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OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
150 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK CITY

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January 15, 1929.

The Nanking University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

TRANSFER

Attention of Mr. B. A. Garside

Dear Mr. Garside:-

We are enclosing herewith our check #4619 for \$148.07 covering the balance of the \$500.00 pledge of Dr. A. J. Bowen for the University of Nanking.

Kindly make this amount available for the purpose designated.

The following remittances make the total of \$500.00

Oct. 17, 1928	-	\$	41.60	
" 29, "	-		25.83	
Nov. 21, "	-		160.00	
" 28, "	-		75.00	
Dec. 10, "	-		49.50	
Jan. 15, 1929	-		<u>148.07</u>	\$500.00

Very truly yours,

Chas. E. De Vesty

Charles E. Devesty,
Accountant.

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OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
150 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK CITY



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January 28th, 1929

Mr. B. A. Garside, Sec'y
University of Nanking,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

TRANSFER

Dear Mr. Garside:-

Dr. J. T. Illick

For your information may I report the substance of a letter just received from Dr. Illick, in response to our inquiry concerning his availability for work in the University of Nanking this year. Dr. Illick writes as follows:-

// "As to our return to Nanking, we feel it is still too early with a family of two boys, 8 and 10 years old, and a baby sister 17 months old." //

Sincerely yours,

Frank T. Cartwright

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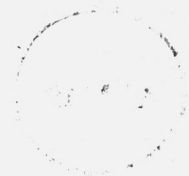
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BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
150 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK CITY

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2/14/29*

January 29th
Nineteen Twenty-nine.

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



Dear Mr. Garside:-

The declination of Mr. Welch as a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking was presented to the Executive Committee in session, January 24th.

TRANSFER

At the same time, Dr. Frank Mason North presented his resignation as a Trustee of the University of Nanking.

The resignation of Dr. North was accepted; the declination of Mr. Welch was regretted. The Secretaries were authorized to present names for these vacancies to the next Executive Committee of the Board which will be held February 21st.

I shall be glad to know if you have any suggestions growing out of your familiarity with the work of the University and the relation of any interested Methodist ministers or laymen to the University.

Very truly yours,

John R. Edwards
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CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES
JOHN R. EDWARDS
RALPH E. DIFFENDERFER

SECRETARY COUNSEL
FRANK MASON NORTH

Board of Foreign Missions
Of the METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

150 Fifth Avenue
NEW YORK CITY

CABLE ADDRESS, MISSIONS TELEPHONE, CHELSEA 2130

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ACTING PRESIDENT
BISHOP FRANCIS J. MCCONNELL

TREASURER
MORRIS W. EHNES

January 30, 1929.

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

TRANSFER

My dear Mr. Garside:

You should be advised that at the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church on Thursday last, I presented my resignation as a representative of that Board, on the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking. The resignation was accepted, to take effect on the appointment of my successor. This will come in due course.

I have before me the Minutes of the last meeting of the Executive Committee of the University of Nanking. The record seems to indicate that I was not present. I think I was delayed in reaching the meeting but have very definite recollections of the business transacted, and feel quite sure that I must have been there. Since that was probably the last time I could properly meet in that very delightful fellowship, I have a bit of regret that I am recorded as not having been there.

With best wishes for your success in the exceedingly important work in which you are concerned, I am

Yours cordially,

Frank Mason North

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BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
150 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK CITY



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February 11th
Nineteen Twenty-nine.

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

TRANSFER

University of Nanking

Dear Brother Garside:-

I have gone carefully over the question of our personnel for Nanking, in the light of my conversation with you and Mr. Cochran a few days ago. There seems at present to be no way by which we can figure on providing more than one missionary during 1929. We seem to be committed to Steward in correspondence which has already gone to the field, in which the question is raised whether they will accept Steward in lieu of appropriation of \$1300 for a native teacher.

I hope the way may open later for something additional, but this is the best for the present.

Sincerely yours,

John R. Edwards
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TRANSFER

University of Nanking

February 13, 1929

Dr. Frank Mason North,
16 Madison Avenue,
Madison, N.J.

My dear Dr. North:

I have already informally communicated to you my sincere regret at the information contained in your letter of January 30th that you have found it necessary to resign from the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking. We all recognize the leading share you have had in the development of the University of Nanking since its beginning and will keenly regret losing you from the regular membership of the Board of Trustees. I know that all the Trustees will wish to have you continue as a counsellor of the Board whenever you find it possible to meet with them.

I am extremely sorry that in mimeographing the minutes of the last Executive Committee meeting we failed to record the fact that you were present at the meeting. I will see that the omission is called to the attention of the Board at the first opportunity. We were all particularly grateful to you for your attendance at the last meeting of the Executive Committee and for the valuable contributions you made on all the matters considered by the Committee.

Very cordially yours,

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Feb. 16, 1929.

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Rev. Frank Cartwright,
New York City, N. Y.
My dear Mr. Cartwright:-

TRANSFER

We have just received a letter from Dr. Illick - whose address is 2109-2115 Adelbert Road, Cleveland, Ohio, c/o Medical School of the Western Reserve Univ. - that has disturbed us a lot. He was recently in N. Y. and called on the Board, but Dr. Gamewell had left and you hadn't arrived and I guess he could get no satisfaction about their return, so is not making any further plans to return, but will close with another job just as soon as a good one turns up - and he is looking for it, as he does not plan to remain longer at Western Reserve.

Now, we have written repeatedly to the Board, to Mr. Garside and to Mr. Reisner that ALL here want him back VERY urgently; that the M.E. Central China Approp. for next year covers his return & salary and that of Dr. Jones (or the Stewards) and we see NO reason why the Board does not at once settle the matter with them and remove further suspense. If you do not he will have it settled adversely SOON. It is beyond belief to us out here why the Board shows so little interest in GETTING ANY ONE BACK, but shows a lot of zeal to drop men, excellent, tested and much wanted men. Doesn't any one there realize that it is going to be VERY difficult for our Board now to get first class men to come to China, and can they so lightly and easily cast aside or permit to be lost good men that the mission and the Univ. want? It seems to us that there has been so long a NEGATIVE attitude and a practice of dropping men on the slightest provocation, that it has gotten a habit. It seems to us that it is time for a POSITIVE and CONSTRUCTIVE policy to be inaugurated, and some REAL effort to SEND MEN OUT and not take advantage of every seeming chance to keep them Home or drop them entirely. A little Faith even daring seems to us to be demanded at this time, and not the old "cut-down" policy continued for 1929-30

With best wishes for your work,

Cordially yours,

(Signed) A. J. B.

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University of Nanking

February 18, 1929

Mr. Frank T. Cartwright,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

TRANSFER

My dear Mr. Cartwright:

During the last few months there has been an interchange of correspondence between our office and the University of Nanking in regard to the return of Mr. Horace G. Robson. Under date of January 15th President Chen writes as follows:

"In regard to Mr. Robson, we are very anxious for his early return. It would add a great deal of strength to the religious department and work of the University. In his letter to me, he has indicated that he strongly desires to finish his Ph.D. degree before he returns and by 1930 or 1931, he could return. It is preferable if he could return earlier, but in case he is very anxious to finish his research work, we would not be in a position to interfere with his wishes. I hope it will be possible for the Methodist Board to accommodate him by 1930 or 31, or at whatever time he is in a position to come to the University. I have indirectly learned that the Methodist Board has recently made a resolution to only provide four members in their quota next year. If this should be the case, they may take definite steps to curtail one member from their responsibility to the University. I am writing today to Dr. Bowen and through him to the field members here, that we still desire the Methodist Board to keep up their moral support and I request that this question be still open for consideration. The Methodist Board's action may mean a great deal to the future financial relationship to the University with the different home boards, as their action may easily affect the status of other boards."

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Very sincerely yours,

E A GARSIDE

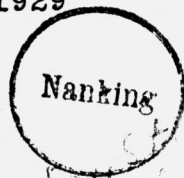
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BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
150 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK CITY

*Discussed
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Wrote Illick
Mar 14*

March 4th, 1929

Mr. B. A. Garside, Sec'y
University of Nanking,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.



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St. Charles St.*

Dear Mr. Garside:-

Dr. J. T. Illick

With reference to your various queries concerning the availability of Dr. J. Theron Illick for further service at Nanking, I would like to quote from a letter received a day or two ago from him, as follows:-

TRANSFER

"I wish to say that we are willing and ready to return to Nanking late this summer in order to be in Nanking for the opening of the fall work.".....Should any condition arise this spring better known to you than to us that would make it seem unwise for families to return to Nanking, we trust you will inform us."

I shall immediately take up with those responsible, the matter of financing Illick's out-going and hope that everything can be cleared so that he can go out at the time suggested. If there is any correspondence necessary with the administration on the field, looking to formal action in this regard, will you kindly care for that. I shall, of course, notify the bishop and the secretary of our Central China mission.

Very sincerely yours,

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Frank T. Cartwright

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University of Nanking

TRANSFER

March 6, 1929

Mr. Frank T. Cartwright
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

My dear Mr. Cartwright:

In connection with the questions of the return of Nanking personnel which you and I were discussing a few minutes ago you will probably be interested in the following quotation Dr. Bowen wrote on January 21, 1929.

"We recently got final and official word for our Central China Conference, just what our appropriations will be for 1929, the Board in New York determining just what is to be available for Missionaries; evangelistic work; educational; medical, etc. We get our full, former amount for the Hospital, vis \$750 gold. For our part of the educational work for personnel, in addition to the \$5,000 gold, income from the Endowment held by the M. E. Board; we get a total of gold \$6,750. Viz "Provision is made for one new man for the University, \$1,000 G. being provided for his salary, approximately, and \$1,000 G for travel. Also, under missionary budget, there is provision for two substitutes in the University at \$1,300, G. each" "The appropriation to the University (in addition to the above totals \$7,000 G; \$5,000 G being from the Permanent Funds, and \$2,000 from the current income of the Board" (This is \$2,000 G short AJB)

I made the following two suggestions to Dr. Chen, re personnel:
(1 Salaries: Illicks \$1,000 G, say 5 months 1929 service
 Jones 700 G, " " " " ME rate, 15 yrs.
 Bowens 2,150 G.

Travel : Illicks 1,300 G. M.E's have to travel 2nd class.
 Jones 800 G.

\$5,950, which leaves only \$800 G. margin
of the appropriation of \$6,750.G."

You will note that in these estimates Dr. Bowen has planned for send-

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March 6, 1929

ing out two of the Methodist personnel this year, Dr. Illick and one other. In his letter Dr. Bowen gives Dr. Jones preference as to the second man to go out this year but states that if it is impossible for Dr. Jones to go out that he would be very glad to see Mr. Steward go.

Very cordially yours,

B A GARSIDE
Secretary.

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University of Nanking

TRANSFER

March 26, 1929

Mr. Frank T. Cartwright,
150 Fifth Avenue, New York
President Y.C.Chen
University of Nanking,

My dear Mr. Cartwright and Dr. Chen:

For your information I quote Mr. Albert H. Steward's card
of March 24, 1929:-

"Dear Mr. Garside: In accordance with the suggestions
contained in your letters of the 14th and 15th of
this month, I have signified to the Harvard authori-
ties my willingness to remain here another year. If,
within about a year from this time no definite way
is opened for us to return to Nanking, I will be
seeking permanent employment elsewhere. Your courtesy
in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Yours very sincerely,
(Signed) Albert H. Steward

192 Warren St.,
Waltham, Mass."

I am sure that Mr. Steward is communicating with both of
you so that you will have full information as to his plans.

Very sincerely yours,

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TRANSFER

April 19, 1929

Rev. G. W. Henson,
1019 69th Ave.,
Oak Lane, Phila., Pa.

My dear Mr. Henson:

Dr. John B. Edwards of the Methodist Board of Foreign Missions has just informed us that that Board on April 18 appointed you as one of their representatives on the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking. We hasten to assure you of the gratification of the Nanking Board of Trustees at your appointment and to express the sincere hope that you will find it possible to accept. As you know, the University of Nanking is one of the strongest of the union universities in China and I believe that in serving as a member of its Board of Trustees here in America you can render a very valuable service to the cause of Christian higher education in China. The Board holds an average of two or three meetings a year so I trust you will not find the responsibilities of membership excessive.

The semi-annual meeting of the Nanking Board of Trustees will be held in this building on the afternoon of Monday, April 22. I am enclosing herewith a copy of the docket for that meeting. We very much hope you will find it possible to be present.

Very sincerely yours,

B A GARSIDE

Secretary

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BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
150 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK CITY

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Refer to Trustees

April 19th
Nineteen Twenty-nine.

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

TRANSFER

Dear Mr. Garside:- University of Nanking

At the Executive Committee of the Board of Foreign Missions, meeting April 18th, it was suggested that two members be appointed, to represent this Board, on the Board of Trustees of the University of Nanking.

We are pleased to inform you that Rev. G. W. Henson, 1019 69th Ave. Oak Lane, Philadelphia, Pa. and Mr. F. L. Partridge of 567 Ridgewood Road, Maplewood, N.J. were appointed as Trustees of the University of Nanking, representing the Board of Foreign Missions, for the term of three years.

Sincerely yours,



John R. Edwards
Corresponding Secretary

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May 3, 1929.

Mr. Frank T. Cartwright,
Board of Foreign Missions
of the Methodist Episcopal Church,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Cartwright:

I have just received a letter from Dr. E.V. Jones of April 29, stating that recent medical examinations of Mrs. Jones, while reassuring on the whole, indicate that it will not be advisable for Doctor and Mrs. Jones to return to China this year.

Dr. Jones concludes his letter by saying, "I hope it develops that Dr. Illick and his family may return to Nanking. It seems tragic to me that the foreigners who have held right on there must continue to do so with so few new recruits."

I certainly hope that Dr. Illick's plans still contemplate his return to Nanking this summer.

Very sincerely yours,

B A GARSIDE

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TRANSFER

University of Nanking


May 9, 1929

Mr. F. T. Cartwright
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

My dear Mr. Cartwright:

You were present at the meeting of the Nanking Board of Founders on April 22, 1929, heard the discussion regarding the urgent need for additional teachers of English at the University and have undoubtedly noted in the minutes of the Nanking meeting the action with regard to this matter. I have also talked with you informally on this subject since the Nanking meeting. In order, however, that this matter may be formally brought to the attention of the Methodist Board I quote below the action of the Nanking Trustees regarding this need for additional English teachers. I would appreciate it if you would bring this matter to the attention of the Methodist Board in whatever way you find most effective.

"F-426 VOTED that the Secretary be instructed to bring to the attention of the Mission Boards cooperating in the University of Nanking the urgent need for additional Western appointees and, in particular, for additional teachers of English, and to request the Mission Boards to consider further the possibility of sending additional Western appointees to the University of Nanking in the near future."

Very sincerely yours, 

B A GARSIDE

Secretary.

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BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
150 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK CITY



TRANSFER

May 16, 1929.

University of Nanking,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find our check #9547
for \$650.00 being the last quarterly remittance due
on the two vacancies in the Methodist quota on the
Staff of the University of Nanking.

Sincerely yours,

Chas E DeVesty
Chas. E. DeVesty,
Accountant.

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University of Nanking

July 30, 1929

Dr. John R. Edwards,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

TRANSFER

My dear Dr. Edwards:

You have undoubtedly noticed the following action in the minutes of the joint meeting of the Nanking Executive, Budget and Audit Committees held on June 25, 1929:-

"MEMO-446 VOTED that the Secretary be instructed to express to the Methodist Board the sincere hope of the Board of Founders that they may be able soon to resume full cooperation in the support of the University".

As you know, the other two fully cooperating Boards, the Presbyterian Board and the United Christian Missionary Society, are each providing for the support of five members on the Nanking staff and are contributing \$4,000 or Mex.\$8,000 per year toward the general operating expenses of the University. Each of these other two Boards is also contributing one medical worker to the hospital staff and is making a contribution to the operating expenses of the hospital.

The Nanking Board of Founders has recognized that the financial difficulties of the Methodist Board during the last few years has made it extremely difficult for you to maintain this normal level of support for the work at Nanking. We all earnestly hope, however, that it may soon be possible for the Methodist Board to restore its full measure of support for this important center of Christian higher education at the new capital of China. The Methodist Board has always had a large share in the work at Nanking and we all recognize that the University could not have been founded and developed to its present standards except for your leadership.

Very sincerely yours,

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B A GARSIDE

CC: Mr. Cartwright

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TRANSFER

University of Nanking

August 2, 1929

Dr. John R. Edwards,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Edwards:

I note that I have not brought formally to your attention the following action taken at the joint meeting of the Executive, Budget and Audit Committees of the Nanking Board of Founders held on June 25, 1929:

"EBA-449 VOTED that the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church be requested to give consideration to the comments of the University's auditors as quoted above, and to take such steps as may be necessary to clarify the status of this fund as a part of the endowment of the University of Nanking."

This action was taken on the basis of the following comment appearing in the report of Lybrand, Ross Brothers and Montgomery, covering their audit of the books of the University of Nanking for the year ending June 30, 1928. (You will note that this comment is quoted in our Nanking minutes):

"We indicated in our report as of June 30, 1927 (last year) that Nanking University did not seem to have a beneficial interest in the principal sum of \$100,000.00 held as a certain Permanent Fund by the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church. It would still seem to us that the University has no title to the principal of this fund and that its only interest in connection with it is a right to the income. Our impression is based upon our interpretation of a resolution which, we are informed was adopted by the Executive Committee of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church at a meeting held June 21, 1923, reading in part as follows:

It was voted that an amount of \$100,000 shall be placed as part of the Permanent Funds of the Board, (Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church) the income of said amount annually to go to the support of the

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Agricultural Department of Nanking University, this allotment being reckoned as meeting the amount of the Centenary agreement for endowment of Nanking University.

"Our impression is further borne out by a letter dated October 7, 1925 from the Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions, as mentioned in our report of December 15, 1927.

"If the Trustees of the University of Nanking concur in this view, then the entries now on the books setting up the principal sum as a fund and as an asset of the University should be canceled.

"On the other hand, if the Trustees of the University do not concur as to that view, and pending the final determination of its status, we would raise no objection to the present entries. The matter of the ownership of this fund should be definitely established at an early date."

You will probably remember that this matter was brought to the attention of the Methodist Board several years ago and at that time a letter was written by the Treasurer of your Board defining somewhat more clearly the status of this one hundred thousand dollar fund. Obviously, however, our auditors feel that the status of the fund is still unsettled. We sincerely hope, therefore, that the Methodist Board will find it possible to take such action as may be necessary to clarify the status of this fund as a part of the endowment of the University of Nanking.

Very sincerely yours,

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Board of Foreign Missions
Of the METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

150 Fifth Avenue
NEW YORK CITY

October 15th, 1929

Mr. Albert N. Steward,
192 Warren Street,
Waltham, Mass.

My dear Steward:-

TRANSFER

A letter from Dr. Bowen, put up very convincingly to our Board the serious need for your return to China, and that letter has been before Dr. Edwards and me individually and in conference. Even tho we have not reached the end of the year, when financial returns would justify us in making any definite promise, Dr. Edwards and I agree that we ought immediately to give you a renewed assurance that we will concentrate our effort to the end that you and Mrs. Steward get back to Nanking in 1930. The last reports concerning Dr. Bowen's physical condition are not at all encouraging and it would be nothing short of tragedy if that great university should be left with only the Illicks and Trimmers as our representatives on the campus.

I am hoping that your work has been fully up to your expectations, that your Summer has been enjoyable and healthbringing, and that now you are getting well started in your study for this academic season.

Yours with the very best of wishes
and hopes.

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(Copies to Dr. Bowen and Mr. Garside)

Frank T. Cartwright
FRANK T. CARTWRIGHT

Associate Secretary for Eastern Asia

Board of Foreign Missions
OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

150 Fifth Avenue
NEW YORK CITY

October 10, 1922

Mr. Albert J. ...
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By your secretary

Letter from ... and up
very gratifying to our work the period used for your return
to find that letter has been before Dr. ... and
individually and in conference. We do not have to be
the end of the year, when financial returns would justify us in
making any definite provision, as I have said
ought immediately to give you a renewed assurance that we
cannot expect our office to be the end of the year, toward get
it to be in 1923. The last report concerning Dr. ...
physical condition are not at all encouraging and it would be
holding out the possibility in that report that it would be left
with only a faint chance of recovery. Our representatives on the
board

I am hoping that your work has
been like all your past work, that your journey has been
enjoyable and profitable, and that you are getting well
started in your studies for the coming season.

To be with the very best of wishes

Frank P. ...
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Associate Secretary for Eastern Missions (to be taken and ...)

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BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
150 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK CITY

October 16th, 1929

Mr. B. A. Garside, Sec'y
University of Nanking,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

TRANSFER

Dear Mr. Garside:-

At the meeting of our Staff held recently, the request of the University of Nanking, thru its field representatives and thru the Trustees, for consideration by our Board of the need for additional Western appointees, was presented. The need was sympathetically noted and in connection with the preparation of our budget for next year, will be carefully considered.

Very truly yours,

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Associate Secretary for Eastern Asia.

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University of Nanking

October 24, 1929

Mr. Frank T. Cartwright,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

TRANSFER

My dear Mr. Cartwright:

Thank you for your letter of October 16 telling us that at a recent meeting the Methodist staff gave sympathetic attention to the request of the University of Nanking that you consider the University's need for additional Western appointees. We sincerely hope that your budget for next year will enable you to grant this urgent request. We are more and more impressed by the extreme urgency of the need for additional Western personnel at Nanking.

Not only is the work there suffering but there seems to be a growing spirit of discouragement due to the fact that so few workers are available.

We are glad to note also your encouraging letter to Mr. A. N. Steward. I certainly hope that he manages to return to Nanking in 1930. The latest word from Mr. John H. Reischer indicates that his return to China may be delayed indefinitely due to the fact that his sinus trouble has responded very slowly to the treatment he has been taking during the last year. This probable delay in Mr. Reischer's return makes the need for Mr. Steward even more urgent than it has appeared before.

We know that you will also do everything possible to secure favorable action from the Methodist Board on the requests coming from Fukien and from Shantung for increased support of personnel next year. You will remember that the Fukien Board of Trustees has heartily endorsed the proposal of the field authorities that the Methodist Board appoint Professor Malcolm F. Farley as one of its representatives. I have already corresponded and conferred with Dr. Edwards and yourself in regard to this matter.

As you know, Shantung has for several years been urging the Methodist Board to assume the support of at least one regular appointee on the Cheeloo staff but the unsatisfactory financial situation of the Board has heretofore made this impossible. Cheeloo is in urgent need of reinforcements and, as you know, is doing a valuable piece of work for the students coming from your Methodist Mission in Shantung and North China and, to a less extent, from other sections of China.

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If you need any further facts in presenting the case of any of these three Universities I hope you will let me know.

Very sincerely yours,

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BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
METHODIST SOUTHERN CHURCH
150 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, N.Y.

November 12, 1929

University of Nanking
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

TRANSFER

Attention: B. A. Garside

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the second of August which has been referred to me by Dr. Edwards before he left for his trip to the Far East.

In your letter you refer to the present status of the \$100,000 on which Nanking University is receiving the income for its Agricultural Department.

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As I have previously written you, this is a Permanent Fund of the Board of Foreign Missions and Nanking University is only entitled to receive the income on this amount each year.

I do not see how the Board can change its action in regard to this because it was thoroughly considered at the time the action was taken.

Very sincerely yours

M. W. Ehnes
Morris W. Ehnes,

Treasurer

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University of Nanking

November 14, 1929

Dr. M. W. Ehnes, Treasurer
Board of Foreign Missions
Methodist Episcopal Church,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Ehnes:

Thank you for your letter of November 12 dealing with the present status of the one hundred thousand dollar Permanent Fund of the Methodist Board held for the University of Nanking.

I will report your comments on this matter to ^{the} Nanking Founders, and I trust they will find it possible to more clearly define the relationship of this fund to the endowment funds of the University.

Very sincerely yours,

B A GARSIDE

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November 18, 1929.

Methodist Episcopal Church Board
of Foreign Missions,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Att: Candidate Department

Gentlemen:

We are looking for a professor of Biology
for the American University of Beirut in Syria.

We have been told that Mr. John Theron
Illick is holding a position of this kind in
China at the University of Nanking. We have also
been informed that he is coming away from China
because the situation there has changed.

Will you be good enough to let us know
whether we are free to correspond with Mr. Illick
about the position in Beirut. If you have no ob-
jection, would you also send us whatever you may have
on file with reference to his credentials.

Hoping to hear from you at your convenience.

Very sincerely yours,

Albert W. Staub
American Director

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BOARD OF REVISIONS
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
150 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, N.Y.

November 30, 1929

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Mr. B. A. Garside
China Union University
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

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My dear Mr. Garside:

The enclosed letter came from the
Near East College Association during my absence
at the Annual Meeting. I think you can answer
Mr. Staub's question about John T. Illick.

Cordially yours,

Ernest E. Tuck

Ernest E. Tuck
Candidate Secretary

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Enclosure

Letter from A. W. Staub
under date 11-18-29 re
John T. Illick.

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BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
150 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK CITY

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January 2nd, 1930

Mr. B. A. Garside, Secretary
University of Nanking,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

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Dear Garside:-

A letter from A. N. Steward in answer to a definite proposal to go back to Nanking next Summer says:-

"I am glad to say that Mrs. Steward and I are now able to send to you our whole hearted acceptance of the Board's appointment for our return to the University of Nanking during the coming Summer."

I am writing to Dr. Bowen, giving him this word.

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Ever fraternally,

Frank T. Cartwright.

Frank T. Cartwright

Associate Secretary for Eastern Asia.

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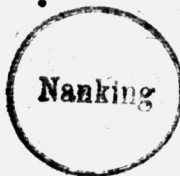
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University of Nanking

January 21, 1930

Memorandum to Dr. Scott and Mr. Cartwright,

You will remember that the Nanking Board of Founders appointed us a special committee to draft an action in regard to the following request in minute B-338 of the Board of Directors' meeting of November 1:

"That the Board of Founders be requested to secure permission from the cooperating Boards to use local currency \$15,000 of the Language School Building Fund, if it seemed feasible, for the purpose of building some additional residences for University staff members, it being understood that should it be deemed necessary at any time to reopen the Language School the University would be responsible for capital fund used, if required for another building, to the extent of local currency \$15,000."

The entire amount of Language School Building Fund is now local currency \$18,150.66. The Directors propose that the balance of the fund local currency \$1,455.66, be reserved for necessary repairs on the Language School building.

You will remember that this Language School Building Fund was built up during the years 1926 to 1927. The fund was created by setting aside a portion of the rental charges made to each of the Language School students from Mission Boards not contributing directly to the Language School itself. There are numerous references to this Language School Building Fund in minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees during 1926, 1927, 1928. However, the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of December 27, 1927, give the basis on which this fund was created. I attach hereto a copy of actions B-34 to B-40 relative to the Language School property.

On January 1, 1928, an informal conference was held in Atlantic City on questions pertaining to the Nanking University Language School. The minutes of this conference stated that there were present "27 representatives of twelve to fifteen Mission Boards and agencies having students in the Nanking Language School". The minutes do not list the Mission Boards representing, or give the names of all those who were present. The conference, after expressing its hearty approval of the work being done by the various language schools in China, particularly that at the University of Nanking, voted "to approve of the plan of financing two dormitories costing approximately \$120,000 Mexican to the Nanking Lan-

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guage School as proposed by the University Trustees, the understanding being that the individual members of this informal conference would urge their respective Boards to arrange for the provision of their respective apportionments of the building budget".

On July 7, 1929, the Secretary of the Hanking Board of Trustees (Dr.Eric North) reported at a meeting of the Hanking Trustees the following actions of the Mission Boards on the request of the Trustees for funds for building Language School Dormitories:-

Presbyterian Board, (U.S.A.) approves an appeal for	\$22000
Methodist Episcopal accepts obligation for	51667
United Christian Missionary Society approves	17000
Reformed Church in U.S. assumes share	7333
Baptist, North, action deferred	(15000)
Protestant Episcopal, not now possible	(4667)
Baptist, South, Secretary abroad	(3667)
Y.W.C.A. no response	(6333)
Presbyterian, South, doubtful; no final action	(9333)
United Evangelical, cannot act until October	(3000)
Y.M.C.A. cannot act until September	(3000)

Positive action favorable	\$78000
Action now negative	14000
Action not yet taken	31000

I had telephone conversations both with Dr.Eric North and with Mr.Leslie Moss in an effort to ascertain whether they had any further information on the understanding with the various Mission Boards concerning these Language School funds. I found that neither had any very distinct recollection of these arrangements. Both, however, expressed their personal doubts whether the University would be justified in expending this Mex.\$15,000 for residences without assuming obligation to reimburse the Language School Building Fund account with the amount expended if at any time the Language School needed these funds to erect another building.

These, I believe are the essential facts. As soon as you have had an opportunity to go over the material I will be glad to get your judgment. Can we reach a decision by telephone, or should we have a brief meeting of the Committee, possibly at luncheon?

B. A. GARSIDE

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Nanking

University of Nanking

January 27, 1930

Mr. Frank T. Cartwright,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Cartwright:

You are thoroughly familiar with the considerations which led the Nanking Trustees to take action BF-491 requesting the various Mission Boards which formerly sent students to the Nanking Language School to approve the expenditure of not to exceed Mex. \$15,000 from the balance of the Language School Property Fund for the construction of additional residences at the University, with the understanding that if and when the Language School is reopened these residences will be made available for the Language School staff.

Will you please bring this matter to the attention of the Methodist Board, or such Methodist Board secretaries as you believe should be consulted, and send us in due course the attitude of your Board to this request?

Very sincerely yours,

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BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

150 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK CITY

Ack 4/26/30

February 21st, 1930

Mr. B. A. Garside, Sec'y
University of Nanking,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.



Dear Mr. Garside:-

In response to the subject matter of your letter to Mr. Cartwright of January 27th, he set up an item for our Executive Committee. The committee at its meeting yesterday thereupon took the following action:-

"Approval of the use of \$7500. of the Building Fund of the Nanking Language School by the University of Nanking for two faculty residences, under the conditions named, provided the Directors in China feel that this is a favorable time for building enterprises."

I trust this will meet with approval of all concerned.

Very sincerely yours,

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Mildred E. Williams
Secretary to Mr. Cartwright.

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University of Nanking

March 19, 1930

Dr. Geo. T. Scott,
Mr. Frank T. Cartwright,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr.Scott and Mr.Cartwright:

You will remember that the three of us were appointed a special sub-committee to draw up the action of the Nanking Board of Founders at the January 7, 1930, meeting relative to the proposal of the Board of Directors that a portion of the Language School Building Fund be used for erecting additional residences for University staff members. We drew up action BF-491 which I transmitted to the following Mission Boards:- Northern Presbyterian, Southern Presbyterian, Methodist, Northern Baptist, U.C.M.S., Reformed Church in the U.S., Seventh Day Adventist, and Protestant Episcopal.

Of these eight boards we have now received replies from the following six approving the proposal in action BF-491:-

- Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A
- Executive Committee of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.
- Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church
- United Christian Missionary Society
- Board of Foreign Missions, Reformed Church in the U.S.
- General Conference of Seventh Day Adventists.

The remaining two boards, viz: the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society and the The National Council, Protestant Episcopal Church, have both taken action referring this proposal to China for action by their missionary representatives in the Nanking area. I quote below the replies received from the Baptist Board and the Episcopal Board:-

"New York, Feb.14,1930

"Mr.B.A.Garside,
New York City

"This will notify you that at the meeting of the Board of Managers held Feb.10-11, 1930 action was taken as follows:

With reference to the request of the Trustees of Nanking University that the Board approve of \$15000 Mex.of an unexpended surplus in the Language School Property Fund of \$18,455.66 Mex. be released for the construction of additional residences on the University of Nanking campus, "with the under-

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standing that if and when the Language School is reopened these residences will be made available for the Language School staff', it was

"VOTED: that this request be referred to the East China Reference Committee with the understanding that they are empowered to give the Board's approval to the release of these funds provided in their judgment the accommodations at present available for the Language School are adequate and this is the best expenditure of the funds in hand. The Board desires also that the question shall be raised as to the policy of the Language School fees being maintained at a figure which enables the accumulation of such surpluses.

"On behalf of the Board of Managers,

(Signed) R.S.Howard
Associate Secretary"
(American Baptist Foreign Mission Society)

"New York, Feb.4,1930

"Rev.B.A.Garside
150 Fifth Avenue

My dear Mr.Garside:

"In reply to your letter of January 28th, let me say that I have conferred with our officers about the use of the surplus of which you write. Our general feeling seems to be that as this money was accumulated specifically for the Language School and not for the general purposes of the University of Nanking, it ought to be expended for the Language School or else returned so far as may be practicable to those who are responsible for the surplus through the extra payments which they made for Language School students.

"However we are also of the opinion that it is a matter which can best be decided by our people in the field who are more familiar with the exact facts than we are. The letter is therefore going to China with request for either recommendation or action there.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) John W.Wood"
(The National Council
Protestant Episcopal Church)

Is it your judgment that it would now be in order to notify President Chen of the steps we have taken and of the actions of the various cooperating boards, telling him that the University should ascertain from the proper field representatives of the Baptist and Episcopal Boards what

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that they may
action they are taking on this proposal, and then proceeding with the construction of these residences if it is clear that the field authorities of both these groups are favorable to the proposition. It will, of course, mean a delay of at least two or three months if we wait until the field authorities of these two missions have taken action, have reported their action to their board headquarters in New York, and these boards have notified us of the action taken on the field. Do you think it would be wiser for us to wait until all these steps have been taken before we give the field even a tentative authorization to go forward, subject to approval by these two missionary groups on the field?

Very cordially yours,

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BOARD OF CONFERENCES
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
150 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, N.Y.

TRANSFER

March 24th, 1930.

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

University of Nanking

Dear Mr. Garside:-

In answer to your letter of March 19th relative to the proposed use of the \$15,000. now in hand for the Nanking Union Language School, it seems to me that it would be perfectly in order to give the field immediate permission to use approximately three-fourths of the amount. If the remaining two Boards take favorable action, I feel that word could be passed to President Chen and the entire amount made available.

If, however, either or both of these Boards take unfavorable action and ask that their share of the money be either held or returned to them, it probably would be possible to do the necessary bookkeeping and make the adjustment.

Very truly yours,

Frank T. Cartwright

Frank T. Cartwright
Associate Secretary for Eastern Asia

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University of Banking

March 28, 1930

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Dr. George T. Scott,
Mr. Frank T. Cartwright,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Scott and Mr. Cartwright:

We are enclosing herewith the following material:-

*See "Kenning Allowances" <
3/28/30*

Schedules and notes relative to proposed Annuity Retirement Plan for Western University supported members of the Banking staff.

*See Central Office Files <
Circulars etc.*

Handbook of Life Insurance and Annuity Policies for Teachers, published by the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America

Specimen policies and application blanks of the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America

It is of the greatest importance that we have a very early meeting of the Committee on Salaries and Pensions. If the Committee approves our suggestion that we reach tentative conclusions and report these conclusions to the field for suggestions before final action is taken by the Board of Founders we now have barely enough time to complete the setting up of such a pension plan before the end of the current fiscal year.

As soon as Dr. Scott returns to his office I will get in touch with both of you by telephone to ascertain when we can arrange a meeting of the Committee.

Very sincerely yours,

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Board of Foreign Missions
Of the METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH



TRANSFER

150 Fifth Avenue
NEW YORK CITY

June 17th, 1930

Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions,
American Baptist Foreign Missions Society,
United Christian Missionary Society.
(Copy to Mr. B.A. Garside)

Gentlemen:-

Recently we received a letter from Prof. J. Theron Illick, one of our representatives on the staff of the University of Nanking, Nanking China, and it proved so thought-provoking for all of us here at the office that I am having copies made and sent to each of the Boards cooperating in that university. It raises a problem which I think is probably in the minds of each group but does it in such a clearcut manner that I feel sure the reading of the letter will reinforce convictions already growing in the minds of most of us.

Please understand that Dr. Illick was not trying to be bumptious or presumptuous. He was writing to me as a longtime personal friend and I have taken the liberty of passing on his letter, even tho personal. I have written to him telling him that I was doing so and that possibly there might be some letters going to him, wishing to discuss with him some of the points he raises.

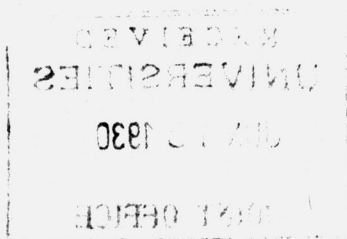
Yours in the Master's cause.

Frank T. Cartwright

Eastern Asia Associate Secretary.

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Board of Foreign Missions
Of the Methodist Episcopal Church

150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

TRANSIT

June 18, 1930

Probyterian Board of Foreign Missions
American Baptist Board of Christian Missions
United Methodist Board of Christian Missions
New York, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. regarding the proposed merger of the American Baptist Board of Christian Missions and the United Methodist Board of Christian Missions. I have taken the liberty of passing on this letter, even the personal, to him telling him that I was doing so and that possibly there might be some letters coming to him, which I enclose with this letter. I am sure that you will be pleased to hear that the Board of Christian Missions is still in the hands of the Board of Christian Missions.

I have understood that Mr. Lister was not going to be prepared to resign. He was writing me as a longtime personal friend and I have taken the liberty of passing on his letter, even the personal, to him telling him that I was doing so and that possibly there might be some letters coming to him, which I enclose with this letter. I am sure that you will be pleased to hear that the Board of Christian Missions is still in the hands of the Board of Christian Missions.

Yours in the Master's service,

Frank T. Cartwright

Frank T. Cartwright

Executive Vice President

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Nanking, China
April 13, 1930

Dr. Frank T. Cartwright
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y., U.S.A.

Dear Frank:

Appendix C
Copy of letter from Prof J. T. Slick to Mr Cartwright

I have planned to write to you for sometime about a certain matter and I believe the time is now opportune. The enclosed clipping is partly along the line I have been thinking for several months.

Not more than a month after our return last fall my attention was called to the question of the religious status of the University. Figures from our Registrar indicated that 33% of our student body, last term, were Christian and 42% of our faculty for the same term. This semester is no better. The percentage seemed very low. Of course, I was and am aware of the fact that the past several years have been unusual. I decided nevertheless to make a study of the situation. During the Central Conference we had the privilege of having as guest, Davis of Yenching, Havermale of West China and Goudy of Fukien Christian University. Their figures for both students and faculty were far better than ours. I have had hours of conversation with the Chinese staff members who have charge of the Religious courses, Christian student leaders and also had occasion to mention it to President Chen. I have also talked the question over with certain foreign faculty members. There was a general agreement and concern expressed for the situation. Finally I decided to write to three members of the Board of Managers who live in Nanking giving them the facts and asking them to bring the subject up for discussion in their meeting. I considered it as important if not more important than some other routine business they transact. In order to have definite figures before them, I secured the last report of the China Christian Educational Association which gives comparative figures on these points. One gentleman brought it up in the Executive Finance Committee meeting which met sometime before the Board of Managers and it was disposed of by putting it into the hands of a committee.

In my letter to these gentlemen and to another one later on in Shanghai, I suggested several methods that I thought would point out the way for improvement. These were, (1) a reduction in the student body to a maximum of 450, (the present maximum is 600 and the present enrollment is almost that), (2) an elimination of some of the work the University is attempting to do, and (3) a cutting down in our faculty personnel (We now have one teacher for about every 5 students in the Arts and Science Colleges and one teacher for every 3 students in the Agricultural College). The suggestions made above have all been en-

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dorsed by those with whom I have discussed this matter. Several Chinese and foreign faculty members, moreover, have expressed the desirability in the reduction of students because of our lowered scholastic standards which they feel exists.

The Board of Managers simply reaffirmed their previous policy to not go beyond 600 students for the whole University (colleges). Their time was so limited that they did not discuss the real problem.

I feel that such a reduction in student enrollment, faculty personnel and the work we are endeavoring to do, would enable a raising of our scholastic standards and would tend toward a more wholesome influence for Christian work. Of course I realize that personal work is necessary among the students under any prevailing condition, but the suggested change would make such work much more productive at the present time in China when the feeling against foreigners and Christianity still flares up at every opportunity.

You ask the question, why does not the University Administrative Officers adopt these three suggestion made? In reply I would say that in reference to a reduction in the student enrollment, it is generally recognized that we simply must have the money that comes in as the result of a large student body. To reduce the student numbers would mean closing the doors of the University. I have heard that mentioned ever since I have been connected with the University. It is pathetic and tragic to run a Christian institution on such a basis! You say a reduction in faculty and work would reduce the expenditures so as to enable us to enroll fewer students. Theoretically that sounds safe but practically it doesn't work out that way as can be seen in any one of our Church schools in the States. Student fees can not keep an institution open together with the small subsidy we now receive from the Boards. (Our fees now in the University are high and can not be increased.)

The next two suggestions go together. A reduction in the work which we are attempting to do, should naturally result in a reduction in faculty personnel. This is a difficult problem and I feel it will need pressure from the Boards in order to bring it about. Any reduction I feel, should come probably in the Agricultural College in particular where we have a large faculty who teach very few courses while their extra time is devoted to "research". Much of this research work I feel should be left to the National Universities who are as capable and I believe more capable in many respects than our own staff for such work. But as you can imagine, such pet projects are difficult to be eliminated.

It is extremely difficult to find an secure sufficient numbers of Christian faculty members to supply the many places necessary with our present amount of curriculum work and projects we are undertaking. Right here it should be said that President Chen has spent weeks and weeks trying to secure Chinese Christian faculty members. They were either not available or we had not sufficient funds to get them. They went to other Christian institutions in East China. President Chen needs

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to be highly commended for realizing the very needy situation and trying to remedy it but has been largely unsuccessful because of lack of funds.

The Boards at home, it seems to me, need to study this question carefully and see that a proper reduction is made in our work. Then with such a reduction here there would also naturally follow one in faculty personnel. This latter would mean a fewer number of faculty places to fill. In this connection, an additional number of consecrated Christian foreign faculty members would be a wonderful asset. And great care needs to be exercised in selecting not only faculty individuals but also secretaries who are sent out.

Here, comes in the editorial which I have enclosed. The foreign members with whom I have talked also feel the same way about the situation. The question is what was the purpose of the founders of the University and have we continued to follow closely that purpose? The editorial I believe states the purpose: "to provide educational facilities for our Christian constituency and to train Christian leaders". Is this still the purpose of the institution and its supporters or have we unconsciously gone beyond and are attempting to undertake work that had better be left for the Chinese institutions? Are we emphasizing education instead of Christian education? Does it not seem opportune for the Boards at home to again determine the purpose of this institution? If our purpose is to provide educational facilities for our Christian constituency and to train Christian leaders it would seem to us on the field that this can best be accomplished by adopting the three suggestions: reductions in students, faculty and work.

This is impossible of accomplishment for the most part, especially in regard to size of students body, unless the Boards more fully subsidize the institution. If the work is not worth subsidizing so as to more fully attain the purpose of its existence then it would seem to be time to adopt a different definite policy toward our educational work.

We deeply feel the problem demands your most careful consideration and that some definite action will be taken. May we all have your full support is our prayer.

Very cordially yours,

(signed) J. T. Illick

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to be highly commended for realizing the very heavy situation and trying to remedy it but has been largely unsuccessful because of lack of funds.

The Board at home, it seems to me, need to study this question carefully and see that a proper reduction is made in our work. With each reduction here there would also naturally follow one in faculty personnel. This latter would mean a lower number of faculty places to fill. In this connection, an additional number of non-graduate Christian foreign faculty members would be a wonderful asset. And great care needs to be exercised in selecting not only faculty but also administrative who are sent out.

Here, some in the editorial which I have enclosed. The foreign members with whom I have talked also feel the same way about the situation. The question is what was the purpose of the founding of the University and how we are to continue to fulfill that purpose? The editorial I believe states the purpose: "to provide educational facilities for the Christian community and to train Christian leaders." Is this still the purpose of the institution and its supporters or have we unconsciously gone beyond and are undertaking to undertake work that had better be left for the secular institutions? Are we emphasizing education instead of Christian education? Does it not seem opportune for the Board to have a special session for the purpose of this institution? It may be to provide educational facilities for our Christian community and to train Christian leaders it would seem to me to be the field that has been recommended by seeking the three essential: relations in student, faculty and work.

This is a responsibility of great importance for the most part, especially in regard to the Board's body, unless the Board more fully emphasize the institution. If the work is not worth emphasizing as a more fully state the purpose of the institution then it would seem to be time to adopt a different attitude toward our educational work.

We deeply feel the problem demands your most careful consideration and that some definite action will be taken. May we all have your full support in our prayer.

Very cordially yours,

(signed) G. T. Miller

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University of Nanking

July 9, 1930

Board of Foreign Missions
of the Methodist Episcopal Church,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

A recent action by the Directors of the University of Nanking, Nanking, China, suggested to the Board of Founders that in Article IV, Section 3 of the Constitution of the University, two phrases bearing particularly upon the religious character of the institution be omitted. This, in effect, leaves the Declaration of Purpose without any reference to constituent Mission Boards and refrains from mentioning the original object of the University. Dr. Chen, on behalf of the Board of Directors, wrote a covering letter, giving as one reason for this request for omission the fact that the University had already been registered without the two phrases in the Declaration of Purpose.

In giving consideration to this request, there was a general discussion of the Christian character and influence of the University. It was reported that there was a large proportion both of non-Christian teachers and of non-Christian students, and also that the number of teachers in proportion to the student enrolment was very much greater than any other Christian institutions in China. There was full recognition of the difficulties of the situation and complete confidence was expressed in Dr. Chen and in the purposes and efforts of the Board of Directors. After full discussion it was

BF-536 VOTED that in view of the fact that the University was already registered under the declaration of purpose quoted, no further action was expedient or practicable at the present time. The Founders desire to record, however, on the records their clear realization as to the mind of the Churches and the Mission Boards which had founded the University as a Christian institution whose purpose was to exert as strong an influence as possible in winning men to Christian faith and Christian character and raising up both for the Church and for the nation in China a body of strong, able, patriotic Christian men.

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It was voted also to express to Dr. Chen the Board's entire confidence in him and in the purposes and efforts of the Board of Directors and to inquire whether it might not be possible to increase the proportion of Christian teachers and Christian students in the University.

It was voted also to suggest to the cooperating missionary Boards that they should make every effort in the selection of missionaries for the faculty to find men not only of adequate educational equipment but of the finest Christian character and influence.

You will note from the foregoing that it is the duty of the Secretary to communicate with the different cooperating boards, calling attention to action BP-536, and more particularly to the last paragraph of that motion.

The Board of Founders was fully conscious that every effort is being made by all cooperating boards to supply only those of "finest Christian character and influence" but it was felt that no harm could come from calling particular attention to the situation existing in China where there is an evident desire to suppress all reference to the Christian religion, and yet where Christian character and influence is more needed than ever before. Several very distressing incidents have occurred on the Nanking campus, which only emphasizes the need for supreme care.

The original and main purpose of the University of Nanking is to give the Chinese, Christian education. The more we strive to secure teachers who sincerely endeavor to truly represent Christ, the more surely will the aim of the institution be conserved.

Very truly yours,

C. A. Evans

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See Cartwright's letter of 12/3/31

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Dr. J. R. Edwards,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Edwards:

Two days ago we sent you a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Nanking Board of Founders held on October 10. You will remember the action taken at that meeting requesting the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church to "pay its Hospital appropriation through the Treasurer of the Board of Founders in the amount of C\$750, rather than through the Associated Mission Treasurers in Chinese silver currency". This action is part of BF-539 and appears at the top of page 2 of the minutes. We would appreciate it if you would bring this request to the attention of the Methodist Board in due course. You are already familiar with the considerations which led the Board to take this action. If there are any facts our office can supply we will be glad to do so.

Very sincerely yours,

B A GARSIDE

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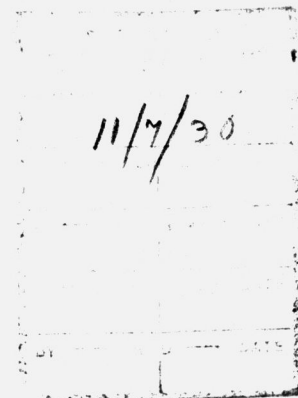
We have received from the American Medical Association a request for certain information concerning our medical workers at Nanking and West China.

✓ On the attached sheet I give the names of the medical men representing the Methodist Board at Nanking and West China, as indicated by our records. We would appreciate it if you would fill in the information asked for and would return the material at your early convenience so that we may get this information off to the Medical Association in time for inclusion in their forthcoming directory. If we have omitted any names I hope you will add them, and if any of those listed are incorrect please delete.


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C.S. Trimmer Ph.B. M.D.	University of Pennsylvania 1918	?	Univ. of Nanking Nanking, China	c/o M.S. Trimmer Long Valley, N.J.

WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

Sven Herman Liljestrand, Ph.D., M.D.	Syracuse University 1915	?	Chengtu, Szechwan, West China	c/o Y.W.C.A., 1000 Cornelia St. Utica, N.Y.
Robert A. Peterson, M.S., M.D.	State University of Iowa 1918	?	Chengtu, Szechwan, West China	401 Davidson Bldg. Sioux City, Ia.

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Home address	Foreign address	Year of location	Medical name	Home address
Ph.D. M.D.	University of Pennsylvania 1918	?	Chengtu, West China	o/o M.S. Trimmer, Long Valley, N.Y.
...	University of Syracuse 1918	?	Chengtu, West China	o/o Y.W.C.A., 1000 Cornell St., Utica, N.Y.
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TRANSFER

December 13th, 1930

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

Nanking

Dear Mr. Garside:-

I am sending you herewith the papers of Lydia J. Pettus; sending them to you instead of the Presbyterian Board as indicated on their cover, at your request to Mr. Cartwright.

May I acknowledge at this time your notice of the 11th instant relative to the meeting of the Nanking Committee on Instruction, at 2:30 P.M. on Wednesday, December 17th. Mr. Cartwright plans to be present.

With regard to the resolutions of appreciation for Prof. C. F. Shaw and Prof. R. G. Wiggins, referred to in your letter of December 11th, Dr. Edwards has asked me to send on to you his approval for their adoption. Will you kindly take this as official approval from him?

Very sincerely yours,

MEW

Mildred E. Williams
Secretary to Mr. Cartwright.

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