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December 6, 1917.

The Rev. M. Saeterlie,
425 Fourth St., South,
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Saeterlie:

We are deeply interested in the following action in the Minutes of the annual fall meeting of the University Council of the Shantung Christian University, China, September 4 to 7:

"THE LUTHERAN UNITED MISSION - -

"The following action was reported to the Council by the Dean of the School of Medicine:
Taken at Chikungshan, Aug. 10, 1917.

"We, the Conference of the Lutheran United Mission, recommend that the other Lutheran Missions of Central China be approached in the hope that they, together with us, join in the union work of the Shantung Christian University Medical School, but if they do not approve, that our Home Board decide that our Mission alone join in this work, beginning in the fall of 1919, on the basis of the conditions for such union work, proposed by that institution, which are as follows:

1. Furnish a salaried man for the teaching staff;
2. Furnish this man with a house or pay his house rent;
3. Pay yearly a sum of G\$500. toward the running expenses of the School, or, in lieu thereof, G\$100. each year for each student sent to the School from our Mission;
4. That we are given one vote on the Council.'

"In response to the above, the University Council voted to adopt the following resolution:

"That the Council hears with great pleasure of the plans of the Lutheran United Mission to enter the union in respect to the School of Medicine, and will extend a most hearty welcome to that Mission in case its Home Board agrees to such union.

"The Council would also express its hope that the efforts of the Lutheran United Mission to induce other Lutheran bodies in Central China to join with them in the work of the Medical School may be successful, and that we may have the pleasure of welcoming them also into the union."

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Mr. Saeterlie.

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We most earnestly hope that your Board can find its way clear to join us and the other Boards in this splendid work. Will you kindly inform me whether your Board has taken any official action. I shall be most glad to give any information in my power regarding details.

Cordially yours,

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November 11th, 1920.

Rev. J. R. Birkelund, M. D.,
Rev. M. Saeterlie,
Board of Foreign Missions of the
Norwegian Lutheran Church,
425 So. 4th St., Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Dr. Birkelund and Mr. Saeterlie:-

The North American Joint Board of the Shantung Christian University learns from correspondence in China that your Lutheran United Mission in China has recently taken action affecting the School of Arts and Science at the University.

The Board regrets to learn that your Mission has not seen its way clear to recommend full cooperation in the School of Arts and Science for the University would be very happy to welcome to its staff a member of your Mission. We, however, rejoice to learn that your Mission feels that it should share to at least a small extent in the financial responsibility of the conduct of the Arts and Science School and is asking your Board to grant \$1000 Mex. a year for maintenance of that School as long as you have no college of your own and continue to send students to Shantung Christian University.

You may be interested in knowing that of the ten denominational Missions which are this year cooperating in the work of the University, only three have more students than the Lutheran Mission; namely, the American Board, the English Baptist and the Northern Presbyterian. We earnestly trust that your Board will see its way clear to granting the request of the Mission.

A year ago when I was in Tainan, it was a great pleasure to come to know Dr. Braafladt personally and to know by inspection and experience the remarkably fine work which he is doing in the name of Christ for the relief of suffering and prevention of death of the great multitudes of the Children of God in China who know so little of the care of the human body. Dr. Braafladt's work during the cholera epidemic was especially noteworthy and saved many lives, and the Board regrets deeply to learn that the health of his wife compels them to return to America, but we hope that he may eventually return to this work for which he is so eminently fitted and in which he has been so broadly useful.

With kind regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Geo. T. Scott

Secretary of the North American Joint Board.

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Mr. Geo. T. Scott,
158 - 5 Ave.,
New York City.

Nov 17

My Dear Mr. Scott:-

Your kind letter of Nov. 11 has been received and contents carefully noted.

Our mission has not so far come to any definite decision concerning support to the school of arts and sciences for the Shantung Christian University.

Our Board will meet December 14, at which meeting it likely will take up for consideration the report from the Annual Conference of our missionaries in China, and what the decision concerning support for said school will be I can not at present say.

Very sincerely yours,
M. Saterlie.

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January 10, 1921.

Mr. Geo. T. Scott,
Secretary, North American Joint Board,
Shantung Christian University,
156, - 5 Ave., New York City.

My Dear Mr. Scott:-

I have your letter of January 6th.

Yes, I remember your letter and I also remember
my letter of reply.

[Our Board met as stated in my letter of reply,
but adjourned without getting time to take up everything on
the docket prepared for that meeting, the question of co-
operating with you in the school of Arts and Sciences in
the Shantung Christian University included.

Our Board meets again February 1-3m and I sin-
cerely hope it will find time to take up said case at that
meeting.]

Very sincerely yours,

M. Saterlie

Mission Secretary.

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March 10, 1921.

Mr. Geo. T. Scott,
Secretary of N.A. Joint Board Ex. Comm. of the
Shantung Christian University.

Dear Mr. Scott:-

Your kind letter of Nov. 11th, 1920, has been received.

[Our Board of Foreign Missions has granted \$500.00 U.S. Gold to the School of Arts and Sciences for said University, for the fiscal year May 1st, 1921 to April 30th, 1922. This would, according to the present rate of exchange, be about equal to Tael 800 and at least Mex. 1000.]

Regarding full operation in said school of Arts and Sciences I beg leave to state that five Lutheran missions in Central China are planning to start a Union College somewhere in the vicinity of Hankow in the Province of Hupeh, and our mission will, of course, cooperate with other Lutheran missions in this college. It may take years to realize this plan, but we have to start preparations at the earliest possible date. And meanwhile our mission will be glad to avail itself of your kind invitation to send our students to your school of Arts and Sciences and pay according to agreement.]

Very sincerely yours,

M. Saterlie

Mission Secretary.

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January 6th, 1921

Rev. H. Satterlee
425 South 4th St.
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Satterlee:-

You recall my letter to you, asking if the Norwegian Lutheran Board was anticipating a favorable response to the invitation that they cooperate in the School of Arts and Sciences of Shantung, China University. If I recall rightly, I believe your letter of reply intimated that your Board, in its meeting early in December, would decide this question.

We sincerely hope that an affirmative decision has been reached and that the University is to welcome your Board, as well as the Canadian Presbyterian Board, in cooperation with this important department of Shantung University.

With kind regard, I am

Very sincerely yours

Geo. T. Scott

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March 15, 1921

Rev. M. Saterlie,
425 South 4th Street,
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Satterlie:

Thank you for your letter of March 10th just received bringing the welcome information that the Norwegian Lutheran Board has voted to grant the \$500.00 gold to the School of Arts and Science of Shantung Christian University for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 1921. On behalf of the North American Joint Board may I express to you and to your Board of Foreign Missions through you full appreciation of your action.

[If the number of Lutheran students attending the School of Arts and Science becomes at all numerous you may also wish to assign some Lutheran teacher to the staff and of course a qualified man would be highly acceptable in this position.]

I note that you are examining very carefully into the interesting college plan which you propose at Hupeh. As the Secretary of a large number of union colleges you will allow me to remark in passing that they are tremendously expensive institutions, and the larger they grow the more nourishment they require.]

With renewed expressions of appreciation and with best wishes for all of your work, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Geo. T. Scott

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