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July 6, 1926.

TRANSFER

My dear Dr. North:

Two more young teachers wish to have the opportunity to teach English in China,- Carl S. Sipple and Lester A. Hill. Might it not be well for you to send them your regular blanks even though you have several candidates already in sight?

Mr. Sipple has been teaching History and Latin in the High School at Shickshinny, Pennsylvania, but has had the required preparation to teach English. His summer address is Glade Royal Farm, Somerset, Pa.

Mr. Hill is completing his college work in summer school at New Concord, Ohio, where his address is P. O. Box 568. He has had a year and one-half experience teaching in graded school in Vermont and is doing his practice teaching this summer in Muskingum Academy. He has already signed a contract to teach next year so hopes to have word soon if he can be considered as a candidate for China in order that he may let someone else be selected for this place.

Yours very cordially,

Vernon Halliday

(Miss) Vernon Halliday,
Candidate Secretary.

Eric M. North, Ph. D.,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

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August 2, 1926.

Mr. Carl S. Sipple,
Glade Royal Farm,
Somerset, Pa.

My dear Mr. Sipple:

As Miss Halliday has given me your name as one interested in the teaching of English in the foreign field, I am now writing you in regard to two openings for the teaching of English, one at Peking University, Peking, China, the other at Shantung Christian University, Tsinan, China. For your information, I enclose statements regarding the two positions, and with the application blank, I am also sending you a copy of the statement of the general attitude desired in those seeking appointments to the several universities.

If either of these positions interests you, will you not fill out the form enclosed so that we may have the necessary information concerning you at an early date?

Cordially yours,

Secretary.

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SHANTUNG CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

August 26, 1926.

Mr. Carl S. Sipple,
41 North Eighth Street,
Allentown, Pa.

My dear Mr. Sipple:

As it happens that Dr. North is at present away from the office, I am writing you in his stead regarding your application for appointment as a teacher of English. Since your application was received, we have had cabled word from Peking University not to fill the position in question, but as your papers were then all in hand, your application was considered in relation to the similar opening at Shantung Christian University, and I have the pleasure of informing you that your appointment to that vacancy has been approved, subject, of course, to your willingness to transfer your application to that institution, and contingent upon a satisfactory report upon your medical examination.

I think that in his letter to you on August 2d Dr. North gave you the essential facts regarding the position at the Shantung Christian University, but perhaps I should briefly summarize them again. The appointment is for a period of three years, commencing this fall, with a monthly salary of $180. Chinese currency. Convenient living quarters will be furnished you by the University. Your school vacations will be free for you, and your schedule of teaching will be but twenty hours a week. While you will be expected to finance your own travel expenses, the University is ready to advance your outgoing costs, to be charged against your salary on the field.

Inasmuch as you will be entitled to missionary rates, your travel costs can be considerably reduced below the usual figures; from your home to Chicago, you would be entitled to a reduction of one-half on your railroad fare, and from there on to the coast, a reduction of one-third would be given. This, of course, would not affect your Pullman costs. If you chose to go out on the Canadian Pacific line, second class, as many of the missionaries do, and as, in fact, the President of the University himself returned to the field this past year, you could secure passage, on the Empress of Asia, for instance, for $195.00, less a discount of 5%. On the Empress of Canada, I believe that the minimum rate is $220.00.

I am not certain that you have received previously the information concerning the University in which you would undoubtedly be most interested, and I am forwarding you under separate cover material which I feel sure will give you at least some idea of the importance and nature of the service which Shantung Christian University is rendering to the community which it serves.

The University is most anxious that the appointment to this position be made at an early date, and it is earnestly hoped that a favorable reply will be received from you shortly. If you would telegraph Dr. Eric M. North of your acceptance, it would facilitate greatly the handling of the routine items of arranging for your medical examination, engaging your steamship passage for you, and forwarding you your railroad certificates.

On your application papers, you stated that you would be ready to start whenever necessary; is it possible that you could sail from Vancouver as early as September 16th? The Empress of Asia sails on that day.

Trusting that word may be received of your acceptance of this appointment at an early date, I am

Very truly yours,

Secretary to Dr. Eric M. North.

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Allentown, Pa.
August 27, 1926.

Dr. Eric M. North, Secretary
China Union Universities
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

TRANSFER

My dear Dr. North:-

Your letter of yesterday relative to the position in China was received this morning. While I would have preferred the position in Peking University, as per my telegram of this morning to you, I am willing to transfer my application to the Shantung Christian University.

I am also willing to make haste with you, so that if it is at all possible, I may be able to sail from Vancouver on September 16th. However, it will be necessary for me to secure a release from the Board of Education of the Shickshinny schools, as I signed my contract for the coming year before the close of the last school year.

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In order to hasten this release, I am going to Shickshinny in person to-morrow to interview the various members of the Board. I will not ask for a definite release until after I have passed my physical examination with you, so kindly send the necessary papers.

As you well know, the time between now and September 16th is very short to make preparations for this trip. Hence it may be necessary for me to get into very frequent touch with you. With your wide range of experience in sending workers to foreign fields, I feel sure that every obstacle that may present itself can be readily overcome.

Thanking you for your kind consideration in this matter and trusting that our relations may always prove agreeable, I am,

Cordially yours,

Carl S. Sipple

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Shickshinny, Pa.
August 29, 1926

Mr. Eric M. North, Secretary
China Union Universities
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

TRANSFER

My dear Dr. North:-

Your letter of August 28th with enclosures sent to my home address was forwarded to me at this place.

I am glad to state that the matter of my release is shaping up nicely. However, I must make that only tentative until I learn the result of my medical examination. As matters now stand, it will be practically impossible for me to get to New York before Friday morning, since I am starting the school work here to-morrow. This will give me from Friday until Monday evening (Labor Day) for any preparation that may be required at home.

In order to hasten matters, I am returning to you the clergy fare certificate application blanks, filled in. You will notice that I have not filled in the space

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marked "Send Certificate to", because I do not know whether you want them sent to your office or to my home address. The Medical Report I will bring with me when I come to New York on Friday.

In closing, may I ask the usual time required to get a definite answer after the medical examination has been made? If there is anything else that I can do before coming to New York on Friday, kindly let me know. Please send any letter to my home address.

Cordially yours,
Carl S. Sipple

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SHANTUNG CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

August 28, 1926.

Mr. Carl S. Sipple,
41 North Eighth Street,
Allentown, Pa.

My dear Mr. Sipple:

We have now received both your telegram and letter of August 27th, and are very glad to learn of your willingness to transfer your application to the position at Shantung Christian University.

In regard to your medical examination, I find, on consultation with the Medical Department, that it will be necessary to ask you to come to New York for that. Could you be here on the afternoon of Thursday, September 2d, for that purpose? I believe there is a train from Allentown, leaving there about 7.30 A. M., which would bring you into New York about 10.30 A. M., or 11.30 A. M., Daylight Saving Time. Assuming that this will be possible for you, I have arranged, tentatively, an appointment for you with the Medical Department at 2.00 P. M., (Daylight Saving Time) on that day.

I am sorry that an earlier day could not be set for this, but it is the earliest available. Dr. Eric M. North will plan to come into the city on that day, in order to meet you and have an opportunity to talk with you. Should you not find it possible to procure a release from the contract with the Shickshinny Board of Education, it would, of course, be expected that you would bear the cost of this trip, otherwise, the University will do so.

I am now enclosing the usual examination form and will request that you fill in the first two pages, bringing this to New York with you.

I am also enclosing application blanks for Eastern and Western Clergy Fare Certificates. Will you please fill these out in your own handwriting? Since you are not ordained, you should apply under rule "F"; in answer to question "2", do not give the name of the University, but the headquarters of your own denomination. It will not be necessary for you to procure the signature of either the local railroad agent or the clergyman; these items will be taken care of here, and the required letter of endorsement will also be supplied to the respective bureaus.

As you will probably have a fairly definite idea of the likelihood of your release from your present contract, by the time you receive this letter, we should greatly appreciate further word from you on the matter. If you find that you cannot conveniently come to New York on Thursday, would it be possible on Friday? If you can do so, however, we should greatly prefer that you come to New York on Thursday.

Very truly yours,
Secretary to Dr. Eric M. North

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SHANTUNG CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

September 7, 1926.

Mr. Carl S. Sipple,
41 North Eighth Street,
Allentown, Pa.

My dear Mr. Sipple:

I enclose a check for Two Hundred Fifty Dollars ($250.00) being the amount advanced to you by the University for your travel expenses to Tsinan, it being understood that this amount will be adjusted on the field by charges against your salary there. I also enclose your Eastern Clergy Fare Certificate.

I have requested that the Western Clergy Fare Certificate be mailed to you by special delivery from Chicago.

We are still hoping to be able to secure a reservation for you on the Empress of Asia for September 16th, but it is possible that we shall not be able to telegraph you regarding it until Thursday of this week. If it is then possible for you to sail on that steamer, you should plan to leave Allentown on Friday, in order to have a few hours' leeway on the coast before sailing from Vancouver.

As I believe you will already know, you should have your railroad tickets marked for "Trans-Pacific passage" in order that you may carry the additional amount of baggage allowed trans-Pacific voyagers.

I am also enclosing a letter of identification which may be of use to you at some time.

Cordially yours,

Secretary, North American Section,
Board of Governors,
Shantung Christian University.

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SHANTUNG CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

September 9, 1926

Mr. Carl S. Sipple,
41 North Eighth Street,
Allentown, Pa.

My dear Mr. Sipple:

The enclosed is the confirmation of the telegram just sent to you. I am sorry that the word could not have been more conclusive, for I thoroughly appreciate that you would like to know definitely just when you are expected to sail. The steamship agency, however, expects to have definite word from the Canadian office to-morrow, and our travel agency has figured out the following schedule of trains by which it would be possible for you, leaving Allentown early on Saturday morning, to still make the steamer on the sixteenth, if word comes to-morrow, Friday, that a reservation is available:

Leave Allentown at	3.24 A. M.	Saturday morning	)
Arrive Wilkes-Barre	6.15 A. M.	" "	)Via Lehigh Valley R. R.
Leave " "	6.35 A. M.	" "	)
Arrive Buffalo	1.35 P. M.	" afternoon	)
Leave Buffalo	7.27 P. M.	" evening	)Via N. Y. C. R. R.
Arrive Chicago	7.40 A. M.	Sunday Morning	)
Leave Chicago	10.35 A. M.	" "	)Via Great Northern R. R.
Arrive Seattle	8.00 A. M.	Wednesday morning	)
Leave Seattle	8.00 A. M.	" " " " " " "	
Arrive Vancouver	2.30 P. M.	" afternoon	
or			
Leave Seattle	9.00 A. M.	"	
Arrive Vancouver	2.40 P. M.		

The hour suggested for your departure from Allentown is unusually early, but in view of the urgency of the situation, it seems unavoidable.

If we find that a reservation can be secured for the Empress of Asia on the sixteenth, word will be telegraphed to the Vancouver office to hold your ticket for you, and word will also be telegraphed to the Allentown agent of the Lehigh Valley R. R., and to the Chicago office of the Great Northern Railroad that your ticket is awaiting you in Vancouver, so that the baggage allowance due you as a trans-Pacific passenger may be given you.

If for any reason, the lack of your passport or Western Clergy Fare Certificate,

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or anything else, you feel that you could not go ahead on the schedule suggested, will you please telegraph us, on receipt of this letter?

Cordially yours,

Secretary, North American Section,
Board of Governors,
Shantung Christian University.

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Allentown, Pa.
Sept. 6, 1926

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Dr. Eric M. North,
150 Fifth Ave.
New York City

TRANSFER

My dear Dr. North:-

Your letter of yesterday with check for Two Hundred Fifty Dollars ($250.00), Eastern Clergy Fare Certificate, and the letters of identification, was received with the first mail this morning.

I want to thank you for all your kindness and courtesies. I am now released from my work at Shickshinny and am bending every effort to be ready to leave on the 16th, should you so advise. My application for a passport went forward on Saturday. I expect to send a telegram to the department at Washington this afternoon, urging haste.

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of course, I cannot make definite reservations by rail to Vancouver until I know just when I am able to leave. As I understand from our conversation in New York on Friday, you will send the steamship ticket as soon as you have the reservations.

Appreciating your hearty cooperation in this matter, I remain,

Very cordially yours,
Carl S. Sipple

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Shantung Christian University

September 14, 1926

Mr.Carl S.Sipple,
41 No.Eighth St.,
Allentown, Pa.

My dear Mr.Sipple:

I enclose herewith your steamship ticket and under separate cover I am sending baggage stickers.

I have to report that we find there is no discount upon second class fares and as the minimum rate on the "Empress of Canada" is $220. the cost comes to this figure. The $5. is the war tax which sometimes is paid here and sometimes at the port. It seemed more practicable to pay it here and free you from looking after that.

I want to express my hearty appreciation in behalf of the University of the energetic and practical way in which you and your family endeavored to make it possible for you to catch the earlier boat if we could have gotten space for you. This was most considerate on the part of all.

Enclosed is a copy of a set of suggestions from Lawrence Mead of the Peking University staff on literature useful in connection with the teaching of English. Unfortunately most of these, I think, are published in China or Japan and we are not able to get them here. I am having some of them looked up and will try to secure them for you.

Cordially yours,
Eric M. North

Secretary, North American Section
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Shantung Christian University

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From Lawrence M.Mead
Sept.11,1926

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Consult the Institute for Research in English Teaching,
Office of Prof.Harold E.Palmer
Linguistic Adviser to the Dept.of Education, Tokyo, Japan
The payment of ¥5.00 a year membership subscription entitles each member of the Institute to receive copies of
THE BULLETIN OF THE INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN ENGLISH TEACHING

Prof. Palmer is the author of several excellent books on English Teaching. Some of his books are:

THE SCIENTIFIC STUDY AND TEACHING OF LANGUAGES
A FIRST COURSE OF ENGLISH PHONETICS
COLLOQUIAL ENGLISH ("This book is particularly useful to teachers of foreigners because it helps them to form an almost unlimited number of everyday English sentences.")
EVERY DAY SENTENCES IN SPOKEN ENGLISH
A GRAMMAR OF SPOKEN ENGLISH

Consult Edward Evans & Sons, Booksellers,
Stores in Hongkong, Shanghai and Tientsin
They carry a very full line of school books of practically every publisher and are glad to give helpful suggestions on text-books.

For graded work the "MASTERY OF ENGLISH" series by H.B.Graybill of Canton Christian College is very popular. Edward Evans & Sons is the publisher of this series.

Consult the Commercial Press, Ltd., Shanghai. They publish cheaper editions of a good many standard works. They have published a number of collections of selections from English literature. There are two or three books edited by A.Zucker that give a survey of the best English literature. Dr.Lewis Chase has also eduted several good collections.

H.B.Graybill has written an excellent reader on China. I believe it is published by Ginn & Co. Edward Evans & Sons can furnish copies.

HOW TO LEARN A LANGUAGE by Thomas F.Cummings

AN OUTLINE OF ENGLISH PHONETICS by Daniel Jones, head of the Department of Phonetics, University College, Univ.of London

AN ENGLISH PRONOUNCING DICTIONARY by Daniel Jones

THE PRONUNCIATION OF STANDARD ENGLISH IN AMERICA by George Philip Krapp, of the English Department of Columbia University.

Through Edward Evans & Sons or from H.B.Graybill direct it will probably be possible to secure a copy of the paper prepared by Mr.Graybill entitled "TEACHING ENGLISH COMPOSITION TO CHINESE STUDENTS."

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Allentown, Pa.
Sept. 16, 1926

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Dr. Eric M. North, Secretary
China Union Universities
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

TRANSFER

My dear Dr. North:-

Your letter of Sept. 14th, enclosing the steamship ticket and book suggestions, arrived yesterday. I want to thank you very much for procuring both for me. My reservations are now all definite, as the railroad ticket agent this afternoon assured me that he has procured my Pullman accommodations all the way to Vancouver.

I am sorry, because of the need for a teacher at the University, that you were unable to get me on the "Empress of Asia." I would have been ready to leave Friday last. Of course, the delay gives me time to make better preparations and to say good-bye to my friends before leaving.

Very cordially yours
Carl S. Sipple

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Tsinan, China
Oct. 27, 1926

Dr. Eric M. North
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

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Dear Dr. North:-

Many thanks for the last minute helps you gave me. Your steamer letter was delivered to me before the ship sailed.

We had a very pleasant crossing. I did not learn until we had reached China that Dr. Mosse was miserably sick all the way over, suffering from some form of stomach trouble. He has been in bed since arriving here.

I remained at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Balme for an entire week, until a permanent home was open to me. The Balmes are such wonderful, unselfish people that I was sorry to leave. I am now at the home of Professor

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Harry Harkness. Time moves rapidly, as there is plenty of interesting work to be done.

The matter of my expense account to New York I took up with Mr. Adjie, the treasurer. He is crediting the amount to my travel credit.

With best wishes, I remain,

Very cordially yours,

Carl S. Lippla

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SHANTUNG CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY SHANTUNG
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ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

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Nov. 7, 1926

Dr. Eric M. North
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Dr. North:

Your letter, along with the report of my medical examination, made good time, arriving last Wednesday, Nov. 3rd. At the same time came some news from home, my first mail from the States. I am very glad for the medical report, and will follow the advice it gives to me.

I am happy, contented, and thoroughly in love with this sort of work. There has been so much to do that I have not had the time to get lonesome or homesick. My eighteen hours are nicely arranged, all of them coming in the morning, with one class on Saturday morning. Two classes are in the Arts School and two in the Middle School. I have started the study of Chinese, under one of the students.

Thanking you very kindly for the report, I remain, with best wishes,

Yours very cordially,

Carl S. Lipple

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April 13 - 1927.

Dear Dr. North:-

The copy of cablegram you received from Shantung University Apr. 6th reached us last Friday, and I wish to thank you for forwarding same.

We read quite recently in our local papers about the warning sent out by the Embassy, of Tsinan, to have all foreigners in that section vacate, also, that the Cantonese Army were preparing for a direct drive to the city of Tsinan. We were naturally concerned and worried about the safety of our son Earl and all others connected with the University, and can assure you we were greatly relieved when copy of cablegram reached us.

Are they now on their way home, or will they remain at Tsingtao until this trouble is over? Any further news will be greatly appreciated. Thanking you.

Cordially yours
Mrs. S. Sipple.

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Shantung Christian University

April 18, 1927

Mrs. S. Sipple,
41 No. 8th St.
Allentown, Pa.

Dear Mrs.Sipple:

In response to your letter of April 13th, information which we have from China leads us to believe that most of the members of the Shantung University staff will remain at Tsingtao for some time, until the progress of events becomes more clear. I have no doubt that Mr.Sipple is in Tsingtao with the other members of the staff. A cablegram from Tsingtao sent on the 14th contained this phrase "Foreigners safe Tsingtao".

Cordially yours,
Eric M. North
Secretary, North American Section
Board of Governors
Shantung Christian University

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June 1, 1927

Dr. Eric M. North
150 Fifth Ave.
New York City

Dear Dr. North

This letter is just to let you know that I arrived home Saturday last, May 28th, after a trip that began at Tsingtao on April 19th. I spent some time in Japan, in the hope that I would be able to secure a temporary position there, but I arrived too late for the opening of the schools. The Pres. McKinley, of the American Mail Line, on which I sailed from Kobe, had hit a rock and damaged one propellor at Shanghai, so that we took twenty days to cross the Pacific and were five days late at San Francisco.

I am glad and notglad to be home again. It was hard to leave the school, because I thoroughly enjoyed the life and work, and was making progress in my study of thellanguage, but after we were ordered to leave by the consul, and there was doubt as to whether the school will be able to continue work in the fall, the only sensible thing left to do was to go. My hope is that this interruption will be only a temporary one and that whenever the time is fitting I will be able to return to the University.

It is very kind of you to inform the parents and relatives of the folks in China as to the condition of the latter. Father showed me the communications that he received from you concerning the people at Shantung Christian University.

With very best wishes, I remain,

Cordially yours,

Carl S. Sipple

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Dear Dr. Morgan:

I am sorry that I shall not be able to let you know that I ar-
rived home safely last night, but was late, after pe-
ing through the Customs. I hope some time in April
you will be able to accept a membership
in the Rotary Club of New York, and I shall be glad to send you the applica-
tion blank. But I really do not see how you can be a member of the Rotary Club
of the school. The fee, I believe, is $10 a year, and
many times, on which I shall pay from Rome, but it is a rock
and dangerous one to approach, so that we look
forward to closing up the Pacific and new trip that late
in April to San Francisco.

Dr. Morgan,
150 East 74th
New York City

June 1, 1927

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Shantung Christian University

June 3, 1927

Mr.Carl S. Sipple,
41 North 8th St.,
Allentown, Pa.

My dear Mr.Sipple:

Dr.North has asked me to reply to your letter of June 1st, which has just come to hand. I was somewhat surprised to learn of your arrival in America because I had not seen your name among the lists of those from our Shantung staff who were sailing for America

I would be glad to have you write me somewhat more in detail as to the situation which existed in Shantung at the time you left. All the information which wehave received in this office has seemed to indicate that locally the situation has been very quiet and friendly. We all sincerely trust that the approach of the Southern forces will not precipitate as serious a crisis as has developed in many places further south.

These are times when it is extremely difficult for any of us to see clearly just what may be the wisest course to pursue. My own feeling is that, in spite of disturbances and difficulties, the Christian work in China will continue even more vigorously than before, and that while the efforts of our foreign workers in the country may be handicapped or even forced to cease for a time in some places, eventually it will be proven that our contribution to China has only been begun.

I would be very glad to hear from you occasionally and to keep in touch with your location and your plans.

Very sincerely yours,
B.A. Garside
Acting Secretary

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Shantung Christian University

May 2, 1928

Mr. Harold F. Smith,
Shantung Christian University,
Tsinan, China.

Dear Mr.Smith:

Congratulations on the "monumental work" which you have so successfully completed in getting out Bulletin #67! This Bulletin is far superior to anything of the sort Cheeloo has gotten out in the past. We can quite appreciate the amount of work and the still greater amount of patience which went into the compilation of the Bulletin.

We have about used up the supply of these Bulletins which you sent us so I would be glad to get at least two dozen more copies if you can spare them. The Bulletin is of a great deal of value for showing to people that we are trying to interest in what the University is trying to do.

We are all extremely anxious about the progress of affairs in Shantung now but earnestly hope that this letter will find all of you in Tsinan going right ahead with the work of the University.

Cordially

B.A. Garside

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August 1, 1928.

Mrs. Harold F. Smith,
Shantung Christian University,
Tsinan, Shantung, China.

My dear Mrs. Smith:

I am ashamed that your good letters of April 18th and May 21st have remained so long unacknowledged. I suspect that the last few months have been so busy for all of you that you have had little time to note unanswered correspondence.

It is certainly too bad that the troubles in and around Tsinan during May so disrupted for a time all the normal activities of the University. I hope that when this reaches you the critical days will have passed and the University will be reopening once more under relatively peaceful conditions. As I write, it seems that the most critical question is what the Japanese will do during the next month, both in Shantung and in Manchuria. The action of the United States Government in negotiating a new treaty with China ought to help some in producing a friendly attitude on the part of the Chinese generally.

We have received two 100-foot reels of film from Dr. Struthers, but we have not yet completed their development and printing. We must attend to this shortly so that we can report the results to him. I suppose that the disturbances in the spring prevented any considerable progress on the movie story you are producing for us. It may be just as well though, to start afresh this fall with the whole year before you. Many of the scenes ought to be laid in the fall months anyway. I have never learned fully what progress was made in the development of the details of the story you are to film, but I hope that you and Mrs. Parker were able to work that out before she left. If there is anything further that we can do to help out, I hope you will keep us informed.

We were very glad to get the letter from Mr. Morris telling of Pastor Sun Hung En's splendid work during the evacuation a year ago.

The folder "Girls and Boys at Chefoo", which your Publicity

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Committee prepared, certainly is attractive. I hope that we may soon receive the additional 1000 copies we ordered by cable two months ago, although there would not be much point in mailing them out anyway until about the first of September.

We will try to see that the Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Brooklyn is supplied with any Chefoo publicity which may be of interest. We will also send the Women's Missionary Society of First Presbyterian Church here in New York all the material that would be of interest. I believe I wrote you last year, telling of the very pleasant time I had when I spoke to the Women's Missionary Society of the First Church.

We will add to our mailing list the ladies whose names you gave.

We did not get out a June issue of the "Chefoo Sketches" after all, because just at that time we were completing a Medical School booklet for the use of Dr. Shields, and planned to send it to our friends in place of the Sketches. As things turned out, however, we did not distribute the booklet very widely because the disturbances in Shantung made it impossible for Dr. Shields to accomplish much, and it seemed better to hold the booklet for his use later. We must, however, get out an issue of the Sketches in September. The material you enclosed with your letter of May 21st will be very valuable.

I found Mr. Smith's diary very fascinating. I have since loaned it to several other people who have enjoyed it a great deal. We can make very good use of this material as occasion arises.

I know that all of you in Tsingtao passed through some times of very agonizing suspense while the troubles were going on in Tsinan and wild rumors were flying fast.

We have all very much regretted the fact that the return of Dr. and Mrs. Adolph has been delayed for at least a year, and that Mr. and Mrs. Parker found it necessary to resign. As far as the Adolphs are concerned, I think there is still a pretty fair chance of getting them back on the job next year if everyone in Tsinan makes it quite plain that they are really wanted back again. Dr. and Mrs. Adolph have always shown a splendid spirit, and I think their resignation was tendered in the belief that they can easily be spared from the work. If they can be convinced that this is not the case, I think they will seriously reconsider. You and Mr. Smith can both exercise an important influence on them in the matter, and I am sure you will do so.

We enclose a reprint of Mrs. Jacot's article "The Chefoo Baby Clinic", which the Educational Department of the Southern Presbyterian Board liked so well that they got it out in pamphlet form. Will you show this to Mrs. Jacot? It is the last copy I have available.

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At this time we are sending to the President's Office a few dozen copies of the Medical School booklet. I do not know whether you will be able to make much use of this in China, but if additional copies are needed for the publicity work or for any other purposes, we will be glad to supply them.

Give my best regards to Mr. Smith and to Grace and Gordon. I owe Mr. Smith a letter, and will try to write him in the near future. I often get extremely homesick for Taiwan, and can think of nothing I would enjoy more than taking the first steamer back. I hope that before long we may be turning toward the Orient once more.

Very cordially yours,

B.A. Garside

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Shantung Christian University

May 13, 1929

Professor Harold F.Smith,
Shantung Christian University,
Tsinan, China.

Dear Smith[4]

I have been keeping in touch with the Presbyterian Board to find out when you and Mrs.Smith are planning to start for America. The latest information seems to be that you will be coming in September or October, so I presume you will arrive just in time to begin a year of strenuous study. We certainly hope you will be here in New York City where we will have an opportunity to see you occasionally and to talk over innumerable questions great and small.

I should like very much to have your thoughts on the subject of the rural program at Cheeloo. Since the annual meeting of the Board of Governors Dr.Monroe, Dr.Scott, Dr.Warnshuis and I have had a number of discussions and several meetings dealing with the problem of men and money for beginning the development of the proposed program. Dr.Warnshuis thought that Dr.Butterfield could be secured to spend most or all of 1929-30 at the University, but we have been reluctant to press the matter because it seems that if Dr.Butterfield or any other specialist is to be at Cheeloo next year he might be pretty badly handicapped through lack of the necessary group to cooperate with him. Dr.Warnshuis and Dr.Scott both seemed to feel that it would be better to spend a year getting together the group necessary to carry on the work permanently, and postpone the trip of a specialist until 1930-31 when such a group could be gotten together. They felt too that you should be one of the leaders in developing such a program and that it would be far better to have the specialist in Tsinan when you get back from furlough in the summer of 1930.

As yet we in New York have only very vague information as to just what the University is planning in the way of staff and program. The University budget for next year provides for a man in rural education and a man in rural sociology, but we have had no indication as to whether these men should be Western or Chinese. Our Committee had a conference with J.H.Reisner and he stated that it is his feeling the University should have a larger group than this for carrying on an effective rural program. As Reisner outlines the situation, at least five men would be needed, as follows:

Rural organization
Rural education
Rural sociology
Extension
Agricultural demonstration

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To these Reisner would probably also add in the School of Theology a specialist in rural church problems.

The first question, therefore, is how many men are needed, whether they should be Western or Chinese, how many men are already available or can be developed from the present staff of the University, and how many new appointees must be secured. I should like very much to have your judgment on all htese points.

Are you going to be able to plan your study and research in America this year so that it will fit in with the rural program at Cheeloo? My recollection of the field in which you have been working at Columbia and the subject on which you are preparing your dissertation leads me to hope that this work you have already undertaken will fit in very nicely with the program the University is planning.

What do you think of the proposal that Carson be invited to join the Cheeloo staff to assist in developing the University's rural program? You know Carson and his work in China intimately enough to be able to judget his capacities and his possible value to the University. Since he has been in America he has spent a part of his time working in the field of rural education at Cornell and hopes that another year there would enable him to complete his Ph.D. Unfortunately Carson has been compelled to spend the last year or so in work not directly related to this field, but chosen primarily to provide support for his family. Carson seems to have won a good deal of confidence and respect among the leaders in rural education here in America. Reisner considers him a most valuable man for the work at Cheeloo. I think the Presbyterian Board would be quite willing to assign him to the University as one of their quota and might even be persuaded to increase their quota by one if the matter were managed just right.

Should we seek here in America for other men qualified in this field whom we could send out to China this year or next? During the last fortnight we have been in touch with a young chap by the name of Allen Hulsizer whom both Dr.Monroe and Miss Mabel Carney have highly recommended. Hulsizer has been Director of Rural Education in Haiti under government appointment for some years and has been invited to return. He is interested in the Orient, however, and his wife is particularly desirous of returning to China where she spent a short time some years ago. I am afraid that Hulsizer is out of the question, however, because he feels he could not go out except as a specialist and on a specialist's salary rather than a missionary's salary. The whole field of rural education and rural sociology in China demands the most unselfish and most idealistic attitude we can ever hope to instill in our Chinese students. If we send out as leaders in this field highly paid specialists who are paid on a commercial scale of salaries the whole proposition looks pretty hopeless.

These are little more than random thoughts. I hope we may have your comments and that within a few months we will have an opportunity of talking these things over together.

Give my regards to Mrs.Smith and to Grace and Gordon.

Very cordially yours,

B.H. Hunter

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Nov. 13, 1929

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Mr. B.A. Garside,
China Union Universities,
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York.

Dear Garside,

Here we are, and it is mighty good to be able to say it. We are settled here in San Jose for two or three months and I hope we shall be going toward New York in the early spring. The children are in school here, May is getting ready to speak, and I am doing as much studying as I can manage this far away from Columbia. We are all very fit and ready for anything. My brother gave me a car to use, and I go everywhere. It is indispensable.

As you expressed it in your last letter to me, it is too bad that I must spend the first pa rt of my furlough so far from New York. I should like to see you and yoursright now. I have a heap of university problems to talk over, and I should like so very much to get your angle on almost every problem,- both the university's and my own. Well, some of them must wait while others can be handled more expeditiously from California than from China at any rate.

I imagine that you have received news of Tsinan more recent than what I have. I am hopelessly in the dark as to anything that has happened since I left, Sept. 29th (excepting only the meagre scraps that appear in the Bulletin). It is very fine that we have so good an enrollment this fall, and of course the most encouraging part is the unusually large freshman class.

I hope that Dr. Li has sent you a copy of our most xx recent askings on the Correlated Program Financial Campaign. We passed them through the Senate just before I left. We expect the Council in Shanghai to cut us down, but here are the main figures just to show you that we are not troubled with too much modesty. Total Capital Mex. $775,500. Total Current Mex.$315,636., requiring an endowment of $6,312,720. In Rural Work we expect 3 foreigners including Stanley and Carson, and 17 Chinese; we ask for $56,500 for running expenses and $125,000 for capital. If you haven't the papers showing details, I'll make a copy and send it to you.

The East China situation seems to be what is holding things up in China. Cressy is exceedingly anxious to see that on its feet, and I suppose he has it straight from Monroe that Est China must get together or there will be no Financial Campaign. I got the impression from Cressy that Bowen was the only one standing out now, as Shanghai College is out entirely, but Nanking is being held up by Bowen.

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I saw Wallace just a few moments in Yokohama as he landed there, but there was no time at all to talk over things. It is a great loss to the Council and education al work of of all China to have him drop out of the work, and we hope that the rumours to that effect will not prove true in the long run.

Business people here in the Coast believe that the recent crash in stocks will have a bad effect on gifts of all sorts. I presume the prospects for a Drive are still so distant that there will be plenty of time for a recovery from the feeling of poverty. I wonder whether Leighton Stuart will come over now as he was planning.

Let me know how things are going with you all. Mrs. Smith joins me in very best wishes to your good wife, mother, and girlie.

V ry cordially yours,

Harold Fred Smith

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P.S. Can you send us some of your literature? Copies of bulletins, etc.? Please.

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Shantung Christian University

November 26, 1929

Mr.Harold Smith,
398 So. 12th St.,
San Jose, Cal.

My dear Smith:

Mighty glad to receive your letter and to know that you are safely back in America once more. We will look forward to seeing you here in the East early in 1930.

You ask for recent news from Tsinan. I suspect that you have received fully as much information since you left the campus as has our office. We get copies of the Cheeloo Weekly Bulletin and the Occasional Letter from Dr.Shields or Dr.Li; that is about the total extent of our information. We are all mighty happy to know that the enrolment improved materially this fall in spite of all the economic and political difficulties throughout all China and throughout S hantung in particular. Dr.Shields and Dr.Le both report that the process of registration is not going forward very rapidly due largely to petty jealousies on the part of educational and political officials of the province. I hope, however, that these difficulties will not last too long and that before the end of the year the University will have completed its registration. Since the academic year has already begun delay in registration will probably make ver very little difference in enrolment until the autumn of 1930.

Dr.Li sent us a copy of Cheeloo's most recent askings on the financial campaign of the correlated program. I was glad to note that for once the University was not troubled by too much modesty. One rarely gets more than one asks for and usually gets only a fraction of what one desires. Other things being equal, the larger one's desires, the greater one's receipts are likely to be. All of us in New York are doing little else than mark time while we wait to see what the January meeting of the Council will do. We have led our American Mission Boards, college Boards, and friends of China, just about as far as they will go until a definite program is worked out on the field. If we try to corx them any farther they will back up instead of going forward. There is an undercurrent of feeling that if the China colleges are not sufficiently interested in the correlated program to get together on some practicable basis, there is no reason for people here in America getting in a stew over the question.

We were all tremendously disappointed that at the last minute Dr.Wallace had to return to China alone, leaving Mrs.Wallace here in America because of her unsatisfactory health. The last word from him

indicated that he would be sailing from Shanghai for Canada the last week in December. I made some tentative moves to induce our Committee of Financial Counsel to urge him to remain in China until after the January meeting of the Counsel, and then to help during the spring in presenting the program to people in America, providing meantime from Committee for Christian Colleges in China funds an amount sufficient to adequately cover his support. Before we got very far, however, we learned that Dr.Wallace has been formally invited to accept the Chancellorship of Victoria University and is quite likely to accept. It would be too much to ask him to reject this very attractive offer when he way for his permanent return to China seems to be hopelessly blocked. I, therefore, dropped my efforts to induce him to remain in China a little longer and presume that he will be sailing for Canada some weeks before the January meeting of the Counsel. It seems, therefore, that everything depends on Grassy and the other leaders with whom he is working.

I ~~am glad to~~ note your comment that business people on the West Coast think the recent flurry in Wall Street will have a bad effect on gifts of all sorts. The Mission Board Treasurers here in New York state that it is too early for them to estimate just what effect the Wall Street decline will have on their gifts, but are inclined to predict that there will be a marked decline for a while. As a matter of fact, everything seems to affect adversely receipts for missionary work of every kind. If the United States becomes too prosperous people get so interested in buying their new cars and radios that they give less than ever to missions. If we have a bad year people have to drive their car a few months longer and postpone trading in their radio for a newer model, and so are feeling very poverty striken. So far as we can judge, the Universities now engaged in active promotional work have not felt any adverse effect from the Wall Street crash. Lingnan is beginning a vigorous campaign in enlarging and is hopeful of success. Dr.Leighton Stuart arrives on the West Coast next week and the Yenching Promotional Office is making active plans for his work.

In a postscript to your letter you ask that we send you some of our literature. Our office has not produced any Cheeloo publicity material during the last year and has very little publicity material that would be of any real help to you. While Dr.Shields was in America last year we printed a special Medical School booklet which he planned to use in his promotional campaign, but when it was decided to postpone his appeal we put the edition of this booklet into our storeroom where it still remains. I am afraid it will be entirely out of date before Dr.Shields is able to make much use of it. Dr.Miner prepared the material for a booklet on the education of women at Cheeloo but she was unable to make any wide use of this material before she returned to the field so I still have it in manuscript form. Two years ago I planned to prepare a booklet descriptive of the entire University, but did not get farbecause the use we could have made of such a booklet did not justify the large expense involved. You have seen copies of various numbers of "Cheeloo Sketches" prepared by our office. I doubt whether any of them will be of any real value to you. Under separate cover I am sending you a few copies of each number of Cheeloo Sketches and of the Medical School booklet. If you want any more of this material please let me know. If, during the time you are to be in America, you are going to have any opportunity to seek actively for further support for the Department of Education, or other departments or schools of the University, I would be mighty glad to cooperate in any way I can in helping you with the preparation of publicity material. At

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the present time we have no funds available for publicity work, but possibly we could find some if we had a definite need and a definite proposal.

I have this morning received the following letter from Dr.Warnshuis:-

> "I understand that Prof.Harold Smith of Cheeloo is home on furlough. If he comes anywhere near New York City, I should like to have the opportunity of talking with him about Dr.Butterfield's visit to China next year and also about the possibility of obtaining Prof.Felton for a year's work in China. I shall be very glad if you would forward this note to Prof.Smith so that he will know that I want to meet him and so that he will let me know when he is coming here."

Dr.Warnshuis' reference to Professor Felton is explained more at length in the letter he wrote me on November 14, a copy of which I am attaching hereto. I would like to have your judgment as to whether we should seek to have both Dr.Butterfield and Dr.Felton at Cheeloo next year or should seek to secure only one of them. If we try for only one which of the two would you choose?

Mother and Margaret join me in sending good wishes to the Ming household.

Very cordially yours,

F. A. Garside

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398 S. 12th
San Jose, Calif.
Jan. 17, 1930

Dear Garside,

Our date for departure to New York is set for January 30th and the time will pass all too quickly. We have been unsettled about going by the fact that the Board and we got mixed up as to the use of our furlough and we were not sure whether we could get away at that time. It proved only a misundrstanding, however, and we are planning definitley on the trip east. I shall go to New York with the family, where they will probably settle in Brooklyn, Flatbush, and I shall go to Ithaca to the special course there during February. After that I shall return to New York for some study.

I hope I can see you on our first arrival in New York, but it may not be possible, as we must stop off two days at Kansas City and may have only a half day in New York before I have to leave.

Dr. Warnshuis' letter can probably better be attended to in personrather than attempting a letter. That is why I have not replied about it.

We were very sorry to learn of your mother's death. Please accept our most sincere sympathy. We were hoping that we could see her when we came East.

Cheeloo students certainly broke loose last fall, and judging from the reports of the riots at Chowtsun the provincial educational authorities are largely responsible. There is so much that I could write, I believe I'd better leave it all until I see you. The situation seems to have been handled well, but there is so much of the reorganization that should have been different.

Carson writes that he may not be able to return. I do hope that Harkness has already returned.

This letter is really only an apology for not writing sooner to you. I'll see you soon.

The very best regards of the Mings to the Gab

Cordially yours,

Harold Smith

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January 24, 1950

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Mr. Harold Smith,
398 So. 12th St.,
San Jose, Cal.

Dear Smith:

Glad to learn from your letter of January 17 that you will soon be departing for New York. Since you are leaving on January 30 I am sending this letter by air mail to be sure it will reach you. We are taking something of a chance even so because it seems air mail is very much delayed and quite unreliable during the winter months.

I am enclosing herewith a mimeographed copy of a long letter written by Dr.Li on December. I have sent copies of this letter to all members of the North American Section with a suggestion that it would be wise to consider the letter as confidential for the time being. You may not have time, in the last few busy days of packing and saying goodbye to wade through this lengthy epistle, but possibly you will have an opportunity to read it as you are traveling eastward.

I hope very much that I shall have an opportunity to see you when you are passing through New York City on your way to Cornell. If you will let me know on what train you are arriving I will be at the station to meet you. In any case, both Margaret and I are extremely anxious to see Mrs.Smith and the children as often as possible while you are here in the East. There are two matters in particular that I should like to have an opportunity to talk over with you as you are passing through New York City. I will mention them briefly now, and will hope to have an opportunity to talk further with you when you arrive here:-

I have just received a letter from Carson in which he indicates that he is still very doubtful as to whether he will get back to the field next year. As you know, he is troubled by financial difficulties, and also he and Mrs.Carson feel that certain responsibilities to their parents may prevent their going back to China at this time. I should like to have your frank judgment as to Carson's probable value at Cheeloo, and as to the amount of pressure we should bring to bear in an effort to persuade him to go. I hope that while you are in Cornell you will have an opportunity for a number of frank talks with Carson on the whole subject of his plans for the future.

The other thing I should like to talk over with you is that

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proposal that we try to persuade Professor Felton to go out to China next year for work at either Nanking or Cheeloo or both. You will, of course, wish to meet Professor Felton and to find out more about him before reaching any final decision.

There are many other things I wish to talk over with you but I will wait until you arrive here in the East. Don't you dare pass through New York City without letting me see you.

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

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123 Dryden Rd.
Ithaca, N.Y.

Feb. 18, 1930

Dear Garside,

Thank you for your copy of the cable regarding the reopening of the hospital. Have you seen the cable given in the Times for Tuesday, Feb. 11 page 6, in which it tells in more detail of the intervention of the Nanking Gov't., the firing of some strikers and the dismissal of 100 because of a decrease of the work until after the summer vacation. It intimates that arts and science will not be given this spring. There is also an intimation that some work will not be given any more. I wonder what that is. Knowing as I do the very warm feeling some of the men have toward the middle school, educ. dep{t.,and the rural work (Oh Yeah!) I shall miss some sleep until I get the details of the slaughter. It strikes me as rather a portentious cable.(is that the way you spell it?)

Things go well here. Carson helps quite a lot. Last week was very interesting and profitable. I think we are getting now most out of our discussions with each other and the professor. We are a strange, but intersting group. I have got nothing out of Carson yet about his return. As for Felton's going to China at our expense, I reserve opinion as yet; but I think we need money and time to go at it ourselves more than we need advice and surveying. Wouldn't it be great to have this term free of university work out there and have nothing to do but get our rural program started.

It is time to go to a supper at the Presbyt. Church for us missies and a heterogeneous crowd of foreign students. So I step with many salaams to your good self and his wife and chieeld.

Ever yours,

Harold Smith

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Yours very truly,

Thank you for your copy of the essay regarding the reorganization of the Board. Have you seen the essay which appeared in the March issue of the Harvard Graduate Magazine? It is a very able piece of work and I am sure you will be interested in it. I am sending you a copy of my essay which appeared in the December issue of the Yale Review.

If I am free at the time of my trip to Europe I shall be very glad to look you up. I am sailing on the Berengaria from New York on June 7th and shall be in London about the 15th. I am sending a copy of this letter to Professor Gay at Harvard.

Dear Gerald,

Mr. Gerald Chapman
Institute of International Education
522 Fifth Ave.
New York City

Sept. 21, 1929

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123 Dryden Rd.
Ithaca, N.Y.

Feb. 19, 1930

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Dear Gamside,

When I wrote you a few hours ago, I did not expect to do so again so soon; but I have had a long talk with Carson and must share it with someone.

Frankly I do not see how he can return to China now, much as I believ he is needed in our situation at Tsinan.

1st. He is in debt $4,000. part of whivh might come back on the sale of his farm.
2nd Mrs. Carson was told not to return to China because of the nervous strain of her deafness.
3rd With his debts all paid he still has no money or furniture with which to get started in Tsinan.
4th His mother is young yet (50-60) but may be a charge later.
5th Her mother is a hopeless invalid, at present with a sister but she feels some responsibility.
6th He doesn't think he can finish his doctorate work by next fall.
7th He is greatly interested in the International Agricultural Institute (is that the name?) and would like to help it get started more than he could by this summer.

The question must be decided immediately, so that he can straighten out his finances with the Board and insurance with them, so that he can get a job next year if he wishes, so that we can find someone to take his place.

Do you see any justification for asking him to go under these circumstances? I don't.

If you have any light and can get it to me this week, please do so; for he will decide Sunday I believe.

With many regrets,

Harold Smith

P. S.
I presume these
facts are confidential

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Dear George,

I did not expect
when I wrote you a few months ago, to be writing
you so soon again as I do now, but I have had a long talk with Carton
of CHINA
and want again to write it with someone.

THANKLY I do not see how he can restore
to CHINA
its position as Maritime Customs Inspector unless it should be
decided that he is to be
left. He is in debt $40,000. Have to throw him right some back on
me, which as I believe he should in two situations.

Carton has sold out to Standard Oil Company
and
Mrs. Carton now has to pay
the mortgage which is on
Standard Oil Company
with
which he is connected as Director and Vice President. He is getting
$25,000 per year and
will be
entitled to
a pension
of $12,000 per year
when he
retires
at
65 years of age.
He does not
think
he can
retain his
position
with
Standard Oil Company
and
Standard Oil Company
does not
wish
him to
resign.
He is
greatly interested
in the International
Institute (Teachers
College)
and would like to
see
it
placed
more
on a
business
basis.
Can anyone
suggest
a way
out?

Yours sincerely,

Rep. at Geneva

Standard Oil Company
26 Broadway, N.Y.

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Shantung Christian University

February 21, 1930

Mr.Harold Smith,
123 Dryden Road,
Ithaca, N.Y.

Dear Smith:

Thanks for your letters of February 18 and 19.

Glad to know that you have gotten settled at Ithaca and that you are enjoying your work there. I saw Mrs.Smith for a brief moment a few days ago, and she passed on to me some further details as to your adventures with the ladies by whom you are surrounded.

We have not received during the last fortnight any further word as to developments at Cheeloo. Sometimes one can rely on the newspaper dispatches; and other times they are chiefly bunk.

Glad to have your frank statement as to Carson's situation although I am very much disappointed to find that the prospects for his return to China are so dark. This morning I had a long talk with Dr.Scott and Dr.Fenn concerning Carson and the possibility of his return to China. Summarizing the situation in the various points you mention, it seems to me that the facts are about as follows:-

Carson's financial situation. So far as the Presbyterian Board is concerned, I believe that as much as Carson can expect is that the Board would re-assume his support sometime this summer shortly before he would sail for the field, and would probably also give him a special re-outfit allowance to help him get started again in China. This re-outfit allowance is not often given to missionaries returning after furlough, but occasionally the Board in special cases does grant such an allowance and I believe they would do so in Carson's case. With this help I hope it would be possible for Carson to make his necessary living arrangements in Tsinan without much more difficulty than usually attends the housekeeping efforts of us poor missionaries when we go out to the field for the first time or after a prolonged absence.

As to the other debts Carson is now facing, I am sure we could not count on the Presbyterian Board giving any material help. If I could obtain a fairly accurate figure as to the amount of these debts when Carson has applied against them all available assets as, for example, the proceeds from the sale of his farm, I might possibly succeed in getting

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some help either from special University funds or from some individual who is interested in the work at Cheeloo. As a matter of fact, our China colleges have always scrupulously refrained from making any appropriations of any kind to staff members supported by Mission Boards. If we should ever set a precedent by making an appropriation of this kind it would open the way for unceasing appeals. I do not know of any individual interested in Cheeloo who is likely to take an interest in helping with such a problem as Carson is facing, but I would be willing to try to find such help.

It seems to me that Carson's financial problems are the most difficult obstacle in the way of his return, and that he himself must decide whether the obstacles are insurmountable.

Mrs.Carson's deafness. From the conversations I have had with Carson, and from Margaret's conversations with Mrs.Carson, I have been under the impression that Mrs.Carson's deafness does not constitute a serious obstacle to their return. As a matter of fact, I think that if the Carsons were happily settled at Cheeloo or elsewhere in China, Mrs.Carson would probably be more contented and under less nervous strain than she now is here in America.

Obligations to Carson's mother and Mrs.Carson's mother. From the conversations I have had with Carson I understand that for the present he is not required to share in his mother's support. In the case of a great many missionaries there is always the possibility that the future may bring responsibilities of this sort. Since Mr.Carson's mother had already been in China for a time, it seems that it would not be difficult, or expensive to have her live with the Carsons in China later on if the circumstances made this desirable. The problem of Mrs.Carson's mother is more serious and more urgent. It is always a great deal of a sacrifice both to mother and daughter whenever a missionary wife goes back to the field leaving her mother in poor health in this country, when both realize that they will probably never see each other again. Yet many of our missionaries face this situation and go back to the field nevertheless.

Completion of Carson's doctorate. From the talks I have had with Carson I have been led to hope that he would be able to complete his doctorate before next fall. Apparently some new factors have come up since I last talked with him. It would probably be feasible for him to go back to the field a few months later if it were necessary for him to remain in this country a little longer than was originally planned in order to complete the work for his doctorate. This should not be a serious bar to his return, even though it resulted in some delay.

Work in connection with the International Agricultural Institute. No doubt Carson could do a very valuable piece of work in connection with this organization. If he should find it impossible to return to China I certainly hope he will turn his attention to this work or some work of a similar nature. I believe, however, that he would be worth more to the cause of agricultural missions if he were in China than if he remained here in America.

The above summarizes the situation as I see it. It seems to

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me that if Carson can in any way solve his financial difficulties the other obstacles are not insurmountable. All of us face problems and difficulties whenever we start out for China for the first time and whenever we return to the field.

From my conversation with Dr.Scott and Dr.Fenn I believe the Presbyterian Board is sincerely desirous of sending Carson back to China, and is sympathetically interested in his case. While they believe that Carson feels the Presbyterian Board has not been as generous as it should have been, from their standpoint it appears that the Presbyterian Board has been somewhat more liberal with Carson than with most of their missionaries.

Will be glad to have your further comments on Dr.Felton after we have an opportunity to study the situation a little longer.

I am sending this letter special delivery because I presume that since tomorrow is a holiday, there will be no regular delivery of mail.

With all good wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

B.A. Garside

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Ithaca

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Dear Garside:

Just a line to let you know that your efforts were in vain. I have had another talk with the Carsons this afternoon at which I told them of your letter and the probable offer of the Board. They raised the same general objections as before, and then stated frankly that in the last few months (six, I guess) their whole psychological attitude on the subject had changed. They had felt that they ought to return; now they know that they really do not want to return at this time. There are a good many factors entering into the decision and perhaps some that do not fully appear. The operation on their child last winter seems to have been the turning point.

Well it is all over for the time at least. We shall have to look for some one else. He is writing a number of letters on the subject, so this is just for you. I am very sorry to lose him, for we knew that he would make good. Another man may or may not.

Hoch der Ta Hsueh

Ever yours,

Harold Smith

P. S. Do you know any reason why Dwight Baker should be snippy? He refuses to be cordial.

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Dear Sir:

Please send me a list of the books you have published
on the Indians of the Southwest.

Very truly yours,

Mary Austin

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Shantung Christian University

February 28, 1930

Dr.H.P.Lair,
Princeton, N.J.

Mr.Harold Smith,
Ithaca, N.Y.

Dear Lair and Smith:

I enclose herewith a copy of Dr.Shields' letter of January 23 which arrived this week. I am sending also a translation of the latest Chinese government educational regulations which you may or may not have seen.

Just a few days ago we received another letter from Dr.Shields dated February 3. At the time he wrote this second letter the situation at the University was substantially the same as that described in his letJanuary 23 communication. However, his later letter sounded even more pessimistic than the earlier one. I am becoming frankly uneasy at the enthusiastic way in which everyone on the campus seems to be agreeing to scrap the Arts College entirely with nothing more than a vague idea that they will later on build a new school devoting its energies to rural sociology, rural education, and allied rural service. I am whole heartedly in favor of making as radical changes in the Arts College as may be necessary to direct it very definitely into these lines of rural work concerning which we have talked so long and have done so little. I have never thought, however, and do not now think, that it is necessary to "wipe the slate clean" and make a totally new start. The difficulty in this process is that one is apt to lose a large part of the support and reputation built up through a great many decades, more of the faculty than one can easily replace, and so large a percentage of the student body that it will take many years to build a new enrolment. Of course, any radical changes in the Arts College would mean some loss of support, staff and student body even if carried on under the most favorable conditions, but it does seem that care and forethought should be exercised to minimize these losses rather than to make them unnecessarily large.

I quote herewith a paragraph from Dr.Shields' letter of February 3 which summarizes his viewpoint pretty well:-

"I expect to call a meeting of the Administrative Council or of the while Field Board, early in March, before Dr. Ch'eng Ching Yi goes to England. They must take up this matter seriously. I think the local sentiment is in favour of never opening again a classical School of Arts and

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Science, but to let the Medical School run the Pre-medical and devote the rest of our energies to rural education. Just what will happen to the Harvard Yenching funds, or even to the Hall Estate money, I do not know. This whole matter is so mixed up with the budget that it is almost impossible for us now to do more than guess at what the budget may be for the School or Arts. I do not expect to be able to send the budget to you in time for the April meeting of the Board of Governors. If the Field Board takes some radical step in this regard, we will ask the cooperating missions to transfer, at least, some of their appropriations and their salaries to Medicine and Pre-medicine. Of course, I am writing this without authority, but I think I sense the situation pretty well, and I want you people at home to be prepared for some radical change. The University, except for the School of Medicine, is a bankrupt institution now. One of the things I shall insist on this year is that the general University and the School of Arts, so far as possible, pay back approximately $40,000 that they owe the Medical School. This sum consists of various items, two large trust funds amounting to $30,000, which the Medical School has to its credit on the books of the University, but for which the University has no money to pay in cash. I do not say who is responsible for this state of affairs, but I know that I have been kicking about it ever since I discovered it about two years ago."

I am very sorry indeed that both of you, as well as some of the others who have carried a major share of responsibility for keeping the Arts College going during the last few years, are absent from the field. You are both greatly needed to help the University through the difficult times now facing it, and perhaps needed even more to take the lead in planning for the reorganization of the work for the future.

A meeting of the North American Section of the Board ofGovernors would probably be held during the latter part of April. A number of other Board meetings will be held about that same time and will bring to the city several who are also members of the Shantung Board. I certainly hope that both of you will be able to attend. I am enclosing herewith a postcard on which I trust you will indicate your availability on the different dates mentioned.

With best wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

B.A.Garside

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March 1, 1930.

Dear Smith,

Thanks for your letter of February 22nd.

From a couple of exchanges of letters and telegrams with Carson this week it appears that even though the prospects for his return to China are not bright the case isn't wholly hopeless. I'm trying out a couple of emergency measures to see if we can't help him out on the financial side, in the hope that if we can relieve him there he will be able to solve the other personal difficulties. If the proposition still has any elements of hope I may take a run up to Ithaca next week, probably on Saturday.

I certainly don't know why Dwight Baker should be snippy. I always thought his relations at Cheeloo were the happiest, and surely we did all we could to get him back. I have understood that his non-return was due wholly to the Methodist Board's inability to finance the proposition.

The shih niang and the Lairs are shopping around the city today and having Dr. Chaplin take their daughters apart to see what makes them tick. They are supposed to swoop down on the office at any moment (it is now 3:50 of a Saturday afternoon), so I must wind up a few last minute items.

Cordially,

B. A. Garside

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Shantung Christian University

March 14, 1930

Mr. Harold Smith
Mr.A.L.Carson,

Dear Smith and Carson:

Yesterday I received a letter from Dr.Warnshuis in which he writes as follows:

"Recalling our discussions at Cornell last week, we should like to have you give some careful thought to the question of what help the Agricultural Missions Foundation might give to Shantung Christian University during the next year or two. If we can frame a well thought out proposition, it might be one of the ways in which we can most successfully organize this Foundation. I talked with Dean Mann about the whole question at some length. I had plenty of time to do that as we came back to New York on the same train on Friday. The idea of giving assistance to Cheeloo appealed to him very much. If we could get the approval of a small informal group of some project that you and Smith and others might draft, we might see whether we could obtain the funds for it and in that way launch the Foundation. Don't awaken any hopes, but simply try to think thru the statement of a project."

Possibly Dr.Warnshuis has already sent similar suggestions to both of you. I would suggest that each of you two rural experts would frame a well thought out proposition which we could use as the basis for our presentation to the Agricultural Missions Foundation. I am hoping to see Smith at the Executive Committee meeting next week but do not have much hope of enticing Carson to our city in the immediate future.

I hope that Carson will have an opportunity to talk over with Dr.Love, Dr.Myers and Dr.Felton the proposition he works out so we may have the advantage of the suggestions these men will be able to make.

We should have this material in hand as soon as possible so as to take advantage of this opportunity.

Cordially

B.A. Garside

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1622 Caton Ave.,
Brooklyn, N.Y. TRANSFER

May 17,1930

Dear Shields,

Yesterday I sent you a cable to the effect that a society here has promised Chefoo $10,000 Gold for Child Welfare and District Nursing, available about September, and asking for the immediate sending of publicity materials especially pictures. As I write, I haven't at hand the exact wording of the cable, but the meaning above is correct.

Here is the history of this windfall. Two or three weeks ago May and I were asked to speak for the China Child Welfare Inc. which is a comparatively new organization, but with strong backing, which is now operating here and supporting a number of child welfare institutions in China. It is a permanent organization and we should be able to receive large grants yearly if we keep up the proper amount of publicity. They have been well supported by the public this year and are doing a great deal of publicity. However their budget for this year, June 1930 to June 1931, is modest p only about $185,000. Gold. Well, to go back to the history of events. When May went to inquire about speaking, she found there was a possibility of our getting some funds for our work if we got busy at once, made the proper contacts, and did the various stunts which you know are necessary for success in such projects. By very good fortune I was able to secure the approval of the director of China Child Welfare to the inclusion of sums for us in their budget, and prepared a program which was passed by their executive committee. A copy of this program is enclosed.

The program is not ideal, for it had to be limited to child welfare. I should like to have included several other things. It should be considered tentative, in that I had to draw it up without consulting you folkks The detailed items are not to be held to strictly, and I believe the salaries are larger than necessary, so that there will be more money for more things or more people than here indicated. The cable states $10,000.Gold, but the program gives it as $12,220. If the organization continues to be as successful as it is at present, the full sum will be available.

We would not be justified in spending large sums now nor in launching on a program involving the total amount, but there is every reason for getting some of this work started at once and making preparations for practically the whole program in the fall. I have come pretty closely in touch with the organization here and am confident that we shall get everything this year and a great deal more next year if we strike out boldly enough. We should by all means now, this June, begin using from $3,000 to $5,000 Gold.

It is exceedingly important that literature and pictures be sent at once to Garside for China Child Welfare Inc. Sob stories, pictures of children eating, playing, ill, in distress, case stories, and also a brief description and statistical record of present child welfare work are demanded.

I hope all goes well at Tsinan.

Truly ever yours,

Harold Fred Smith

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Mr. B. A. Garside
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

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My dear Mr. Garside:

Mr. Harold F. Smith, who is to receive his doctorat this year from Columbia University, has called at the office for advice and information concerning the possibilities of his securing either an administrative or a teaching position in one of our colleges or universities during the next academic year.

Mr. Smith has given us your name as one of his references, and I am writing to ask if you will kindly give me your opinion of Mr. Smith as a suitable candidate for a position such as he desires.

Any information you may be able to give me will be very much appreciated and held in strict confidence should you so desire.

Sincerely yours,

Mary L. Waite

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1622 Caton Ave.,
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May 22, 1930

Dr. R.T. Shields,
Cheeloo University,
Tsinan, China

TRANSFER

Dear Dr. Shields,

Thank you for your letter of April 24th which came to me yesterday. As the Senate minutes of April 8th had come two days before, I was prepared for your statement, although up until that time no such intimation had reached me and I was fully prepared to return as you will have noted by the tenor of my letter of May 17th.

As the University has taken the initiative in preferring charges, I do not believe that any action on my part is called for at this time.

I should greatly appreciate your sending to me copies of the minutes on this subject as voted by the faculty of the School of Arts and Science and by the Senate and Field Board of Managers.

Very sincerely yours,

Harold Fred Smith

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June 2, 1930

Mr. B. A. Garside
Shantung Christian University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

My dear Mr. Garside:

This will acknowledge your letter of May 29th in which you give me your opinion of Mr. Harold L. Smith for a position in one of our educational institutions. I wish to thank you very much indeed for giving me this frank expression of your opinion of Mr. Smith for either an administrative or teaching position.

Sincerely yours,

Mary L. Waite

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May 29, 1930

Miss Mary L.Waite,Exec.Secy.,
Institute of International Education,
2 West 45th St.,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Miss Waite:

I have your letter of May 21 asking for our opinion as to Mr.Harold L.Smith's suitability for either an administrative or a teaching position in a college or university during the next academic year.

It was my privilege to be associated with Mr.Smith for three years on the staff of Shantung Christian University in Tsinan, China. During this period we were colleagues in the Department of Education. I have also had opportunity for several years to observe from New York the work of Mr.Smith has done as a teacher and as one of the administrative officers of Shantung Christian University.

I have the very highest regard for Mr.Smith's ability as a teacher and as an administrator, as well as the greatest respect for his professional training, character, and attitude to his work. During the time I was associated with him on the staff at Shantung I found h him unusually careful and painstaking in his work both as a teacher and as an administrator, and at all times anxious to cooperate with his colleagues. For the past six years he has had the major responsibility for carrying on the work of the Department of Education at Shantung, and in my judgment he has been quite successful in spite of such serious difficulties as inadequacy of staff and of finances. For four years he has been the Registrar of Shantung Christian University, and in that capacity has rendered extremely valuable service through organizing and systematizing the admission of students and the building up of contacts between the University and the secondary schools whence its students are drawn. I believe that his work there as Registrar has resulted in a substantial gain in the number of students admitted to the University, and a marked improvement in the qualifications of those admitted.

Because of the difficulties which have arisen at the University during Mr.Smith's present furlough in America, it is doubtful whether he will return to his former position. Because of my earnest

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desire for the continued progress of the work at Shantung I sincerely hope that Mr.Smith may still find it possible to return. In case he does not return, I would without hesitation recommend him strongly for any collegiate position here in America in these lines for which he is qualified by training and experience.

Very sincerely yours,

B.A. Garside

BAG-H Secretary

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Shantung Christian University

March 26, 1931

Mrs.Harold F.Smith,
2812 Belmont Blvd.,
Nashville, Tenn.

My dear Mrs.Smith:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 12.

I failed to notice the dispatch in the New York papers with regard to the death of the young doctor at Cheeloo. Thus far nothing has come through either by cablegram or by letter with regard to such a matter. We are now receiving letters written as late as the first week in March, so we should within a few days have full information with regard to any such tragical occurrence. I will certainly send on to you at once any information that may reach us.

Sorry to learn that Gordon has been ill during the winter, but hope that he is quite well again now. It is indeed good news that Grace is doing so well in her work this year.

I know that Harold has been doing a splendid piece of work at Fisk this year. I am still confident that within a year or two there will be a strong appeal for his return to China, and I hope that you will not be so firmly intrenched in the work here in the United States that it would be impossible for you to give an attentive ear to such a call.

I know that both of you will be interested in the outcome of the negotiations which you began so effectively last spring for support from the China Child Welfare for the pediatric work at Cheeloo. Early in the summer the China Child Welfare group suffered a very serious reorganization, both in personnel and in policy. Most of our friends in the group dropped out at that time, and for some months it was almost impossible for us to obtain any tangible information as to what was being done or planned with regard to the tentative appropriation to the work at Cheeloo. Moreover, the intensification of the economic depression here in the United States caused a serious falling off in receipts for all such organizations as the China Child Welfare group.

Eventually we learned that the Golden Rule Foundation had taken over some of the obligations and promises of the China Child Welfare group, among them the tentative promise of the China Child Welfare group that it would support our work at Cheeloo. Unfortunately, however, the

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maximum the Golden Rule Foundation felt it could give to the work at Cheeloo this year was G$1,000. Even this greatly reduced figure has been promised on a very tentative basis, and payment is dependent upon the receipt of adequite gifts. I understand that receipts have continued to fall substantially below expectations, so I am afraid that even this G$1,000 is far from being assured.

I have tried to keep Dr.Scott, and the other friends in Tsinan who are most directly interested, as fully informed as I could of these developments. I know they will be keenly disappointed that the prospects for support of the work in pediatrics have grown so much less bright during recent months. I do not see, however, that we could have done anything more than has already been accomplished. I hope that under more prosperous times the Golden Rule Foundation will be able largely to increase its support of the work at Cheeloo.

Jean has continued to thrive this winter, and is now proud of her dignity as a full fledged first grader. I am afraid we have not kept you very well informed of the vicissitudes of Margaret's health during the autumn and winter. Early last autumn we discovered that there was a rather serious renewal of activity in her lung trouble so we hastened to arrange for her return to Trudeau Sanatorium. She has been undergoing treatment there for about four months now. The first two or three months were quite discouraging for her, but during recent weeks she has been making very rapid progress and has been gaining steadily both in weight and in general strength. We are hoping that in another couple of months she will be able to return home, and will be stronger than for some years.

With warmest good wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

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B A Garside

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MRS. HAROLD F. SMITH
~~1207-18TH AVENUE, SOUTH~~ 2812 Belmont Blvd.
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

March 12th
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My dear Mrs. Garside

Mr and Mrs Henry Hodgkin are visiting Fisk at the moment and it is wonderful to talk over mutual friends in China.

Mrs Hodgkin tells me that she recently saw a brief notice in the New York papers

telling of the death from [illegible]
of a young doctor at Cheeb,
She thinks it was W. Phil Price.

May I ask you please
to be so very kind as to
drop me a line in regard
to the above, as W. & Mrs. Price were
very special friends of ours
and I spent three days with
Mrs. Prices parents in Baltimore
last year? I fervently trust
that it is not true.

I do hope that your family

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MRS. HAROLD F. SMITH
~~1207 18TH AVENUE, SOUTH~~
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

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has kept well this winter. Gordon has been sick five weeks, first with "flu" and followed by measles. We hope he can go to School to-morrow for the mid-year exams are next week.

Grace is doing brilliant work in the Peabody Demonstration School and we are trying to decide just where we want her to attend College.

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Harold has made a n
for himself already and is
doing the splendid, faithful
work of which he is capable.
He has represented Fisk at
some conferences, notably
when the Southern Conference of
Higher Education recognized
Negro Colleges for the first time
+ ranked Fisk as an "A."
University.

We hope so much that
you three can drive down
to see us sometime, we
should love to have you in our
home. With love to Mr. Edwards + Jean
Very sincerely yrs. Lucy C. Smith

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NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

DIRECTOR OF SUMMER QUARTER

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April 24, 1934
Ack 5/8/34

Mr. B.A. Garside
Shantung Christian University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Dear Garside,

Your two letters regarding the Cheeloo Monthly Bulletin have been waiting the stray moment when 50 cents in stamps might be handy. Unfortunately I have no stamps as I write, but I may have them when I come to mail this. We want to continue the Bulletin.

This letter is to inform you that I have some stock in the James McMullan Company of Chefoo which I wish to make over to the School of Theology of Shantung Christian University. There is an annual dividend of from nothing to $100. payable in October.

If you will tell me what steps to take to transfer this stock to the University, I shall be glad to take them.

Drop me a personal line telling how you all are, please. We are all well. My work remains very well worth while. May is in the center of all good things in Nashville. Grace is a sophomore in Swarthmore. Gordon is a sophomore in high school. Both youngsters take after their mother and are doing well in school.

Our very best regards to yourself and wife

Very cordially yours,

Harold F. Smith

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May 8, 1934

Dr. Harold F. Smith
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Smith:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 24th. Obviously you didn't discover the 50¢ in stamps for the Cheeloo Bulletin. But we are writing Miss Hickson that you wish the Bulletin continued, and I am sure that she will consider your credit good until you have an opportunity to send the four bits.

We are certainly grateful to you for the generous intention of turning over the stock in the James MacMillan Company to the Cheeloo School of Theology. The actual process involved would be for you to endorse your stock certificate or certificates in accordance with the form printed on the back, and with the usual certification of your signature by some local bank. The name of the organization to which the stock is being transferred could be written in as "North American Section, Board of Governors of Shantung Christian University," though it might be better to leave this blank for the time being while we check up a little further as to the most effective procedure.

But before any steps in the matter are taken we should report your generous intentions to the Executive Committee of our North American Section, and secure their acceptance of the gift. We have some very cautious business men on our Board who have learned from sad experience that even a gift horse must be examined carefully to see that he doesn't have any propensities for biting you when you are not looking. This is particularly true in gifts of stock. If an organization accepts a stock that is assessable, and the corporation issuing it gets into financial difficulties, the organization may discover that it possesses a security that is not only worthless but that even makes them liable for the full face value of the stock certificates. I know more than one individual who a very few years ago was extremely wealthy but who today is practically penniless because he has been compelled to pay assessments on stock he owned in corporations which have become bankrupt during the depression. Some years ago Miss Rankin interested a benevolent gentleman in Cheeloo University and he very generously offered to give us 1200 shares of a mining corporation in Nevada which he was quite sure would be valuable at some future date. We spent about two years trying

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to find out about the property and seeking to handle the matter in a way which would not offend the old gentlemen, or cause us to lose something that might be of real value. But in the end our Cheeloo Governors felt that it would be unwise for them to accept the offer. I am citing this illustration so that you may understand the caution with which our Governors always approach such matters.

Will you therefore give us somewhat fuller information with regard to the James MacMillan Company and its present financial position and future prospects? Will you, in particular, let us know whether or not your stock is assessable? I have a somewhat vague and general acquaintance with this company, since they did a job of printing for us while I was at Cheeloo but I have never been thoroughly informed with regard to it, and have been away from China so long that I am sadly out of date as to recent developments.

Things have gone along quite uneventfully with us during the last year or so. Margaret found the past winter particularly trying though with the coming of warmer weather she is feeling quite a bit better. Jean is becoming quite a tall young lady of eight, but I still find it difficult to think of Grace as being a sophomore in College and Gordon as a sophomore in high school.

The Ming family and the Ko family must try to keep in closer touch with each other. We have been very poor correspondents during recent moons.

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

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ASSOCIATED BOARDS

May 12, 1934

Dr. Harold F. Smith
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Smith:

This is written quite informally to get your reaction to a possible opening that may materialize here in the organization of our Associated Boards.

If the Associated Boards is to go forward with the plans we have made for the new year, we must get in at least one more man, in addition to Mr. Evans and myself. The time has now arrived when we must begin aggressively our program of cultivation and promotion for the entire group of Colleges, as well as rendering such assistance as we can to the promotional efforts being made by the individual institutions. This means that we must secure as head of our Associated Boards promotional work someone who is familiar with our Colleges, has a China background, and has the ability to enlist the interest and support of potential American contributors.

We are just now exploring a large number of possible solutions to this problem.

Perhaps the ideal solution would be to find a thoroughly qualified and experienced promotional director who could take over this work at once and carry it forward aggressively. But it is not an easy task to get a man who possesses all the necessary qualifications. A few men with particularly good qualifications in promotional work here in America have been suggested, but none of them possess the China background. On the other hand several men who are thoroughly qualified as regards China background, have not yet had an opportunity to demonstrate their ability as money-getters.

An alternative suggestion has been that my own sphere of activities should be shifted from administration to promotion and that we bring in another man to work with Mr. Evans here in the field of administration. This would, however, raise the question of where we could get a man who could effectively carry on the heavy burden of administrative detail, which has been growing steadily from year to year, and also how long it would take him to master all the innumerable

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details which one must carry in mind in order to serve on all of our Colleges efficently. Personally, I would be very reluctant to shift over to the promotional field, partly because I do not have any exalted opinions of my ability as a money-getter, and partly because it would raise a number of rather serious personal problems if I had to travel about a large part of the year.

A third alternative that has been suggested is that we bring in two men, one who would give his entire time to administration, and the other his entire time to promotion, shifting my own work to where I would have general responsibility both for the administration and the promotion.

The Committee in charge of finding some solution to this problem has been going through the list of all the old China hands now in America who might be secured for this work. Your name has been frequently mentioned, and while we do not know what the possibilities of prying you loose from Fisk University would be, we would at least like to pursue the matter further. With your fine background of training and experience, you would be well fitted for the administrative end of things, and we are wondering also whether you might not be able to render a very fine service in the field of promotion. One point over which I have hesitated has been the fact that you, Evans, and I are all three Presbyterians and both you and I come from Chaoloo, so we would not have the diversity of denominational and institutional interest that is desirable in a joint enterprise of this kind. A number of those to whom I have mentioned the matter have expressed the judgment, however, that this is not a very important consideration.

If you are at all interested in these possibilities I have just described we would be grateful if you would write us immediately, giving us your frank reaction to both of the types of position I have described - administrative and promotional. Give us detailed information as to just what training and experience you have had for each type of work, so that the Committee may have the best possible basis for forming a reliable judgment.

We are anxious to settle the matter and to make a choice as quickly as possible. If the man we choose is immediately available, we would be glad to have him begin work at any time. We would like, in any event, to have him start in around July first, or as shortly thereafter as possible. The question of salary has not yet been taken up in any definite way. The salaries of all the Mission Board secretaries here in New York have been scaled down during recent years by from twenty to forty per cent. At the present time the junior secretaries are getting around $5,500, and the senior secretaries do not go above $4,800. The salary the Associated Boards would decide upon would be somewhere within this range, the exact amount depending upon the man chosen and the duties assigned to him.

Very cordially yours,

B.A. Garside

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ASSOCIATED BOARDS

May 17, 1934

Mr. B.A. Garside
Associated Boards for
Christian Colleges in China
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Garside,

Thank you for your most interesting letter of May 12th. It is nice to be considered for these high positions and for a work that would be most attractive even though it may not be possible to go any further.

We are pretty deeply committed here just now and it is impossible for us to take any other position, at least for a number of years. I do appreciate your thinking of me.

May I state regarding the stock in McMullan and Company, that I will send it to you sometime next week for your perusal. You can then more easily decide whether you wish to accept the offer. You are quite right in moving cautiously.

Very cordially yours,

Harold F. Smith

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Mr. B.A. Garside
Shantung Christian University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Dear Garside,

Soon after writing to you on May 17th answering your letter about the post in your offices, I sent you the stock in the McMullan Company of Chefoo, China.

As I have not heard from you since regarding this, I drop you this line to inquire what the decision has been by your board as to its value and whether you wish to accept it as a gift.

We are all busy here with summer school work, but hope for a breathing spell about the first of September. How are all of you? and what are your prospects for the fall?

Very cordially yours,

Harold F. Smith

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Shantung Christian University

August 2, 1934

Mr. Harold F. Smith
Fisk University
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Smith,

stock is in safe

We are covered with confusion and humiliation at our failure to acknowledge receipt of the James McMillan and Company stock which you sent us in May. This stock arrived just as I was finishing up last minute preparations for getting away to attend the meetings held in Oxford during the latter part of June. I thought that Mr. Evans wrote you, and I am sure that he thought I was writing, so between us the matter was overlooked.

In spite of our negligence, we are really grateful to you for your generosity. It has not been possible to get a meeting of the Executive Committee during the summer, but I hope that one will be held fairly early next month. Meantime, I have asked our investment brokers to secure such information as they can with reference to the technical question of whether owners of this stock would be legally liable in case the McMillan Company should at some date in the future fall upon evil days. Their tentative judgment is that we would have nothing to fear at that point.

I suppose you do not have any recent financial reports from the company. If we could lay an annual financial statement before the conservative banking members of our Executive Committee, they would be much more favorably impressed. I can write out to Shofoo for such a statement, but it will require quite a while to obtain it.

I had a very pleasant trip across the Atlantic, though I remained in England just long enough to attend the series of meetings there. We had a very interesting and delightful week in the classic halls of University College, Oxford. I did not take Margaret or Jean along this time, but I have been promising them that if I go back again a few years hence I will certainly take them along. Jean is now reaching the age where she would get both interest and profit from such a jaunt.

Our biggest problem here in the office is still that of finding the help we need to carry on for the China Colleges during the coming year. As yet we have not secured the man we have been seeking to take direct charge of our promotional work for the Associated Boards. It is one of the most important, and at the same time one of the most difficult, opportunities of service to the missionary enterprise that I know anything about. We are in touch with one or two men who may turn out to be the right ones.

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Until we get more help either in the field of promotion or of administration, I am spread so thin over the whole range of work here that I am not doing any of it very effectively. It is much like standing on the bottom of a sand pit and trying to shovel the sand out faster than it comes pouring down.

I trust that your hope for a breathing spell about the first of September will really materialize, though I know you well enough to anticipate that some new demand on your time will come up in the meantime. Give my regards to Mrs. Smith and the young folks.

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

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August 9, 1934

Mr. B.A. Garside
Associated Boards for
Christian Colleges in China
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Garside,

I was glad to receive your letter of the 2nd telling of the receipt of the stock certificate, of its probable acceptance by your boards, and of your trip to Europe.

I have looked for my financial reports of James McMullan & Co., but so far have not found them. Another report will be coming to me about the last of September, and I shall be glad to send that to you when it comes.

You carefully omit any mention of the Cheelocites that you saw in England or of the Heimburgers or others who are in this country. Couldn't you spare a minute to share some of your news. It would be appreciated. I see that Stearnes and Lautenschlager are probably not returning. Are finances so very bad at the University?

Have you considered for your post in your offices Guy Sarvis - the man who made such a success as dean etc. at Nanking and has been on a trip to China recently (four or five years ago) getting ready for the Laymen's Report? He is at the Y.M.C.A. Conference, Blue Ridge, N.C. for the summer, but will be here in Nashville, later at 1103 18th Ave. South.

Very sincerely yours,

Harold F. Smith

Harold F. Smith

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Mr. R.A. Gantaide
Associated Boards for
Christian Colleges in China
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Gentlemen:

I am glad to receive your letter
of June 2nd stating that the Board
is prepared to grant the necessary
certificate, so that Miss Brokaw may
continue her study at Yenching.

Sincerely yours,

August 6, 1934

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August 17, 1934

Dr. Harold F. Smith
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Smith:

Thanks for your letter of August 9th.

We will be grateful to you for sending us the McMullan report when it reaches you next month.

I am sorry that I omitted to mention any of the Cheelooites I have seen recently. I had dinner with Dr. and Mrs. Wright in London the evening following our Cheeloo meeting. Dr. Hou Pao-chang was also present and we had a good discussion of Cheeloo affairs particularly those related to the School of Medicine. I saw Dr. Heimburger briefly when he was passing through New York last week. Occasionally Dr. Sam Cochran and I get together and talk over Cheeloo problems. Just at this time Cheeloo has a very flourishing assortment of problems, and new ones keep springing up like weeds in a Tsinan garden during the rainy season. Our chief difficulty is that just at this time we seem to be short of efficient gardeners who will keep the weeds pulled out and will give the educational program a chance to grow and flourish.

Guy Sarvis has been suggested more than once for our Associated Boards promotional post. He has always impressed me as a very interesting possibility, though we have not yet actively followed up the suggestion because of other leads that have been closer at hand. As the situation stands now, we have extended a formal invitation to a very fine Y.M.C.A. man who is one of the younger generation of secretaries. He seems to have excellent qualifications for our work, but it is rather doubtful whether he can be drawn away from the work he is now doing. We are however urging him to give the matter serious study and to let us have his decision as promptly as he can.

Under the circumstances I could not very well write directly to Mr. Sarvis and ask him whether he would be willing to consider such a position, since I would have to wait until we had some final decision from the Y.M.C.A. man before making any definite approach elsewhere. I would however be eternally grateful if you could get in touch with Sarvis, either by letter or in person, and sound him out as to whether he would be interested and would be available for this work. I believe you could approach him quite naturally by explaining that

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we wrote you with regard to the opening and asked if you would consider it. Since you yourself are not available, and since you know that we are still looking for a man, you are asking Sarvis whether he would be sufficiently interested for you to propose his name in a definite way. You could pass on to him the same general information I gave you. We would like to get a man on the job as soon as possible, though if necessary would be able to carry on for a few months until he could close up any other obligation. While all of our appointments within the Associated Boards are made from year to year, we all consider that this would be a permanent post, and that any man doing the work with even reasonable efficiency could be assured of a task that would grow in importance for many years. All of our salaries are about 25% below what they were a few years ago -- and what we hope they will be again a few years hence. However, we expect to offer a salary of $4500 - $4800 a year for this position at the beginning, these figures including the Associated Boards contribution of 5% toward the pension and retirement of the appointee.

By the time you have had an opportunity to sound out Sarvis on this proposition, and to report his reaction to me I hope that we will be able to see more definitely whether we can follow up the matter if he is interested.

With all good wishes, I am

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Very cordially yours,

B A. Garside

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February 23, 1935

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Dr. Harold F. Smith
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Smith:

On February 8th we had a meeting of the North American Section of our Cheeloo Governors at which we reported your generous offer to contribute the 110 shares of James McMullan stock to the Cheeloo School of Theology. The Section recorded its appreciation of this gift in the following actions-

"VOTED to accept, with sincerest thanks to the donor, Dr. Harold F. Smith's gift to the Cheeloo School of Theology of 110 shares of the capital stock of James McMullan & Co., Ltd., of Chefoo, China."

The next step would seem to be that of having the ownership of the stock formally transferred to the Cheeloo Governors. It seemed wiser to use the title of the Governors in making the transfer rather than the School of Theology for the Governors are the corporate body which is legally responsible for the property and funds of the School of Theology as well as the other departments of the institution.

I enclose herewith the stock certificate, on which we have typed the form of endorsement required by American corporations in effecting a transfer of stock. I trust this form will be satisfactory to the James McMullan Company, even though they are a British corporation.

If agreeable to you, will you sign the endorsement, and have your signature witnessed and then send the certificate along to James McMullan & Company with a letter of instruction.

I have informed Dean Stanley of your gift of this stock, and have asked him to make such inquiries as seem desirable relative to present market values and prospects for the resumption of dividends.

You should come up to New York occasionally, if only as an antidote against becoming too southern. I suppose you are gradually

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acquiring a distinctive southern drawl. Margaret would wish to join me in sending all good wishes to Mrs. Smith and your grown up family.

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

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November 25, 1935

Dr. Harold F. Smith
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Smiths

Glad to receive your letter of November 21st. We had begun to wonder what might have happened to the Ming household.

We had heard of the death of Jack Corbett but the accident to Mrs. Wells was news. Inquiries at the Presbyterian Board have given us some further details of her accident. We understnad that she is making as good progress as could be expected, and that they hope for complete recovery from the injury she sustained. Margaret and I usually try to get off a Christmas card to Mr. and Mrs. Wells - we will include our expressions of sympathy with our holiday greeting this year.

It is hard to realize that Grace is graduating from College next June, and that next September Gordon will be joining the ranks of the freshmen. Even our daughter Jean will be getting into junior high school next year. I am sorry to say that Margaret's health has continued to be quite unsatisfactory, without any very definite change either for the better or the worse. If at all possible, we will try to have her spend some months this winter in a more satisfactory climate than one finds here in the metropolitan area.

We are affixing the necessary signature to the documents sent by James McMullan & Co. You will be interested to know that we received a small dividend from the Company this year, amounting to $10.23. This seems to indicate that at least a measure of prosperity is returning to Chefoo.

The last year here in the China Colleges office has been one of the busiest we have ever had, although I am afraid that we do not have very many striking results to show for our efforts. We have been laying foundations for united promotional work for the entire group of Colleges, and that is slow business in these difficult times. I do hope, however, that we have made some substantial progress, and that the results will become more apparent as we go on. Dr. Shields and Dr. Stanley are home from Cheeloo this year and together should make some substantial

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progress toward meeting the most urgent of our Chemical needs. The Board of Governors in September took a very firm stand on the matter of restricting the work of the Colleges of Arts and Sciences exclusively to the development of the rural program. Apparently President Lee Manning is favorably inclined to this program, and we hope that under his leadership something may be accomplished.

Thanks for the congratulations on the doctorate. It represents merely the somewhat injudicious kindliness on the part of the authorities in a mid-western college out in the great open spaces where I grew up.

If Margaret knew of this letter, she would wish to join me in sending good wishes to Mrs. Smith, the young people, and yourself.

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Pearside

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Mr. B.A. Garside
China Christian Un iversities
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

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Dear Garside,

I enclose a document and letter from James McMullan which are self-explanatory.

All goes well with this portion of the ex-China tribe. How is it with you? I notice that congratulations are in order (perhaps greatly belated through ignorance) in view of your doctorate. How come?

We are greatly grieved over the death of Jack Corbett and the accident to Mrs. Wells in Shanghai. It is strange to have one family hit so hardly within a week's time.

Grace graduates from college next June and Gordon enters college next September. The rest of us are continuing our normal paths. How is it with you and yours?

Very sincerely yours,

Harold F. Smith

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