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University of Chicago Press- Report of Net Sales enclosed, dated June 30, 1938. See University of Chicago Press' individual folder, for correspondence etc.

August 2, 1938

Dr. J. Lossing Buck
Treasury Department
Washington, D.C.

Dear Dr. Buck:

Your letter of July 30th came to hand and we have dug up the correspondence on this in so far as we could locate it. We are sending you copies herewith.

I note what you say regarding the payment of income from sales of Land Utilization in China and will be governed accordingly. The \$31.74 balance on the June 30th bill has been credited to the field.

Incidentally I think it is wise for you to have copies of these invoices. One is a report of sales and the other is charges of the University of Chicago Press. We are sending you a copy of the former and a duplicate of the latter. If the copies enclosed herewith are not correct, please write me further.

Very cordially yours

C A Evans

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON

July 30, 1938.

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Dear Mr. Evans:

The Institute of Pacific Relations has requested that we prorate the income of the sales of Land Utilization according to the costs of the study provided for by the Institute and by the University. The exact proportion will be sent you later. Do you by any chance have in your office copies of our letters to the Institute indicating the amount of the supplementary grants to the Land Utilization study beginning with the year 1929? If so, I will appreciate a copy of the same.

The income from the sales of Land Utilization in China should not be sent to the Institute until the University at Chengtu has authorized such payments. This is because certain expenditures which the University has made in connection with the distribution of the volumes must be deducted before such remittances are made.

Remittances should be made to Mr. W. L. Holland, Research Secretary, Institute of Pacific Relations, 129 East 52nd Street, New York City.

Your careful attention to this matter will be very greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

J. Lossing Buck
J. Lossing Buck.

Mr. Evans,
Associated Board of Christian Colleges,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, New York.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON

July 30, 1938.



Dear Mr. Evans:

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The income from the sale of Land Utilization in China should not be sent to the Institute until the University at Chicago has authorized such payments. This is because certain expenditures which the University has made in connection with the distribution of volumes must be defrayed before such remittances are made.

Remittances should be made to Mr. W. L. Holland, Research Secretary, Institute of Pacific Relations, 133 East 52nd Street, New York City.

Your careful attention to this matter will be very greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

J. Henry Brock

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Mr. Evans,
Associated Board of Christian Colleges,
130 Fifth Avenue,
New York, New York.

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO PRESS

REPORT OF NET SALES

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Payment in Accordance with Publishing Agreement

for 12 months ending June 30, 1933

University of Banking
New York Office
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Book Title	*	©	Quantity	Net Sales	
				Amount	Amount Payable
Book, Chinese Farm Economy	1	1	12	\$44.65	\$35.00
Book, Chinese Farm Economy	1	2	8	29.00	12.33
Book, Flood in China	1	1	1	.80	.33
Book, Land in China Text	1	1	75	247.75	142.04
Book, Land in China Text	1	2	3	11.75	7.05
Book, Land in China Atlas	1	1	62	194.61	116.69
Book, Land in China Atlas	1	2	3	11.75	7.05
Book, Land in China Maps	1	1	1	2.05	1.22
Book, Land in China Statistics	1	1	53	316.02	189.61
Book, Land in China Statistics	1	2	1	7.50	4.50
Swan, Nutrition Reprints	1	1	1	1.44	.86
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M E M O R A N D U M

August 1, 1939

TO: B. A. Garside

FROM: C. A. Evans

J. Lossing Buck called today and wished to be remembered to you. The principal object of his visit was regarding the custom's duty on the "Land Utilization" publications which the University of Chicago is bringing out in three volumes.

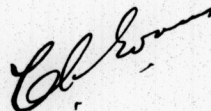
The government has taken the attitude that all costs, preliminary to publication, form the basis for custom charges which would make it prohibitive and the books could not be sold. It is possible they will consider these preliminary charges as representing training of individuals for research, and, in that case, statistics covering the cost will have to be presented to the University for compiling the statistical data.

The University of Chicago Press has given a bond that the adjustment of duties will be satisfactorily settled with the government and is proceeding with the publication.

Dr. Buck is to see the Chicago Press and give them authorization to proceed with settling the customs rate at Washington if they will agree to accept the wholesale rate. Otherwise correspondence will come from the University of Chicago Press to this office to be inspected by legal counsel and passed on to China for final approval of the Finance Committee.

Dr. Buck is returning to China on August 16th by Clipper and will be in Chungking about September 1st.

C. A. E.



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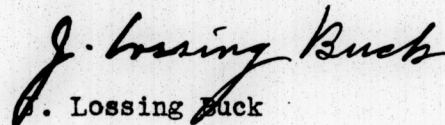
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Dr. B. A. Garside
Associate Boards of Christian Colleges
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Garside:

I am enclosing general statement regarding the establishment of an Agricultural Extension System in China for your reference. In this I have only attempted to give the general idea of the opportunity for initiating such a system.

Very truly yours,


J. Lossing BuckJLB/bb
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A PROPOSED PROJECT FOR ESTABLISHING AN AGRICULTURAL
EXTENSION SYSTEM IN CHINA

Suggested by J. Lossing Buck

(April 1940)

Agricultural work in China has developed largely in the field of agricultural education in schools or colleges and in agricultural research in a few branches of agriculture. Very little attention has been given to extending scientific agricultural principles already known in the West but applicable to China, for two reasons: first, because no nation-wide organized extension work has been inaugurated, and second, because there has been little reproduction of the materials and equipment required for such extension work.

There is no question about the need for an organized extension system in China, or of the desire of both the people and the government to improve agriculture. The chief difficulty has been the lack of knowledge of the method by which it can be done. The agricultural extension system now used in the United States has proved over a period of years to be an excellent method of conducting extension work and one which can be applied to any country because the principles have been tested and found practical. Unfortunately, in China there is no one with practical experience in an organized extension system. It is suggested, therefore, that a certain number of agricultural extension special-

ists, at least two in agricultural extension organization methods and several in specialized branches of technical agricultural extension, be obtained to assist in setting up a proper system for China.

There is a deep interest in the United States Department of Agriculture and in the College of Agriculture at Cornell University in making available men who might render this assistance. In most cases it would not be possible for such persons to come for a period longer than one-half to one year on salaries paid by their own organizations. Such specialists could be obtained for at least one year and in a few instances for two years if salaries were provided for. In any event, specialists should succeed one another for at least a period of five years.

China at present, during her critical struggle with Japan, is short of U.S. currency with which to pay for the services of extension specialists. It is suggested that colleges of agriculture and the United States Department of Agriculture make every possible effort to release qualified men on salary, and that interested Foundations or organizations or individuals provide funds to cover travel expense in U.S. currency to and from China and that portion of salaries which cannot be supplied by the institutions sending the men. This would be a concrete way of expressing interest and sympathy in China's cause which would be highly appreciated by the Chinese. China has only five per cent of its territory occupied by the Japanese. Its agricultural work is functioning better than ever before. The opportunity for rendering

service is therefore very great and unique. The Chinese Government would gladly take care of expenses in China and would guarantee to exert every effort to establish an agricultural extension system on a sound basis.

China's economic status depends largely upon the welfare of the farmer and an agricultural extension system will do much to improve his welfare to an extent which will greatly assist China, not only in her war of resistance but in peace time as well.

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COSMOS CLUB
Washington, D. C.

May 11, 1940

Mr. S. W. Findley
University of Chicago Press
5750 Ellis Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Findley:

I appreciate very much your letter of April 16.

In regard to the sales of Land Utilization in China: several people have mentioned to me the high cost, but they apparently had in mind that it was necessary to buy three volumes. I hope that in any of your advertising literature that you can make it clear that the Text volume gives all the essential information and that the statistical volumes are designed only for those who wish to make a more detailed study, or, as in the case of the Atlas, those who are more interested in maps and geography as such.

I am enclosing the statement of the publishing costs of these volumes as supplied by Miss Elsie Priest, Treasurer of the University of Nanking, for your information and your records. Kindly keep me informed of any development. I shall be returning to china toward the end of June and may possibly be passing through Chicago about June 16. If there is any occasion for consultation, kindly let me know.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) J. Lossing Buck

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November 19, 1941

Dr. J. Lossing Buck
University of Nanking
Chengtu, Szechwan, CHINA

Dear Dr. Buck:

On November 14th, I cabled you as follows:

"CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT REQUIRES DATA EXTENT WHICH NANKING BENEFITED OUTSIDE
PUBLISHING LAND UTILIZATION MAIL STATEMENT CLIPPER."

This grows out of another request from the Chicago Customs Department -- the officials of which are determined to pass the customs on this book on the basis of research funds made available both in China and America. In reality this would run fully to US\$200,000 if not more. No definite figures appear in any of the correspondence and no accurate accounting has been made. If it can be shown that a large part of the appropriation of the Foundation and donors in China were used for teaching purposes in the University of Nanking, this may have some effect upon the situation.

In my letter to the University of Chicago Press, I have stated that the research work was a part of the teaching program of the University of Nanking -- some of which costs were borne by the University budget and others by the Famine Funds, and that as a result of these investigations LAND UTILIZATION was published.

Both the Institute of Pacific Relations and our office have tried to deflect the emphasis from the book to the teaching program of the University. I am not sure that you will approve of this method, but it is a conclusion we agreed to follow here in New York after receiving an ultimatum from the Chicago Customs Department that the balance of the shipment would be confiscated and that we would be held likewise for any judgment which the United States Customs might impose. It is really a nasty situation and the end is not yet.

With every good personal wish to you, I am

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

CAE/s

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Department of Agricultural
ECONOMICS
UNIVERSITY OF NANKING
Chengtu Szechwan
China

*Original letter
sent to Miss Downing
12/15/41*

20th November , 1941

Mr. C. A. Evans,
Associated Boards for China Colleges,
150 Fifth Avenue
NEW YORK CITY, U. S. A.

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12/16/41*

Dear Mr. Evans:

I have received your telegram worded as follows:

"Customs Department requires data extent which Nanking benefitted outside publishing Land Utilization. Mail statement Clipper."

Will you kindly inform the Customs Department that the benefits accruing to the University of Nanking are equal to the total cost of the project outside of publishing Land Utilization. The primary object of the project was to train Chinese in methods of Land Utilization research, and the funds granted made it possible for the University to accomplish this purpose. Moreover, many of the men so trained are still on our staff, assisting in teaching and in further research work. Those who have not remained on our staff are in similar work for government or private organizations in China. As a matter of fact, a large share of the value of publishing Land Utilization has accrued to our instruction work in the University, in that students and faculty members are using the publication in their teaching and in their research work. Moreover, Chinese organizations are using the results in connection with the national development of agriculture.

The balance of C\$3,329.01 on printing previously reported to the Customs Department, has been supplemented with another \$22,000. from the University to publish Land Utilization in China (Volume I) in Chinese. Therefore, to date we are financially about even on the publication of Land Utilization and we do not expect more than a possible nominal income in future sales, after all distribution costs have been paid. The purpose of publication was in no way a commercial venture, but rather to make research data available. Sales for the publication were arranged in the United States and England for the comparatively few who might be interested in this particular research work. As previously stated, none of the data on the original schedules have been published and the original data are still available for use by our students and staff for further use and analysis.

Trusting this will give the Customs Department the information it desires,
I am

Sincerely yours,

JLB:MT

/s/ J. Lossing Buck

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BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U. S. A.
156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, N. Y.

Dr. E. H. Cressy,
The University of Nanking,
Chengtou, Szechwan, China.

April 30, 1942

Dear Dr. Cressy:

Your letter of November 21, 1941, written on behalf of the Emergency Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the University of Nanking, has received very thorough consideration. I regret the delay in handling this request in regard to Dr. J. Lossing Buck, but the pressure of work due to our involvement in the war plus the fact that I was compelled to take a two months' leave of absence from the office on the doctor's orders prevented this important personnel question's receiving the full consideration it deserved before this time.

The matter has been presented to the Executive Council and informally to the Foreign Department Committee of our Board at its meeting this month and, while no formal action was taken since Dr. Buck's resignation has not yet been transmitted from the field, the opinions expressed in both meetings were such that it would be futile for me to press for a formal action by the Board approving the request made by the Emergency Executive Committee that Dr. Buck be continued as a regular missionary of the Presbyterian Board on the basis of support of a single missionary.

We wish to make it very clear that the reason for this position is in no way due to the fact that Dr. Buck has married a Chinese. I can say quite positively that, if Mrs. Buck had met the qualifications which the Board requires of all its appointees, including all the missionary wives, and her papers had been submitted in the regular way, the Board would have given its full approval to her appointment. However, the Board has adhered very firmly to the policy that where the wife does not meet the Board's qualifications, then it is impossible to continue the husband as one of its missionaries. This fact was made clear to Dr. Buck in correspondence he had with me before the marriage was consummated.

We are very mindful of the fact that this action may be misunderstood by some of Dr. Buck's Chinese colleagues. We trust you will make it very clear in your report to the Committee that the attitude of our Board is in no way based on the fact that Mrs. Buck is a Chinese. Had Dr. Buck married some American woman who was also lacking in the qualifications we require, the attitude of the Board would have been identical.

We are grateful for the long and distinguished service which Dr. Buck has given to China and the cause of Christ as a missionary of the Presbyterian Church. No objection was offered in the discussion to the arrangement we understand is now operating whereby Dr. and Mrs. Buck are being supported by special funds given to the University of Nanking for the work of Dr. Buck's department. Personally, I hope that he may be able to continue his valuable service as a member of the staff of the university.

Before closing, I wish to acknowledge the receipt of a letter written somewhat earlier suggesting some very appealing causes in West China to which the Presbyterian Church might give its support from special funds. The letter was inspired by the report that, in our Emergency Fund to be raised during the year, there was a substantial amount for cooperative work in West China. This fund has not been fully raised. In fact, during the fiscal year, the amounts received have not been sufficient to provide for any advance work and not in full for extraordinary emergency expenses and commitments of the Board arising out of the war. We were able to secure sufficient funds to provide for the house for Dr. and Mrs. Penn and a second one for Dr. and Mrs. Greene which we believe has not yet been built because the housing of our Presbyterian

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Dr. H. H. Crossy - 2.

April 30, 1942

Missionaries in Chengtu seemed to be a "must" item.

We rejoice in the cooperative program recently initiated through the N.C.C. in West China and our Board has approved our full share of the support of this work.

We realize the heavy responsibilities which have been placed upon your shoulders in this emergency and we are grateful for the helpful service you are rendering for all of us.

With very best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Lloyd S. Ruland,
Secretary for China

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO PRESS
5750 ELLIS AVENUE CHICAGO ILLINOIS

December 23, 1942

The University of Nanking
New York Office
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Gentlemen:

Our earlier letters have already acquainted you with the fact that we are out of stock of the text volume for Dr. Buck's Land Utilization in China. We have about 85 copies of the atlas volume and about 60 of the statistics volume. It is, of course, impossible to import copies of the text volume.

During the past few months we have received several orders for the set and in those cases supplied only the atlas and statistics volumes. It has been suggested that since all the purchasers are libraries, we might offer to supply the text volume in microfilm, through the University's microphotographic service.

The contract of July 16, 1937, under which we published Dr. Buck's work, does not anticipate any such need. Therefore, we need your consent and approval before making such an offer.

We can have a microfilm copy made at a total cost of approximately \$7.00 for printing and handling. Although this is more than the cost of the printed volume, we believe that some of the libraries will still want the text. Our thought is that we offer to have the microfilm copy made upon payment of \$7.00 by the customer. Would you be willing for us to do that and to waive payment of the royalty which is provided in the present agreement?

We are sending this letter in duplicate, so that if our proposal is acceptable to you, you may indicate your acceptance by signing both copies and returning one of them to us. The other copy is for your files.

Sincerely yours,

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO PRESS

/s/ Rollin D. Hemens

Rollin D. Hemens

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Accepted:

THE UNIVERSITY OF NANKING

Date _____

December 29, 1942

Dr. J. Lossing Buck
University of Nanking
Chengtu, Szechwan, CHINA

Dear Dr. Buck:

I am enclosing copy of a letter received from the University
of Chicago Press on December 23rd.

Not wishing to pass judgment upon the question raised, I cabled
you through Miss Priest for an authorization. Long before you receive this
letter your reply will have been received.

With every good wish to you, I am

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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C O P Y

Universities' China Committee in London
16, Gordon Square, London, W.C.1

29th May, 1943

The Secretary
Institute of Pacific Relations
129 East 52nd Street,
New York City

Dear Sir,

I am writing to you at the suggestion of the Oxford University Press in London, as we are anxious to reproduce an illustration from John Lossing Buck's book entitled "Land Utilization in China". It would be used in our Proceedings which are not for sale or for distribution to the General Public, to illustrate a lecture we are publishing by Sir John Russell on Chinese Agriculture.

The illustration is the map of China showing the distribution of the various crops.

If you can give us this permission the Oxford University Press will facilitate our having a block for this illustration.

An early reply will oblige,

Yours Faithfully.
(signed) F. Rithfar

Acting Secretary



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Universities' China Committee in London
16, Gordon Square, London, W.C.1

28th May, 1943

The Secretary
Institute of Pacific Relations
129 East 62nd Street,
New York City

Dear Sir,

I am writing to you at the suggestion of the Oxford University Press in London, as we are anxious to reproduce an illustration from John Lossing Brock's book entitled "Land Utilization in China". It would be used in our Proceedings which are not for sale or for distribution to the general public, to illustrate a lecture we are publishing by Sir John Russell on Chinese Agriculture.

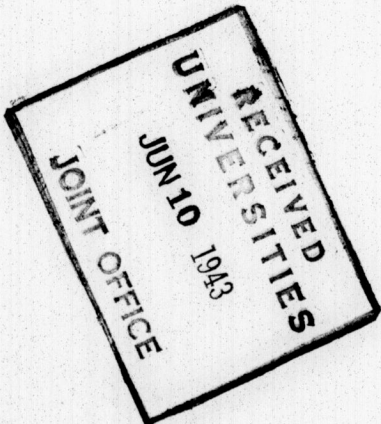
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An early reply will oblige.

Yours faithfully,
(signed) E. Pitt-Rivers

Acting Secretary



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X Institute of Pacific Relations
139 East 52nd Street
New York 22, N.Y.

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The Acting Secretary
Universities' China Committee in London
16, Gordon Square
London, W.C.1

Dear Sir:

In answer to your letter of May 29th to the Secretary of the Institute of Pacific Relations, we are glad to give you our permission to reproduce from John Lossing Buck's book, Land Utilization in China, the map of China showing the distribution of the various crops, provided that appropriate acknowledgement is made. Although we cannot consult Mr. Buck, we are sure he would give his consent.

Sincerely yours,

Mary F. Healy r



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Institute of Pacific Relations
135 East 47th Street
New York 17, N.Y.

June 9, 1948

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The Acting Secretary
Universities' China Committee in London
16, Gordon Square
London, W.C.1

Dear Sir:

In answer to your letter of May 28th to the Secretary of the Institute of Pacific Relations, we are glad to give you our permission to borrow from John Leasing's book, Land Utilization in China, the map of China showing the distribution of the various crops, provided that appropriate acknowledgment is made. Although we cannot consent that you should give his consent.

Sincerely yours,

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