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*copy for Mr. Sarside Complete duplicate of material sent to Mr. Hylbert.*

UNIVERSITY OF NANKING

~~OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT~~

NANKING, CHINA

PLEASE SEND REPLY TO  
SHANGHAI OFFICE

20 MUSEUM ROAD, ROOM 531  
SHANGHAI, CHINA

February 21, 1928.

Mr. L. C. Hylbert,  
Secretary East China Mission,  
Baptist Foreign Missionary Society,  
508 Missions Building, Shanghai.

TRANSFER

*see file 12/2/28*

Dear Mr. Hylbert:

For several years the East China Mission of the Baptist Foreign Missionary Society has been paying to the University \$4,000.00 Mexican per year in lieu of a second teacher in the College of Agriculture and Forestry, which grew out of the University of Nanking Board of Managers action No. 221, taken in March 1925, as follows:

"VOTED that with the approval of the Baptist Board, the funds now provided by them for the support of the Dean of the Language School be utilized as soon as possible for another teacher in the College of Agriculture and Forestry."

This action was taken at the time of the reconsideration of your Mission's cooperation in the University and has been greatly appreciated.

Deans Kuo and Reisner of the College of Agriculture and Forestry have for some time been anxious to have the services of the second Baptist missionary as called for by the above action, but the uncertainties of the time have delayed definite recommendations or requests. I am therefore pleased to be able now to ask for the appointment of your second representative in the College of Agriculture and Forestry and for your favourable consideration of Mr. Gordon K. Middleton, for five years agricultural missionary at Kaifeng, where he was connected with the Kaifeng Baptist School of the Southern Baptist Convention. Mr. W. E. Sallee has been principal of the school. Mr. Middleton went to the States on furlough probably in 1926 and is now teaching in an agricultural high school. His present address is Eladenboro, North Carolina.

Mr. Middleton is well known to both Dean Kuo and Dean Reisner and to other members of the staff of the College of Agriculture and Forestry and has been actively cooperating with the College in its large plant improvement programme. He is, I believe, a graduate of the North Carolina State College of Agri-

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 OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
 NANKING, CHINA

20 MUSEUM ROAD, ROOM 23  
 SHANGHAI, CHINA

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 Assistant Foreign Missionary Society,  
 503 Missions Building, Shanghai.

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We would like Mr. Middleton's appointment, if approved, to become effective so that he would arrive on the field about September 1, 1928. I am enclosing copy of an action taken by our Board of Directors with reference to the return of the foreign staff to the University. We appreciate the need for the return of as many of our foreign staff as possible and we hope that conditions will soon be such that the families too can return to Nanking for residence.

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In case Mr. Middleton is not appointed or is unable to come, we would still like the appointment of a second man whose professional qualifications in definite fields of agriculture we will send if necessary. We are hoping that the present suggestion may be satisfactory to all concerned.

May I take this opportunity to express my appreciation of the help and interest which the representatives of your Mission on the University Board of Directors have given during these trying months just past and in connection with the reorganization of the University.

Looking forward to your continued interest and cooperation, and assuring you of our desire to serve in every possible way, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

*Y. G. Chen*  
Y. G. Chen, President.

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Y. C. Chen, President.

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ACTION TAKEN BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON NOVEMBER 29, 1927.

IN REGARD TO RETURN OF FOREIGN STAFF

D-34 VOTED that, although it is difficult to foretell what the future political situation will be in Nanking, nevertheless, on the basis of the continuation or the improvement of present conditions, we feel justified in making the following recommendations and requests to the cooperating Boards:

1. That the full quota of missionaries from each Board be returned to China, for the beginning of the autumn semester 1928.
  2. That in case it is unwise or inconvenient for families to proceed to Nanking, the Boards, as an emergency measure, provide residence for them in Shanghai, the teachers proceeding to their work in the University.
  3. That in case of vacancies in the quota of any Board, these vacancies be filled with experienced university teachers who have heretofore been supported by general university funds.
  4. That the details of personnel be worked out by the President and the Executive-Finance Committee.
- (For details regarding personnel see letter.)

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ACTION TAKEN BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON NOVEMBER 29, 1937.

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*copy  
Mr. Robbins  
to Mr. Chen*

# AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY

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276 FIFTH AVENUE  
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JOSEPH C. ROBBINS  
FOREIGN SECRETARY  
RANDOLPH L. HOWARD  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY

February 28, 1928.

**TRANSFER**

Dear Mr. Garside:

Your letter of February 24 arrived here after Dr. Franklin's departure for Europe and Jerusalem.

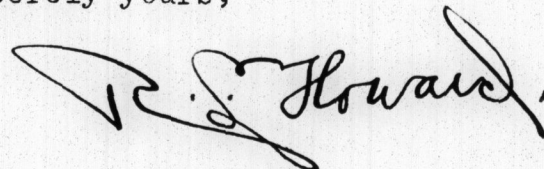
It is very unfortunate that an action taken on November 29 should only reach us on February 27. Dr. Gibbs had had no intimation as to what the attitude of President Chen was as to his return. He has been extremely anxious to complete his veterinary studies. He is not, therefore, planning to return to the University this year.

As to the new man in the quota recommended, I believe it is quite clear that the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society entered into a cooperative arrangement with the University of Nanking on a certain definite basis. This included the assignment of Dr. Gibbs to the College of Agriculture and of Mr. Keen to the Language School. Upon the death of Mr. Keen in 1923 support was continued to the extent of \$4,000 Mex. per year for a man for the Language School. Our impression is that the Language School has been discontinued. Certainly it hardly would be possible for our Mex. \$4,000 to be transferred to the School of Agriculture without further action by our Board.

It has been the impression of Dr. Huntington, who is a member of the Board of Trustees, that a meeting of the Trustees was to be held shortly to consider some of these questions.

Recently we had a letter from Dr. Gamewell of the Methodist Board with the suggestion that a Conference be held to consider Union University relationships. This whole question will be brought to the attention of our Board at the next meeting. We here felt, however, that the authorities in Nanking should be informed immediately that our Board would quite likely raise serious question over a second agricultural missionary being considered as part of the Baptist quota.

Sincerely yours,



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

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University of Nanking

February 24, 1928

Dr. J. H. Franklin,  
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society,  
276 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Franklin:

We attach hereto copy of an important action (D-34) taken by the Board of Directors of the University of Nanking on November 29, 1927, in regard to the return of the foreign staff. It is unfortunate that the official information regarding this action has been considerably delayed. It arrived in our office only a few days ago.

In regard to the return of the personnel of the various boards, President Y.C. Chen recommended quotas for each of the cooperating boards and these recommendations were formally approved by the Executive Finance Committee of the Board of Directors on January 16, 1928. The recommendations for the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society are as follows:

Former Quota

C. S. Gibbs

Quota recommended

C. S. Gibbs  
New man

President Chen goes on to say that the University is extremely anxious that all members of the boards' quotas be on the campus by the end of summer. Commenting on these recommendations President Chen says:

"For the second man on Baptist quota against which the Baptist Society has been paying \$4,000 Mexican per year for several years past, Mr. Kuo and Mr. Reisner are anxious to secure the services of an agricultural missionary who has been under the Southern Baptist Board for a number of years. They are now trying to get in touch with the people concerned on the field and as soon as we have further details we shall write you. In case it is not possible to effect the transfer of this experienced missionary, we shall want a new man whose training and qualifications will be sent in detail later on."

The question of the return of the foreign Nanking personnel has already been too long delayed so we hope that these matters can now be settled quite promptly. We would appreciate it therefore if you would bring them to the attention of the Baptist Society at the earliest possible date.

Very sincerely yours,

B A GARSIDE

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UNIVERSITY OF NANKING  
Nanking, China

ACTION TAKEN BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON NOVEMBER 29, 1927,

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UNIVERSITY OF NANKING

February 29, 1928.

Dr. R. L. Howard,  
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society,  
276 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Dr. Howard:

In order to supplement my letter of February 28th concerning the suggested extension of the five-year period for the trust fund of \$100,000. for famine prevention work held jointly by the University of Nanking and Peking University, in which the share of the University of Nanking is \$75,000., I enclose an extract from the agreement which was signed on March 31, 1923. This agreement, as the one for a ten-year period and a larger amount, reads "Thomas W. Lamont, as Chairman and Vernon Munroe as Treasurer, of the Executive Committee of the American Committee for China Famine Fund to National Savings and Trust Company - Trust Agreement for Nanking University".

As I believe Miss Linehan explained to you over the telephone, these funds are held and transmitted to the University of Nanking by the National Savings and Trust Company, Trustee, on appropriations duly made by the China Famine Fund Committee, annually, for approved work at Nanking.

If you have any further questions, I shall be only to glad to answer them.

Cordially yours,  
Secretary.

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University of Nanking

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March 3, 1928.

Dr. R. L. Howard,  
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society,  
276 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Dr. Howard:

Thank you for your letter of February 28th discussing the recent request of the University of Nanking in regard to the quota of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society on the staff of the University.

While Dr. Huntington was in the office yesterday afternoon I had an opportunity to talk over some of these questions with him. We quite appreciate the importance of the question you raise. We hope, however, regardless of whether your society finds it advisable to approve the request exactly as submitted, that you will in all events maintain the same amount of cooperation in Nanking as heretofore. All of our staff in Nanking, particularly the Chinese administrators at the head of the institution, are having an unusual number of difficult problems to meet this year, and surely we in the West can do no less than show our interest and cooperation by maintaining our support of the University to the maximum.

We are trying to arrange for a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking in about four weeks' time. We will send you a formal notice as soon as the date and hour are determined.

Very sincerely yours,

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Copy to Mr. Reiser  
" " President Chen

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# AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY

JAMES H. FRANKLIN  
FOREIGN SECRETARY  
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276 FIFTH AVENUE  
NEW YORK

CABLE ADDRESS: TAVOYAM, NEW YORK

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

March 14, 1928

JOSEPH C. ROBBINS  
FOREIGN SECRETARY  
NANKING  
RANDOLPH L. HOWARD  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY

TRANSFER

My dear Mr. Garside:

I brought to the attention of our Board yesterday the matters referred to in your letters of February 24 and February 28, the former addressed to Dr. Franklin and the latter to the members of the Executive Committee of Nanking University. I am enclosing the official action of our Board upon these two matters.

With reference to the \$100,000 set aside for a campaign for China famine relief, I trust that the vote is so written as to meet your requirements. If however its phrasing is in any way unsatisfactory, I should appreciate your letting us know at once so that the needed corrections may be made.

With reference to the quota recommended by the Board of Directors and President Chen, as you will see from the enclosed vote the Board did not feel that it could approve of the transfer of the \$4000 Mex. from the Language School to another department of the University. The Board is prepared to cooperate for the coming year as it has been cooperating in the past. We are, as you know, under added expense due to the Emergency Language School in Shanghai. One of our missionaries is acting as the head of that school. It seemed to the Board therefore that if the Language School at Nanking was not to be opened this year, their contribution to language school work might be considered to be made by Mr. Moncrieff's service in Shanghai.

The Board is quite prepared however to pay \$1300 Gold in view of the vacancy created by Dr. Gibbs' not returning to the University. This is in accordance with vote D-36 taken by the Board of Directors on November 29, 1927. We trust action in this latter matter has not been so late as to embarrass President Chen. Our excuse is that, as you know, we did not receive these minutes until the ninth of March.

Cordially yours,

*R. S. Howard*  
Associate Secretary

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

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AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY  
BOARD OF MANAGERS

King

New York, March 15, 1928

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

This will notify you that at the meeting of the Board of Managers  
held 3/13/28 action was taken as follows:

With reference to the request of the Committee of Reference and Counsel of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America that the Society, as one of the cooperating societies of Nanking University, join in a petition to have the period of agreement with reference to the \$100,000 set aside for a campaign for China Famine Relief extended one year or eighteen months in order that there may be no question of Nanking University standing in the way of using this money for its legitimate purposes, it was

VOTED: That the Board join in a petition to have the present agreement with reference to the China Famine Fund, which expires March 31, 1928, extended for one year or eighteen months in order to give adequate time to consider the question as to whether a campaign to relieve famine conditions in China as now reported should be entered into, or whether the \$100,000 in question should become a permanent part of a much larger endowment (\$613,115.60) for carrying on famine prevention work in connection with Peking University and the University of Nanking.

With reference to the request of the Board of Directors of the University of Nanking taken on November 29, 1927 requesting that the full quota of missionaries from each Board be returned to China for the beginning of the autumn semester 1928, and President Y. G. Chen's interpretation of the quota of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society as including Dr. C. S. Gibbs and a new missionary, whom President Chen desires to be an agricultural missionary, it was

VOTED: That, in view of the fact that the \$4000 Mex. per year which the Board has been appropriating since the death of Mr. C. S. Keen was to fill his place in the Language School, the Board does not approve of the \$4000 Mex. in question being used in any other department of the University than the Language School, and in view of the fact that the Language School is now closed, the Board does not understand that it is under obligation to provide this amount for the coming year.

That, in view of the fact that C. S. Gibbs cannot return this year, the Board is prepared to provide the salary of a substitute not to exceed \$1300 Gold as requested by the Board of Directors. (Vide vote D 36, 11/29/27.)

On behalf of the Board of Managers,

*J. H. Franklin*  
Foreign Secretary

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University of Nanking

April 2, 1928

Dr. R. L. Howard,  
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society,  
276 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Howard:

May we ask you to take whatever steps are necessary to bring to the attention of your Society the action taken by the special committee of the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking on March 28, 1928 as follows:

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"VOTED that it is the earnest hope of the Committee that during the next year all the cooperating Boards will maintain their quotas in the University of Nanking on the basis which has been accepted for several years, namely: Methodist Board, Presbyterian Board North, and United Christian Missionary Society each to provide five in general University and one in Hospital; Baptist Board to provide two in School of Agriculture and Forestry; Presbyterian Board South to provide one in Hospital; and that if any vacancies in these quotas should occur during the next year, cash equivalents of \$1,300.00 will be paid in lieu of each such vacancy."

We have already sent you a copy of these minutes but are sending this more formal request to insure that this important matter is brought to the attention of the Boards at the earliest possible date.

Very sincerely yours,

B A GARSIDE

Secretary

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CC: Dr. G. B. Huntington

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# AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY

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JAMES H. FRANKLIN  
FOREIGN SECRETARY  
JOSEPH C. ROBBINS  
FOREIGN SECRETARY

Nanking

April 20, 1928.

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

Dear Mr. Garside:

When I received from you the minutes of the special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking and of the special committee meeting which was held immediately following I meant to write you especially with reference to the latter meeting. Through an oversight I have delayed writing until now. My only purpose is to state that the action recorded as taken by the special committee regarding the maintenance by all cooperating boards in their quota in the University of Nanking on the former basis was taken after I was obliged to leave the meeting. I do not think I would have been prepared to vote for that action without more consideration than we were able to give it at that time. I am not prepared to indicate what decision our Board will reach in the matter. I simply want to make it clear that we shall feel free to take such action as may seem to us advisable under all the circumstances. The fact that I was recorded as present at the meeting should not be taken to indicate that I approved the action or that our Board is in any way bound by it.

Very sincerely yours,

*George B. Huntington*  
Treasurer

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April 23, 1928

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Dr. R. L. Howard,  
Dr. George B. Huntington, ✓  
276 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Howard and Dr. Huntington:

At the time of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking on March 28th some question was raised as to the use of the Mex.\$4,000. a year paid by the American Baptist Board to the University in place of the services formerly rendered by Mr.C.S.Keen. I promised at that time I would go through our University records and see what I could find on this matter. Below we summarize the results of our investigation.

It seems that the most important of the early actions taken by the American Baptist Society was the action of your Board of Managers on March 11, 1914 in which it was agreed among other things that the Society should furnish three members to the staff of the University of Nanking including W.W.Brown, M.D., Rev.C.S.Keen, and a third member to be provided later. As far as I can find, the third member was never supplied.

After the death of Mr.Keen in 1923 it was stated by Mr.H.F.Cawthorne of your Society in a letter dated Nov.30, 1923, that your Board was contemplating appointment of a man to replace Mr.Keen at Nanking, a man for the Department of Agriculture. This statement was written to the field by Mr.Moss (see Mr.Moss's letter to Mr.Cawthorne December 5, 1923). Dr.Bowen cabled in reply that the University requested the Baptist Board to provide the salary for the Dean of the School of Language (see Mr.Moss's letter to Dr.Franklin December 27, 1923). Your Society accepted this general proposal but there was some discussion as to the cash equivalent which was to be paid, and this was finally settled at Mex.\$4,000. (see Mr.Cawthorne's letter to Mr.Moss of January 11, 1924; Mr.Moss's letter to Mr.Cawthorne of January 17, 1924, and a memorandum by Dr.Eric North dated April 29, 1925.)

On March 16, 1925 the Board of Managers of the University of Nanking passed the following action which was transmitted to Dr.Franklin by Dr.North on May 5, 1925:

M-221 VOTED that, with the approval of the Baptist Board, the funds

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now provided by them for the support of the Dean of the Language School be utilized as soon as possible for another teacher in the College of Agriculture and Forestry."

We do not find any formal reply from the Baptist Board to Dr. North's letter of May 5th transmitting the action quoted above. There was a great deal of correspondence and discussion during this period on whether the amount paid should be \$2,500. or Mex.\$4,000. but the question of whether the money should be used in the Language School or in the Department of Agriculture seems to have caused no comment. As far as the field authorities of the University and our New York office have been concerned, it seems that we have gone on the assumption that the Baptist Board raised no objection to the proposal made by the field Board of Managers in March 1925 of utilizing the Mex.\$4,000. for a teacher in the College of Agriculture and Forestry. This assumption has been strengthened by the fact that such a proposal was at least partially in line with the suggestion made by Mr. Cawthorne soon after Mr. Keen's death that the American Baptist Society contemplated appointing as Mr. Keen's successor a man in the Department of Agriculture. The 1927-28 budget, approved by the Trustees on June 29, 1927, lists this Mex.\$4,000. under the College of Agriculture and Forestry.

I trust that this information will aid in clarifying <sup>any</sup> misunderstanding that has arisen. If you wish any further information I will be glad to seek to supply it. I should also be glad to go over to your office to discuss these questions with you personally if that seems desirable.

I am enclosing a letter we wrote soon after the meeting of the Board of Trustees, quoting the action taken by the special committee regarding the cooperation of the various mission boards for the coming year. This letter was not sent at the time because I held it awaiting the completion of my investigation of the questions discussed above.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

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Enc.

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AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY

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April 24, 1928.



TRANSFER

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

My dear Mr. Garside:

Thank you for your letter of April 23rd with enclosures. It is not at all necessary to add the note which you kindly suggest to the minutes of the meeting of the committee. My letter in your files will be sufficient, I am quite sure.

I was interested in your review of the history of our connection with the University in your letter addressed to Dr. Howard and myself jointly. I think that in the main your record corresponds with our understanding. There is one minor point of correction. We did supply a third member, namely, Mr. L.B. Moss, who was first attached to, I think, the Normal School and later to the Administrative Department of the University. With the discontinuance of the Medical School our participation was reduced from three members on the staff to two.

I think you are correct in your understanding that our Board consented to the application of the money provided in lieu of Mr. Keen's service at the Language School to an additional teacher in the College of Agriculture and Forestry. We looked this matter up on our own records after my conversation with you and found that we did notify our mission on the field to this effect. I think, therefore, that our Board will not be disposed to question the understanding of the University on this point.

We do understand, however, from more recent action that the extent of the obligation of our Board under this arrangement is at the rate of \$1,300. per year,

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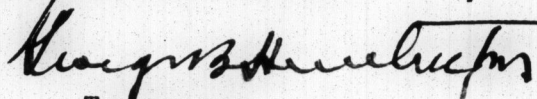


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cash payment, in case we are not able to furnish a man for the department, instead of the Mex.\$4,000. which was agreed to some years ago. Dr. Howard and I will go over the matter together and possibly bring the case to our Board at the next meeting, at which time I believe Dr. Franklin will be back and perhaps be prepared to take the matter up in person.

Very sincerely yours,

  
Treasurer

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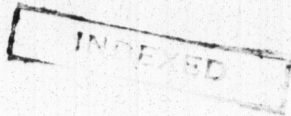
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University of Nanking

April 27, 1928

Dr. George B. Huntington,  
276 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Huntington:

We thank you for your letter of April 24th commenting on my letter of the preceding day in which we discuss the question of "the second member" of the Baptist quota on the University of Nanking staff.

We apologize for failing to give credit to the Baptist Board and to Mr. Leslie Moss for the work he did for the University of Nanking. We appreciate your calling this omission to our attention.

We are glad to learn that your records confirm the understanding of the New York office and the field authorities that the Baptist Board consent to the application of the money provided in lieu of Mr. Keen's services at the Language School to an additional teacher in the College of Agriculture and Forestry. This clears up a point on which there seems to have been some uncertainty for several years.

As far as our records show, the understanding of the field has been that at least to the end of the present fiscal year closing June 30, 1928, the Baptist Board is to provide Mex.\$4,000. a year for the vacancy created by Mr. Keen's death. The various letters and agreements covering this point are referred to in the third paragraph of my letter of April 23rd. The budget for 1927-28 enters this estimated receipt as Mex.\$4,000. If this full amount were not received it would leave a deficit which it would be quite awkward to handle.

In accordance with the recent action of the special committee requesting cooperating Boards to provide a cash equivalent of \$1300. in place of vacancies on the quota, it would certainly be in order for the Baptist Board to restate their obligation for future years in terms of this figure.

I know the field hopes, however, that by next fall they will have a second representative of the Baptist Board actually on the field. President Chen and Mr. Reisner have sent me copies of their correspondence with the East China Mission of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, and also with Mr. Gordon E. Middleton now in Bladenboro, N.C., on the subject of Mr. Middleton's availability for appointment on the staff of the College of Agriculture and Forestry. I suppose that a request

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for such an appointment has been formally made to your Society. Certainly the field is anxious to have the quotas of the various cooperating Boards entirely filled wherever this is at all possible, and would much prefer the presence of such missionary workers to any cash equivalent that might be supplied. We hope it will be possible to appoint Mr. Middleton to the Banking staff during the next few months.

Very sincerely yours,

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B A GARSIDE

CC: Dr. Howard

Field  
Dr. Bowen

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TRANSFER

University of Nanking

May 2, 1928

Dr. Geo. B. Huntington,  
276 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Huntington:

We have just received from Miss Priest a statement of the University of Nanking's exchange adjustment of account with the Baptist Board which brings this account down to June 30, 1927. You will note that, according to this statement, there is due the University the sum of Mex.\$111.97. This amount is made up of loss in exchange for the fiscal year 1925/26, Mex.\$106.50 plus a balance of Mex.\$5.47 from the previous two years accounted for by the fact that your remittance of G\$170.40 received on April 22, 1926, when calculated at the rate of exchange prevailing in Nanking when report of this remittance reached the field, did not quite cover the loss in exchange for the fiscal years 1923/24 and 1924/25.

If you find this account agrees with your records we would be glad to have a remittance from your Board at your convenience.

Very sincerely yours,

B A GARSIDE

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CC: Miss Priest

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UNIVERSITY OF NANKING  
OFFICE OF THE TREASURER  
NANKING, CHINA

*with letter  
4/4/25*

STATEMENT OF EXCHANGE ADJUSTMENT WITH BAPTIST BOARD

Balance due on exchange July 1, 1924		M\$ 66 73
.....		
Appropriation for year July 1, 1924-June 30, 1925		M\$ 3,000 00
Received;		
Semi-annual payment	G\$750 00	1,387 50
"	750 00	<u>1,350 00</u>
		2,737 50
Due on exchange on basis of 2 for 1.....	M\$	262 50
.....		
Appropriation for year July 1925- June 1926		3,000 00
Payment of the year	1,500 00	<u>2,893 00</u>
Due on exchange on basis of 2 for 1.....	M\$	106 50
.....		
Special payment of item of G\$ 170 40 on exch.		323 76
.....		

SUMMARY

Exchange due July 1, 1924	66 73	
Due July 1, 1925	262 50	
Due July 1, 1926	<u>106 50</u>	435 73
Less payment on account		<u>323 76</u>
Due on adjustment of exchange.....	Mex \$	111 97

Exchange averaged a little more than two for one during 1926-7 and therefore the above represents the total due to date of July 1, 1927.

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University of Nanking

June 21, 1928.

Dr. George B. Huntington,  
276 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Dr. Huntington,

We have just received a letter from Miss Elsie M. Priest,  
Field Treasurer of the University of Nanking, in which she states:-

"Miss Lacey, treasurer of the Baptist Board in Shanghai, advises us that she has been instructed by the home office not to pay the balance of our appropriation amounting to Mexican four thousand dollars, as all payments are to be made in New York. This will cancel a letter written you on May 2nd in which I stated we expected them to pay this balance of two thousand dollars during the month of May, which has been customary for a number of years. Meanwhile the two thousand that I had counted on for this payroll is not forthcoming!"

In the earlier letter referred to by Miss Priest, she explained that the first two thousand due the University from the Baptist Board on this salary account had been paid some months ago by your field treasurer in Shanghai, and that she was sure the second half would be forthcoming in due course, as has been the agreement since 1924-25.

The non-payment of this Mex. \$2,000 is contributing another very serious problem to the already overburdened Nanking financial situation. My letters of April 23rd and April 27th outlined the facts which seem to us to indicate quite clearly the validity of the University's expectation that the full amount of this Mex. \$4,000 would be forthcoming to meet the budget obligations of the current fiscal year closing on June 30th, 1928.

Since obviously your field treasurer is not to make the second payment on this year's accounts, we sincerely hope that it will be possible for your office to complete this payment during the next ten days. If this can be done before the fiscal year closes on June 30th it will enable us to cable Miss Priest authorization to draw on our office for the amount involved.

Very sincerely yours,

B A GARSIDE

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June 23, 1928.

TRANSFER

Mr. B. A. Garside, Secretary,  
China Union Universities,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Garside:

Your notice of the semi-annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking to be held on the 26th is duly to hand. I regret very much that I am obliged to be in Toronto at the meeting of the Baptist World Alliance on that date; Doctor Franklin also will be there, so that our Society will not be represented at the meeting.

I have also received your letter covering the report of the special committee on reorganization. I have not had time to review this and will be very interested in going over the report. I am in the office for only a day and a half, as I have just returned from the annual meeting of our Society and the Northern Baptist Convention in Detroit.

Your letter of June 21st respecting a balance of \$2000.00 Mexican which Miss Priest, Field Treasurer of the University, claims to be due from our Society, is also before me. We had included in our budget for 1927-28 the full amount of \$4000.00 Mexican which we assumed covered our obligations in the University budget for the year ending June 30th, 1928. Our instructions to Miss Lacey, referred to in the quotation from Miss Priest's letter, related to the appropriation in the budget for 1928-29. There has been no stoppage of payment on the 1927-28 appropriation. As we review the record of payments, however, since the death of Mr. Keen, I can see that there is a possibility that our budget appropriation for 1927-28 applied half on the University budget for 1926-27 and half on 1927-28. I understand Miss Lacey makes the payments in January and May. May 1928, while in your budget for 1927-28, is in our 1928-29 budget.

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Mr. B.A. Garside

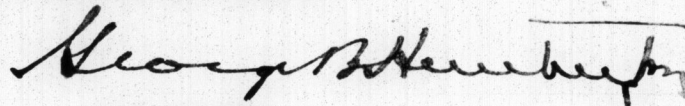
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We will take the matter up with Miss Lacey and if we find that this is the explanation of the difficulty, I presume our Board will authorize an additional appropriation of \$2000.00 Mexican to clean up your 1927-28 budget. If this adjustment is made we shall handle it through the field treasurer. //

I have also your letter of June 22nd, regarding amounts expected from our Society for your 1928-1929 budget. I would say that we have included in our 1928-29 budget the sum of \$1500.00 Gold as a direct appropriation. We have also included an appropriation for a substitute for Mr. Gibbs since he is not expected to return, and the cash equivalent for a second man in the School of Agriculture. I had understood from previous meetings and conversations that the recognized equivalent for the salary of a missionary on the staff was \$1300.00 Gold, and that is the basis of the provision made in our budget. We are not just certain when Mr. Gibbs will go off salary but I think early in your fiscal year. In that case you may count upon a total of \$2600.00 Gold, less any payment which we may find it necessary to make to Mr. Gibbs on account of furlough salary after July first, and also the regular appropriation of \$1500.00 Gold. Please advise me whether this understanding is satisfactory.

Very sincerely yours,



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NEW YORK

CABLE ADDRESS: "TAVOYAM, NEW YORK"

Nanking

June 27, 1928.

Mr. B. A. Garside, Secretary,  
China Union Universities,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, N.Y.

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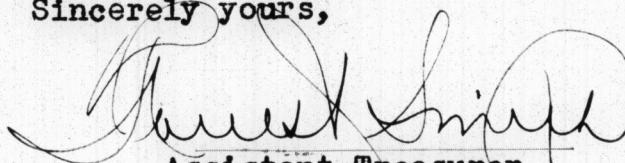
My dear Mr. Garside:

We have your letter of May second,  
in which you enclose a statement of ex-  
change adjustment in connection with the  
University of Nanking.

However, if the exchange in 1926-  
27 averaged a little more than two for  
one, should not the Boards be rendered  
a statement of this and the additional  
amount applied toward the reduction of  
the exchange in previous years.

As soon as we hear from you in this  
connection we shall be in a position to  
make remittance.

Sincerely yours,

  
Assistant Treasurer.

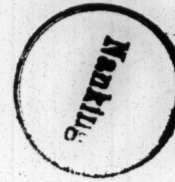
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University of Nanking

June 29, 1928.

Mr. Forrest Smith, Assistant Treasurer,  
American Baptist Foreign Missionary Society,  
276 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Smith:

We have your letter of June 27th, dealing with exchange adjustments in connection with the University of Nanking. In this letter you ask the following question,- "If the exchange in 1926-27 averaged a little more than two for one, should not the Boards be rendered a statement of this, and the additional amount applied toward the reduction of exchange in previous years?"

The basis on which the cooperating Boards have usually adjusted such exchange items with the University of Nanking is that set forth in the action of the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking at their meeting of November 1, 1921, as follows:

"It was voted that the current appropriations of the cooperating Boards, which are Gold appropriations guaranteed at the rate of two Mexican dollars to one Gold dollar, should be expected to be received on the full Gold basis if the Mexican dollar costs less than 50%, and on the two to one Mexican basis when the Mexican dollar costs more than 50%; that is, the contributing societies guarantee the University against loss in exchange, but any benefit in exchange shall accrue to the University."

In general, the cooperating Boards have agreed to this proposal, some formally, and others on a basis of making special year by year grants to cover any deficits arising due to unfavorable exchange. I believe that the Baptist Board has always heretofore accepted this guaranteed two to one rate of exchange, and has made up losses for years where the average Mexican yield has been less than twice the Gold amount, without expecting the University to repay anything for periods where the Mexican yield has slightly exceeded twice the gold figure.

Very sincerely yours,

B A GARSIDE

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July 6, 1928.

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

Dear Mr. Garside:

In accordance with your request we are sending herewith our check No. 41208 for \$3,000.00 on account of appropriation made by our Board of Managers to the University of Nanking for our share of the funds needed to make good losses sustained in the troubles at Nanking in the Spring of 1927.

Sincerely yours,

*George B. Huntington*  
Treasurer

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University of Nanking

July 24, 1928

Dr. Geo. B. Huntington,  
276 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Huntington:

I was away from the office for a week or so and therefore am delayed in acknowledging the receipt of your letter of July 6th with its enclosed check for \$3,000. on account of appropriation made by your Board of Managers to the University of Nanking for your share of the funds needed to make good the losses sustained in the trouble at Nanking in the spring of 1927.

Our delay in sending this acknowledgment does not indicate any lack of appreciation for we are profoundly grateful to the Baptist Board for its cordial and generous support of the University of Nanking at this time of its emergency. Your remittance reached us in a very critical time and was of tremendous help.

Very sincerely yours,

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August 3, 1928

Mr. B. A. Garside, Secretary  
China Union Universities  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York City

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*Ans. 9/10/28*

My dear Mr. Garside:

Since forwarding to you our check in payment of the loss and exchange on our appropriations to the University of Nanking we have been reviewing our accounts more thoroughly in connection with this matter and also have reviewed the actions taken by our Board of Managers in connection with the budget of the University.

// We believe that we should follow the same policy in connection with our payments towards the budget of the University of Nanking that we follow in our own missionary agency. What we do is to practically guarantee a local currency amount. We presume that the major part of the University's budget is prepared in local currency and distribution made to the Boards with a local currency equivalent in mind. Our policy in connection with our own missions is to guarantee the mission work appropriations at two Mexican dollars for one dollar gold and if the gold when converted into local currency does not yield an amount sufficiently large to care for these appropriations at the rate of two Mexican dollars for one gold we then make good in Mexican the difference. However, if the gold amount would yield a larger amount in Mexican than that converted at the two Mexican dollars for one gold rate, the Board has the benefit of the exchange. //

In view of the fact that our own missionary institutions are on this basis we feel that in fairness to them that we must pursue a similar policy in connection with the budget of the University of Nanking.

Sincerely yours

*Forrest Smith*  
Assistant Treasurer

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# AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY

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August 8, 1928

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My dear Mr. Garside:-

The following action was taken at the meeting of the Board of Managers on July 2, 1928:

VOTED: That in accordance with the request of the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking an appropriation of \$3000 Gold be made to Nanking University to meet the share of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society in the deficit due to losses in connection with disturbed conditions in Nanking.

We understand that the other Boards have made their appropriations and it was on that basis that our Board has acted.

Cordially yours,

*R. S. Howard*  
Associate Secretary

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

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University of Nanking

August 15, 1928

Dr. R. L. Howard,  
276 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Howard:

Thank you for your letter of August 8th transmitting the action taken by your board on July 2nd in appropriating Gold \$3,000.00 for the University of Nanking deficit.

You ask what action has been taken by the other boards. The Presbyterian Board has already provided its quota of \$7,000.00 and has, in fact, sent us over a thousand dollars more than this amount. The United Christian Missionary Society has to date assisted us in securing \$2,161.00, and the Methodist Board has assisted in securing about the same amount. We are hoping that both the Methodist Board and the United Christian Missionary Society will ultimately be able to provide the full amount of Gold \$7,000.00 allotted to each board. But as yet we have only general assurances from these two organizations that they will give as much help as they can.

Very cordially yours,

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B A GARSIDE

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**TRANSFER**

University of Nanking

August 15, 1928

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276 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, N.Y.

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Very cordially yours,

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B A GARSIDE

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University of Nanking

September 19, 1928

Dr. J. H. Franklin,  
276 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Franklin:

On June 11, 1928 President Y.G. Chen asked that I call to the attention of the Baptist Board action D-87 of the Board of Directors taken at their meeting on March 30, 1928. This action is as follows:

"VOTED that recommendation DEF-61 of the Executive-Finance Committee be approved, 'That inasmuch as no student has yet qualified for a scholarship in accordance with the terms laid down for the Sherwin Scholarship Fund, the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society be asked to modify the terms (see action E-142 of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of April 19, 1923) to permit the use of the accumulated and future income as a revolving loan fund for students in the College of Arts and Science in addition to its original purpose'.

I have delayed writing to you about the matter because I have been hoping that I might have an opportunity to take it up with you personally sometime when I had occasion to see you. Since, however, the matter ought not be delayed any longer, I will now take it up by correspondence.

You are, of course, entirely familiar with the situation under which the Sherwin Scholarship was established and the conditions attached to it. Practically all the information we have received from the field is that contained in the above action. This action quotes in its entirety recommendation DEF-61 referred to therein.

We sincerely hope that your Society will be able to take favorable action on the basis of the above request from the Nanking Directors. If our office can assist you in securing further information we will be glad to do what we can.

Very sincerely yours,

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University of Nanking

September 20, 1928

Mr. Forrest Smith, Asst. Treas.  
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society,  
276 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Smith:

I sincerely apologize for being so slow in replying to your letter of August 3rd. In this letter you state with regard to your Society's appropriation to the University of Nanking that

"We believe that we should follow the same policy in connection with our payments toward the budget of the University of Nanking that we follow in our own missionary agency. What we do is to practically guarantee a local currency amount. We presume that the major part of the University's budget is prepared in local currency and distribution made to the Boards with a local currency equivalent in mind. Our policy in connection with our own missions is to guarantee the mission work appropriations at two Mexican dollars for one dollar gold and if the gold when converted into local currency does not yield an amount sufficiently large to care for these appropriations at the rate of two Mexican dollars for one gold we then make good in Mexican the difference. However, if the gold amount would yield a larger amount in Mexican than that converted at the two Mexican dollars for one gold rate, the Board has the benefit of the exchange."

I am not sure whether your letter intends to suggest a revision of the procedure now used by your Society or simply a clarification of this procedure. I have therefore tried to examine as carefully as I could the procedure which has already been adopted by the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society as one of the Boards cooperating in the University of Nanking. As you know, the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking has for the last fifteen years been seeking to have all the Mission Boards cooperating in that institution adopt as nearly as possible a uniform method of procedure. The Boards have in general agreed to uniformity in their method of handling their appropriations for Nanking, although in certain instances they have not agreed to the identical procedure.

I find that the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking on March 3, 1914, took an action of which the following is an extract:

"That the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society shall be ad-

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mitted to participation in the University of Nanking on the following basis:

- "(a) A contribution of \$40,000 (or more) gold.
- (b) An annual grant of \$1,500 gold.
- (c) Two full time members on the faculty.
- (d) Three representatives on the Board of Managers.
- (Note) This does not include the representatives on the Medical faculty or the annual contributions to the Medical School).

"It was voted that the basis of agreement with the A.B.F.M.S. on partial cooperation in the University, including the Medical School, be as follows:

- "The payment of \$35,000 for property equipment
- \$1800 annual appropriations
- The support of three teachers in Nanking.
- The privilege of three members on the Board of Managers in Nanking
- The privilege of two members on the Board of Trustees in America."

Dr. Franklin wrote us on September 24th notifying us that at a meeting of your Board of Managers held September 16, 1914, action was taken as follows:

"VOTED: That in view of action by the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking, it shall be understood that the formal cooperation of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society in the University of Nanking, on the basis approved by the Trustees of the University and the Board of Managers of the Society in March, 1914, shall date from January 1, 1914.

"That the appropriation of \$1800 U.S. in the schedule for 1914-15 shall be payable during this calendar year, one half about October 1 and the balance before December 31, 1914."

You will note that in both the above actions the appropriation of the Baptist Society was defined in terms of U.S. currency. This is the way in which your appropriations have been carried on our Nanking books since this agreement was entered into, and as far as our records show, they have to date been paid in full.

On November 1, 1921 the Trustees of the University of Nanking took the following additional action regarding appropriations from the co-operating Boards:

"It was voted that current appropriations of the cooperating Boards, which are gold appropriations guaranteed at the rate of two Mexican dollars to one gold dollar, should be expected to be received on the full gold basis if the Mexican dollar costs less than fifty cents, and on the two to one Mexican basis when the Mexican dollars costs more than fifty cents; that is, the contributing Societies guarantee the University against loss in exchange but any benefit in exchange shall accrue to the University."



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We understand that this definition of the current appropriation of the cooperating Boards as "Gold appropriations guaranteed at the rate of two Mexican dollars to one gold dollar", was acceptable to the Baptist Board. I believe that your Board has made up all losses in exchange during the years when the rate of exchange has fallen below two for one. Of course, the question of a guaranteed two to one rate of exchange has not been an active one since the summer of 1926 because of the low value of the Mexican dollar. There is always a probability, however, that variation in exchange may bring the question once more to the foreground.

I believe that the above summarizes the present basis of agreement between your Society and the University of Nanking. I sincerely hope that, just at this time when Nanking is having such a desperate struggle with its finances, none of our cooperating Boards will find it necessary to make any revision of their agreements which would be unfavorable to the University. I believe we are already straining the courage and faith of all our workers in Nanking just about as much as we dare, and it would be most unfortunate if we were to add to their difficulties by reporting that any of our cooperating Boards were adopting revisions which would in any way reduce the contributions they are now making.

Very sincerely yours,

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*Copy to  
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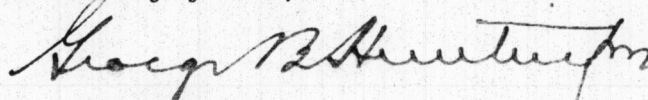
Mr. B.A. Garside  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Garside:

Your letter of September 19th to Dr. Franklin, regarding the use of the income from the Sherwin Scholarship Fund, has just been referred to me for consultation with our legal adviser. Dr. Franklin, as you know, has been absent from the office practically the entire month of October.

The proposal made by President Chen seems to us to involve so much of a departure from the original purpose of the fund - if I understand him correctly, he would like to have it used for students who are not necessarily preparing for medical work at all - that we feel we must have legal advice as to our right to consent to this broadening of the use of the income. We will endeavor to have the matter cleared up before the meeting of the Trustees if that is at all possible.

Cordially yours,

  
Treasurer

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November 15, 1928.

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Dear Mr. Garside:

At the meeting of the Board of Managers of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society on November 13 the following action was taken:

"In continuation of the action of the Board of April 9, 1928, placing in the budget for 1928-29 a sum amounting to \$2600 G. for Nanking University,

"VOTED: That the release of \$2600 G. included in the 1928-29 budget for Nanking University be authorized, it being understood that this amount is in lieu of the services of the two missionaries at Nanking University for which the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society has assumed responsibility."

I am asking the Treasury Department to send you a check for the first half of the amount involved with the instruction that the balance be paid next April. I trust this arrangement will be satisfactory to you.

Cordially yours,

*R. L. Howard*

Mr. B.A. Garside,  
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November 23, 1928.

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Dear Mr. Garside:

Dr. Warnshuis has written us with reference to our making a statement of our losses at Nanking. We have given him the personal losses of Dr. Gibbs, Mr. Lamson and Mrs. C. S. Keen.

*the house  
damaged & repaired  
for 4000 francs.*

*Correct* Our understanding is that the house formerly occupied by Dr. Worth Brown was not destroyed. We understand that it is still looked upon as the property of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, and are wondering whether any statement with reference to damage to it should be included in our statement to Mr. Warnshuis.

Any information you may be able to give us will be appreciated.

Cordially yours,

*R. L. Howard*

Mr. B. A. Garside,  
150 Fifth Avenue,  
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University of Nanking

November 27, 1928

Dr. R. L. Howard,  
276 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Howard:

Dean Reisner was in our office yesterday so I asked him several questions about the matters you discussed in your letter of November 23rd.

Mr. Reisner confirms your understanding that the house formerly occupied by Dr. Worth Brown was not destroyed. He states that it was damaged following the March 24, 1927, incident, but has since been repaired from University funds and is now being occupied. The damages to this residence were included in the estimates prepared by the Board of Directors of the University of Nanking last year. I am at this time furnishing Dr. Warnshuis a list of these damages as the Directors sent them to us.

Very cordially yours,

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

Dear Mr. Garside:

Your letter of November 27th, acknowledging Mr. Smith's remittance of \$1,300 under date of November 26th, is duly to hand. You are correct in your understanding that this remittance represents a semi-annual payment on account of our Society's cash appropriation in lieu of two vacancies on the staff of the University. It is not in any way related to our annual appropriation of \$1,500 toward the general budget of the University. The second half of our appropriation in lieu of salaries will be available in March or April. It is our understanding that this appropriation covers the fiscal year of the University ending June 30, 1929.

Very sincerely yours,

*George B. Huntington*  
Treasurer

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December 7, 1928.

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

Dear Mr. Garside:

Some time ago Mr. Smith, our Assistant Treasurer, had some correspondence with you regarding the question of exchange on payments made by our Society to the University of Nanking. Your very full letter of September 20th was duly received and has been before us for consideration on a number of occasions and I have conferred about the matter with Dr. Franklin. It was something of a surprise to us in the Treasury Department to learn of the action of the Board of Trustees as taken on November 1, 1921, quoted in your letter. This action was doubtless reported to our Foreign Department at the time but for some reason was not communicated to us in the Treasury Department. No formal action was taken on the matter by our Board but I suppose we must assume that silence gives consent in cases like this and therefore we will withdraw our contention at least as regards all past payments.

We are not altogether happy about operating on a different basis in the case of this Union Institution from that on which we operate in all our own missions and with our missionaries, but will concede the point so far as all regular appropriations in gold which our Board makes for the University and pays directly to the office of the Treasurer in this country. I would like to raise a question, however, with regard to payments which we may make on account of failure to supply missionaries for the University staff. As you know, our Board has agreed to make payment at the rate of \$1,300 gold each for two such vacancies and we have made one payment to you on account of the present year. At

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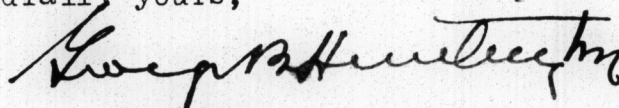
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the recent meeting of the Trustees I understood a representative of one of the other Boards to speak of a payment of \$2,600 Mex. on a similar account. I would assume that such a payment would be made on the field through the local mission. Can you tell me what is the practice of other cooperating Boards in this respect? Are their appropriations made in lieu of salary of missionaries on the staff paid into your office or paid directly to the Treasurer of the University on the field? If other Boards follow the latter course of making payments on the field, we would prefer to do the same, especially as that would at once remove any question as to treatment of exchange, presuming that such payments were made on a Mexican basis of, say, \$2,600 for each vacancy.

You will understand that our attitude in this whole matter is dictated by a desire to have a clear and, if possible, uniform procedure in dealing with these questions of exchange, which are complicated enough at best and even more complicated when we have different methods of handling the problem in the same field.

With warmest regards,

Cordially yours,



Treasurer

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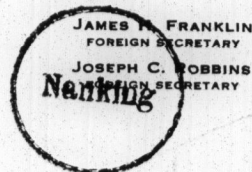


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December 7, 1928.

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

My dear Mr. Garside:

Pursuant to our conversation yesterday, I am sending you herewith copy of the memorandum which I prepared covering the correspondence and action of our Board with reference to the Sherwin Fund for the University of Nanking. I enclose, also, copy of a letter received from Mr. St. John, who serves as our consulting attorney in New York, after a review of the facts set forth in the memorandum.

You will note Mr. St. John's statement to the effect that he deems it would not be in violation of any terms of the trust, in case the University does not now maintain pre-medical courses or courses for the training of nurses, to apply the income of the fund as scholarships to deserving students in the Department of Arts and Science, provided that preference was still to be given to any students who might be nominated by the South China Mission of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society. You will note, also, the suggestion that a time limit be set for such nominations and that if students are not presented by that date the college authorities would be free to use the income for other students. You will also note Mr. St. John's statement that he feels it would be too great a departure from the purpose of the donor in establishing the fund to use the income as a loan fund.

I would suggest that you take the matter up with Mr. Carter and, if you and he think it advisable, consult some attorney on behalf of the Board of Trustees and then prepare a minute which would state the revised understanding as to the use of the income of the Sherwin

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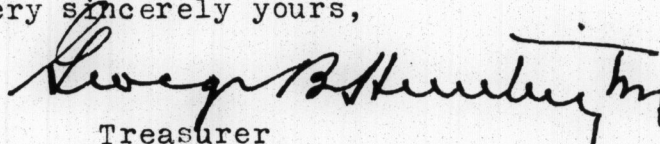
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Fund that could be submitted to our Board for its approval, if thought best, and then could be notified to the field.

I trust this may help to clear up the misunderstanding and permit the actual use of the income of this fund.

Very sincerely yours,

  
Treasurer

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November 21, 1928

Memorandum Concerning the  
Sherwin Fund of the University of Nanking

1. For two or three years immediately prior to 1914 negotiations were under way for the cooperation of several mission boards in two distinct educational projects in Nanking, China. One of these projects developed into the University of Nanking; the other was the Union Medical School of Nanking, which later was merged in the University of Nanking. The Foreign Mission Society was directly interested in the medical school project and later became interested in the University proper. When the merger of the medical school with the University was completed the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society was accepted as a cooperating society in the University on the basis of contributing \$40,000 to the capital account for plant and equipment, a certain number of representatives on the staff of the University and a certain contribution to the annual maintenance. The capital contribution of the Society came principally in two special gifts, one by Mr. Ambrose Swasey of \$25,000 for the Science Building of the University, the second a gift of \$5,000 by Mr. Sherwin as a contribution to the plant of the medical school. The remaining \$10,000 was made up from other sources.

2. In addition to his contribution of \$5,000 toward the plant of the medical school, Mr. Sherwin agreed to contribute the sum of \$5,000 to the University through the Foreign Mission Society to establish a scholarship fund, the income to be used to assist students in the medical school.

3. This gift originated in the following manner: Mr. Sherwin had long been deeply interested in the medical work of Dr. Anna K. Scott, a missionary of the Woman's Society at Swatow, China, and he had some years previously to 1912 set aside the sum of \$5,000 to be devoted to some project in connection with her work. Dr. Scott, however, was approaching the retiring age and with the development of the medical school at Nanking the suggestion was made that Mr. Sherwin might utilize his gift to assist in providing medical education for students from Dr. Scott's field in South China. There was considerable correspondence between the office of the Society in Boston and Mr. Sherwin in the years 1912 and 1913 regarding this gift. Arrangement was made for Rev. J.E. Williams, Vice President of the University of Nanking, who was then in America in the interest of the University, to see Mr. Sherwin and as a result of that conference and the correspondence referred to Mr. Sherwin agreed to make his contribution of \$5,000 to the University as a permanent trust fund.

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4. Mr. Williams wrote to Dr. Haggard March 23, 1913, "He would be willing to contribute at once the 5,000 as the share of the Baptist Society in the medical school and another \$5,000 for scholarships, giving the preference to students from the Swatow district, recommended by Dr. Scott. This second gift, providing it is wholly acceptable to Dr. Scott, as carrying out more effectively the intention which Mr. Sherwin had in mind when he first proposed to contribute \$5,000 toward her work."

5. Mr. Sherwin wrote to Mr. Huntington March 24, 1913, confirming in a general way what Mr. Williams had written, but stating, "I do not see how my subscription can be paid in so quickly as that, because when I get the details satisfactorily arranged between your Society and myself, as well as satisfactory to the University, I must refer them to Dr. Scott for her approval, and that takes some time, as you know."..... "Dr. Burton informed me that there is especially desired by your Society a subscription of \$5,000 as the Society's share toward the land, buildings and equipment of the school now there and other subscriptions in the way of endowment, which I especially desired to arrange for, having scholarships or preference in aid of support of students coming from the institutions at Swatow connected with Dr. Scott's work. This latter arrangement I have understood would be satisfactory to all concerned, but I want to know in what shape to have it arranged before I put the money in."

6. Dr. Haggard wrote to Mr. Sherwin March 25, 1913, quoting the following from a letter received from Dr. Scott dated April 1, 1908:

"The idea of having a building for our medical classes has not been entertained. We have also decided that Swatow is not the place for a Medical College. It would be impossible to get the necessary professors especially since the death of Dr. Worley and Dr. Bixby. Just where will be the place for a Medical College is not yet decided. Amoy has been suggested for an interdenominational college. A union with the College at Canton has also been suggested. Another scheme is to have a Union Medical Work and College at Chaochowfu. But as yet we have been able to make no definite decision. But the urgent need of such a school to prepare Chinese young men and women for medical work among their own people is recognized by all. The \$5,000 Mr. Sherwin has put aside for educational work, -- preferably the medical -- will no doubt help largely in founding the medical school wherever it is located. Meanwhile if he can help in furnishing some of the chemical, electrical and other requisites for our Swatow classes I shall be very thankful."



7. Mr. Sherwin wrote to Dr. Haggard and Mr. Huntington March 27, 1913, enclosing check for \$5,000 as the share of the Society toward the land, buildings and equipment of the medical school. He further wrote:

// "Now, as this does not meet the conditions of the pledge I made long ago through Dr. Scott, I purpose to furnish an additional five thousand dollars to apply on endowment for scholarships, to be awarded by preference to Baptist students who may come to the University by recommendation of Dr. Anna K. Scott.

A "What I mean by 'preference' is that so long as Dr. Scott sends students to the University; the said students to be of such character and ability, as well as entering with the intention of returning to practice in the South China District, as the faculty of the medical department of the University may approve, and I also wish to have it understood that the support given to such students shall not only include the standard amount of scholarship or tuition alone, but to cover other expenses of said student so far as the faculty and Dr. Scott deem it wise to bestow upon them, and at the same time I wish it to be distinctly understood that all students sent as above who are able, or through their friends are able, to pay the whole or any part of their expenses in the University, then they are not to draw upon the proceeds of the fund I furnish.

"Now, I do not consent to send forward this second five thousand dollars without having the above conditions thoroughly understood, both by the Nanking University authorities and by my good friend, Dr. Scott.

"I should have in my possession, on paying this money, a legal paper of suitable form from the University authorities agreeing to the terms, and I am not satisfied to complete it without having the full approval of Dr. Scott. This is practically impossible to obtain by cable and will have to await the form of ordinary correspondence. I shall communicate with her fully at once, and expect to get her answer as soon as possible under the circumstances.

"I wish it distinctly understood that before I remit the second five thousand dollars I must have received Dr. Scott's approval of the plan, and I must know that the Society has formally and wholly approved of the cooperation with the University in the full sense of the proposition.

"Also I must have a suitable paper from the officers of the University agreeing to the conditions on which the income from this bequest is to be applied." //



8. Dr. Haggard wrote to Mr. Williams on April 7, 1913, advising him of Mr. Sherwin's communication, and Mr. Williams replied under date of April 8th, "I am pleased that Mr. Sherwin paid in the \$5,000 and that the second \$5,000 will be paid as soon as you have satisfactory word from the field. If you desire, the Trustees will take action giving definite assurance that the \$5,000 will be used only for the purpose designated, i.e., to provide scholarships for worthy students recommended by Dr. Scott or others of your Swatow Mission. I will expect further word from you in this matter before recommending action on the part of the Trustees at their meeting next Tuesday."

9. Mr. Huntington wrote to Mr. Diffendorfer, Secretary of the Trustees of Nanking University, April 8, 1913, advising him of Mr. Sherwin's gift and of his further proposed gift, quoting from Mr. Sherwin's letter as indicated above under No. 7. The letter to Mr. Diffendorfer continues:

"The reference to Dr. Scott is explained by the fact that Mr. Sherwin some years ago set aside this \$5,000 for the work of medical education in South China where Dr. Scott is laboring. It was given largely as a result of interest awakened by her and Mr. Sherwin naturally feels that she should be consulted before a final disposition of the money is made. I am writing Dr. Scott and fully anticipate her acquiescence in Mr. Sherwin's proposal. You will note that Mr. Sherwin asks for certain guarantees on the part of the Trustees of the University which I presume you will have no difficulty in giving. I do not understand that this \$5,000 is necessarily to be counted upon our quota of \$40,000 though we would be glad to know whether it might fairly be so counted."

10. Mr. Williams wrote to Mr. Huntington April 11, 1913, acknowledging the above letter of April 8th: "Your letter and the matter will come before the Trustees"..... "The second \$5,000 is specially designated for Baptist students. It will directly help the attendance of the medical school but particularly the work of the Baptist Society in Dr. Scott's district."

11. The matter remained in suspense pending correspondence with Dr. Scott. Meanwhile she returned to America and Mr. Sherwin had opportunity for personal conference with her. The matter finally came to a conclusion in the summer of 1914. +

12. Mr. Sherwin wrote to Dr. Haggard on March 25, 1914: "So you will see I am still awaiting the proper documents prepared by the American trustees of the University of Nanking. I had the approval, as well as I think you did, of Mrs. Scott, of the plan proposed in my letter. The money I intended to be invested by the Trustees in America and the proceeds turned over to the Medical Department in Nanking to be used as agreed."



13. Dr. Haggard wrote to Mr. Sherwin May 23, 1914, on his return to the office after an extended absence. In the interval the Foreign Department had been in correspondence with the office of the Trustees of the University of Nanking and learned that no formal resolution had up to that time been adopted with regard to Mr. Sherwin's gift. Dr. Haggard's letter proposed the following form of resolution or agreement:

"The Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking gratefully accept the gift of Mr. Henry A. Sherwin through the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society of the sum of \$5,000. to be added to the permanent invested funds of the University and the income to be used for assisting worthy students in the Medical Department of the University, with the understanding that preference will be given to the students nominated by the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society upon recommendation during her lifetime of Mrs. Anna K. Scott, W.D., of Swatow, China."

14. Mr. Sherwin wrote to Dr. Haggard June 22nd, making a slight change in the resolution as proposed, in view of the fact that Dr. Scott had retired from active service. The resolution as modified by Mr. Sherwin is as follows:

*B* ~~The~~ The Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking gratefully accept the gift of Mr. Henry A. Sherwin through the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society of the sum of five Thousand Dollars to be added to the permanent invested funds of the University, and the income to be used for assisting worthy students in the Medical Department of the University, with the understanding that preference will be given to the students nominated by the Medical Committee of the South China Conference of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society."

15. Dr. Haggard acknowledged Mr. Sherwin's letter of June 22nd, stating that the matter would be taken up at once with the University Trustees.

16. Mr. Huntington wrote to Mr. Diefendorfer July 7, 1914, stating Mr. Sherwin's desire to have a formal resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees under the terms indicated in No. 14.

17. A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking was held in New York City July 8, 1914, at which action was taken adopting the resolution exactly in the form proposed by Mr. Sherwin and this action was reported to the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society by Mr. Diefendorfer under date of August 4, 1914.

18. The Board of Managers of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society at a meeting held on July 6, 1914, had approved the proposed agreement with the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking in exactly the same terms.



19. This action was communicated to Mr. Sherwin and he paid over directly to the Treasurer of the University of Nanking the sum of \$5,000 for the scholarship fund. Correspondence regarding the actual payment of the money presumably is in the files of the Trustees of the University of Nanking, as apparently it did not pass through the office of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

20. After continuing in operation for a few years the Medical Department of the University of Nanking was discontinued, in consequence of plans proposed for the establishment of two medical schools in China under the auspices of the China Medical Board of the Rockefeller Foundation, one of these schools to be located in Peking, the other in Shanghai. The Shanghai project fell through but the Medical Department of the University as a department of full medical instruction was never revived. The hospital in Nanking which had been at the foundation of the medical school from the beginning was continued as a university hospital and it was understood that the University offered pre-medical courses for students and also provided facilities through its hospital and nurses training school for the training of nurses.

21. After the discontinuance of the medical school, however, apparently no medical students from the Swatow Baptist area went up to Nanking for study, and early in the year 1923 the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Nanking University raised the question as to an interpretation of the agreement regarding the Sherwin Endowment Fund which would make it possible to use some of the income which had been accumulating. After considerable conference between the representatives of the University and of the Foreign Mission Society a proposal was made with the approval of the legal adviser of the University Trustees which was regarded as acceptable by the Foreign Mission Society representatives.

22. The Board of Trustees of the University at a meeting held on April 19, 1923, took action approving the agreement that had been worked out as follows:

// "E-142 VOTED: That the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking agrees to the following understanding with the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society:

'The income of the Sherwin Endowment Fund, contributed to the University of Nanking by Mr. Sherwin through the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, is to be used presumably for the support of students nominated by the South China Baptist Mission who may be attending the University of Nanking in either the pre-medical or nurses' training departments, but if there should be no students so nominated, the income may be applied at the discretion of the University for any other students in these departments.' //



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23. It seems that it is still impracticable to use the income of the Sherwin Fund even in accordance with the modified terms of the original agreement and on September 19, 1928, Mr. Garside, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking, wrote to Dr. Franklin as follows:

"On June 11, 1928 President Y.G. Chen asked that I call to the attention of the Baptist Board action D-87 of the Board of Directors taken at their meeting on March 30, 1928. This action is as follows:

D-87 VOTED: That recommendation DEF-61 of the Executive-Finance Committee be approved, That inasmuch as no student has yet qualified for a scholarship in accordance with the terms laid down for the Sherwin Scholarship Fund, the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society be asked to modify the terms (see action E-142 of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of April 19, 1923) to permit the use of the accumulated and future income as a revolving loan fund for students in the College of Arts and Science in addition to its original purpose."

"I have delayed writing to you about the matter because I have been hoping that I might have an opportunity to take it up with you personally sometime when I had occasion to see you. Since, however, the matter ought not to be delayed any longer, I will now take it up by correspondence.

"You are, of course, entirely familiar with the situation under which the Sherwin Scholarship was established and the conditions attached to it. Practically all the information we have received from the field is that contained in the above action. This action quotes in its entirety recommendation DEF-61 referred to therein.

"We sincerely hope that our Society will be able to take favorable action on the basis of the above request from the Nanking Directors. If our office can assist you in securing further information we will be glad to do what we can."

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OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
IN SENATE  
January 14, 1914  
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New York

November 27th, 1928

Dr. George B. Huntington  
226 Fifth Avenue  
New York City

Re GIFT OF H. A. SHERWIN TO  
UNIVERSITY OF NANKING

Dear Dr. Huntington:

Confirming our conference today regarding the use of the income from the trust of \$5,000. which was created by the late H.A. Sherwin of Cleveland, Ohio, the income to be used as scholarships for students in the Medical Department of the University, I beg to state the following:

If the University is still conducting pre-medical courses and/or a nurses training school and so long as it does continue to conduct such courses and school, I think the Foreign Mission Society would be required to use the income for students in those departments even though not nominated by the South China Conference. On the other hand, if and when the University discontinues such pre-medical courses and nurses training school, the Board, in my judgment, would be justified in using the income from this fund for scholarships for students in any of the other departments of the University. In any event, the South China Conference should be given the first right and option to nominate students for this income. Such nomination, however, should be made on or before a certain date in each year so that the University might be in a position to designate other students in case none are so nominated by the South China Conference.

In my judgment, the use of the accumulated and future income of this fund as a revolving loan fund for students in addition to its original purpose is such a wide departure from the original purpose of the fund that you would not be justified in doing so without applying to the court or possibly without obtaining the consent of the residuary legatees under Mr. Sherwin's will.

On March 27th, 1913, when Mr. Sherwin wrote to Dr. Haggard and yourself enclosing his check for \$5,000. toward the land and buildings and equipment of the medical school, he expressed the wish to have it understood "that the support given to such students shall

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not only include the standard amount of scholarship or tuition alone, but to cover other expenses of said student so far as the faculty and Dr. Scott deem it wise to bestow upon them, and at the same time I wish it to be distinctly understood that all students sent as above who are able, or through their friends are able, to pay the whole or any part of their expenses in the University, then they are not to draw upon the proceeds of the fund I furnish".

It seems clear to me from the above quotation from Mr. Sherwin's letter that he wished primarily to assist needy students who were not in a position to help themselves in any way. The necessity of having to pay back the money borrowed from this fund might well deter such needy students from accepting aid as they would have to look forward to the burden of paying back the loan. This might prove to be a serious handicap to them and might well defeat the very purpose which Mr. Sherwin had in mind in creating the fund.

If the authorities at the University feel that it is wisest to change the use of the fund in this way, I do not think that you could consent to same without first obtaining the approval of the court. My own best judgment is that you ought to insist that the money be used so far as possible for the purposes for which the fund was originally created.

If I can be of any further service to you in this connection, kindly let me know.

Very truly yours,

(Sgd) T. Raymond St. John

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Dr. George B. Huntington, Treasurer,  
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society,  
276 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Dr. Huntington:

We have your letter of December 7th discussing further the question of exchange on payments made by your Society to the University of Nanking. Previous correspondence on this matter was contained in Mr. Smith's letter of August 3rd and my reply of September 20th.

Briefly, the situation as regards payments by cooperating Mission Boards toward the general operating expenses of the University of Nanking and special payments for vacancies on staff quota, are as follows:- On November 1, 1921, the Nanking Trustees took the action quoted in my letter of September 20th, asking all cooperating Mission Boards to define their appropriations to the University of Nanking on a Gold basis at a guaranteed 2 to 1 rate of exchange. This request was transmitted to all five of the Mission Boards cooperating in Nanking and, with one exception, was accepted. The Presbyterian Board has fully accepted a guaranteed 2 to 1 rate of exchange, and has always made its payment on this basis without any question. It has promptly paid up any losses due to unfavorable rate of exchange. The Methodist Board did not take any formal action in response to the request of the Nanking Trustees but has always made its appropriation on a Gold basis and has from year to year made special appropriations sufficient to cover any losses in exchange due to unfavorable rates. The Southern Presbyterian Board has not had a very large share in the University but I believe it, too, has accepted the proposals of the Nanking Trustees and paid on a Gold basis, with additional remittances to cover loss in exchange. Your own Board, I believe, has always followed the same procedure of defining its appropriations in Gold and making up any loss in exchange. The one Board which has not yet approved the proposals of the Board of Trustees is the United Christian Missionary Society. Thus far they have made their remittances to the University on a Mexican basis. Since from 1921 to 1926 the rate of exchange was almost always below 2 to 1 the basis of the UCMS appropriation did not create much discussion because that Society was contributing identically the same amounts

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as the other boards. During the last two years, when the rate of exchange has swung the other way the amount received from the UCMS has been somewhat less than the Gold basis computed on a 2 to 1 rate of exchange. We have had a considerable amount of correspondence with the UCMS in regard to the matter and thus far no final decision has been reached. I sincerely hope that this Society will also find it possible to join with the other Boards in accepting the procedure proposed by the Nanking Trustees.

As to the special appropriations requested by the University of Nanking this year to cover vacancies on the quotas of the various Boards, the cash equivalents for such vacancies have been defined as G.\$1300. each. The Methodist Board, the Presbyterian Board, and your Society have been paying for their vacancies on this basis. The United Christian Missionary Society following its procedure in making its regular payments for general expenses, has been paying on a basis of M.\$2600. for each such vacancy. In making its payments the UCMS has remitted to our office the Gold amount necessary to purchase the proper Mexican drafts at the current rate of exchange, and our office has purchased such drafts and forwarded them to the field, keeping a record of any profit or loss from the amounts remitted to us by the UCMS.

In general then it may be said that with one exception all the Boards cooperating in Nanking have accepted the basis proposed by the Nanking Trustees of 1921. We are still hopeful that this last Board may sooner or later join with the others so as to make the procedure of all the Boards uniform.

Very cordially yours,

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## TRANSFER

December 13, 1928

Dr. James H. Franklin,  
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society,  
276 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Franklin:

You are already quite familiar with the action taken by the Trustees of the University of Nanking in regard to the proposals for the coordination of Christian higher education in China. In order, however, to bring this matter formally before the Baptist Board we quote below the action of the Trustees taken on November 14th. We request that you take whatever steps you feel will bring this program before the Baptist Board in the way that will cause it to receive the most thoughtful and sympathetic attention.

"T-377 VOTED that the Board of Trustees records its hearty approval of the general policy of the coordination of Christian higher education in China; that it refer the correlated program to the Mission Boards cooperating in the University for their information and their recommendations; that it request the Board of Directors of the University to make recommendations as to the place of the University of Nanking in the correlated program."

The Board of Governors of West China Union University took a very similar action at their meeting on October 29th. Probably Dr. Frank Anderson has already sent you a copy of this action, but for your convenience in having the two University actions together I quote it herewith:

"821....RESOLVED:-

1. That the Board of Governors finds itself in general agreement with the tentative plan prepared by the Council of Higher Education for the correlation of Christian higher education in China.
2. That the Board recommend:-
  - (a) That these plans be sympathetically considered by each of the Mission Boards cooperating in support of the West China Union University.
  - (b) That the Senate of the University consider the

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terms of cooperation as applied to the West China Union University and report to this Board.

- (c) That the Council of Higher Education consider the advisability of making provision for revision of the terms of cooperation from time to time."

You have already received copies of the illustrated booklet printed by the Committee for Christian Colleges in China and also the pamphlet giving the details of the Correlated Program as prepared by the Council of Higher Education in Shanghai last July. If you need any additional copies of either or both of these booklets for distribution among members of the Baptist Board preparatory to their discussion of this matter, our office will be glad to supply you. We have a rather large supply of the illustrated booklet and a much smaller quantity of the Correlated Program.

As you know, Dr.Wallace will be in America during the month of January. If it is convenient for the Baptist Board to discuss the Program while he is here I know he will be happy to meet with you.

Very sincerely yours,

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UNIVERSITY OF NANKING  
Nanking China

Dec. 18, 1928

TRANSFER

Forwarded to  
Franklin - 1/1/29

Mr. James H. Franklin,  
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society,  
276 Fifth Avenue,  
New York, U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Franklin:

I appreciate very much indeed your kind letter of November 16th and also the copy of the letter to President Chen. It is fine the way the Board in America are standing behind him and us out here and we all appreciate it very much indeed in these days of crisis and opportunity in China. I greatly hope that Dr. Gibbs or some one in his place can come out for we feel we need more American teachers. Men who are specialists and not afraid to exert a strong Christian influence on the students. There was never a better opportunity or men more needed for Christian influence on the part of teachers than just now, nor has it ever been more appreciated by the students.

My second news letter went to you a few days ago, so I shall not need to repeat it. The unfortunate affair that Dr. C. T. Wang's has. I judge, been adjusted satisfactorily. So far I can see, who were responsible for it have done no good but simply embarrassed the Chinese government.

It will be interesting for you to know that General Feng Yu-hsiang has sent 52 of his officers to the University to take a short course - 3 months - in agricultural and rural problems. They are living in our Sericulture building, and have a full schedule of work and practical field experiments every day. I believe General Feng himself is taking a course in Chemistry in the University. He seems to inspire more confidence in the people than the other officers and have a very good influence in Nanking.

With very kind regards and with best season greetings.

Cordially yours,

sgd. A. J. Bowen

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