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19th January, 1926.

Dr. Eric M. North, Ph.D.,
150, Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK CITY, U.S.A.

Dear Dr. North,

I am now enclosing a copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the British Section of the Board of Governors of the Shantung Christian University, held on Friday, January 8th, 1926, and I hope that these may both reach you safely and prove sufficiently clear. There are a few points, however, to which I would like to make special reference:—

Minute 27. Illness of Dr. Samuel Cochran.

We were profoundly grieved at the news which reached us concerning Dr. Samuel Cochran's breakdown in health, and if you had been present at our meeting, you would have learned how keen was the sympathy felt for Dr. and Mrs. Cochran in this time of weakness. Dr. Balme spoke beautifully of the invaluable character of Dr. Cochran's work and influence in the Shantung Christian University, and it is our most earnest hope that through such treatment as he may be able to secure in the United States, Dr. Cochran's health will be restored and he be placed in a position once more to resume his great work in China. We shall await with great interest and no little anxiety to hear what may be the report of the doctors concerning him after his health has been investigated in New York.

Minute 29. Minutes of the Administrative Council.

Finance & Property Committee. (A.C. Minute 0209).

(a) Plant for Power and Light.

You will see from this minute that the Board of Governors

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agreed to endorse the recommendation of the Administrative Council whereby authority is given for a loan for the Power and Light Plant up to \$7,000.

(b) Endowment.

We had quite a long discussion upon this matter, and I was extremely glad that Dr. Balme was here to reply to certain of the points that were raised. No possible objection, of course, was entertained to an application being made to the China Medical Board for a grant which might mean an endowment for the Medical School. It was, naturally, felt that if such help could be obtained, it would mean a very great deal for the future of the enterprise in Tsinan. The Board was very alive to the serious position in which the School of Medicine would be placed in 1928 if that year were to mark the end of the grants which have hitherto been made by the China Medical Board, and no provision were forthcoming for a continuance of such support. Where there was a feeling of misgiving in the minds of some of our friends, was as to any condition that might be attached to such a grant by the China Medical Board whereby it would be incumbent upon co-operating societies to raise certain sums for the same purpose. The Board of Governors were very sensible of the practical impossibility of carrying forward any big appeal on this score here in Great Britain at the present time. The feeling was very strong in the minds of certain leading members of the Board that I am afraid it would be impossible to do anything in this matter, even were there to be a great disposition to face it. The only chance I can see, whereby any monies might be obtained in Great Britain towards an endowment fund, would be if we could find some wealthy sympathiser who would be willing to make a munificent gift for the purpose. Whether that is at all likely is beyond me to say, and I fear that it might not be easy to find such a contributor. I am therefore hoping that in the end we may hear that the China Medical Board have felt able to make a grant which would ensure the continuance of their maximum annual grant, without anything having to be added to it.

Byelaws of the Field Board of Managers. (A.C. Minute 0214)

You will find attached to the Minutes of the Board, a report of the special sub-committee which has met since the meeting of the Board, and has raised a few points concerning the draft received from Tsinan. This draft together with all the other memoranda has been sent to Dr. MacRae, and I am hoping that the postal service may not be subject to delay, so that the Acting President may receive the papers in time to permit of his reply here by the date of our next meeting on March 19th, or at any rate to Toronto by the date of the next ensemble meeting, which I understand is to be held early in April.

Minute 30. Letter from London Missionary Society.

I have no doubt that you will convey the decision arrived at by

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the London Missionary Society Directors to the Co-operating Societies in North America, so that if any of them are thinking over the question of transferring the property they hold into the name of the Incorporated University, they may be influenced by what the London Missionary Society is willing to do.

Minute 31. Statement from Dr. Luella Miner.

This communication was received with the greatest interest and everyone was profoundly impressed by the facts to which Dr. Luella Miner drew attention. It was agreed that her statement should be forwarded to the Co-operating Societies, expressing the hope that they might be able to take the matter into their most favourable consideration at once and find a way whereby their women's departments might be in a position to join in the Women's Unit of the University. In replying to Dr. Luella Miner, I have asked her to let me know the relation of the nursing sisters at Tsinan towards the Women's Unit, in other words whether the Women's Boards or Medical Departments who are supporting any nursing sister or sisters will be eligible for inclusion in the Women's Unit. I fancy that must be the interpretation that should be given to the matter, but it seemed well that the point should be taken up with Dr. Luella Miner to learn her reaction upon it.

32. Request re Dr. Balme and Treaty Revision in Peking.

You will observe that the British Governors have given their endorsement to the consent that had been given in their name by the Chairman that Dr. Balme should render this special service at Peking on behalf of the British missionary body. It is hoped that the Field Board of Managers will equally concur in this action.

Trusting you are keeping well, and with every possible good wish for your life and service this year,
Believe me, dear Dr. North,
Yours very sincerely,

R. Dutcher Moorhead

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Dr. Eric North Ph. D.,
150, Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK CITY, U.S.A.

Dear Dr. North,

I think that the enclosed correspondence concerning Dr. Harold Balme's health will sufficiently explain itself, and that you will not desire that I should write to you any lengthy covering note to the letter sent to Dr. MacRae. I know how solicitous you will be that Dr. Balme's valuable health should be preserved and that he should not get seriously run down soon after he resumes his great service in China. As you will see from the correspondence some of us over here could have wished that Dr. Balme might have been able to prolong his stay here, giving up such time wholly to the interests of health. In view, however, of all the arrangements that have been made for his return to China and in the light of his own very earnest wish, we have not felt that we could urge the prolongation of his stay here. I know that you will protect him as far as ever possible during the time that he is with you in North America, and that you will join with us in emphasising to him the very great importance that he should conserve his strength and energies to the utmost extent.

With kindest regards,
Believe me,
Yours very cordially,

R Fletcher Moorshead

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Dr. Eric North, B.D.,
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Dear Dr. North,

I think that the enclosed correspondence concerning Dr. Harold Baine's health will sufficiently explain itself, and that you will not doubt that I should write to you any lengthily governing note to the letter sent to Dr. MacKear. I know how solicitous you will be that Dr. Baine's valuable health should be preserved and that he should not get seriously run down soon after he resumes his great services in China. As you will see from the correspondence some of us over here could have wished that Dr. Baine's health were somewhat stronger and that he was giving up such things wholly to the interests of health. In view, however, of all the circumstances that have been made for his return to China and in the light of his own very earnest wish, we have not felt that we should urge the prolongation of his stay here. I know that you will protect him as far as ever possible during the time that he is with you in North America, and that you will join with us in emphasizing to him the very great importance that he should conserve his strength and energies to the utmost extent.

Yours very cordially,
Believe me,

Robert Woodhouse

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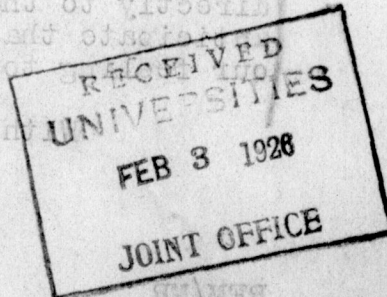
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Yours very cordially,
Believe me,

Arthur H. Moorehead



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439 Confederation Life Building,
Toronto 2, Feb. 8, 1926.

R. Fletcher Moorshead, Esq., M.B., F.R.C.S.,
19 Farnival Street,
London, E. C. 4.

Dear Dr. Moorshead:

I received your letter of Jan. 19th with enclosures, and I was very sorry indeed to know the conclusion arrived at by Dr. Mosse and yourself regarding the health of Dr. Balme, and the restrictions under which it is advisable that he be placed.

We shall observe your instructions, and so far as we are concerned, will not carry out our plan of having him address a large meeting in Toronto. The invitation was sent to him to him to reach him on his arrival in New York—five days late owing to Atlantic storms. If he sends word that he will accept, I suppose we cannot very well refuse, but he will doubtless himself wish to follow medical orders.

I note what you have written to Dr. MacRae. Evidently he will have to continue carrying some of the responsibility for administration of University affairs because of Dr. Balme's requiring to assume less responsibility.

The Minutes of the meeting of the British Joint Board have come, and we shall be much interested in reading them carefully.

We are all looking forward with interest to the meeting of the Board of Governors in Toronto in April. We have not heard who is coming from your side of the Ocean except Mr. Hawkins. We are planning a cordial welcome to all who favour us with their presence at that meeting.

With kind regards and best wishes for you personally, and for the work of your Board, I am

Very sincerely yours,

A. E. Armstrong

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Dr. Frederick H. North, M.D., F.R.C.S.,
12 Tavistock Street,
London, W. C. 4.

Dear Dr. North:

I received your letter of Jan. 15th with enclosure, and I was very sorry indeed to know the conclusion arrived at by Dr. North and yourself regarding the matter of Dr. Jones, and the restrictions under which it is inevitable that he be placed.

We shall observe your instructions, and as far as we are concerned, will not carry out our plan of having him undergo a large meeting in Toronto. The invitation was sent to him to him to reach him on his arrival in New York—five days later, owing to Atlantic crossing. It is much worse than all except. I suppose we cannot very well refuse, but we will discuss him well when we follow medical course.

I hope that you have written to Dr. McKim. Personally he will have to maintain himself out of the responsibility for the situation of University affairs because of Dr. Jones's continuing to assume legal responsibility.

The Minutes of the meeting of the British Joint Board have been, and we shall be most interested in reading them very fully.

We are all looking forward with interest to the meeting of the Board of Governors in Toronto in April. We have not heard who is coming from your side of the ocean except Dr. McKim. We are planning a formal welcome to all who favour us with their presence at that meeting.

With kind regards and best wishes for you personally,
I am, Sir, very truly,
Very sincerely yours,

W. D. North



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Dr. Eric M. North,
150, Fifth Avenue,
New York, U.S.A.

February 8th, 1926.

Dear Dr. North,

I write to thank you for your cable received to-day as follows:-

Shantung Governors will meet Toronto April ninth President Balme sails from Vancouver March sixth Eric North.

As I now know the date of the meeting in Toronto I can fix up the sailings for Dr. Weir and myself. We shall probably travel direct to Toronto, and get there a day or two before the 9th, and go on from Toronto to New York, arriving there on Monday, the 12th. I am going to call at Hartford, Connecticut, on my way down to see Mr. Willoughby, but I shall be able to arrive in New York on the morning of the 12th. As you know, the meetings of the Peking University Trustees and the Canton Christian College Trustees have to be fitted in. You will be able to settle the date of the former meeting, and when you have done so I shall be grateful if you will settle with Miss Himes, of 18, East 41st Street, the date of the latter. There are

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several return boats on Saturday, the 17th, and one on Thursday, the 15th, but we shall probably be returning on the 17th. I mention this, to suggest that if you fix the Peking University meeting for Tuesday, the 13th, you might suggest to the Canton Christian College people that Monday, the 12th might be fixed for their meeting, although it really does not matter, as the 15th ^{and} or 16th will be equally convenient for these meetings.

With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

J. H. Hawkins

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With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

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Dear Dr. North,

I am going to New York to attend the Annual Meeting of the Trustees of the Peking Union Medical College on Wednesday, the 14th April. I shall be delighted if you will dine with me at the Prince George Hotel on the evening of Tuesday, the 13th April, at 6.30, and I sincerely hope you are free on that evening. I expect Dr. Weir, of the S.P.C., will be coming with me.

As most of us will no doubt be coming direct from work during the day please do not trouble to dress.

Much looking forward to seeing you, and
with kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

F. H. Hawkins

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42, BROADWAY

WESTMINSTER S.W.

February 8th, 1926.

Dr. Eric North,
150, Fifth Avenue,
New York, U.S.A.

Dear Dr. North,

I am going to New York to attend the
Annual Meeting of the Trustees of the Federal Union Medi-
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I am looking forward to seeing you, and

With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

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February 18th, 1926.

Mr. F. H. Hawkins,
48 Broadway,
Westminster, S.W.1,
London, England.

My dear Mr. Hawkins:

Thank you for your two letters of February 8th and for the invitation to join you at the Prince George Hotel on the evening of Tuesday, April 13th. I shall be most happy to be with you at that time and look forward to it with pleasant anticipation. The dates of the other meetings are now in process of being fixed and are not quite completed. The following are fixed:

Shantung Christian University	-	April 9th
Peking University	--	April 13th
Peking Union Medical College	-	April 14th
Canton Christian College	-	April 16th.

The Executive Committee of the Methodist Board of Foreign Missions meets on the afternoon of the 15th. The China Medical Board also meets on that day, and, by the way the calendar falls it is also the regular day for the Staff Council of the Presbyterian Board which continues into Friday. It is probable that the Peking Women's College Committee will meet either on the 12th or the 14th. This does not affect your schedule however. I am taking up with Mr. Wernicke the arrangement for the Africa Committee and the possibility of another conference which he had in mind and when these are adjusted we will no doubt hear from him.

Cordially yours,

Eric M. North

Secretary.

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15th March, 1926.

Dr. Eric North,
Peking University,
150, Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK.

My dear Dr. North,

I have your letter of the 2nd instant, which arrived this morning. We have a meeting of the British Section of the Shantung Governors on Friday and I will arrange to get a number of proxies to Dr. Weir and myself from the British Governors, to make sure of their being a quorum at the meeting in Toronto on the 9th proximo. I shall arrange with Dr. Moorshead to get the Minutes of the meeting next Friday out in the course of next week, so that I can have them with me at the meeting on the 9th proximo, and if there is any chance of your copy not reaching you in New York, I will bring a duplicate copy for your use.

Many thanks for calling my attention to Dr. Timothy Law's address with regard to Mr. R. K. Evans. I have already received copies from China and part of it is appearing in our April Chronicle.

With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

F. H. Hawkins

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13th March, 1926.

Dr. Eric North,
Peking University,
150, Fifth Avenue,
New York.

My dear Dr. North,

I have your letter of the 2nd instant, which arrived this morning. We have a meeting of the British Section of the Shanghai Governors on Friday and I will arrange to get a number of proxies to Dr. Weir and myself from the British Governors, to make sure of their being a quorum at the meeting in Toronto on the 9th proximo. I shall arrange with Dr. Moorhead to get the Minutes of the meeting next Friday out in the course of next week, so that I can have them with me at the meeting on the 9th proximo, and if there is any chance of your copy not reaching you in New York, I will bring a duplicate copy for your use.

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Yours very sincerely,

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SHANTUNG CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY.

April 19, 1926.

Mr. R. Fletcher Moorshead,
19 Farnival Street,
London, E. C. 4,
England.

My dear Mr. Moorshead:

Enclosed you will find the Minutes of the Committee on Financial Regulations which I hope will reach you in time to be presented to the meeting of the British Section.

We were very much delighted to have Mr. Hawkins and Dr. Weir with us both in Toronto and New York and only wish that you could have joined them. Your many services to the Board of Governors were spoken of with much appreciation and we are sorry that you must lay down the secretarial pen, but are glad that it falls into such good hands as Dr. Weir's.

Cordially yours,

Eric M. North

Secretary,
North American Section, Board of Governors,
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April 20, 1926.

Dr. R. Fletcher Moorshead,
19 Furnival Street,
London, E. C. 4, England.

My dear Dr. Moorshead:

Under separate cover I am today mailing you thirty copies of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Governors of Shantung Christian University, held on April 9th, and for your information, in case the full set of minutes does not reach you in time for your meeting, I am now enclosing one copy of the minutes. As we only received the original draft of these minutes from Mr. Armstrong this morning, and as we immediately set about to have them duplicated, I have not had an opportunity to write you regarding the various actions, but, as Mr. Hawkins and Dr. Weir were both present, they will undoubtedly be able to give you any information you may desire.

Cordially yours,

Eric M. North

Secretary, North American Section,
Board of Governors,
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2nd June, 1926.

Dr. Eric M. North,
150, Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK CITY, U.S.A.

Dear Dr. North,

Many thanks for yours of 18.5.26., accepting our suggested corrections in the Minutes. Perhaps I should have said when I wrote before that Mr. Hawkins agreed with me and that it was not entirely on my own initiative that I wrote.

Thank you for the copy of your letter to Dr. MacRae and the two Presbyterian resolutions. As you know, I had already read the former, but the latter one of April 19th is new to me and I must say very gratifying. I am glad that the Presbyterian Board do not feel they need drop out of Yenching straight off. We in this country are anxious to collect more data as to what is happening in China, and the various sections of the Boards working in that country have been asked to collect facts as to what action has been or is contemplated should be taken in connection with registration on the field.

With all good wishes,

Yours truly,

Secretary, British Section.

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16th September, 1926.

Dr. Eric M. North,
156, Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK CITY, U.S.A.

Dear Dr. North,

I enclose copy of the Minutes of the recent meeting of the British Section and covering letter which I am sending with them to Mr. Armstrong. You will note the little problem I raise on the subject of procedure, and if you have any views on that question I should be glad to hear them, and see if there is anything that ought to be done to improve our present methods.

I do not think there are any points which need comment beyond those to which I have referred in writing to Mr. Armstrong, except that we had just an element of doubt in our minds as to which of the various appointments made by the Field Board needed more than general approval from us. I think that we have divided them rightly, and have passed definite resolutions of appointment in the cases where they were necessary, but again if you have any comments on this I should be glad to have them. Also FBM 659 we only noted with satisfaction because we understood that the appointment was not yet effective, having to await acceptance by Mr. Sung Hui Wu.

I am also sending the Minutes to Dr. Balme and writing more fully upon the points which he has raised with me.

With all good wishes,
Yours truly,

[Signature]
Hon. Secretary.

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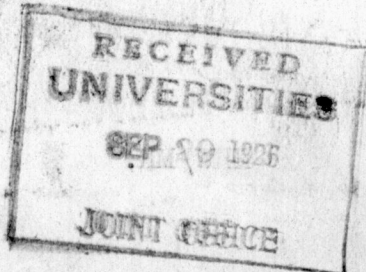
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I am also sending the minutes to Mr. Belme and writing more fully upon the points which he has raised with me.

With all good wishes,
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10th Nov., 1926.

Dr. Eric M. North,
American Section of the Board of Governors,
156, Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK CITY, U.S.A.

Dear Dr. North,

I am enclosing minutes of the recent meeting of the British Section of the Board of Governors, and a copy of my covering letter to Mr. Armstrong.

I do not think that there is anything further in the minutes on which I need comment to you. But there is one point which is rather puzzling me. We do not seem to have any minutes of the North American Section or its Executive Committee, since the Board meeting in Toronto, but I imagine that you have met some time. Dr. Cochran told us that the Presbyterian Board had appointed a nurse during the summer and I imagine that was done by your section or its Executive Committee, but I take it also that in order that it become effective, it would need the endorsement of our Board. I realise that it may be that your recent meeting, at which Dr. Cochran was present, is the only one you have had, and the minutes of that meeting are probably on their way and may clear up the whole matter, but I thought I had better raise the question with you.

Yours truly,

Hon. Secretary.

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17th January, 1927.

Refer to
Eric M. North Esq., Ph.D.,
North American Section of the Board of Governors,
150, Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK CITY, U.S.A.

Dear Dr. North,

I am sending you herewith a copy of the Minutes of the British Section recently held, and at the same time take the opportunity of thanking you for yours of 10.11.26. I am sending under separate cover 30 copies of the Minutes for your Section. I also enclose a copy of my covering letter to Mr. Armstrong, which deals with most of the points about which I might otherwise have to write to you, but perhaps there are a few points which do not concern him and should be added.

You will see that I have delightedly grasped at your solution of our Minutes confirming one another. You will also see that our Section has not yet tackled as thoroughly as it should the question of the financial needs of the University. Frankly I think I may say that we have felt all along that the raising of these large sums was completely out of our power - you know this - and that as your Section was so energetically seizing upon it and working upon it, we should wish you God-speed and interfere as little as possible with it, though, of course, we are making every effort to raise such funds as are available in this country. However, the result of our attitude has been that we have not hitherto given much study to the interesting documents which you have sent, and we propose to try and tackle them and understand them more, as well as consider any other financial problems of the present or future before the Annual Meeting.

There are just a few points in the Minutes upon which I ought to make further comment:

I think I commented to Mr. Armstrong on the pension question, but there is a further suggestion to make to you and to the Field Board as to the importance of making provision for this purpose as one of the prior financial needs of the University. Perhaps I may say frankly that the British Section was appalled to realise that hitherto we had essentially ignored it, and that at any time we might

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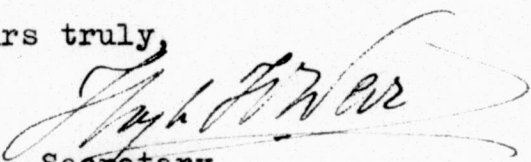
be faced either with a grave injustice to a valued member of the Staff or something approximating to bankruptcy. I may add that several of the British societies at this time are being very much troubled because the provision they made in the past is not proving adequate for this purpose, and difficulties are arising, and it is this which made us feel strongly about it. Do you think that your Section would be willing to incorporate this item in the list of the needs of the University and give it a high place? As the list stands, although it is mentioned in the memorandum, it does not come in among the items put before the public. I do not think I need add anything to what I have already said to Mr. Armstrong about BS-85, although it deals with your Minutes. There was nothing on which we had to take any formal action.

On BS-86, I do not know whether you have the difficulty which I seem to find on every occasion, of discovering with anything like certainty what is the requisite action to be taken by our Section on the various Field Board Minutes. I hope and believe that we have done it correctly, but to be quite certain which points need our approval and which only some lesser action is by no means an easy matter. You will note that we have 'approved' FBM-681 - we did this because as far as we could read it, the Field Board Minute amounted to a staff appointment and one in which we could not but express great satisfaction. Your minutes of a previous date indicated that something of the kind would probably happen, but I am under the impression that you have not passed upon it, and that our action was right. I presume you will act now.

Looking forward to seeing you in April,

With all good wishes,

Yours truly,


Hon. Secretary.

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Looking forward to seeing you in April,

With all good wishes,

Yours truly,

Hon. Secretary.

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January 31, 1927.

Dr. Hugh H. Weir,
22 Furnival Street,
London, E. C. 4, England.

My dear Dr. Weir:

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors of Shantung Christian University will be held on Tuesday, April 12, 1927, here at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City, and I have so notified the members of the North American Section, as you will see by the enclosed copy of the notice sent out. I am relying on you, however, to notify the members of the British Section and to arrange for the necessary proxies from the absent members of your Section.

If you have not received direct word from President Balme yourself, I am sure you will be as glad as we were to receive the encouraging news contained in the cablegram which I have quoted to the North American Section.

As I have already written Mr. Hawkins, the schedule of meetings for the week of April 10th appears to be as follows:

Monday, April 11th	Lingnan University (probably)
Tuesday, April 12th	Shantung Christian University Peking Union Med. Coll.
Wednesday, April 13th	Yenching College Committee
Thursday, April 14th	Peking University.

On behalf of the Trustees of Peking University, I wish to extend to you a very hearty invitation to attend the meeting of that Board on April 14th; I hope that you may find it possible to be present with us.

Cordially yours,

Secretary, North American Section,
Board of Governors.

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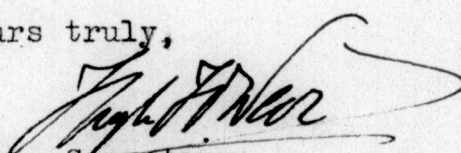
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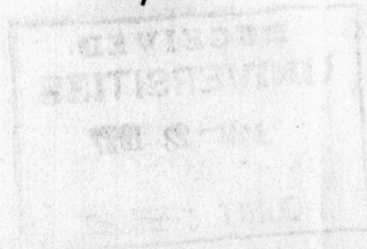
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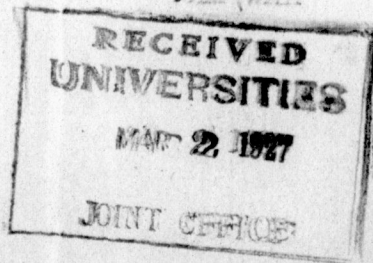
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70, Warwick Park,
TUNBRIDGE WELLS.

March 7th, 1927.

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Dear Weir,

I presume the closing sentence of the minutes you have circulated of our meeting of the B.S. of the Board of Governors of the S.C.U. on Jan. 7th refers to the proposal I made, though I do not think it is quite in accord with what I said, at any rate with what I had in mind. I think the time has come when we ought carefully to consider not only "the future financial prospects and problems of the University", but the whole policy and aims of the S.C.U. and where we are going. It is not merely a question as to whether we can see our way to finance the different needs which come up, and to meet the growing annual budget; but rather whether we are as clear as we ought to be as to the whole policy of the University, and whether it is such as to be likely to achieve rather than frustrate, the aim we have before us. Some of the things I should like us to consider might be put under some such headings as:-

We are gradually increasing the annual budget; the new hospital will cost more to run; salaries of Chinese members of the staff are gradually being increased, etc. It is hardly likely that Co-operating Missionary Societies, on this side at any rate, can increase their contributions. Ought Chinese support to be more commensurate with the expenditure? Probably as things are in China now we cannot look for increased support from them. Then ought we to call a halt till the situation is easier? - especially as I imagine it will not be easy to get people outside missionary circles to contribute as things are.

May we be westernizing the University too much, and getting out of touch with Chinese environment? Some may think you cannot do good work without an expensive plant, whether in hospital, medical school, middle school, etc. It is well of course to have high ideals, but may we be training the students so as to make them think necessary lots of equipment which they cannot expect to have when they leave the University? and so ~~we~~ making them too big for the jobs which may await them?

I think our hope is that some day the University will be taken over by the Chinese. Is the policy we are pursuing such as to make this more, or less, possible? We may talk of advance and high ideals and so forth, but may the University be growing to such an extent as to be beyond the possibility of the Chinese ever taking it over?

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There are other points which should be considered, but I need not say more now; this will give you some sort of idea of what I had in mind. And I think you will see that if this is made an item on the Agenda of an ordinary meeting there will not be time to adequately consider it. Our Agenda generally overtakes our time, and before we are through with it our numbers are often getting very few. This is one reason why I asked you not to include it in the Agenda for our meeting on the 11th. And another reason was because, as you probably know, Balme is coming home shortly; and that being so, I think you will agree that it would be well that we should have the opportunity of conference with him. I assume that any such meeting that we have for this purpose would naturally be limited to the actual members of the Section.

Another suggestion occurs. Would it be better - I think it would be - that a sub-committee of the Section should be appointed to consider the whole matter, and to report upon the points I have named and any other points which might arise - such sub-committee having power to call in and interview any one they might wish, including members of the staff of the S.C.U. or members of the Field Board who may be in the country. It is often easier for a small number to consider problems.

Very truly yours,

(signed) ARNOLD C. INGLE.

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8th March, 1927.

Dr. H. H. Weir,
22, Furnival Street,
London, E.C.4.

My dear Weir,

I have just sent you the following code cable, which
I trust may have reached you correctly:-

YHEBF	In view of
IFUNP	general
VOUWK	situation
IKYCT	Faculties
SENATE	Senate
WITSH	are strongly in favour of
APTUK	making immediate application
ISCUN	government
UPPOB	registration
YLEGH	while
EJVUP	the conditions are
ILOTS	in our favour
YFOJJ	Strongly urge you to
BIODM	cable authority to act
HIUHS	at the discretion of
MINIS	Board of Managers
BALME	Balme
JUPYF	Inform
CARR	Carr
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MIOXM	manuscript
VEBID	has been sent

As you will have gathered, my object in cabling this was in order to reach you before the meeting of the British Section of the Board of Governors on Friday next, and as you will see, I am urging the Governors to give discretionary powers to the Field Board of Managers to deal with this serious question of Government registration. Things are moving so fast in the South that it is becoming more and more impressed upon us that our wise course of action is to register the university while the conditions are favourable. You will have noticed from the minutes of our Field Board last June and of the Administrative Council in November that these bodies have already recognised the advisability of registering the university with the government and have accepted the official interpretation of the fifth clause as satisfactory. With

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the spread of the nationalist movement which we are already feeling here in the north, although the Nationalist Party has not yet reached this province, it is abundantly clear that the matter of registration is no longer an academic question. It is becoming more and more the test of our willingness to relinquish special privileges and place ourselves in line with Chinese requirements. The conditions of registration which have been laid down by the Southern government are such that many Christian institutions are finding it impossible to remain open. That may be our position if these conditions are not modified by the time the Southerners secure control of this province, and if that contingency arises we shall of course have to face very frankly the question as to whether or not we shall have to close the institution, at any rate for a time. That question, however, will confront us whether or not we have already registered at that time with the Northern government and it is the general consensus of opinion among our Chinese colleagues and advisors that if by that time we have already registered with the northerners and have by so doing demonstrated our willingness to abandon that position which Dr. Wallace always speaks of as "educational extraterritoriality", we shall be in a better position to secure favourable terms from the Southerners and possibly some modification of their conditions than if they find us still unregistered. There is nothing in the conditions as outlined by the northern government which we cannot accept, for as you know our religious work is already on a voluntary basis. Yenching University has already applied for registration and has been very favourably treated, and we feel that it would be unwise of us not to take advantage of these conditions and go forward. It is no longer a question of being able to proceed with slowness and with caution as I have so often advised in previous correspondence. The time has arrived when definite action is called for and the administrative officers here, to a man, feel strongly that we should go ahead without delay. The Administrative Council at their November meeting, placed the initiative in the hands of the Senate, and as the result of a long discussion on Feb. 28th the Senate decided that unless there were a motion of disapproval from either of the faculties by March 7th they would proceed at once in the matter. No such disapproval has been expressed by any of the faculties and we are therefore going forward to the extent of making enquiry as to the information which we shall have to supply and soliciting the counsel and assistance of Mr. Wu Lei-ch'uan (Vice-President of Yenching University and a former member of the Ministry of Education), who as a genuine Christian is deeply interested in seeing all Christian colleges lined up with the government, and who, because of his previous connection with the ministry has proved invaluable in getting Yenching registered. I am sending a copy of this letter to Dr. North and will also cable to him so that if by any chance the letter failed to reach him before the meet-

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ing of the Board of Governors on April 12th, they would still have my cable upon which to act.

I realise that it is a large responsibility for the Board of Governors to take to place such a matter in the hands of the Field Board of Managers, but in view of the whole situation in this country and of the urgent need that we who are connected with the missionary enterprise should be prepared to take no less risks than our statesmen are taking today in their relations with China, I most earnestly hope that the Governors will be prepared to devolve this authority upon the field. Our Field Board of Managers is a most representative and influential body and can I think be fully trusted to guard the interests of the mission boards in this step.

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With warmest regards.

Ever yours sincerely,

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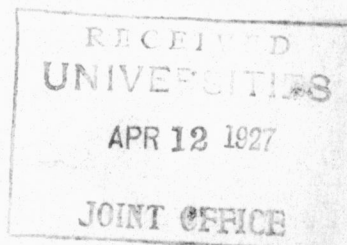
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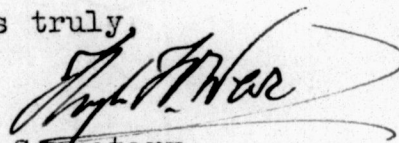
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THE WAY OF THE DOCTOR. A Study in Medical Missions. By R. Fletcher Moorshead. Foreword by Sir Leonard Rogers. 242 pp. New York: The Century Company. \$2.

INTENDED primarily for the instruction and enlightenment of young men and women who are preparing for work as doctors or nurses in the medical missionary field, Dr. Moorshead's book aims also to stir the interest of laymen in the services and possibilities of medical missions. The author has for many years had wide and close acquaintance with the work of these missions and his exposition of the very great importance of their service, the imperative need of them in many fields, the possibilities that await them, the spirit in which they should carry on, is written not only out of much knowledge but also out of a heart and mind deeply and ardently engaged in their work. Throughout the book he stresses constantly the double purpose of the medical mission as a healing and a Christianizing agency and insists that the two must go forward closely linked.

A chapter is devoted to the special service that can be rendered by women doctors as medical missionaries, a service in many lands, especially in such countries as India and China, which Dr. Moorshead considers of the highest importance. Among modern developments in the medical missionary field he discusses at length the desirability of the best possible medical training and the growth of the indigenous church. In his discussion of the latter subject he comments on the "entirely new set of problems in the conduct of the missionary enterprise" created by the World War and its consequences and deals especially with the situation which has developed in China.

Sir Leonard Rogers, who writes the foreword, has long been engaged in research work in tropical medicine, his interest being especially concerned with leprosy, wherein his discovery of the value of chaulmoogra oil has been one of the great achievements of modern medicine. He offers a fine tribute to the importance of the work of medical missions.

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18th May, 1927.

Dear Dr. North,

Many thanks for yours of 27.4.27 to the President and Acting President, with the Minutes of the Annual Meeting. I now respond by sending you the Minutes of our subsequent meeting of the British Section, and a copy of my letter to Dr. Armstrong, to which I wish to add my personal comment on BS-102.

I need not tell you how grieved our Section was to hear that we were losing you as Secretary of the Board, and to me personally it is perhaps a more serious matter than to most of us this side, because I have had the privilege of knowing you, and still more because we have had to conduct correspondence with one another, and I know better than most, if not all of them, the work you have put into the University as Secretary of the North American Section. You have laboured nobly in that country, and in addition it is impossible to overlook the fact that you have really been the effective Secretary of the Board, doing practically all the work for the united body, and all of us owe you a very deep debt of gratitude for what you have done.

Perhaps I ought to add to what I have said to Dr. Armstrong about the next Annual Meeting, that I have no doubt you have got the matter in hand, and that if there is anything that I can do to assist you in making investigations or otherwise working towards the right date, I shall be only too glad to do it. I suppose there is no chance of your finding some capacity in which you also could cross the Atlantic?

I do not think there is anything in your covering letter to the Annual Meeting Minutes which requires any comment from me. Doubtless you are getting plenty of up-to-date news. Dr. Balme has been able to give us here quite satisfactory information as to what is going on and the way that the Chinese Committee now in charge of the University are carrying out their functions.

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With all good wishes, both for the work to which you go and that which you are still keeping in hand,

Yours truly,

Lynd H. H. H.

Hon. Secretary.

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British Sec.

Shantung Christian University

June 6, 1927

Dr. H. H. Weir,
22, Farnival Street,
London, E.C.4,
England.

Dear Dr. Weir:

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 18th of May and the minutes of the British Section, and copy of your letter to Mr. Armstrong.

Your very kind word as to the slight service I have been able to render to Shantung University and its Governors has been most generously appreciated and I am grateful both for your letter and for the action which the British Section was kind enough to enter upon their minutes. I can assure you of my warm interest in the whole work of the University and will be glad to be of help whenever I can.

Mr. Garside is taking over, for the time being at least, the secretarial work of the North American Section and the matters in your letter that require action he will write to you about.

Cordially yours,

Eric M. North

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22, Furnival Street,
London, E.C. 4.

Dr. Hugh H. Weir, M.A., M.B.,
S.P.G.,
15, Tufton Street,
Westminster, S.W. 1.

24th June, 1927.

Dear ~~Dr.~~ Weir,

I am writing to you today as Secretary of the British Section of the Board of Governors to tender my resignation of the post of President of the Shantung Christian University. I need hardly tell you with what keen regret I find myself compelled thus to sever my connection with an institution with which I have been closely associated for nearly 15 years. I am, however, convinced that the best interests of the University will be served by this action. As soon as I learned of my Father's serious illness, I offered my resignation to the University Senate and to the Administrative Council of the Field Board of Managers, but they did not feel that they could consider it at that time, as it was uncertain how long I should find it necessary to remain in this country. Within the past fortnight, we have called in a specialist to consider my Father's condition, and the report which he has given us makes it highly problematical as to whether I could return to China within the next year or two, - if indeed I can ever hope to do so. Under these circumstances, my mind is quite clear that the only right course of action is for me to resign, so that the University may be free to make a new appointment, and I should be grateful if you would lay my resignation before the other members of the Board of Governors and the Field Board of Managers.

I need hardly assure you of my continued deep interest in the welfare of the University, and of my willingness to do anything that lies in my power to help it forward. The years that I have been connected with Tsinan, and have shared in this bold experiment in practical Christian fellowship have been, without question, the happiest and richest years of my life. I believe that there is a great future ahead of the University, a future in which our Chinese Christian colleagues will take an increasingly important share in the control and support of the institution. I shall continue to follow its work with constant interest and prayer, and am only sorry that circumstances, over which I have no control, debar me from continuing to participate in the administration and direction of an institution in which I profoundly believe and to which I am devotedly attached.

Believe me,

Yours sincerely,

(signed) HAROLD BALME.

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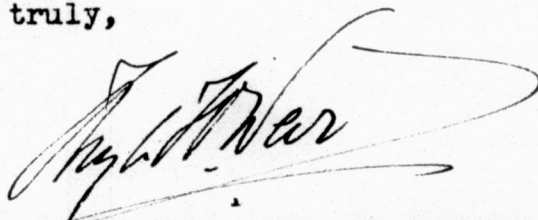
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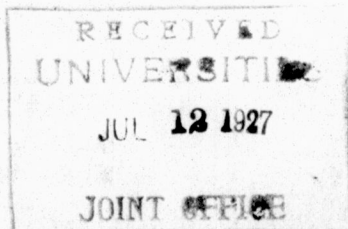
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1st July, 1927.

Dear Mr. Garside,

At Dr. Weir's request
I am enclosing copies of
Dr. Balme's letter of resignation,
for the use of the American
Section.

Believe me,
Yours sincerely,

In Robertson

Office Secretary.

B.A. Garside, Esq., A.B.,
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7th July, 1927.

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NEW YORK CITY, U.S.A.

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Writing privately to you, I want to add that the British Section felt very strongly indeed that any resolution, or even hint of a resolution, on its part might be a very grave embarrassment to the Field Board of Managers. We did, however, express our individual views fully and frankly on all points which could be raised by us concerning the presidency, and Mr. Hawkins will be able to reflect these views if he can meet the Field Board when he is in China. We had not any members of the staff present, though we should have been glad of Dr. Balme's presence had he been available, but he had expressed himself as unwilling to be there even if he had not been otherwise engaged. He had pointed out in a letter something of the serious difficulties which might arise if the Field Board had any indication from the Governors as to the action which it might take, and I feel sure that if you are having a meeting of the North American Section you will see that the danger of any action of that kind is clearly barred from the minutes. For the same reason I think perhaps it is best, and indeed my Section thought so also, for me not to give you even in this letter any indication of the various opinions which were expressed at our meeting; but, I hope that one or more of your Governors may be able in the same way to be in China with a knowledge of the views of their colleagues. Our only anxiety is not to hamper the Managers in any way whatever in making the proposal which may seem to them to be the best.

Yours truly

Hon. Secretary.

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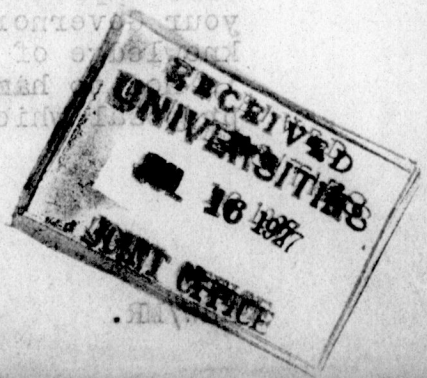
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Yours truly,

Hon. Secretary.



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July 12, 1927

Dr. Hugh H. Weir,
22, Farnival Street,
London, E.C.4, Eng.

My dear Dr. Weir:

We have your letter of June 27th and also the additional supply of mimeographed copies of Dr. Balme's letter of resignation. We have received the news of this action on his part with the deepest regret. We can appreciate something of what his loss will mean to the University, and yet we quite understand that, under the circumstances, he can do nothing more than to make plans to remain in England with his father. I am very hopeful that this situation will not, after all, prove a total loss of his service to Cheeloo, for I am sure that his presence in Great Britain during the next few years will be of immense value to the institution because of his remarkable ability to stimulate interest and support for the work.

I am mailing out copies of Dr. Balme's letter of resignation to all members of the North American Section. As soon as it is possible to secure a meeting of the Section, or of the Executive Committee, some action will be taken.

I have seemed to delay over long in reply to your letter of May 18th addressed to Dr. North, in which you take up particularly the question of the place and date of the next annual meeting of the Board of Governors. This delay has been due to the tardiness of our North American members in replying to the inquiry I at once addressed to them as to the possibility of their attending a meeting in London next March. Even now our information is too meagre to give any very satisfactory answer.

Dr. Armstrong states that his plans are still unsettled and that he may or may not be able to go to London for the meeting. If he does go March 14th or 15th would suit him as well as any other date.

Dr. Robert E. Speer writes that he is expecting to go to the Jerusalem Council but is not sure whether he will sail directly to Beirut or go by way of England.

Dr. Brown, whom you mentioned as a possibility, states that he will not be able to attend such a meeting in London next March.

Dr. Paul Monroe is just now away from America and I shall have to

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await his return before getting information from him.

Principal Candier, whose name you also mentioned, has not replied to either of the two letters sent him, and I must write a third time.

Most of the other members of the Board have replied to my inquiries but none of them are likely to be able to attend. I will try to bring this matter before the first meeting of our North American Section or its Executive Committee to see if we can send you a more satisfactory answer.

Our recent information from China has, on the whole, been quite cheerful. I am hoping that, unless unexpected disorders break out in the near future, many or all of our foreign members of the staff may be able to return to Tsinan for the opening of the University this autumn.

Very sincerely yours,

B. A. Casside

Acting Secretary
Central Office

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July 28, 1927

W.H.W.
Dr. Hugh H. Ware
Shantung Christian University
22 Farnival Street
London E.C. 4
England

My dear Dr. Ware:

We have your letter of July 7 with its attached copy of the emergency meeting of the British Section held on July 4. We have also received copies of the minutes of that meeting and have distributed them to the members of the North American Section.

Practically all of the officers of the North American Section and many of the other members have been away during the month of July so it has not been advisable to call the section together as yet. I hope such a meeting can be arranged within the next ten days. I am sure that the action our North American Section will take will be quite similar to that taken by the British Section of the Board. As you state it is the time when the governors must act very discreetly and carefully to avoid embarrassing the field board of managers.

Very sincerely yours,

B. A. Carade

Acting Secretary

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September 13, 1927

Dr. Hugh H. Weir,
London, Eng.
Mr. A. E. Armstrong,
Toronto, Can.
Dr. J. D. MacRae,
Tsinan, China.

Gentlemen:

Herewith we are sending a copy of the minutes of the Executive Committee of the North American Section of the Board of Governors of Shantung Christian University. Under separate cover we are sending 30 copies to China and 30 copies to London.

There is probably no need for extended comment regarding any of the actions taken. The action on the resignation of President Balme is very similar to that taken by the British Section of the Board of Governors. It was the feeling of the Executive Committee of the North American Section that the wise course to pursue was simply to accept Dr. Balme's resignation and leave the way open for the field to take the next step.

Action HAS-55 changes my own relationship to the University to the extent of placing my work for the coming year largely in the Central Office of China Union Universities. I hope that in this position I may still be able to acceptably serve the cause of Shantung Christian University.

I am sure you will be glad to know that the Executive Committee is convinced that we should continue our promotion activities during the coming year to as great an extent as possible. I personally am very hopeful that the China situation will sufficiently clarify to permit the accomplishment of real progress in this direction. Our Campaign Committee just today held a meeting to determine further details of campaign procedure.

Recent contacts with the officials of the Rockefeller Foundation have led us to hope that no great difficulty will arise in our attempts to secure a continuance of the present annual grant for the Medical School for at least another year. Action will probably be taken at the meeting of the Foundation in November.

Faithfully yours,

B. A. Osier
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22nd September, 1927.

B.A. Garside, Esq., A.B.,
Shantung Christian University,
150, Fifth Avenue,
NEW YORK CITY, U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Garside,

I enclose copy of the Minutes of our recent meeting of the British Section of the Board of Governors, together with copy of my covering letter to Dr. Armstrong. Let me also thank you for yours of 19.5.27 with the Minutes of the Campaign Committee; of 12.7.27; of 28.7.27, and now of 13.9.27 with the Minutes of the Executive Committee of 18.8.27, which has just arrived. Owing to the fact that these Minutes did not reach us when our Section met, we had then no confirmation of the acceptance of Dr. Balme's resignation, and he was therefore present as a member of the Board in his capacity as President. I take it that from a technical point of view he was so until your Minutes came into our hands.

It is good to hear that your Campaign work is going forward and I hope it will be producing some fruit. You will see that we are not wholly idle, but it is true that our efforts are not producing a great expansion of funds. It is all we can do so far to hold our own, but we hope to continue to do that.

I should add a word or two further in answer to your letter of 12.7.27. I quite appreciate the grave difficulties with which you have been faced in securing favourable answers from members of the Board in regard to the next Annual meeting. You will note that the British Section maintains its earnest desire that this should be done, and I have mentioned it in my letter to Dr. Armstrong. Surely if Dr. Speer is going to Jerusalem he could arrange to come to England on the way, and it would worth his while to do so. I am very sorry that Dr. Brown will not be available, as I was hoping to see him in this country. Perhaps by now you will have heard something more from Principal Gandier and Dr. Paul Monroe, and I hope you will be able to stimulate them for the purpose. May I

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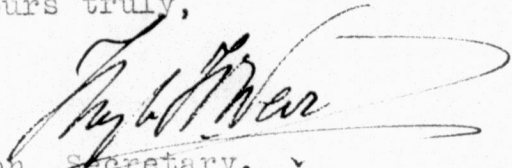
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unofficially add a point which is probably in the minds of folk, but which perhaps you might impress upon anyone who would otherwise be free for the journey, and that is that the cost of living on this side of Atlantic seems to be so much lower than it is on yours that the difference goes a long way towards making up the cost of passage, and therefore the expedition from the United States to England is a very economical matter compared to the corresponding one the other way, except for those whose expenses are entirely paid.

I do not think there is any reply needed from me on any of the points in your Executive Committee Minutes. It is satisfactory that you are able to go forward so well.

Yours truly,


Hon. Secretary. ✓

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folk, but which perhaps you might impress upon anyone who would
otherwise be free for the journey, and that is that the door
of living on this side of Atlantic seems to be closed. I mean
that it is a matter of the difference goes a long way toward
making up the cost of passage, and therefore, the difference
the United States is a very costly place to visit. I mean
compared to the other side, and the difference is very great.
Those whose expenses are small.

I do not know what the result of the journey will be
any of the points in the journey, but I am sure it will be
a very interesting one.

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Shantung Christian University

October 7, 1927

Dr. Hugh H. Weir,
22, Farnival Street,
London E.C.4,
England

My dear Dr. Weir:

Thank you for your letter of September 22nd with its copy of the minutes of the British Section of the Board of Governors on September 16th, and also copy of your letter of September 22nd addressed to Dr. Armstrong. We have also received a sufficient quantity of the minutes of the British Section to distribute to all of the members of the North American Section of the Board of Governors.

I will be glad to follow up as soon as possible the matter of securing formal approval of the proposal that the next annual meeting of the Board of Governors be held in London on March 14th or 15th. There seems to be a unanimous sentiment among all members of our North American Section that, in fairness to our British friends, the annual meeting should be held in England next year. It seems that the proposed date will prove as satisfactory as any other would be. I am sure that you can begin making tentative plans on the assumption that the meeting will be held in London on the date you have mentioned and we will send a formal confirmation at as early a date as we can. Since writing you last I have heard from both Dr. Monroe and Dr. Gandier, but neither has been able to give any definite promise of being able to attend a meeting in London next spring.

I am enclosing one copy of the minutes of our Campaign Committee on September 13th, and under separate cover we are sending a sufficient quantity to supply the members of the British Section. You will note that we are trying to keep the promotion work here in America going ahead as steadily as possible during the coming year even though conditions are not favorable for an intensive campaign just at this time.

Very truly yours,

B.A. Parson

Acting Secretary
North American Section
Board of Governors
Shantung Christian University

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21st November, 1927.

✓ Rev. C. E. Wilson, B.A.,
Baptist Missionary Society,
19, Farnival Street,
London, E.C.4.

Dear Mr. Wilson,

Your letter to Dr. MacRae under date September 10th was duly received, but owing to his illness and subsequent departure from China on three months' health leave, Dr. MacRae has not been able to acknowledge your favour himself. If he were to write you personally he would surely thank you for taking him into your confidence by telling him so frankly what is in your mind regarding the situation in the University, and its effect on the Baptist Missionary Society, which you so ably represent. I can imagine how Dr. MacRae, being at the head of this institution, and therefore preeminently responsible for its welfare, would fully appreciate the content as well as the tone of your communication. Both of us regard it as friendly advice rather than harsh criticism, though both will find a hearty welcome when they come from the home base.

I trust that the same cordial spirit will be reciprocated in your reception of what I am about to state in reply to some of the points you have kindly raised in your letter just referred to, though to you I am entirely a stranger, except for the duties I am now carrying, which, by-the-way, were suddenly thrust upon me when Dr. MacRae was taken ill and left China about a month ago.

Please permit me to assure you and your Mission that the University authorities concur in your feeling that there is a real danger that the University in passing through this present period of readjustment may lose much of its original emphasis as a Christian institution. In this peculiarly difficult situation all the Christian schools in China find themselves - your own Mission schools not excepted - and very few really know what to do, save for the determination to preserve at all costs whatever is best and most essential in Christian education.

The hearty and faithful support of your mission from the time of its inception, has given to the University its present position of prestige and importance in China, which has secured for it a large and unprecedented opportunity for rendering useful service to the Christian Church and the Chinese community. We certainly hope that it is not "growing away" from you, though it may have grown up to its present enlarged proportions from its small beginnings, which is rightly a cause for thankfulness and more earnest endeavour. Its

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volume of expenditure is not small, but its ambition is to do the largest amount of good with its present limited facilities. The present financial conditions may have prevented your Mission from appropriating to the University as much as you would like or as much as it needs, but I pray that the B.M.S. may maintain its full support of this ~~Un~~institution, irrespective of the amount of actual cash it can remit. Because the Chinese Church and its leaders are looking forward to permanent cooperation with the Christian Church in Western lands. Those who cooperate in missionary effort will find a fitting place in China in making the spiritual experience of Christians in the West serve to enrich that of Christians in China. Institutions of higher learning are a useful medium by which Western churches can make their contribution to Christian life and thought in the Chinese Church.

Now with your permission I will proceed to mention a few points regarding two matters which must have figured prominently of late in the thought of our well-wishers in Great Britain and America, namely, Registration and Religious Instruction.

REGISTRATION - Even before your letter came, the general trend of thought among Christian educators in China seemed to discourage hasty action in view of the present uncertain political conditions. Your advice has meant the steeling of our resolution to defer any definite action. As you will see from the minutes of the Field Board of Managers under that head, it was thought unwise to make a plunge now while the elements of uncertainty are still rife. As to the Government regulations, there is as much ground for considering them satisfactory as the reverse, so difference of opinion should be allowed on this point. Those who advocate immediate registration are animated by a desire to save the Christian schools from elimination or abolition. Those who advocate caution are as invariably bent on preventing those schools from becoming secular through registration. No school is worth saving if in making an adjustment it loses its Christian character and it is equally clear that a school could not hope to maintain its Christian character merely by regaining from registration.

When it comes to a choice between doing good under limited conditions and not being able to do good at all, many conscientious Christians, missionaries and Chinese alike, would choose the former position and function as best they can while awaiting better times. It is not certain that the majority would make the second choice and bring their Christian service to an end as a protest against legislative injustice. Fortunately we are not as yet faced with exactly the dilemma mentioned above, but recent events lead us to realise that it is probably bound to arise in the near future.

Wenching has registered with the Government and thus taken the lead in one line of action. There is absolutely no reason why some school should not make itself a test case by not registering, so as to show the advantages of an opposite

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line of action. I am not sure, however, that any of our Home Boards would wish Shantung Christian University to be the one to make the experiment.

However, the minute passed by the Field Board of Managers, if approved by the two sections of the Board of Governors, will enable us to gain time in deciding whether or not to take any definite action, until the question has been thoroughly discussed and a general policy formulated by our controlling Boards at home and on the field.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION - First, it must be pointed out the attendance at religious services has always been voluntary at Cheeloo, that is to say, ever since the University started its work in Tsinan. The attendance has not been as large as it should be, except on occasions of special services. But last year we were enabled to gain another view of our situation through the eyes of a travelling secretary of the Student Movement connected with the National Committee of the Y.M.C.A. He had been in most of the schools and colleges and had had an opportunity to compare what he had seen. His remark was that Cheeloo was one of the Christian institutions where voluntary chapel service was well attended and with a good worshipful spirit,

Secondly, in the case of Cheeloo, the question of putting Religious Instruction on an elective basis had no direct bearing on the question of registration. We should have adopted this policy in the natural course of events for no other reason than to give the students a keener appetite for spiritual truth, and a more favourable opportunity to know the object of their faith. I am sorry that the report of Dr. Speer and Dr. Kerr has given the impression that "S.C.U. policy was making religious studies and attendance at Christian worship entirely secondary and optional in the University". We have made them "optional" but have no mind to make them "secondary". The fact is that the University, realising the unsatisfactory results from requiring and compelling in matters of religion, has decided on prosecuting its original aim by another method.

In 1925 at the meeting of the General Board of the China Christian Educational Association in Shanghai, this matter was discussed most thoroughly and even the most stringent advocates of compulsory religious education admitted the fact that those who stood for voluntary religious instruction were not attaching less importance to that phase of Christian educational work. The main trend of the discussion was finally summed up in the following minute:-

"The Board records the fact that the question of voluntary attendance on religious worship and voluntary attendance at classes of Religious Instruction is one on which there is a marked difference of opinions among Christian educators in China. This difference is by no means due to

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a difference in regard to the central aim of missionary education but only in regard to the means by which that aim can best be accomplished. The Board is therefore of opinion that this matter should be discussed on its merits quite apart from its relation to the question of registration, with which it has been unfortunately associated by force of circumstances."

The mental attitude of the University when adopting this measure of making courses in Religious Instruction optional may be ascertained to some extent through the report of the Dean of Arts and Science for the year 1926/27:-

"To put courses in religion on the elective list does not mean attaching less importance to the religious interests of the students, but more. We agree with those who believe that the spiritual development of the young is by no means confined to the taking of religious courses. If the students in Christian schools are not to be neglected in the culture of their spiritual growth, we must look to every Christian member of the staff to bring his or her Christ-inspired personality into active functioning in all possible contacts with the students. There can be no better advertisement for religion or religious courses than actual lives which are the direct product of that religion. It is with the understanding that henceforth each member of the staff will more than ever before take a full share of the responsibility for the spiritual welfare of the students that we have consented to making religion elective instead of being required."

To be more specific. I beg to state the following points to show the background of the thinking of a good many members of the staff when we discussed the question of Religious Instruction at an Academic Board meeting in the University about two years ago.

1. Religious Instruction has been given in the Lower and Secondary Schools for twelve years (Primary 6 years, Middle School, 6 years) and is without exception compulsory in its nature, for the voluntary system is not known to have existed in these schools until very recently. If this compulsory religious instruction has not given the students a craving for more religion, but has so affected them that the moment they are given an opportunity to choose they invariably turn away from religion, there must be something fundamentally wrong with the early teaching of that subject.

2. This being the case, it is questionable whether the same method of instruction should be pursued in schools of college grade, unless it is to keep up a mere appearance of having every student attending chapel service and enrolled in a Bible class, while the compulsion and pressure incident upon enforcing the school regulations produce a spirit of rebellion and chafing which entirely defeat the purpose in view.

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3. A school does not become secular because Religion is voluntary and Religious Instruction optional any more than a school is religious merely by making religion required of all its students. The religious or non-religious character of a school rather depends upon the religious effectiveness of its teachers, by whom religious instruction or instruction in any subject is given.

4. It is the paramount duty of each one of the officers and teachers of the University to see that students who do not take advantage of the public provision for Religious Instruction, either by attending Chapel or by electing Religious Courses, do not miss all opportunity for their spiritual development.

You will naturally ask what is actually being done for the spiritual welfare of the students, so I will here mention briefly a few points to show how solicitous the University is in this respect. I must confess, however, a great reluctance in enumerating them, partly because these are some of the things which any Christian is bound to do for those entrusted to his care, and their chief value and merit are in their private character; partly because the very mention of some makes the omission of others the more conspicuous.

1. Morning Chapel is held regularly in all schools, and the average attendance is slowly but steadily increasing. (The actual numbers attending in the Arts and Theological Schools this year are higher than last year, in spite of the fact that there is a drop of about 100 in the enrolment of the Arts School). The Sunday service in the University church is carefully arranged for and also shows an improved attendance.

2. The General Assembly formerly met once a week, and this year, on account of reduced staff, meets twice a month. Here lectures are given and the lives of great men, great events of history, scientific discoveries, the Christian Church and religion. Attendance at this is required.

3. Strict care is exercised in the appointment of members of staff that only Christians of evangelical faith are invited. Only in rare cases of necessity is this point waived. For instance, out of a teaching staff of 25 in the Arts School only two are not baptised Christians.

4. Members of staff are frequently reminded by private letters and at called meetings of their responsibility for the spiritual and moral as well as the intellectual well-being of the students.

5. Students are constantly exhorted by public announcements or by special addresses, reminding them of the primary purpose of this institution and urging them to give more attention to the acquisition of a dynamic knowledge of the truth and of habits of intimate communion with God through worship and study.

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6. Members of the Volunteer Band and Christian Endeavour Society etc. (all students) are requested to use their personal influence in bringing their student friends to religious services.

7. Each year at the beginning of the fall semester the leaders of the Student Christian Association are assisted to hold a Retreat in a quiet place for a week-end, in order to catch a new vision themselves and to plan a programme for the year of Christian activities among the students.

8. Students are encouraged to teach Sunday School, and to preach in churches and chapels in the city. They also undertake night schools for University workmen and classes for street children.

9. Last year, for the purpose of cultivating closer friendship between students and teachers in the Arts School, we started a scheme of group meetings by departments, the students majoring in each department meeting the professors and assistant teachers of the department for prayer and discussion of life problems which confronted them.

10. The University makes a strenuous effort to maintain such a Christian atmosphere as to make possible the existence of small voluntary groups banded together for Bible study, prayer and discussion of problems. These groups are not all known and do not wish to be made public. But on one occasion, about three weeks ago, a report was made of the students' religious activities. In the course of a few minutes seven or eight groups were mentioned as functioning in a very vital way, and exerting a sane influence on the general student life of the University.

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With kind regards.

I am, Yours sincerely,

Li Tien-lu
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6. Members of the Volunteer Band and Christian Endeavour Society etc. (all students) are requested to use their personal influence in bringing their student friends to religious services.

7. Each year at the beginning of the fall semester the leaders of the Student Christian Association are assisted to hold a Retreat in a quiet place for a week-end, in order to catch a new vision themselves and to plan a programme for the year of Christian activities among the students.

8. Students are encouraged to teach Sunday School, and to preach in churches and chapels in the city. They also undertake night schools for University women and classes for street children.

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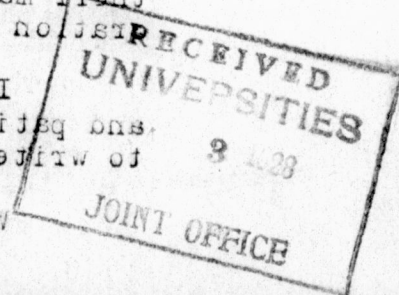
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I am, Yours sincerely,

C. F. Johnson
Advisor

Vice-President
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Shantung Christian University

December 1, 1927

Dr. Hugh H. Weir,
22, Funnival St.,
London E.C.4, Eng.

My dear Dr. Weir:

I am glad to be able to report that the Executive Committee of the North American Section of the Board of Governors has at last formally voted to accept the invitation of the British Section of the Board of Governors to hold the next annual meeting in London about the middle of March 1928. It has been impossible thus far to find just what members of our North American Section will be able to attend this conference but I will report on this matter as soon as possible.

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

1st December, 1927.

Dr. H. M. Weir,
Cheeloo Office,
22, Farnival Street,
London, E.C.4.

Dear Dr. Weir,

In writing to you last month a communication covering the minutes of the meeting of the Field Board of Managers I indicated that there were various points in your letter to Dr. MacRae of September 23rd and in the Minutes of the meeting of the British Section of the Board of Governors of September 16th which I would take up later. Since then we have also received the minutes of the October meeting of the section. May I now deal in detail with some of these matters.

1. School of Arts and Science. I note that "the consideration of the position, work and needs of the Arts Department", foreshadowed in the September minutes, has again been postponed, pending study of the full statement of accounts for last year just to hand. In the meantime I would like to bring before you briefly some facts with regard to the financial position of the School of Arts and Science.

a. The withdrawal of the Lutheran United Mission from co-operation in the University - of which notice was given last June - to take effect from January 1st 1928, will affect the budget of the Arts School to the extent of \$450.

b. The falling off in the enrolment in the School of Arts and Science has resulted in a drop of \$5,000 in receipts on account of tuition fees, while the economy effected under the heading of light, heat and water, owing to the smaller number of students, will not amount to more than \$600.

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c. The teaching staff have been engaged for the whole year and contracts cannot be broken, so that economy in that direction is impossible.

d. In face of the above facts the School of Arts and Science is bound to close the fiscal year with a deficit of something like \$5,000, unless there should be a considerably increased enrolment for the second semester, which is unlikely.

2. Medical School

a. The withdrawal of the Lutheran United Mission as from January 1st 1928, mentioned above, will also affect the budget of the Medical School, to the extent of \$1,000.

b. With regard to the appropriation hitherto made by the British Section of the Board of Governors and allocated to the support of Dr. C. H. Han, I have consulted with the Dean of the Medical School in this matter and understand that they are perfectly willing that this sum should be an undesignated one, to be applied to the salary of a Chinese member of the medical staff. I believe that Dr. MacRae wrote to you some time ago giving some particulars regarding Dr. Wang Huei-wen who is at present acting as Health Officer in Dr. Han's place. We should certainly be willing for you to choose between allocating the sum definitely to one individual or in the manner mentioned above.

3. General University Administration. The salary of the Vice-President is not yet provided for. The School of Arts and Science has intimated that in next year's budget it will be prepared to provide one-half of the salary and allowances as Dean, amounting to \$2,100, but the other half, as one of the general administrative officers, will require to be budgetted for under General University expenditure, which adds another \$2,100 to be provided for out of General University funds.

4. Middle School. May I venture again to call your attention to the urgent necessity of finding some way of financing this most necessary part of our work. In spite of our utmost endeavours it has been found impossible to do this out of the already severely taxed budget of the Arts School, yet we are more and more convinced of the paramount importance of continuing this Senior Middle School, not only as a practice school for the Department of Education, but also to enable us to secure students for the different University departments who would otherwise be unable to pass our matriculation examination. As you know, a portion of the budget has been met this year by an assessment from each unit of the University, but this method is not at all satisfactory, nor does it provide the funds required. We would submit this

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matter to your sympathetic consideration.

I might mention that the minute regarding economy passed by the Field Board of Managers is being dealt with, economy in general administration having been referred to the Finance Committee of Senate, and the matter of reduction in elective courses in the School of Arts and Science to the Faculty of that School.

Dr. MacRae in his letter of June 26th last drew your attention to the fact that the Campaign Committee in New York in proposing the raising of an Emergency Fund had in mind the probable necessity for supplementing the income received from tuition fees, and for adding to the Chinese staff, owing to the absence of so many of the foreign staff members. We still hope that funds may be available from that source.

This letter is already long enough, and the matters of Registration and Religious Instruction are of such importance that I will take them up on a separate sheet.

We enclose for your information copy of a letter to the secretary of the Women's Committee covering those minutes of the Field Board of Managers which passed through the Council of the Women's Unit.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) Li Tien-lu C.F. Johnson
Vice-President Advisor

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Dr. H. H. Weir, ✓
Cheeloo Office,
22, Furnival Street,
London, E.C.4.

Dear Dr. Weir,

At about the same time as your letter of September 23rd arrived, Dr. MacRae also received one from the Rev. C. E. Wilson of the Baptist Missionary Society, dealing very frankly and fully with the questions of Registration and Religious Instruction as they present themselves to his Society in relation to this University. I have recently replied very fully to the points raised in Mr. Wilson's letter, and I think I cannot do better than enclose a copy of this communication for your information, as it is evident from your letter that these same questions are receiving earnest attention from yourself and all the members of the Board of Governors.

May I also more particularly call your attention to a few main points in connection with these two questions.

First and foremost, it should be noticed that they are two questions and not one, and to link the problem of voluntary versus required religious instruction with that of registration is entirely to confuse the issue. As noted in the minute quoted on page 4 of the enclosed letter, the association of the two questions, though probably unavoidable, is none the less unfortunate.

Secondly, we would ask the home boards to try and dismiss from their minds the idea that because religious instruction is not in the required course, the students are therefore not receiving any religious instruction. It is extremely unfortunate that an impression seems to have arisen in the home countries that taking religious instruction out of the required course takes it out of the school, or relegates it

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to a secondary position. The contrary is the case. When put on a voluntary basis the religious instruction given in the school acquires a vividness, a spirit of interest and earnestness, which make it far more effective than when given in the regular required course.

Thirdly, the mere fact that the religious instruction given must be vital enough and sufficiently attractive to induce students to elect it as one of their subjects, is a tremendous incentive to the teacher. It should also be understood that when a student has elected a religious subject, it becomes part of his regular course and he receives credit for it as for any other subject.

Fourthly, the Christian influence of the teacher is a real and vital factor, and cannot be escaped even by those students who continuously refuse to elect religious courses. Both in the class-room and out of it, consciously and unconsciously, this influence is continually brought to bear on all the students, and cannot fail to bear fruit. Indeed we are sure that the teachers in the School of Arts and Science do wield such an influence with good results in the lives of the students.

Fifthly, we agree that children in primary and middle schools should receive religious instruction as part of their regular course. In advanced schools, however, where we are dealing with young men and women, the Christian character and influence of the school cannot be measured by the number of students studying religious subjects because they are part of a required course. Indeed we are strongly of the opinion that the school will have a higher Christian character and a more definite Christian influence with a smaller number of its students taking religious courses from choice, than with all its students taking them by compulsion. Effective and fruitful religion has always been a matter of choice rather than compulsion. "Choose ye this day" is as true a principle of the propagation of religion today as it was in former times.

Finally, our supporters at home should not mete out to the School of Arts and Science different treatment from that accorded to the other units in the University. In the Medical School where the students are being put through a five-year course with no religious subjects whatever in the curriculum, the students appear to be getting on nicely, and we do not seem to perceive anything lacking in them due to the absence of religious instruction, nor have the Christian character and purpose of that School ever been called in question.

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As regards Registration, in addition to what I have said in the enclosed letter I will enumerate briefly the arguments that have been used for and against registering or not registering a Christian college such as Cheeloo. It may seem perhaps unnecessary and redundant to mention separately the advantages and disadvantages under both heads, as of course the advantages of the one are the disadvantages of the other, and vice versa, but we wish you to realise that the idea of refusing to register is not entirely a strange one to us and that we have considered the advantages of such a course.

A. REGISTRATION. -

1. Advantages:-

- a. The removal of the stigma of being a foreign institution, by acquiring a new status on recognition by the Chinese government.
- b. The removal of the suspicion of working in collusion with imperialism, by thus respecting the sovereignty of the state of China.
- c. The removal of the suspicion of cultural aggression by becoming amenable to Chinese laws and regulations.
- d. Government recognition would entitle our graduates to all the rights and privileges of citizenship.
- e. More students would be attracted to Christian schools.
- f. The children of Christians would be kept from going to non-Christian schools for education.
- g. We should secure a better opportunity and vantage ground for working for the abolition of measures discriminating against Christian schools.
- h. We should obtain for Christian schools a permanent place in the educational system of China.
- i. We should make Christian influence a potent factor in the reconstruction of China by continuing in educational work, rather than by being compelled to withdraw from it owing to nonconformity to the laws of the country.

2. Disadvantages:-

- a. Registration means submitting to conditioned liberty of private education.

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b. It might encourage the Government in further legislation against Christian schools.

c. Limited freedom in giving religious instruction is detrimental to the Christian character of schools.

d. It would expose the control and management of schools to the danger of undesirable interference from outside.

e. It would lessen the likelihood of revision of the present Government regulations to make them more satisfactory in the eyes of Christians.

f. Non-required religious instruction and non-compulsory religious services would defeat the purpose of Christian schools. (This represents the view-point of some Christians).

g. It would alienate the support of some Christians and Christian organisations.

B. NON-REGISTRATION. -

1. Advantages:-

a. It would maintain unaltered the declared Christian purpose of the schools.

b. Schools would be free to experiment in any scheme of education.

c. Christian schools would be able to make a distinctive and pure contribution to this country.

d. It would serve as a protest against unjust laws and regulations in the hope of getting better treatment. (It would seem, however, that this protest would only be effective if non-registration were absolutely universal among Christian institutions).

e. It would maintain the unabated sympathy of supporters who would otherwise be alienated.

f. It would save changing the status of schools under the present uncertain conditions.

2. Disadvantages:-

a. Schools would continue to suffer under the stigma of being foreign institutions.

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b. They would incur the suspicion of ulterior motives of exploitation and aggression.

c. Their graduates would suffer from discrimination to the extent of not being admitted to Government schools, and would be debarred from examinations for official positions and application for Government scholarships to study either in this country or abroad.

d. A smaller number of students would come to Christian schools.

e. The children of Christians would go to non-Christian schools for education.

f. Schools would stand a chance of being compelled to close.

g. If schools are ordered to close and have to cease operating because of not registering, the opportunity to make Christian influence felt in the field of education will be lost.

h. There would then be no opportunity to work for better and more satisfactory treatment of Christian schools.

I hope that this brief statement of the problem as it appears to us here in China may help to clarify the thinking of our sympathisers at home, and enable them to realise some of the issues which are involved. You do not need my assurance that those of us who are responsible for the administration of the University on the field are fully as determined as are you in the home countries to maintain unimpaired the Christian character of the institution. The only point where we differ is in our conviction that registration under the present regulations, when the time seems ripe for such a step, need not and will not defeat this primary aim which we have all set before us.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed)

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December 5, 1923

Extra Copy

Rev. C. E. Wilson
Secretary, Baptist Missionary Society
19 Farnival Street
London, E. C. 4, England

Dr. Percy F. Wigfield
Medical Secretary, Wesleyan Methodist Missionary Society
24 Bishopsgate
London, E. C. 2, England

My dear Mr. Wilson and Dr. Wigfield,

RE: LAND AND BUILDINGS AT SHANTUNG CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY.

I venture to address you thus jointly as I have been in correspondence with each of you, Mr. Wilson some time ago and Dr. Wigfield recently, on the question of the exchange of memoranda regarding land which our Presbyterian Board owns at Shantung Christian University and buildings which your Societies have erected thereon.

You may recall that something over two years ago, I sent out as a suggestion to all Foreign Missionary Agencies with which we are related in Union Institutions a "Tentative Draft of Agreement Proposed for Use --- etc." stating that the Board was "considering some such agreement of Trusteeship" but that this proposed draft had not been considered by the Board. I inquired whether other Boards desired to enter into some such agreement and whether they had any changes to suggest. The great majority of replies indicated little if any interest in the question. No Board owning land expressed a desire to make such an agreement, and only one or two Boards desired to receive such memoranda from our Presbyterian Board, these two being British Societies that had erected buildings on the outer campus of Shantung University. Just recently the Wesleyan Methodist Society has made similar request.

Your two Societies each suggested certain changes in the original tentative draft, the Wesleyan Society making some rather significant amendments in a new and largely altered draft. In the light of these replies the entire matter has been carefully reviewed by the Board's Counsel and a revised tentative draft was prepared by him, incorporating as much as possible the proposals received from London. The whole matter was then presented last Wednesday to the Finance Committee through which property matters come to the Board's attention. The Finance Committee carefully studied the question and expressed appreciation of the desirability in some instances of such an agreement though the Committee was disinclined to the idea of a Land-Owner guaranteeing future reimbursement to a withdrawing Building-Owner partly because the future value of the building depends solely upon its then usability and partly because the Land-Owner would be injured rather than benefitted by the withdrawal of the Building-Owner and partly because the institution as a whole rather than the Land-Owner should be the recipient of the property interests of the withdrawing Building-Owner.

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When the particular questions at Shantung Christian University were considered the Finance Committee believed that in view of the early incorporation of the institution, to which incorporation the property under consideration would be transferred, that such transfer should not be encumbered by recorded agreements of the kind proposed. The Committee advised that the British Societies be assured that the Presbyterian Board intended to transfer to the University the parcels of land in question, and in the meantime would not alienate this land from University purposes.

This advice was presented to the Executive Council, which is familiar with the situation, and the Council made recommendation to the Board, which was adopted by the Board at its meeting December 3rd, as follows:-

"The Board considered the proposal to exchange with several British missionary societies formal agreements on certain parcels of land owned by the Board and buildings erected thereon by the British societies at Shantung Christian University, Tsinan, China. The Board expressed its expectation agreeably to these British societies to transfer to the University its title to the land in question whenever the University is satisfactorily incorporated; inasmuch as the Board understands that steps are being taken to incorporate the University at the earliest practicable date, it anticipates making such transfer in the near future. Until such transfer the Board agrees not to alienate from the present uses or from other mutually agreeable purposes of the University any of the aforesaid parcels of land."

This formal resolution of the Board in no way changes the Board's attitude or purposes on the property in question, but its intention is thus made a matter of record merely to give assurance to your two societies and any other British societies that might be concerned about the permanent security of interests in these particular properties at Shantung University. The Board purchased and holds the land for the University; your societies erected these buildings for University purposes and no one questions but that both land and buildings will continue to be used for the best welfare of the institution in its work of promoting its great undertaking in which we all unitedly share.

I am sending copies of this letter to Dr. Moershead and Dr. Balme as they may wish to report the Presbyterian Board's action to other interested constituents of the University.

Trusting that your societies will feel that the situation has been met in the way most advisable in view of all of the circumstances, and praying for the fullest success of the new year of work upon which your societies are entering, I am, with warmest greetings of the approaching Christmas season,

Sincerely yours

George T. Scott.

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9th December, 1927.

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Dear Mr. Garside,

Many thanks for your letters of 20.10., 14.11., 23.11., 29.11.27., with the preliminary edition of Part I. of the Study of Higher Education, the Memorandum of November 3rd of your Sub-Committee, Mr. Cressy's letter of October 28th and your Sub-Committee's Study of the Essential Factors. These are all extremely interesting and important documents, and I have read them with considerable interest, but have not yet had an opportunity of getting the British Section of the Shantung Board to give them any careful study. The only point which appears to demand any action from us is the question of Mr. Cressy's proposed visit next summer, as I note that he suggests coming not only to New York but to London. I do not know, of course, what you in New York who are primarily concerned with this proposition are thinking about it. I am sure that many of us in this country would be glad to meet Mr. Cressy and discuss the whole problem with him if we could get an opportunity, but I am not convinced that it would be essential for us so to do, and the time of year which he suggests is one which would be almost impossible. Certainly by the end of July so many people have gone off on holidays that satisfactory gatherings could not be convened, and that would be the case during the whole of August and possibly the early part of September. Of course if he left China at the end of July and spent some time with you first, he would then reach this country in the autumn and there would be more possibilities. I think it is only fair to you and to him to put that point before you as quickly as possible, though I am simply giving my own opinion.

I enclose the Minutes of the British Section meeting which we have just held. They do not, I think, require much special comment.

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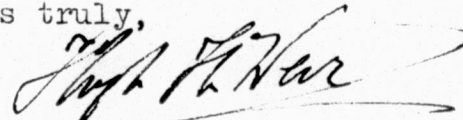
On the subject of FBM 731. Report of the Nominating Sub-Committee on the Presidency, we felt that it was so important to assure Dr. MacRae of the enthusiasm of our desire that he should accept the post, that I was instructed to cable our action not only to Dr. Armstrong, but also specifically expressing sympathy to Dr. MacRae himself, so that there should be no delay at all in his becoming aware of our attitude. I think I may say that while we are in hearty agreement with the desire of the Managers that a Chinese should be appointed as soon as possible, we did not feel that we were called upon for any action until the Managers were in a position to make a nomination. For the time being the University appears to be suited as well as is possible under the control of Dr. Li Tien-lu, and we assume that he will be carrying on until Dr. MacRae is able to accept and assume office, as we all hope will be the case, even if his three months' period of leave may have to be exceeded.

FBM 734. Report of Registration Committee. We were interested to see that the Registration Committee had reported and it is going to continue its investigations, especially in the directions which the Managers, as well as the Governors, realise are so immensely important. We are hoping that the reports made by that Committee will be forwarded to the Governors for their information and, if necessary, comment whenever reports are made.

FBM 742. Reconsideration of Minute 413. This minute demanded some consideration from us, but we held that it was in a sense only a small modification of the existing custom, and one which would conduce to the harmonious working of the scheme. We realise, as we always have realised, that difficulties may arise if an unfavourable opinion is expressed about some missionary whose Society had been at considerable pains to allocate him to the University, and we were somewhat disturbed in mind to know of the very great number of changes in recent years. How far these changes may have been the result of action on Minute 413 I do not think any of us knew, but we do feel that the best interests of the University demand as much permanence in the staff as may be practicable, and that the difficulties met by home boards are immensely increased when changes are frequent.

We noted with great satisfaction the efforts being made, as shown in FBM 743. Self-support of Dormitories, and FBM 744. Policy of the University, to effect economies in all possible ways, and we shall certainly do all in our power to increase income.

Yours truly,



Hon. Secretary.

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