US\$4,000 for the coming year be made to Hua Chung College, in Wuchang, China, for the following purposes, as stated in President Wei's letter of June 18, 1957:-

Chair of Chinese Literature	C\$4,000.
Chair of Chinese History	4,000.
Books on Chinese Culture	2,000.
Research Projects	<u>2,000.</u>
	C\$12,000.

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and that this item be inserted in the Institute's budget for 1958-59.

Dr. North thought that the present situation gives that action all the more point, since the enrollment at Hua Chung has been practically doubled because the College has had to take care of government students.

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EDWIN C. LOBENSTINE  
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February 2, 1939

My dear Mr. Evans:

In connection with payments of the Hua Chung Board of Founders to the Associated Boards for promotion, I have been looking over the accounts turned over to me by the former treasurer of Hua Chung College, Dr. A. L. Warnshuis. I do not find a very clear statement in these books as to just what was asked by the Associated Boards of Hua Chung Collège for administration and promotion during these past years. I should be very much obliged if you could without too much trouble inform me of the amount of payments made since 1933 year by year to the Associated Boards to enable me to see a little bit more clearly just what has been paid for administration and what for promotion in different years.

I enclose a transcript of the items received from Yale-in-China Association, Reformed Church in the U. S. and the Protestant Episcopal Church by Hua Chung and of payments to the Associated Boards, taken from the former treasurer's records.

I shall much appreciate your help in clarifying for me the way in which Hua Chung's contributions to the Association Boards stand on your books.

Yours very sincerely,

*E. C. Lobenstine*

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Board of Founders of Hua Chung College in account with Associated Boards of China Colleges

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	<u>Yale-in-China</u>	<u>Reformed Church</u>	<u>Protestant Episcopal Church</u>	<u>ABCCC</u>
<u>1933</u>				
Nov. 15	\$31.58			
Dec. 2		\$31.58		
Nov. 29				\$51.56
Dec. 2				51.56
27			\$62.72	62.72
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February 6, 1939

Dr. E. C. Lebenstine  
Room 5432  
49 West 49th Street  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Lebenstine:

I am replying to your letter of February 2nd regarding payments of the Hua Chung Board of Founders to the Associated Boards. The following schedule shows the amounts we received from 1932 through 1938:-

	<u>Administration</u>	<u>Promotion</u>
1932-33	\$156.36	\$106.00
1933-34	156.36	268.95
1934-35	156.35	350.00
1935-36	156.35	300.00
1936-37	156.35	-----
1937-38	240.00	2270.00

In comparing these with your statement covering receipts from co-operating boards and payments to the Associated Boards, you will find that they balance, with the exception that we have no record of payments made in 1935. We are wondering if you can shed any further light upon these particular items. You will note that in 1936-37 nothing was paid on promotion toward the Associated Boards.

With best regards, I remain

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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February 6, 1939

Dr. E. C. Lobenstine, Treasurer  
Hua Chung Board of Trustees  
30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York City

Dear Dr. Lobenstine:

Enclosed herewith is a check to the order of Hua Chung College for \$1,014. This represents a further distribution of emergency funds up to January 31st, 1939. This remittance is made up of the following items:-

Gifts received without designation but allocated to Hua Chung because donors belong to Hua Chung constituency.	\$500
Designated gifts received during January	<u>10</u>
Total allocated and designated gifts	\$510
Share in undesignated gifts received January 1939	<u>504</u>
TOTAL	\$1,014

Attached hereto is a tabulation listing the allocated and designated gifts referred to above.

Added to the \$3,636 which we had previously received, this \$1,014 brings the total of emergency funds thus far received for Hua Chung College to \$4,650, or 31% of your total emergency needs of \$15,000.

Most of the Boards of Trustees have received directly gifts for the emergency funds in varying amounts. They have reported these gifts to the Associated Boards, and we have taken them into account in making our monthly distribution of gifts received. It is, as you know, our general understanding that the \$330,000 of emergency funds is to be secured by the joint effort of the individual Boards of Trustees and the united group. Thus far we have received no reports of emergency contributions received direct by the Board of Trustees of Hua Chung College. Will you please report shortly before the end of February any gifts received directly by you, so that we may take them into account in making our March 1st distribution.

Very sincerely yours,

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Assistant Treasurer

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LIST OF ALLOCATED AND DESIGNATED GIFTS

HUA CHUNG COLLEGE

Received by The Associated Boards up to January 31, 1939

(1) Allocated Gifts Received before December 31, 1938

7/22	Miss Mary E. Johnston	<u>\$500.00</u>	\$500.00
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(2) Allocated Gifts Received during January, 1939

(3) Designated Gifts Received during January, 1939

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EDWIN C. LOBENSTINE  
ROOM 5432  
49 WEST 49TH STREET  
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February 7, 1939

Dear Mr. Evans:

Thanks very much for your letter of February 6 in regard to contributions which have been made by Hua Chung College to the Associated Boards for administration and promotion. You call my attention to the fact that no amount was paid for promotion during 1936-37. I wonder whether the amount paid during the college year 1937-38 might not have covered Hua Chung's share of promotional costs for the two-year period.

Yours very sincerely,

*E. C. Lobenstine*

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

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EDWIN C. LOBENSTINE  
ROOM 5432  
49 WEST 49TH STREET  
NEW YORK

February 7, 1939

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Dear Dr. Garside:

You will be interested in knowing that Dr. Wood has this morning received the following cablegram from Dr. Francis Wei:

*noted #77*

HUA CHUNG COLLEGE MOVING YUNNAN COST  
UNITED STATES DOLLARS SIX THOUSAND  
REMIT EMERGENCY GOLD CARE BISHOP HALL  
HONGKONG

(signed) WEI

Yours very sincerely,

*E.C. Lobenstine*

Dr. B. A. Garside  
China Colleges  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

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EDWIN C. LOBENSTINE  
ROOM 5432  
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NEW YORK

February 7, 1939

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Dear Dr. Garside:

I wish to acknowledge with thanks receipt of your check, as Treasurer of the Associated Boards of the Christian Colleges in China, in the amount of \$1,114, drawn for Hua Chung College, this being money received through the emergency fund. Please accept my thanks as Treasurer of the Board of Founders of the College.

I shall report to the meeting of the Executive Committee to be held this week your statement that most of the Boards of Trustees report to the Associated Boards gifts which they receive for the emergency fund and ask that Hua Chung make a ruling on this matter.

Yours sincerely,

*E. C. Lobenstine*

Dr. B. A. Garside  
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February 8, 1939

Dr. E. C. Lobenstine  
Room 5432  
49 West 49th Street  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Lobenstine:

I am replying to your letter of February 7th regarding the appropriation for Hua Chung for 1936-37.

We anticipated Hua Chung would pay us \$200.00 on administration and \$300.00 on promotion for 1936-37. We received, however, \$156.35 which we were instructed to apply only on administration and nothing whatever was paid on the \$300.00 for promotion. The budget for 1937-38 called for \$240.00 administration and \$1,512.00 for promotion - \$504.00 of which had been approved by the Hua Chung Board as an out-right contribution and \$1,008.00 being considered as a loan to carry on the work during the year.

You will recall that at the close of the year under action P-850 the Finance Committee of the Associated Boards at its meeting June 30th approved the actual cost for promotional operation for the year to cover the entire budget - Hua Chung's share being \$1,766.00 - all figures being beyond the actual amount previously voted. Therefore, adding the \$504.00 voted, the figure of \$2,270.00 appears which was the amount paid for promotion. In other words the only thing that Hua Chung paid for 1936-37 was \$156.35 toward administration expenses.

May I say that the action of the Finance Committee was approved by the Associated Boards' Executive Committee on the same date, June 30, 1938.

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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*Car separate. Dr. Elisseff 2/17/39. + rec'd  
reply 2/23/39*

February 17, 1939

Dr. E. C. Lobenstine  
China Medical Board  
Rockefeller Plaza  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Lobenstine:

Mr. Parker has handed me your note regarding the  
Harvard-Yenching Institute \$4,000.00 appropriation for Hua Chung  
College.

I have written to Dr. Elisseff to ascertain the  
method of payment and will let you know just as soon as a reply  
is received.

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS.

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EDWIN C. LOBENSTINE  
ROOM 5432  
49 WEST 49TH STREET  
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February 21, 1939

*Recd 2/23*

Dear Dr. Garside:

At the meeting of the Hua Chung Executive Committee the other day we were intrigued by the fact that we had received a cablegram apparently broadcasted by the College radio outfit, which had been picked up somewhere in the South and was forwarded to us. Such broadcasts, of course, are not new but it occurred to us that it might be worth while for the Associated Boards to check up on such information as it has regarding various places in China from which broadcasts are being sent and also amateurs in this country, with their location and such information about their interest and willingness to cooperate as it may be possible conveniently to gather. We thought that this information would be of interest to the various Boards of Founders and might prove even more useful than at present. Perhaps this would appeal especially to institutions like Hua Chung that are in western China, where other communications may be more difficult.

We pass this on to you merely as a suggestion which if you find workable you might be prepared to follow up.

Yours sincerely,

*E. C. Lobenstine*

*No answer required*

Dr. B. A. Garside  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

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February 24, 1939

Dr. E. C. Lobenstine  
China Medical Board  
Rockefeller Plaza  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Lobenstine:

The following paragraph is quoted from a letter of  
Dr. Serge Elisseoff of the Harvard-Yenching Institute:-

"On May 16, 1938, we wrote to President wei, in New Haven, asking him to whom the check for the \$4,000. grant made by the Institute to Hua Chung College should be sent, whether to Mr. Garside or to the Bursar of the college in China, and on May 30th, President Wei replied from England, asking us to send it to Professor John L. Coe, Treasurer, Hua Chung College, Wuchang. On July 1, 1938, we wrote to Professor Coe as per enclosed copy, and the Treasurer of the Institute cabled the money to him shortly after July first and has a receipt from Mr. Coe."

This answers the question as to what became of the \$4,000 which was appropriated for Hua Chung College.

Very truly yours,

C. A. EVANS

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EDWIN C. LOBENSTINE  
ROOM 5432  
49 WEST 49TH STREET  
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March 1, 1939

My dear Dr. Garside:

Again let me congratulate you on the very successful dinner in honor of Mr. McBrier last evening. It was very well planned, indeed, and was carried through in a most successful manner. I do not see how Mr. McBrier's earnest plea especially to business men could have failed to make a deep impression on those who were present.

On page 3 of the minutes of the Hua Chung Board of February 16 there is a paragraph about possible assistance from the Rockefeller board. I am very sorry that any reference to remarks I made were included in the minutes. I certainly did not say "that the Associated Boards would not make the \$330,000 Emergency Fund this year without, etc." I may have said that I doubted whether they would but I did not make the categorical statement herein, nor did I exclude the possibility of the initiative again being taken by Mr. Gunn or other officers of the Foundation, urging a grant on the basis of their own investigations in China.

There will be no reason for you to refer to this further but I should not like to have any further publicity given to this paragraph.

No answer to this note is necessary.

Yours sincerely,

*Edwin C. Lobenstine*

Dr. B. A. Garside  
China Colleges  
150 Fifth Avenue  
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YALE-IN-CHINA COLLEGE

Treasurer.

March 2, 1939.

Mr. E. S. Garside, Executive Secretary,  
Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China,  
New York City.

Dear Mr. Garside,

A letter dated the 14th of December from Mr. Lobenstine Treasurer of the Hua College Board of Trustees reached me a few days ago saying that you had written me in regard to a report as to how the college had used the US\$3,000 from the Rockefeller Foundation which it had received through the Associated Boards.

The following expenses were on the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Board of Directors of the College charged to this:

The expense of moving the college from Wuchang to Kweilin C\$6410.82  
A deficit in the departments of Physics and Chemistry incurred because of the fall in exchange. Apparatus was ordered in 1937 on grants in C\$ and then not delivered till the spring of 1938 and meanwhile exchange had fallen. 2500.00  
C\$8910.82

This amounts to US\$1466.52 at the rates which I obtained when I was selling, part in July and the remainder early in October.

These were the only expenditures against <sup>etc</sup> money from the Associated Boards during the academic year 1937-38.

I am sorry over the long delay in submitting this report but mails have been very slow in reaching me here.

Yours sincerely,

*John L. Coe.*  
Treasurer.

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HWA CHUNG (CENTRAL CHINA) COLLEGE  
WUCHANG, CHINA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
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March 4, 1939

Dr. E. C. Lobenstine, Treasurer  
Hua Chung Board of Trustees  
30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York City

Dear Dr. Lobenstine:

Enclosed herewith is a check to the order of Hua Chung College for \$350. This represents a further distribution of emergency funds between February 1st and February 28th, 1939. This remittance is made up of the following items:-

- (a) Gifts received without designation but allocated to Hua Chung because donor is Hua Chung constituent.

Dr. A. L. Warnshuis (\$) \$ 2.50

(b) Share in undesignated gifts received 347.50

TOTAL \$350.00

Added to the \$4,650 which you had received up to the end of January this \$350 brings the total of emergency funds thus far received for Hua Chung College up to \$5,000 or one-third of your total emergency needs of \$15,000.

The above figures do not include any gifts received direct by the Board of Trustees of Hua Chung College for the 1938-39 emergency fund. If you have received such emergency gifts direct, we would be grateful if you would report to us the total of such gifts. If other emergency gifts are received direct from month to month we would be grateful if you would report these gifts to us just before the end of each month so we can take them into account with the funds received for distribution by the Associated Boards.

Very sincerely yours,

Assistant Treasurer

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EDWIN C. LOBENSTINE  
ROOM 5432  
49 WEST 49TH STREET  
NEW YORK

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April 6, 1939

Dear Dr. Garside:

In a letter from Mr. John L. Coe, Treasurer of Hua Chung College, he enclosed a letter addressed to you, which I am forwarding at his request. This shows that the full amount of the \$3,000 grant of the Rockefeller Foundation last year under the emergency fund was only partly used in connection with the move of the College to Kweilin. If the balance is applicable to their present move, as I presume it will be, that would prove a very great help, since the College is calling for more money in connection with this second move of its location than the Hua Chung Board of Founders now has at its disposal.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

*Edwin C. Lobenstine*

Dr. B. A. Garside  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

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April 10, 1939

Dear Dr. Lobenstine:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 6th, to which you attached Mr. John L. Coe's letter of March 2nd.

Mr. Coe's letter rather upsets our previous understanding as to what Hua Chung College has done with the emergency funds which it received as a result of the 1937-38 emergency campaign.

You will remember that on November 18th you sent us a letter in which you quoted the following paragraph from a letter written by President Wei from Kweilin on September 7th, 1938:-

"The moving of the College and the necessity of having to rent houses here will consume all the emergency funds allocated to our College by the Associated Boards during the last year, including the \$3,000 American currency secured by Dr. Warnshuis through the Rockefeller emergency fund in July. A more detailed report will be sent to the Founders shortly after we have started the term in October."

So far as I can find, no copy of the "more detailed report" referred to by Dr. Wei has ever reached the office of the Associated Boards. On the basis, however, of the above statement from President Wei, our report to the Rockefeller Foundation indicated that the \$3,000 received for Hua Chung from the Foundation in June 1938 had been spent between July 1st and September 30th in connection with the College's move to Kweilin. We have also made a general statement in various reports within the Associated Boards constituency that the balance of the \$10,555 secured for Hua Chung in the 1937-38 emergency campaign was expended as indicated by President Wei.

Mr. Coe's letter seems to be at direct variance with all this, for writing on March 2nd, 1939, he lists expenditures totalling LC\$8,910.82, made in connection with the moving of the College from Wuchang to Kweilin and in meeting a deficit in the 1937-38 budget for the departments of Physics and Chemistry and then states, "this amounts to US\$1,466.52 at the rates which I obtained when I was selling, part in July and the remainder early in October. These were the only expenditures against the money from the Associated Boards during the academic year 1937-38." This immediately raises

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April 10, 1939

not only the question as to what has been done or is to be done with the balance of US\$1,533.48 in the Rockefeller Foundation grant of \$3,000, but also as to what use Hua Chung has made, or expects to make, of the balance of the \$10,555 secured for Hua Chung in the 1937-38 campaign. It also raises directly the further question as to what use Hua Chung desires to make of the emergency fund of \$15,000 which the Hua Chung Trustees have requested the associated Boards to assist in securing for the College in the 1938-39 emergency campaign. We have never had any detailed statement as to exactly why this emergency fund is needed during 1938-39, though we have understood in general that it would be required in connection with the College's second move, from Kweilin into Yunnan Province. But if on March 2nd, 1939, when this second move had been largely completed, the College still had most of the 1937-38 emergency funds unexpended, some question might be raised as to the necessity for additional emergency funds in the 1938-39 campaign.

As you know, it is very important that we have clear and convincing answers to such questions as these available for giving in response to inquiries which individuals and organizations quite properly make as we approach them for gifts in connection with our emergency campaign. For most of the Colleges we have reasonably adequate factual data in hand to deal satisfactorily with all sorts of questions. But the situation as regards Hua Chung's finances has been a bit hazy all along and this latest letter from Mr. Coe makes it much more confused than before. We would be grateful to you and to the other Hua Chung Trustees for your assistance in clarifying these questions.

Your letter of April 6th suggests that if the balance (of the 1937-38 grant from the Rockefeller Foundation) is applicable to the College's move from Kweilin to Yunnan, that would prove a great help. I would certainly say that under the terms of the Foundation's grant last year, this balance is applicable for this purpose, though since the money was not expended before October 1st, 1938, it will have to be counted within the year 1938-39 and not within the year 1937-38.

Since Mr. Lyford, as the present Treasurer of the Hua Chung Board may wish to have copies of this correspondence available, I am sending to his office a copy of Mr. Coe's letter and of this letter to you.

Very sincerely yours,

Dr. E. C. Lobenstine  
China Medical Board  
49 West 49th Street  
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Very sincerely yours,

Dr. E.C.Lobenstine  
China Medical Board  
49 West 49th St.  
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EDWIN C. LOBENSTINE  
ROOM 5432  
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April 13, 1939

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Dear Garside:

I enclose copy of the letter which I have written Mr. Appleget. I trust that it meets with your approval. It may be just as well for you not to refer to it but it may be helpful to you to know before you get in touch with him what I have written.

I enclose also statement recently received from Dr. Wei covering student enrollment during the fall term at Hua Chung and also certain financial items. This may be helpful to you in connection with your endeavor to get a clear picture of the financial situation. Will you kindly return these to me after you have finished with them?

Yours very sincerely,

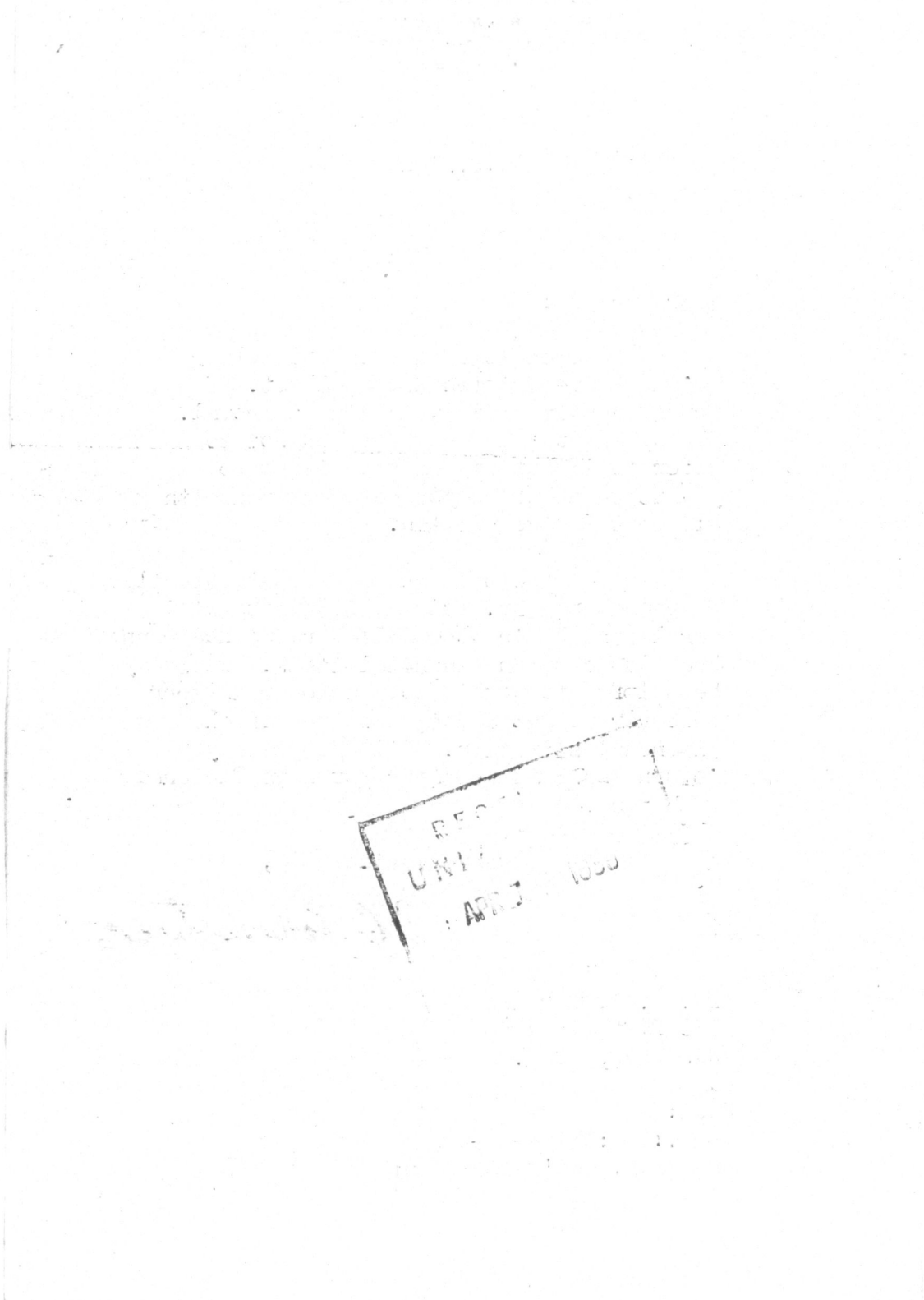
*E. C. Lobenstine*

Dr. B. A. Garside  
150 Fifth Avenue  
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April 14, 1939

Dear Dr. Lobenstine,

Thank you for letting me see the copy of the statement from Dr. Wei, giving the Hua Chung enrollment and various financial items. We have had the material copied, and I am returning it herewith. As we have discussed in the past, we are hoping that Hua Chung will establish some regular procedure in sending such material to our office, for it would be helpful in our efforts to serve the College.

Thank you also for sharing with me your letter commenting on the Colleges' application to the Foundation. It impresses me as a very clear, fair, and constructive appraisal of the situation, and I am sure that it will prove very valuable to the officers of the Foundation. I return the letter herewith, and will avoid any reference to it in correspondence or conferences I may have.

With appreciation for all you are doing on behalf of the Colleges and of the other phases of work in China, I am

Very cordially yours,

Dr. E. C. Lobenstine,  
49 West 49th Street,  
New York, N. Y.

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June 6, 1940

Dr. Edwin C. Lobenstine, D.D.  
49 West 49th Street  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Lobenstine:

At a special meeting of the Board of Founders of Hua Chung College, temporarily located at Hsiehow, Yunnan, we had the privilege of hearing you give a personal report on your recent visit to China and especially to the College. You told us Dr. Wei has been giving much thought to the question as to the way a Christian college can make its most distinctive Christian contribution to China, and he feels very acutely the need of a stronger staff of foreign professors, who should be technically well equipped, and at the same time be dominated by strong and vital Christian purpose. You informed us Dr. Wei has come to the conclusion that to maintain an adequate Christian atmosphere in Hua Chung College he must have a faculty of whom approximately one-third should be missionaries. He urges that each of the cooperating units in the College should be constantly on the lookout for persons with these qualifications to represent them in the institution.

The members of the Board of Founders gave attention to the letter to you from Dr. Wei following your visit, in which he said, "it is the character of our faculty that determines the kind of work we can do as a Christian institution, and the contribution we can make to the development of higher education in China." In repeating his conviction of the necessity of maintaining their staff and college faculty with approximately one-third missionaries, he says, "By missionaries I do not mean just people who are sent out to the College by the Missions of America and in England to fill certain positions in the institution. They must be people who have a genuine missionary spirit and who are really zealous to maintain the Christian character of the work. We agree, however, that besides this another qualification is essential, and that is no new appointee should be sent out for our teaching staff unless he or she is qualified to be at least an instructor in a college of good standing in America. But let me reiterate that academic qualifications alone do not qualify a person to the appointment to the Hua Chung faculty. It may be a good thing for each of the Missions to go over its own records and see how many people of such a calibre they have sent out to us during the last ten years. The Churches in China are still young and there are only a few from whom we could select our teachers with the necessary academic qualifications and a missionary zeal. This has been my main problem as President of the

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College, and sometimes I feel so discouraged that I would want to give up. We cannot make bricks without straw, and Hua Chung cannot maintain its character unless we have on our Faculty men and women who emphasize their Christian contribution above everything else. We have a few of these, but we do not have nearly as many as we would like to have. The Cooperating Missions and our friends abroad must help us move along this line."

I was impressed by this same emphasis at the annual meeting of Associate Boards of Christian Colleges in China, which I attended in New York, May 13 and 14. It was noted that there has been a considerable decline in interest in religious subjects on the part of students in the Christian colleges, and that this decline can only be checked by having well-equipped missionary teachers sent out from America to teach these subjects.

In view of this, I have been asked by the Executive Committee of Hua Chung College Board of Trustees to bring to the attention of the three American Boards participating in the work of Hua Chung College the need for missionary teachers, for general and religious subjects, of high Christian character and purpose and outstanding ability. I am, therefore, writing to you with the request that you bring this matter to the attention of the Yale-in-China Board of Trustees. We hope very much that the College may have a foreign missionary added to its staff by Yale-in-China to strengthen the hands of Dr. Wei and help the College fulfil its purpose.

We have not had definite information from Dr. Wei concerning the position which he would like to have filled by each of the Missions, and I am writing to him for this. I presume Yale-in-China would continue to be primarily interested in the School of Science; but I know Dr. Wei would not object to receiving a good man in any other department from Yale-in-China, if such a person is available.

Sincerely yours,

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June 6, 1940

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EDWIN C. LOBENSTINE  
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NEW YORK

October 8, 1940

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*Described  
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My dear Dr. Garside:

At the Executive Committee meeting of the Associated Boards the other day it was stated that a request had gone to Mr. Swift of the American Red Cross for a grant for medical equipment and supplies for China of US \$100,000, to be made available for the Christian medical schools.

I am very much interested in this, primarily because of Yale-in-China's relations to Hsiang-ya. Will you kindly let me know in just what form this request was made to the American Red Cross, sending me a copy of such part of the correspondence as bears on the subject? If the request was not put in writing, kindly let me have a memorandum of the conversation in regard to it.

It was reported in June that Hsiang-ya had been nationalized and that the Chinese government would put up \$180,000 a year for the institution. Up to a month ago, however, Dr. H. C. Chang had received no funds from the government to cover his budget for this college year.

Thanking you, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

*Edwin C. Lobenstine*

Dr. B. A. Garside  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

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RECENT ACTIONS CONSIDERED BY THE BOARDS OF HUA CHUNG AND YALE-IN-CHINA AFFECTING  
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PREPARED AT REQUEST OF DR. LOBENSTINE

A. Financial Matters.

Quotations from the July 2nd meeting of the Hua Chung Executive Committee:

"The question was raised as to the advisability of having all money from western sources intended for Hua Chung College, (except foreign missionary salaries) pass through the treasury of the Hua Chung College Board of Founders in New York. With the present uncertainties this would seem to be desirable but there are difficulties involved in changing the present procedure. Discussion followed, after which it was

VOTED to refer this matter to the Treasurer (Mr. Lyford) and the Secretary for consideration and presentation at the next meeting of the Board of Founders."

At the full meeting of the Hua Chung Board on September 27, there is no minute in the record of the meeting which refers to the question of sending all money from western sources through the treasury in New York.

The question of the Yale-in-China grant to Hua Chung was discussed in a special Yale-in-China Sub-Committee on Finance, and in the November 20 meeting of the Yale-in-China Executive Committee the following vote was passed accepting the recommendation of this Sub-Committee:

"VOTED The Sub-Committee on Finance would recommend to the Executive Committee that the Yale-in-China grant to the Hua Chung School of Science be made through the Hua Chung Board in New York as long as the Hua Chung Board continues to act as the Board of Directors for the College.

B. Matters Concerning Hua Chung Surplus.

In the July 2nd meeting of the Hua Chung Executive Committee, a three-page financial report was presented. During the course of the discussion which followed, it was learned that a considerable balance in United States dollars was being held as a surplus from various funds. Whereupon, it was

"VOTED that there be prepared a clear balance sheet showing the exact condition of the funds and grants to the college, including all cash assets and including also statements to show the balances in these funds and grants and where these balances are located."

In the September 27th meeting of the full Hua Chung Board, Mr. Lyford, as treasurer, presented a report which finally clarified the vexing problems of the college finances. After which it was

"VOTED that the report of the Treasurer of the Hua Chung Board of Trustees be received and attached to these minutes; and that appreciation be expressed to Mr. Lyford and to Mr. Coe for the work which has gone into the preparation of this report and its presentation at this meeting."  
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In various meetings of the Yale-in-China Executive Committee and its present Sub-Committee on Finance, certain members of the Yale-in-China Board precipitated a discussion of the Hua Chung surplus. The Secretary attempted to explain, under strenuous questioning, the position of the Hua Chung Board in relation to this surplus. The best idea of the attitude of the Yale-in-China Board can be had by examining recent actions which they have taken.

Two decisions were made by the Yale-in-China Sub-Committee on Finance, which it felt were within the scope of its power.

One, that the Secretary should write to the proper member of the Hua Chung Board asking what the policy of the Board is going to be with respect to the surplus of funds now on hand. This letter should simply be a request for information. (Letter written on November 4 to Mr. Lyford, Treasurer of Hua Chung Board).

Two, that this committee is anxious to make certain that the Treasurer of Hua Chung and the authorities in China understand that the Yale-in-China grant to Hua Chung for the use of the School of Science for year 1940-41 is \$5000 U.S. and that the \$2,500 item is for a new appointee. If the expenses of a new appointee do not exhaust the \$2,500, the balance would be retained by Yale-in-China. The Secretary is directed to write such letters to the Hua Chung Board or to China to clarify this situation. (Letter written on November 4 to Mr. Lyford).

In the Yale-in-China Executive Committee meeting on November 20, the Sub-Committee made its report. A strenuous discussion followed which is summarized in this paragraph taken from the minutes of the November 20 meeting:

I "A discussion concerning the unusual surplus of Hua Chung College followed these  
M votes. The members of the Executive Committee were anxious to support the College  
P to the best of their ability, but it was felt that possibly we were expending money  
O for an institution that was not in urgent need of our help. It was the consensus  
R of opinion that, laying all other considerations aside, this condition was neither  
T favorable from the standpoint of our contributors nor from the standpoint of the  
A best use of Yale-in-China funds. It was ultimately decided that the secretary  
N should convey this impression in definite terms to the members of the Hua Chung Board  
T at their next meeting, with a view to discovering what their policy toward this  
surplus was going to be and what present needs were."

C. Plan For Stenographic Assistance.

The Yale-in-China Executive Committee recommends a plan to Hua Chung Board, as per following item of business at November 20 meeting of Yale-in-China Executive Committee:

"The Chairman called on the secretary to present a plan for additional stenographic assistance in the office to handle matters of the Hua Chung Board. It is unnecessary to transcribe the details of this plan in these minutes. Suffice it to say that a plan has been carefully worked out which would enable the Yale-in-China Office to hire a stenographer full-time. This would make it possible to handle all additional secretarial work of the Hua Chung Board now handled on a pro-rata basis by this office and also to pay for all additional supplies needed for the Hua Chung work. A complete analysis of this plan is contained in a letter of October 31, 1940, from the secretary of the Yale-in-China Office to the Chairman of the Hua Chung Board. After the secretary had described this plan briefly, the Executive Committee agreed to recommend the acceptance of this plan to the Hua Chung Board and hoped that they would be able to give it prompt attention."

December 4, 1940

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March 1, 1944

J. EARL FOWLER

Dear Mr. Fowler:

I have just been reading the minutes of the Board meeting held on February 11.

On page 2, I would suggest the deletion of the words "and especially the fabulous wealth being accumulated by some in China out of the war." It seems to me not advisable to put that in our records. I would suggest in its place after the words "exchange situation", "in the light of the rate of the continual rising cost of living."

Yours sincerely,

*E. C. Lobenstine*

Mr. J. Earl Fowler  
Associate Secretary  
Hua Chung College Board  
281 Fourth Avenue  
New York 10, N. Y.

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May 9, 1944

49 West 49th Street  
New York 20, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans:

Will you kindly send, if you have them available,  
50 copies of "The Educational Aims of the Christian Colleges  
in China" to:

Miss Rachel A. Dowd  
Yale-in-China Association  
905 A Yale Station  
New Haven, Connecticut.

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You might state that they are sent at my request,  
and send along a bill if there is a charge.

Yours sincerely,

*Edwin C. Lobenstine*

President, Yale-in-China Association

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

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May 10, 1944.

Dr. Edwin C. Lobenstine  
49 West 49th Street  
New York 20, New York

Dear Dr. Lobenstine:-

As requested in your letter of  
May 9th, we have today mailed 50 copies of the statement  
"The Educational Aims of the Christian Colleges in China" to  
Miss Dowd. There is no charge for this material.

Sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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September 27, 1944

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My dear Earle:

I am writing to suggest the desirability of Dr. Arthur Rinden being invited to attend as a visitor the meetings of the Planning Committee of the Associated Boards. In view of his new position as Executive Secretary of the Yale-in-China Association it is exceedingly desirable that he be acquainted as fully as possible with the thinking of this Planning Committee.

I am also writing to Arthur Sherman to have him invited as a visitor to attend the meeting of the Board of Founders of Hwa Chung College called for 10 A.M. on October 5th. The Board is to meet at 61 Gramercy Park, which is the number of the Church House of Calvary Church, on 21st Street.

In view of your new relationship to the China Colleges, I think it would be very desirable were you to be invited as a visitor to the meetings of the Board of Founders of Hwa Chung, so that you can keep in close touch with the total picture of the thirteen different colleges. I have not taken any steps in making such a suggestion to Dr. Sherman, but shall be glad to do so if you would like to have me.

I enclose for your information and that of Mr. Evans recent figures that have just come to my desk in regard to the cost of living in China up to the late spring.

Sincerely yours,

*Ed Lobenstine*

Mr. Earle Ballou  
Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York City

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October 2, 1944

Dear Earle:

Thank you for the information regarding the action taken by the London Missionary Society in regard to the joint Board of Founders of Christian Colleges. I assume that you have sent a copy to the Hwa Chung Board.

I wrote to Arthur Sherman about inviting you to the meeting of the Trustees on October 5th. He felt that he should refer it to the meeting itself since it raises a larger question than merely your attendance at one meeting. The meeting of the Hwa Chung Board begins at 10 o'clock on the morning of the 5th and if you could do so I think it might be well for you to hold yourself in readiness to attend the meeting upon receipt of a telephone call.

In view of the question of the number and location of the universities and colleges after the war I feel it very desirable, as I know you do, that you should be kept in touch with the thinking of the Boards of Founders of each of the institutions. I hope, therefore, that favorable action will be taken by the Hwa Chung Board. Sherman is inviting Arthur Rinden to attend the meeting.

Sincerely yours,

*Ed Lobenstine*

Mr. Earle Ballou  
Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China  
150 Fifth Avenue  
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EDWIN C. LOBENSTINE  
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November 29, 1944

Dear Charles:

Could you let me have a copy of the report of the Planning Committee of the Associated Boards on May 8, 1944? I have just been reading with great interest Dr. Francis Wei's "Memorandum on the Planning of Christian Colleges in China After the War." He refers to the above preliminary report of the Planning Committee in several places, and I do not seem to find a copy of that in this office. *(Sent as requested)*

At the meeting on September 25th of the Committee on Medical Education a Resolution ME 1729 referred to Drs. Cadbury, Kilborn, McCracken and Struthers the matter of suggesting a feasible program for relating the Christian medical schools in China to the war effort. Dr. Kilborn was to be the convener of the group. Have you had any report from that committee? I understood that they were to meet while Dr. Kilborn was still in the city, but I am inclined to think, since I have not heard from either Dr. Kilborn or from you, that the matter went by default.

Yours sincerely,

*Ed Lobenstine*

Mr. Charles Corbett  
Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China  
150 Fifth Avenue  
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P.S. I am thinking of showing Dr. Wei's report to Dr. David Stevens of the Rockefeller Foundation, who will, I think, be interested.

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December 22, 1944

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J. EARL FOWLER

Dear Mr. Fowler:

I note that you have wrong spelling for the name of Mr. Earle Ballou on the December 8th minutes of the Hua Chung Board of Founders. That probably is merely a typist's error. His full name is Rev. Earle H. Ballou.

Thank you for not placing my name under the representatives of Yale-in-China. I think the Associated Boards are using the term "Member-at-Large" instead of "Co-opted Member" for the persons on the Executive Committee of the Associated Boards who are in much the same position as I am on the Hua Chung Board.

I am delighted to have this confirmation of the fact that Francis Wei is recovering from his severe attack of typhus.

Yours sincerely,

*E. C. Lobenstein*

Mr. J. Earl Fowler,  
Acting Associate Secretary  
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EDWIN C. LOBENSTINE  
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JUN 19 1945  
J. EARL FOWLER

June 18, 1945

Dear Mr. Fowler:

In going through my files I find several blueprints of the Hua Chung compound at Wuchang. I wonder whether these would be of any use to you, especially when the time comes for reconsidering re-establishment of the college at Wuchang.

They are of no more use to me personally.

Yours sincerely,

*Edwin C. Lobenstine*

*Architect*

Mr. J. Earl Fowler  
Hua Chung College Board  
281 Fourth Avenue  
New York 10, New York

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June 19, 1945

Dr. Edwin C. Lobenstine  
1148 Fifth Avenue  
New York 28, New York

My dear Dr. Lobenstine:

Many thanks for sending me the blue prints of the Hua Chung Compound at Wuchang. I will turn these over to Mr. Bergamini, the College Architect, when he comes to New York some time. They may be of use to him as he lost some of his drawings in Manila.

I hope you are planning to have a delightful holiday during the summer. With best wishes and kind regards.

Sincerely yours,

J. Earl Fowler

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NOTE: This same letter was sent also to: Rev. F. T. Cartwright,  
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Dr. John W. Wood  
South Edgemont, Mass

Dean Wm. C. DeVane  
New Haven, Conn.

Rev. James T. Addison  
New York. New York

Dr. E. C. Lobenstine  
New York.

Dr. A. L. Warnshuis  
New York

Rev. A. V. Casselman  
Reading, Pa.

September 6, 1945

Mr. Oliver S. Lyford  
54 Dana Place  
Englewood, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Lyford:

We have found that the meeting scheduled for October 5th for the Central China College Executive Committee is not satisfactory to some of the members. As this is a very important meeting we would like to have one hundred per cent attendance. Will you be able to attend either on Thursday, October 4th or Thursday, October 11th?

According to the Constitution and By-Laws the regular meeting of the Board of Founders is supposed to be held on the Thursday following the second Wednesday in October, which this year would be October 11th. We would like to have a vote of the Executive Committee making it possible to change the date of the regular meeting to Friday, November 2nd. The reason for this change is to make it more certain that Dr. Francis C. M. Wei, President of the College, will be able to attend the meeting and to give more time between the meeting of the Executive Committee and the regular meeting so that we can plan on and expect a full attendance.

Please let me have a reply to these two questions at your earliest convenience.

Very sincerely yours,

J. Earl Fowler

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