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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
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BOARD OF GOVERNORS
of the
WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN NEW YORK, TUESDAY, May 17, 1927

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors of the West China Union University met in the Board Room of the Foreign Missions Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Tuesday, May 17th, 1927 at 10 a.m.

The following members were present:-

Sir Joseph Flavelle, Bart LL.B. Chairman
Rev. J.E. Edwards, D.D.
Rev. Prof. Frank Anderson, M.A., D.D.
Rev. J.M. Arnup, D.D.
Rev. J.H. Franklin, D.D?
Mr. W.O. Gantz, LL.B.
Miss E.R. Bender
Mrs. James Hales

The following were also present, and on motion, were made corresponding members:-

Rev. Frank Mason North, D.D.
Rev. F.D. Gamewell, D.D.
Rev. Eric M. North, Ph.D., Assistant Treasurer
Mr. H.F. Cawthorne, B.A., B.D.
Rev. Joseph Beech, D.D., President of the University.

Prayer was offered by Dr. J.R. Edwards.

RESOLVED to adjourn for luncheon at 12.30 p.m. and resume the Sessions at 1.30 p.m.

The Chairman voiced the welcome of the Committee to the President, Dr. Beech, on his return from China.

SUBSTITUTE FOR ABSENT MEMBERS

The Secretary reported that Miss E.R. Bender was present as a substitute for Miss Sinclair, for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

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639. MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee of January 26th, 1927, having been circulated, were taken as read and, subject to certain minor textual corrections, were approved.

Arising out of the Minutes, the following matters were considered:-

640. (a) LETTER FROM MR. DOUGLAS ROUNTREE

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. Douglas Rountree expressive of thanks for the sympathy indicated by the Executive Committee in the matter of the death of his father, Mr. Fred Rountree (Exec. Min. #618.)

641. (b) Cost of Roads (B. of G. #728. Exec. #574, 607).

"It was reported that the C.M.S. and the Woman's Board of the United Church had sent \$33.00 and \$67.00 respectively towards the cost of roads. The Secretary was requested to bring the matter again to the attention of the other Boards.

The Secretary reported that he had again referred the matter to the Boards, and that reply had been received from the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as follows:-

"In view of the fact that the apportionment to the Society of the expense of the macadamised road in the college grounds seemed to us outside the province of our obligations, we did not authorize the Treasurer to pay it.

Attention was drawn to the fact that the expenditure had to be made and that provision had not been made for it in the Budget, and the Secretary was asked to address the Boards again, pointing out that the amount required was \$1000. silver or \$500. gold and asking for a special appropriation to meet it.

642. MEDICAL COLLEGE (B of G. #761: Exec. #610).

"The Secretary was requested to address the other Boards again with reference to securing their co-operative in the completion of the Building."

The Secretary reported that the C.M.S. had replied that in view of the situation no action could be taken by them at the present time; the Woman's Board of the United Church of Canada had replied that they could not contribute at present, but that the matter would be given further consideration.

It was understood that the whole matter would be further considered later on and that, meanwhile, funds are available for that portion of the Building to which the Board is actually committed.

643. (B of G. #753) REGISTRATION OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS. (Exec. Com. #632)

"Attention was directed to Senate Minutes #1998. The matter was fully discussed and in view of its vital importance and of the fact also that action might have to be taken at short notice and further of the constitutional aspect of the question, it was RESOLVED that the Secretary be asked to prepare a statement of the whole question for circulation to all the members of the Board of Governors. In the event of an emergency arising demanding immediate action, the Executive Committee to be called together to deal with the situation. In the meantime any information bearing on the question should be sent to the Secretary."

The Secretary laid on the table the memorandum which he had prepared, and which had been sent to every member of the Board, with the request that he be furnished with the judgment of the co-operating Boards on the point. The C.M.S. replied that they had remitted the matter to the discretion of their Missionaries on the Field; the Woman's Missionary Society of the United Church of Canada had favoured registration; The American Baptist Board had given Dr. Franklin authority to speak for them. A full statement from Dr. G. I. Sparling, Acting President of the University, was also read, giving the situation as on March 21, 1927.

The matter was fully discussed and illuminating statements were made by Dr. Beech and Dr. Franklin.

The discussion was not completed when the Committee adjourned for lunch at 1 P.M. It was resumed when the Committee re-assembled at 2 P.M.

The decision of the Committee will be found as an Appendix to these Minutes. *will be sent later*

644. TRIASURER'S REPORT

A full report was presented by the Treasurer, in which the following items are noted:-

(a) A Report of Receipts and Disbursements since Dec. 31st was presented and accepted.

(b) A summary of financial conditions April 30th, was presented and accepted. Note was taken that the net deficit on the current budget for 1926 was \$685.52 and it was agreed that this deficit should be charged against the reserves accumulated up to December 31, 1926.

(c) The Assistant Treasurer presented a financial forecast of the position of the University for the balance of the current year.

(d) Report was made of the investment of \$8,000. endowment funds in a guaranteed first mortgage of Jacob Halpern and another.

(e) Voted that the gifts received be assigned to the purposes indicated in accordance with the statement of receipts and disbursements previously presented.

(f) Bill of Fred Rowntree & Sons, Architects, for services was presented and it was ordered that the item for the Medical Building should be referred to the Board of Foreign Missions of the United Church in Canada for payment, and that the other should be paid from the Governors' treasury.

(g) Gift of F.C. Atherton and others of \$1800. to be assigned by President Beech was noted with gratification and authority was given for President Beech to make the Assignment.

(h) Attention was called to the existence of \$2874.37 standing as a credit upon the books from Building Fund Investments. After consideration it was agreed that of this amount \$1612.44 should be assigned to the General Land and Buildings fund, and that \$1261.93 should be added to the Robert M. Whiting Memorial Fund.

645. Resignation of Dr. Eric North, as Assistant Treasurer

Dr. Eric North presented his resignation as Assistant Treasurer, in view of his acceptance of an appointment under the American Bible Society.

RESOLVED to accept his resignation, with much regret, and that the Secretary express to the Central Office of China Union University the Committee's sense of the great value of the services rendered by Dr. North, and that a copy of the same be sent to Dr. North.

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RESOLVED further that Mr. B. A. Garside be elected Assistant-Treasurer, with authority to sign cheques in accordance with the regulations of the Board of Governors.

646. SENATE MINUTES Senate Minutes Nos. 2002 to 2042 reported as having been received. Items in which action is required are as follows:-

(a) #2005 To Cable for Remittance of Property Funds

RESOLVED: That because of the favourable exchange in Shanghai, we authorize the Bursar to cable the Board of Governors asking them to remit available property monies to the Treasurers in Shanghai.

(b) #2014 Status of Women's College

RESOLVED that for the present we regard the Women's College as being constitutionally co-ordinate with other colleges, that their Board or Committee of Control at home be regarded constitutionally as "Missionary Organization" and that the Women's College Committee be regarded constitutionally as a "Mission Body"

RESOLVED That in accordance with the foregoing principle they are entitled to appoint two representatives on the University Senate.

In reference to (a) it was reported that the Treasurer had already remitted the funds and this action was approved. The action in (b) was also approved.

647. REPORT OF MR. J. M. YARD

Mr. Yard reported that he had continued his work, speaking about three times a week; but that conditions in China made it difficult to secure money, though the work done had an educative value, looking to the future of the institution.

In this connection Dr. Beech outlined his policy which had been to secure, first, land, secondly, buildings, and thirdly an academic efficiency: to accomplish this he stressed the importance of a promotional centre.

A full discussion followed and it was RESOLVED to terminate the present arrangement on September 15th or sooner if Mr. Yard can find a suitable appointment before that time; but that if, in the meantime Dr. Beech and Mr. Yard find the

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work opening up, this action be suspended and the matter further discussed at the Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors.

648. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- (a) Committee on Constitution
- (b) Committee on Financial Regulations:
(Executive Minutes # 591; Board of Governors #737)

The Secretary reported that no reports has been received from these Committees.

649. NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD (Executive Committee #635)

"RESOLVED that the following be a Committee to consider nominations for a Chairman of the Board in succession to Sir Joseph Flavelle at the next meeting of the Board of Governors: "

- Dr. J. E. Edwards, Chairman
- Rev. H. F. Cawthorne
- Dr. J. H. Arnup
- Mrs. James Hales

Reporting for this Committee, Dr. Edwards said that the Committee had given careful thought to the matter but that they had so far no one to suggest who would be free to assume the position of Chairman; but that Sir Joseph Flavelle had most kindly intimated that, in view of the extremely difficult circumstances now confronting the Board, he would be ready to continue as Chairman for the present, with the understanding that the Committee will continue to look for a suitable man to succeed him.

650. Report of Representative on the Permanent Committee for the co-ordination and promotion of Christian Higher Education in China, Prof. H. B. Robins.

No report was presented.

651. Appointment of two members to represent the Board of Governors of the West China Union University upon the Supervision Committee of the Central Office of the China Union Universities.

The Secretary reported the receipt of a request on the above terms.

RESOLVED that the request be complied with and that the selection of names be remitted to the Chairman.

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652. DATE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

(B. of G. #771)

This matter was remitted to the Secretary to arrange in consultation with the Board Secretaries.

653. VOTE OF THANKS

RESOLVED that the Secretary express to the Foreign Missions Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church the warm appreciation of the Committee for their accomodation and hospitality at luncheon.

The meeting closed at 6 P.M. with prayer by the Chairman.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE
WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF MEETING

held in Toronto, September 28th, 1927.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors of the West China Union University met at the Offices of the Foreign Missions Board of the United Church of Canada, 299 Queen Street, West, Toronto, on Wednesday, September 28th, 1927, at 10 A.M.

The following members were present:-

Sir Joseph Flavelle, Bart., L.L.B.
Rev. James Endicott, D.D.
Rev. James Franklin, D.D.
Mr. H. T. Silcock
Rev. F.D. Gamewell, D.D., representing Dr. Edwards
Rev. Prof. Frank Anderson, M.A., D.D.
Mrs. James Hales

The following were also present, and on motion, were made corresponding members of the Committee.

Rev. Joseph Beech, D.D., President of the University
Rev. J. H. Arnup, D.D.
Rev. F. M. North, D. D.

The Chair was taken by Sir Joseph Flavelle and prayer was offered by Dr. Endicott.

654. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee held in New York on May 27th, 1927, having been circulated to the members, were taken as read, and, on motion, confirmed.

655. AGENDA

Resolved that the Agenda for the meeting of the Board of Governors, as prepared by the Secretary, be accepted.

656. NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Resolved to recommend to the Board of Governors that the following be a Committee to propose nominations for the Officers of the Board:

- Dr. Franklin
- Dr. North
- Mr. H. T. Silcock
- Dr. Arnup
- Mrs. Hales
- Dr. Anderson

657. BUDGET FOR 1928

The estimates received from the field under Senate Minute #2088 indicated a total expenditure of \$27,335. and a net requisition from the Board of Governors of \$21,920. gold.

The anticipated appropriations by the Co-operating Boards were stated to be as follows:-

United Church of Canada Board	\$6,000.
Methodist Episcopal Board	6,000.
American Baptist Board	6,000.
United Church of Canada Women's Board	2,000.
Methodist Episcopal Women's Board	1,000.
Baptist Women's Board	1,000.
Friends Foreign Missionary Society and Church Missionary Society	<u>3,000.</u>
	<u>\$25,000.</u>

After full discussion it was

Resolved that the appropriation should be the same as last year, viz, \$16,000. for use on the field, and \$11,000. for the obligations of the Board of Governors, Total, \$27,000; Towards the deficit of \$2,000. the President reported that he had secured a gift of \$1,800. from Mr. F. C. Atherton towards the President's salary, which could be legitimately used for this purpose. The receipt of this money made it possible to rescind a previous decision to meet the deficit by requesting an emergent supplementary grant of \$500. from each of the Boards in North America and \$500. from the two Boards in Great Britain.

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658. DESIGNATION OF TWO SPECIAL GIFTS

Resolved that the recommendation contained in the President's report that the two gifts of \$1491.90 from Mr. F.C. Atherton and \$2,000. from Mr. D. H. Gibson, the application of which was left to the discretion of the President, be applied to the deficit in the Library Building.

The Meeting closed at 1 P.M.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF
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OF THE

WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY.

Minutes of Meeting held in New York, on
Wednesday, January 25th, 1928.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors of the West China Union University met in the Board Room of the Foreign Missions Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Wednesday, January 25th, 1928, at 10 A. M.

The following members were present:-

Sir Joseph Flavelle, Bart., L.L.B.
Rev. J. H. Franklin, D. D.
Rev. J. E. Edwards, D. D.
Rev. Prof. Frank Anderson, M. A., D.D.
Rev. Joseph Beach, D. D.
Dr. C. B. Huntingdon
Mr. B. A. Garside
Mrs. James Hales
Miss E. R. Benders (representing Miss E.L. Sinclair)

The following visitors were present and on motion were made corresponding members:-

Rev. Frank Mason North, D. D.
Rev. F. D. Gamewell, D. D.

Apologies were presented for the absence of Dr. J. H. Arnup on account of ill health, and of Dr. Endicott, absent in Trinidad, to represent the United Church of Canada.

Prayer was offered by Dr. Franklin.

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MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on September 28th, 1927, having been circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

659. Death of Mr. George Vaux, Jr.

The information having been received of the death of Mr. George Vaux, Jr., late Treasurer of the University, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:-

" The Executive Committee of West China Union University has heard with the deepest regret of the death of Mr. George Vaux, Jr., on October 24th last. From the time that he joined the Board of Governors Mr. Vaux has always evinced the keenest interest in the welfare of the University. For many years he held the important office of Treasurer, discharging his duties with devotion and fidelity, and relinquishing his post only when his health demanded that he curtail his manifold activities. His colleagues will always remember with affection his wise judgment, his sunny cheerfulness, and his absolute consecration to the Master, and they would express to his widow and family their sincere sympathy with them in their bereavement.

660. TITLES OF UNIVERSITY PROPERTY (B. of G. 788)

A letter was read from the Hon. N. W. Rowell, K. C. regretting that no report was yet ready, but stating that the matter was being attended to.

661. APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECT (B. of G. 797)

Resolved, that, until a new building programme is inaugurated, there is no necessity to take any action in the matter.

662. DATED AND PLACE OF THE NEXT ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS (B. of G. 799)

It being the turn for England to be the place of meeting, the matter was discussed. There was no information that any member of the Board from this side of the Atlantic would be in England this year, and it was

Resolved that the Secretary be requested to confer with the friends in England and inquire whether there are any special reasons why the Board should meet there this year: If there are none such, that the meeting should be in New York and that plans should be laid looking to the meeting in 1929 being held in England; that the date should, if possible, be late enough in

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the year to enable a report to be received from Dr. Reach after his return to Chengtu.

On behalf of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Dr. Franklin presented an invitation to the Board to meet in their offices.

663. RETURN OF THE BURSAR, MR. ALBERTSON, TO CHENGTU
(Senate Minutes 2128)

The Chairman read a letter which he had written to Dr. Endicott in this matter, and the latter's reply, with which he enclosed a copy of a letter which he had written to Mr. Albertson, suggesting reasons why it might be as well if he returned to Chengtu at the earliest possible date. The difficulty was that Mr. Albertson was attending to the accounts of the United Church in Shanghai, and it would be difficult to find any one to take his place.

The following cable had been received by Mr. Garside on January 21st.

"Plan return as soon as possible to West China Union University, Chengtu, Szechwan, China. Albertson"

And before the meeting closed the following telegram came from the office of the United Church of Canada:-

"Am cabling Albertson, Hibbard available, thus releasing him for University" Armstrong.

This indicated that Mr. Albertson would be free to leave for Chengtu.

664. REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENTS. (B. of G. 808)

Mr. Garside reported that a meeting of this Committee had been held on October 28th, when action was taken on B. of G. #812 to provide funds to complete the Educational Building.

665. SENATE MINUTES

The Secretary reported that Senate Minutes 2112-2133 had been received.

666. LIBRARY BUILDING (Senate Minutes 2120)

"Resolved, that we request the Board of Governors to make a special effort to secure funds for the completion of the New Library Building, and that the finishing be carried forward as soon as funds are secured: also that we request the Property Committee to prepare an estimate to be forwarded with this resolution"

Dr. Beech indicated that the building would not suffer at all, if left in its present incomplete condition; that all the money available (some \$15,000.) had been expended and that an equal amount of \$15,000. would be required to complete it: meantime, that it would be an advantage if the portico could be built before Mr. Small left on furlough, at a probable cost of about \$2,000.

Resolved that this should be done and that the President should be asked to make efforts to secure this money by special gifts (see also item 1 under #667, action on Treasurer's report, below)

667. TREASURER'S REPORT

An exhaustive report on the financial position as on December 30th was presented by the Assistant Treasurer, which will be found as an Appendix to these minutes. On this report the following action was taken:

- VOTED that the balance of \$2,481.79 on hand from the income of the J. A. Coles Estate on December 31, 1927, be used for the completion of the Lamont Memorial Library until other funds are secured for this purpose, and that a cable should be sent to Chengtu to this effect.
- VOTED that the Campaign deficit of \$9,786.37 standing on the books on December 31, 1927, be charged against Special Reserve Balance of 1925.
- VOTED that the firm of Lybrand, Ross Brothers and Montgomery be requested to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Board of Governors of West China Union University for the year ending December 31, 1927.
- VOTED that the Executive Committee approves the recommendation that the advance of \$100.00 made on July 2, 1926, for the travel of a Chinese Professor be paid from any available miscellaneous gifts applicable to the current budget.
- VOTED that to the \$87.50 now carried as a trust fund for a Chinese boy be added from a recent undesignated gift of \$62.80 from W. D. Grosse whatever amount is necessary to purchase an additional \$100. share in the Cities Service Company now being held as a scholarship endowment fund; and that the remainder of Mr. W. D. Grosse's undesignated gift be applied to current budget.
- VOTED that the two miscellaneous gifts amounting to \$110.00 made up of a \$50.00 donation from the Methodist constituency, and \$60.00 from the Centenary account, which are now carried in the Special Account be applied to the Current Budget.

VOTED that the \$750.00 now entered in Special Account for Summer School work be used to meet any deficit that may exist on the field for the expenses of past summer schools, reserving any balance not needed for this purpose to be used for future Summer School work.

VOTED that the special fund for Middle School amounting to \$500. now carried in Special Section of the Treasurer's accounts be disbursed to the Field Treasurer to apply on present Middle School deficit.

There was also an informal suggestion that the Committee on Investments consider the question of re-investing the two railroad securities, which bear interest at 4%, in some securities equally safe but yielding a higher return.

668. CADBURY EDUCATION BUILDING

Resolved that, in case the funds in hand should prove inadequate, the President should be asked to approach Mrs. George Cadbury, in the hope that she might see her way to provide the additional money needed to complete the building.

669. REGISTRATION (B. of G. #807: Senate Minutes 2122)

"2122. GOVERNMENT REGISTRATION

Inasmuch as we have fulfilled the requirements for registration communicated to us by the Provincial Board of Education, namely,

1. Any institution of whatever grade established by funds contributed from foreigners, if it carries on its work according to the regulations governing various grades of institutions as promulgated by the Ministry of Education, will be allowed to make application for recognition at the office of the proper educational authorities of the Government according to the regulations as promulgated by the Ministry of Education concerning the application for recognition on the part of all educational institutions.
2. Such an institution should prefix to its official name the term "szu lih" (privately established)
3. The President or principal of such an institution should be a Chinese. If such President or principal has hitherto been a foreigner, then it must have a Chinese Vice-President, who shall represent the institution in applying for recognition.

4. If the institution has a board of managers, more than half of the board must be Chinese.
5. The institution shall not have as its purpose the propagation of religion.
6. The curriculum of such an institution should conform to the standards set by the Ministry of Education. It shall not include religious courses among the required subjects.

Resolved, That we apply to the Provincial Board of Education for registration, and
That we refer the negotiations to the Cabinet with power. "

It was pointed out that this action had been taken by the Senate before the Minutes of the Board of Governors' Meeting on October 22nd and 23rd could possibly have reached them, and that they had acted in perfectly good faith in the matter. The feeling was expressed that, in view of the uncertainty of events in China, and of the fact that the Board of Governors had made it clear that no obstacle would be likely to be interposed by them, the best policy would be to let the matter rest where it is for the present: this view was supported by the experience of the Shanghai Baptist College as detailed by Dr. Franklin.

Accordingly on the motion of Dr. Franklin, seconded by Dr. Edwards, it was

Resolved, that in receiving information as to the steps taken by the Senate with a view to the registration of the University with governmental authorities, it is assumed that in the continuing negotiations regard will be had to the procedure and conditions set forth in the resolutions of the Board of Governors on October 23, 1927.

In forwarding this resolution to Chengtu, the Secretary was asked to send a covering letter explanatory of the solicitude of the Committee in regard to ~~the~~ safeguarding ~~the~~ interests of the University in any further steps that may be taken.

670. APPROPRIATION BY WOMEN'S AMERICAN BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY.

A letter was read from the Treasurer of the above Society indicating that the \$1,000. appropriated in each of the past three years to the University by that Society had

been provided by a specific gift for that purpose, and that the minutes of the Board of Governors appeared to assume that the Society is contributing this grant as usual this year, though no appropriation for the purpose has yet been made.

Resolved that the Secretary be asked to write to the Treasurer explaining that the Board entirely understood that the definite commitment of the Society was not beyond a period of three years, but expressing the earnest hope that in view of the urgent financial needs of the Board, its continuance year by year may be made possible.

671. GENERAL MISSIONARY SITUATION

A discussion took place on the above, and it was

Resolved, that Dr. Beech should be asked to prepare a precis of his remarks to be included in the minutes. The statement follows:

The President affirmed his faith in the University and its increasing power for Christian influence in future years, urging the Boards to continue to staff it and adequately support it, as their Christian purpose in West China was inseparably linked with the University, which they must continue to direct, to assume the realization of a self-sustaining victorious Church of Christ among the many millions of the West. He asked from the Board Secretaries assurances - and received them - that they would send back to Chengtu all staff members, stating that they had been asked for and were needed as soon as the way was open for them to go. He was confident that peace would return to West China and that the proverbial good sense of the Chinese people would assert itself when they would welcome every ambassador of good will that the Boards could send in the name of Christ. He continued by stating that the present attainments are a cause for thanksgiving; but they are not adequate for the future: it is to that greater future that we should consecrate our powers in company with our Chinese brothers and sisters in Christ, who are loyally carrying on in Chengtu today.

The meeting closed with prayer by Dr. Edwards.

Frank Anderson,
Secretary,
199 Regent Street,
London, Ontario, Canada.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENT

WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

October 28, 1927 - 12:30 P.M.

150 Fifth Avenue - New York City



Members of the Committee:

*J. R. Edwards
*B. A. Garside

W. O. Gants
*G. B. Huntington

FUNDS FOR CADBURY EDUCATIONAL BUILDING

Acting on instructions from the Board of Governors the Committee took up for consideration the present status of the funds for the Cadbury Educational Building. The Assistant Treasurer presented the following summary of receipts and disbursements to date on this building:

I Receipts

George M. Cadbury 0\$ 22,265.63

II Disbursements

New York Office, architect's fees	0\$ 1,652.00	
On Field for construction	Mex \$26,332.42 @ 2.1	13166.21
Portion of Mr. Small's salary, estimated		<u>2,000.00</u>
		<u>16,818.21</u>
Balance still to be expended (approximately)		0\$ 5,447.42
At present authorized by draft		<u>4,121.90</u>
Balance due (approximately)		0\$ 1,325.52

On the basis of the above summary the Committee

VOTED that, inasmuch as the records at present available indicate that the office of the Treasurer in New York should still supply to the Field somewhere between 0\$1,000.00 and 0\$1,500.00 in order to enable the University to continue building operations on the Cadbury Educational Building to the extent of funds contributed by Mr. George M. Cadbury, the Assistant Treasurer is directed to authorize the Treasurer of the University to draw on the New York office to an amount not to exceed 0\$1,500.00 for funds to continue construction on the Cadbury Educational Building, with the understanding that the amount so drawn is to represent the remainder needed to complete the expenditure of the amount contributed by Mr. George M. Cadbury. This action is taken with the distinct understanding that these funds, when drawn, are to be used only for construction work on the Cadbury Educational Building.

The Committee adjourned.

B. A. GARSIDE
Acting Secretary
Committee on Investment

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REPORT OF ASSISTANT TREASURER
of the
BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

For the year ending December 31, 1927

(All figures are in U.S.\$ unless otherwise indicated)

Herewith are presented the following:

- (1) List of Endowment Securities owned by the Board of Governors on December 31, 1927.
- (2) Budget Report, showing position of 1927 budget accounts on December 31, 1927.
- (3) Balance Sheet of the Endowment, Plant and Current accounts for the year ending December 31, 1927.

ENDOWMENT FUNDS AND INVESTMENTS

The following amounts have been added to Endowment Funds during the year:

William Masland Library Fund	\$1,000.00
Kate M. Atherton Endowment Fund	2,500.00
Premium and discount on sale of bonds	<u>2.09</u>
	\$3,502.09

During the year the following new investments of endowment funds have been made:

Jacob Halpern Mortgage	\$8,000.00
Bruno Fischer "	<u>3,000.00</u>
	\$11,000.00

In February 1927 the \$50. Liberty Loan bond held as an endowment security was sold for \$52.09 and the proceeds reinvested.

During February the \$15,000.00 in Liberty Loan bonds held as Building Fund securities were sold for \$15,305.68, and the proceeds were applied to the reduction of the loan to Plant from Special Funds.

PLANT FUNDS AND ASSETS

General Plant Funds now total \$89,598.00, an increase of \$1,879.44 during the year. The Special Plant Funds total \$115,823.95, an increase of \$8,119.15. The increases are accounted for as follows:

General Plant Funds

Woman's For.Missionary Society of the M.E.Church for land improvement	\$ 67.00
Income from Building Fund investments	1,612.44
United Church of Canada for Roads	<u>200.00</u>
	\$1,879.44

Special Plant Funds

R.M. Whiting Memorial Income from Building Fund investment	\$1,261.93
Coles Clock Tower	2,526.32
Lamont Memorial Library Fund, special gifts set aside by Trustees	1,621.90
Atherton Memorial Building Fund, gift from F.C. Atherton	2,590.00
Miscellaneous gifts	209.00
	<u>\$8,119.15</u>

At the present time Plant Funds are increased by a loan from Special Current Account amounting to \$2,809.59.

The following disbursements of Plant Funds have been made during the year by the Treasurer of the Board of Governors, chiefly to the Field Treasurer for specified items:

Cadbury Educational Building architect's fees	\$1,162.80
" " " drafts	4,121.90
Undistributed - salary of W. Small and miscellaneous architect's fees	2,384.35
Coles Clock Tower, architect's fees	121.35
	<u>\$7,790.40</u>

During the year there has been received from the United Church of Canada the sum of \$913.17 in repayment of architect's fees previously paid to Fred Rowntree & Son by the New York office.

At the present time there is an outstanding authorization for the bursar of the University to draw on the New York office for an amount not to exceed G\$1,500.00 for funds needed for construction of the Cadbury Educational Building. When this amount has been used the expenditure on the Cadbury Educational Building will be approximately the total of the contributions received for this building. A part of this expenditure is still undistributed on our New York records. When the above mentioned draft for \$1,500.00 is presented, and the building operations are charged the salary of Rev. W. Small, amounting to \$2,350.00, it will be necessary to increase Plant Loans from Special approximately \$3,850.00, making a total of more than six thousand dollars thus borrowed.

To the present time the records of the Field Treasurer and the Treasurer of the Board of Governors have not been brought into complete accord as regards the Plant accounts. There has been a considerable amount of correspondence and interchange of financial records during the year, and it is hoped that within a few months these two sets of books will be brought into much closer accord.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS

At the close of the fiscal year on December 31st all anticipated receipts from the cooperating boards were in hand except \$500.00 due from the Church Missionary Society, \$1,760.00 from the Methodist Board and \$71.30 from the Friends Foreign Mission Association. Correspondence with London regarding the \$500.00 due from the C.M.S. is now in progress. The shortage in the Methodist appropriation is accounted for by the fact that \$2,000.00 of their contribution was promised only on condition that special gifts for that amount would be received. Thus far only \$240.00 in such gifts have been paid the University. The Methodist Board is hoping that other special amounts can be applied to the reduction of this deficit in their contribution. The balance remaining unpaid by the Friends Foreign Mis-

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sion Association is explained by the fact that, while the West China budget showed an anticipated contribution of \$2500.00, the records of the Friends Foreign Mission Association showed a pledge of £500. The full amount of the £500. has been remitted but the drafts yielded only G\$2,428.70. It is hoped that the Friends Foreign Mission Association will later be able to make up this difference.

The annual contribution of the United Church of Canada is \$6,000.00 which is adjusted at the end of the year after salary payments on Governors' Budget have been completed. This year payments have been made as follows:

<u>Chargeable to Current Budget</u>	
Salary of W.B. Albertson	\$2,050.00
Salary of H.G. Brown	<u>1,200.00</u>
Total to current budget	\$3,250.00
<u>Chargeable to Building Operations</u>	
Salary of W. Small	<u>2,350.00</u>
Grand Total	\$5,600.00

Thus there is due the current budget in the adjustment of this account the following:

Due from United Church of Canada to complete contribution	\$ 400.00
Due to Current General from Building Operations for salary of Mr. Small	<u>2,350.00</u>
Total due Current General	\$2,750.00

The amounts pledged and received from the cooperating boards on Dec. 31, 1927 are as follows:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Received</u>
American Baptist Foreign Mission Society	\$6,000.	\$6,000.00
Woman's Am. " " " "	1,000.	1,000.00
Church Missionary Society	500.	-
Friends Foreign Mission Association	2,500.	2,428.70
Board of Foreign Missions of the M.E. Church	6,000.	4,240.00
Woman's Foreign Missionary Soc. of " "	1,000.	1,000.00
Bd. of Foreign Missions of the United Church of Canada	6,000.	
Woman's Board of the United Church of Canada	<u>2,000.</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>
	\$25,000.	\$16,668.70

The following additional amounts have been received during the year:

Miscellaneous Gifts for Current Budget		\$ 4,539.50
Mrs. Ellen Walker Shirk	\$500.00	
W.F. Bigelow	100.00	
Wm. P. Taylor	250.00	
D.L. Blackman	400.00	
First Church, Montclair (homecoming of Dr. Beech)	110.00	
Atherton Family for Dr. Beech	1,800.00	
Sir Joseph Flavelle, -special allowance Dr. Beech	750.00	
M.E. Bd., special allowance Dr. Beech	375.00	
Miscellaneous Gifts	<u>254.50</u>	
	4,539.50	
Endowment Income unrestricted		62.02
Income of J.E. Johnson Chair of Applied Christianity		181.13
Interest on bank balance		<u>552.43</u>
		\$5,335.08

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To the above the following amounts have been added by transfer, as explained below.

Income from J.A.Coles Estate to cover repair and maintenance of buildings as per current budget	\$1,630.00	
Scholarship receipts applied to cover scholarship item in current budget	<u>496.95</u>	<u>2,126.95</u>
Thus the total receipts applicable to the current budget amount to		\$24,130.73

Disbursements have been as follows:

To Field Treasurer for 1927 budget in full		\$16,000.00
Governors' budget, salary, travel and rent of Dr. Beech		7,408.85
Home Administration of Central Office		1,512.74
Home Administration, incidentals		
Dr. Anderson, secretarial expenses and travel	371.60	
Travel, members of Bd. of Governors	258.95	
Permanent Committee	100.00	
Renewal Schedule Bond	49.53	
Postage and incidentals	<u>34.37</u>	<u>814.45</u>
		\$25,736.04

The excess of expenditures over receipts during the last fiscal year stood on December 31, 1927 at \$1,605.31. Since closing the books there has been credited to the current accounts the sum of \$2,350.00 paid by the United Church of Canada for the salary of Mr. W. Small, thus giving the current accounts at the present time a balance on hand of \$894.69. The following receipts are still due:-

Church Missionary Society (assured)	\$500.00	
Balance from United Church of Canada (assured)	400.00	
Balance on Friends Foreign Mission Association (conditional)	71.30	
Balance on Methodist appropriation (conditional)	<u>1,760.00</u>	
Total -		\$2,731.30

There has been received from the Maria S. Ackerman Endowment Fund during the year the sum of \$407.50, which has been paid the Board of Foreign Missions of the M.E. Church for upkeep of the J.A. Coles Memorial Building, as a non-budget item.

The income from the J.A. Coles Estate during the current year has been \$2,497.97. There remains from last year an unexpended balance amounting to \$1,613.82, making a total in this fund of \$4111.79. After the closing of the books on December 31st there was transferred from this fund to the current account, as per instructions of the Governors (Action 621), the amount of \$1630.00 to cover the items under Property Committee maintenance in the 1927 budget. There thus remains in this fund the sum of \$2481.79, which is being held for specific action by the Governors. Instructions are requested.

The following amounts have been received during the year, or remained unexpended from last year, for scholarships:

Mrs. W. A. King	\$100.00	
W. E. Lynn	50.00	
Watertown Church	40.00	
Income on Joseph Gallup Fund (through M.E. Bd.)	225.00	
S.S. of West Farms	30.00	
Income from Cities Service Co.	<u>51.95</u>	\$496.95

As per instructions of the Governors (Action 621) this amount of \$496.95 has been transferred to the current account to apply on the item of \$500.00 appearing in the budget for scholarships in 1927.

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CAMPAIGN ACCOUNTS

Total disbursements on the Campaign expense account from January 1, 1927 until the campaign activities ended in September 1927 amounted to \$5,184.94. Analysis of this appears on the monthly balance sheets. Receipts during the year applicable to the campaign expense total \$598.13 as follows:

A. I. Findley	\$25.00	
John Gribbel	100.00	
Geo. G. Reynolds	25.00	
Chas. W. Gilkey	50.00	
Mrs. Wm. H. Heisler	50.00	
W. E. Masland	25.00	
Percy Hickox	30.00	
J. W. Masland	25.00	
Mrs. Thomas Scattergood	50.00	
G. W. Carnrick	25.00	
Miscellaneous through J. M. Yard	193.13	\$598.13

Thus the net deficit in the Campaign account for 1927 is \$4,586.81. This, added to the Loan from Special Funds at the first of the year of \$5,199.56 makes the total borrowing from the Special account at present \$9,786.37. Since campaign activities have now ceased, it is suggested that the Board of Governors should at once take under consideration the question of how this serious deficit is to be met.

ITEMS AWAITING CLEARANCE

A number of items have been on the accounts of West China Union University awaiting clearance for some time. These items are listed below, together with the disposition recommended in consultation with President Joseph Beech. It is requested that the Governors approve these recommendations with such modifications as they desire to make.

- (1) Advance of \$100.00 on July 2, 1926 for Travel of Chinese Professor. Recommended that this be repaid from any available miscellaneous gifts applicable to current budget.
- (2) Trust fund for Chinese Boy, \$87.50. Recommended that to this be added from a recent undesignated gift of \$62.80 from W. D. Grosse, the amount necessary to purchase one \$100. share in the Cities Service Company where \$800. of scholarship money is already invested; and that the remainder of Mr. Grosse's gift be applied to the current budget.
- (3) Miscellaneous Gifts, \$110. made up of \$50. donation from Methodist constituency, and \$60. from the Centenary Account. Recommended that these be applied to the current budget.
- (4) Summer School Work, \$750. Recommended that this amount be used to meet any deficit which may exist in the field accounts for expenses of past summer schools, reserving any balance not needed for this purpose to be used for future summer school work.
- (5) Middle School Special Funds, \$500.00, designated as follows:- \$200.00 special funds working capital, \$300.00 salary of principal. Recommended that this be disbursed to the Field Treasurer to apply on Middle School deficit at present existing there.

CASH SITUATION

The cash situation of the Treasury of the Governors after closing on December

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31, 1927 is as follows:

Plant Cash	\$ 205.74
Balance of Special Funds, cash	<u>25,941.77</u>
	\$26,147.51

Less

Deficit, 1927	\$1,605.31	
Loan to Plant	2,809.59	
Loan to Campaign	9,786.37	
Equity in Fischer Mtgs.	272.91	
Cash overdraft 1928 budget	1,527.78	
Suspense Items	<u>39.57</u>	<u>16,041.53</u>

Cash in Banks \$10,105.98

Leonia Bank & Trust Co. (fixed deposit)	\$9,067.00	
Am.Exchange Irving Trust Co.	<u>1,038.98</u>	10,105.98

Against these fluid assets there is one chief outstanding obligation, an authorization for a draft of approximately \$1,500.00 for building funds.

During the year the University has suffered a double misfortune through the resignation of its Treasurer, Mr.W.O.Gantz, and of its Assistant Treasurer, Dr. Eric M.North. Both of these financial officers of the University have rendered distinctive service and their loss is keenly felt.

Dr.G.B.Huntington has been invited to accept the treasurership and it is earnestly hoped that he may soon find his way clear to assume this responsibility.

Respectfully submitted

New York City,
January 25, 1928.

B. A. GARSIDE
Assistant Treasurer.

SECURITIES ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 1927

	Int. Rate	Due	Face Value	Cost
Cities Service Preferred Stock	6		\$ 800.	Gift
Colorado Industrial 1st 5s	5	1934	1,000.	"
Columbus & Hocking Valley R.R. 1st	4	1948	8,000.	"
Pacific Railroad of Missouri 1st	4	1938	1,000.	"
Bruno Fischer Mortgage	6	1930	3,000.	\$3,000.00
Jacob Halpern "	5½	1930	<u>8,000.</u>	<u>8,000.00</u>
			\$21,800.	

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1927

ASSETS

Endowment

Endowment Funds

General	2,000.00
Ronk	50.00
Marla S. Ackerman	10,000.00
J. E. Johnson	5,000.00
Scholarship	975.00
Wm. Masland Library	1,000.00
Kate M. Atherton	2,500.00
Premium and discount on sale of bonds	2.09
	<u>21,527.09</u>

Consolidated Endowment Investments

21,527.09

Plant

Plant

Land 42,420.58
 Land (Middle School Site) 7,500.00
 49,920.58

Land and Building General Fund 89,598.00

Equipment

Library Books 499.90
 Science and Medical 1,362.36
 Apparatus 2,027.81
 Medical apparatus 1,000.00
 Storage Battery 1,000.00
 Miscellaneous 128.76
 6,018.83

Special Funds

B. M. Whiting Memorial 29,556.73
 Cadbury Educational Bldg. 22,265.63
 Scattergood Middle School Bld. 20,545.16
 " " " Site 5,000.00

Building Operations

Whiting Administration Bld. 8,579.79
 Cadbury Educational Bld. 10,774.40
 Scattergood Middle Sch. 15,108.82
 Middle School Chapel 760.99
 Undistributed 67,083.98
 Medical & Dental Col. 5,000.00
 Clock Tower 5,622.23
 Gateway House "B" 7.13
 Administration Bldg. Entrance 143.33
 Residences; House "A" 14,000.00
 President's House 5,316.45
 Lemont Mem. Library 16,710.32

Medical and Dental Col. Bldg. 5,000.00
 Coles Clock Tower 8,587.99
 Residences 2,500.00
 Lemont Memorial Library 16,621.90

Atherton Mem. Bio. & Prev. Med. Bldg. 2,500.00
 Science & Med. Lab. Equipment 2,000.00

Lemont Mem. Library 16,710.32
 Atherton Mem. Bio. & Prev. Med. Bldg. 2,978.95
 152,086.39

Miscellaneous 1,246.54

205.74 208,231.54

Plant Cash

115,823.95

2,809.59 208,231.54

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General
 Current Expense: General Field 1927 16,000.00
 " " " 1928 1,777.78
 " " Governors' Bud. 1927 7,408.85
 Home Administration - Central Office 1,512.74
 " " Incidentals 814.45

27,513.82

Special

Loan to Plant 2,809.59
 " " Campaign 9,786.37
 Special Cash 15,160.28
 Equity in Fischer Mtge. owned by Reserve bal. of 1925 272.91
 Suspense 39.57

28,068.72

Campaign

Salaries 4,118.28
 Rent 297.22
 Travel 305.42
 Cables, tel. & tel. 36.31
 Publicity 386.75
 Miscellaneous 40.96
 Equipment
 Campaign Deficit 1926 5,184.94
 161.36
 5,038.20

10,384.50

\$295,725.67

Grand Total

General

Receipts
 Am. Baptist Foreign Miss. Society 6,000.00
 Woman's Am. Bap. " " 1,000.00
 Friends Foreign Missionary " 2,428.70
 Bd. of For. Missions M.E. Church 4,240.00
 Woman's For. Miss. Soc. of M.E. Church 1,000.00
 " " " " a/c 1928 250.00
 Women's Bd. - United Church of Canada 2,000.00
 Special Gifts for Current Budget 4,539.50
 Endowment Income Unrestricted 62.02
 " " Restricted (Budget) 181.13
 Interest on Bank Balance 552.43
 Total Receipts 22,253.78
 Cash overdraft 5,260.04

27,513.82

Special

Trust Funds for Chinese Boy 87.50
 Miscellaneous 110.00
 " Current Gifts 445.00
 Endowment Income Restricted (non-budget) 51.95
 Income J.A. Coles Estate 4,111.79
 Summer School Work 750.00
 Reserve Balance - 1925 22,012.48
 Middle School Special Funds 500.00

28,068.72

Campaign

Receipts Undesignated 598.13
 Accounts Payable: Loans from Special 9,786.37

10,384.50

\$295,725.67

W.C.U.U. - Balance Sheet as at Dec. 31, 1927 - 3

(After closing)

<u>General</u>		<u>General</u>	
Current Expense: Field 1928	1,777.78	United Church of Canada	250.00
		Cash overdraft	<u>1,527.78</u>
			1,777.78
<u>Special</u>		<u>Special</u>	
Managers Deficit 1927	1,605.31	Trust Funds for Chinese Boy	87.50
Loan to Plant	2,809.59	Miscellaneous	110.00
" " Campaign	9,786.37	Income J.A.Coles Estate	2,481.79
Special Cash	11,428.02	Summer School Work	750.00
Equity in Fischer Mtge. owned by		Reserve Balance - 1925	22,012.48
Reserve bal. of 1925	272.91	Middle School Special Funds	<u>500.00</u>
Suspense	<u>39.57</u>		25,941.77
	25,941.77		
<u>Campaign</u>		<u>Campaign</u>	
Equipment	161.36	Accounts Payable: Loans from Special	9,786.37
Campaign Deficit 1926	5,038.20		
" " 1927	<u>4,586.81</u>		<u>9,786.37</u>
	9,786.37		
	<u>37,505.92</u>		<u>37,505.92</u>

WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT

DECEMBER 31, 1927

DISBURSEMENTS		BUDGET OF EXPENDITURES		R E C E I P T S	
Account No.	US \$ Paid	U. S. \$	Account	Budget US \$	Rec'd US \$
31.1 Cur. Ex. Gen.	16,000.00	16,000.	131 Am. Bap. For. M.	6,000.	6,000.00
31.2 " Gov.	7,408.85	9,800. *	131b W. A. B. F. M.	1,000.	1,000.00
36a Home Adm. Cen. Of	1,512.74	(132 Church Miss. Soc.	500.	-
36b " " Incid.	814.45)	133 Friends	2,500.	2,428.70
		(134 M. E. Bd. F. M.	6,000.	4,240.00
			134b W. F. M. Soc. M. E. Ch.	1,000.	1,000.00
			135 U. C. of Can.	6,000.	-
			135b W. Soc. U. C. C.	2,000.	2,000.00
			136 Misc. for Cur. Bud.	600.	4,539.50
			137.1 End. Inc. Unres.	100.	62.02
			137.2 " " Restr.	300.	181.13
			138 Int. on bank bal.	-	552.43
			To be raised	1,000.	
	25,736.04	27,000.		27,000.	22,003.78

* The whole disbursements here are scheduled at \$13,520. of which the difference is to be floated over to next year.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
of the
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
of the
WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN NEW YORK, TUESDAY,
JULY 10th, 1928.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors of the West China Union University met in the Board Room of the American Baptist Foreign Missions Society, 276 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Tuesday, July 10th, at 10 A.M.

The following members were present:-

Sir Joseph Flavelle Bart., LL.B., Chairman
Rev. J.H. Arnup, D.D.
Rev. Prof. Frank Anderson, M.A., D.D., Secretary
Rev. J.E. Edwards, D.D.
Rev. J.H. Franklin, D.D.
Miss E.R. Bender (representing Miss E.L. Sinclair)
Dr. G.B. Huntingdon, Treasurer
Rev. Joseph Beech, D.D., President.

The following were also present, and, on motion were made corresponding members:-

Rev. Frank Mason North, D.D.
Mr. G.W. Sparling, Acting President, W.C.V.V.
Mr. B.A. Garside, M.A., Assistant Treasurer.
Mr. O.G. Starrett, B.A.

Sir Joseph Flavelle presided and prayer was offered by Dr. Arnup.

An apology for absence was received from Mrs. James Hales.

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Executive Committee held on January 25th, 1928, having been circulated to the members, were taken as read and confirmed.

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Arising out of the Minutes the following matters received consideration:-

672 (1) #659 (Death of Mr. George Vaux Jr.) A letter of thanks was read from Mrs. George Vaux, expression of her appreciation of the resolution of the Executive Committee in reference to the death of her husband.

673 (2) #36. Titles of University Property (B. of G. #778).
The Secretary reported that Mr. Rowell was working in the matter, and he was requested to convey to Mr. Rowell the hope of the Committee that a report might be ready for presentation to the next Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors.

674 (3) #662 Date and Place of the Next Meeting of the Board of Governors and of the Meeting in 1929

The Secretary read a letter dated Feb. 13, 1928, from Mr. H.T. Silcock, stating that the members of the Board of Governors in England were in agreement with the suggestion that the next meeting should be held in New York late in the Autumn and that the meeting in 1929 should be in England.

In a subsequent letter, dated June 22, 1928 Mr. Silcock enquired whether the question might be reconsidered, so that the meeting might be held about the middle of September in New York, or alternatively in England about the same time, as it seemed unlikely that anyone would be able to come from England to New York at the time proposed. He asked the Committee, also, to consider that if a deputation went in 1929 to Chengtu, which now appears more likely, and the members left together from Vancouver at the end of August 1929, the meeting in 1929 might follow or precede it in America, and this would make it more desirable to meet this year in England. After full discussion it was,

RESOLVED that it is desirable to adhere to the original proposal and that the meeting be held in New York on Tuesday, October 30th, the Executive Committee being called for 9 A.M. and the Board of Governors for 11 A.M., the meeting, pursuant to the kind invitation extended by Dr. Franklin, being held in the offices of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Board, 276 Fifth Avenue.

(4) #662 Return of the Bursar (Mr. Albertson, to Chengtu)
675 It was reported that, though Mr. Hibbard had sailed in March and had gone to Chengtu, Mr. Albertson was still in Shanghai, though, as far as the United Church Board was concerned there was nothing to detain him and permission had been given by the Board for the return of his family to Canada, awaiting his furlough. It was assumed that family reasons were operative, and Dr. Arnup undertook to communicate with him on the matter.

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676. (5) #667. Report of Auditor

The Assistant Treasurer laid on the table an exhaustive report of the Auditors, covering the period November 16, 1925, to December 31, 1927.

677. (6) #668. Cadbury Education Building

No definite report had been received from Mr. Small, and it was assumed that the funds in hand were sufficient to erect the main building and one wing. A hope was expressed that Dr. Beech might be able to see Mrs. Cadbury in England and interest her in carrying the project to completion.

678. (7) Registration (B. of G. #807: Senate Minutes #2122)

The following action by the Constituent Boards was reported:

(a) United Church of Canada

"On motion, it was agreed that this Board endorse the action of the Board of Governors in voting for the registration of the West China Union University on the terms proposed"

(b) Church Missionary Society

"That approval be given (a) to the action of the Board of Governors of the West China Union University in approving the Registration of the University subject to the conditions (inter alia) (1) That such Registration will not interfere with the distinctive Christian character of the University, and (2) that the Registration will not be effected until the President of the University has proceeded to China and made full report to the Board of Governors: (b) and to such amendments to the constitution as may be necessary to give effect to the Registration and the consequent re-organization of the University.

(c) Friends Service Council

"Approval was given to register the appropriate governmental authority in China and of such amendments to the constitution as may be necessary to give effect to registration and the consequent reorganization of the University.

(d) Women's Missionary Society of the United Church of Canada

"Approval was given of the action of the Board of Governors regarding Registration"

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A. Mr. G. W. Sparling, who had been acting President while the Registration negotiations were being carried through at Chengtu, made a statement, setting forth exactly what had been done, and indicating that the missionaries who had been disposed to move very cautiously in the matter, were absolutely convinced that the steps taken had placed the University in a very favorable position, not merely with respect to its relation to the Chinese Educational authorities, but also in regard to the fact that the status of its students was now fully recognized.

Senate Minutes

Senate Minutes 2134 -2203 reported as having been received. Items on which action is required are as follows:

679. (1) #2148. Site for Women's College

Resolved, That, subject to the sanction of the Board of Governors, the University sell to the Women's College the site on which the present Women's Dormitory Buildings are located, and also the grounds directly North of the present side and left of the Library Building . (See also Min.2134)

This matter was discussed very fully, and it was resolved to forward to the Senate the following statement of the views of the Committee.

Whereas - the layout of the University has been projected with a view to the educational values of symmetry with such open spaces as will bring into relief the beauties of its architecture, and also to meet the needs of a future age when buildings will be multiplied, It is resolved, that while the Executive Committee realizes the need of the Women's College for a permanent site it is compelled to lay on the table the request of the Senate that approvale be given for the sale of University property for the Women's College until opportunity has been given for the President to convey in person the views of the Board of Governors regarding this proposed transfer of property.

Be it Further Resolved, that before the proposed transfer of Methodist Episcopal Mission property is made to the Woman's College the Senate be requested to refer the matter to the Board of Governors in accordance with Constitutional provisions, along with the assurances that the Woman's College will erect thereon a building that will harmonize with the Vandeman Building with which it will stand in symmetrical relation.

Be it further resolved, that the governing authorities of the Woman's College be requested to so constitute their Union Committees as to form a legal entity with which the Board of Governors may deal in such matters.

680. (2) #2155 Raising Level of Medical Property

Inasmuch as it is advisable to raise the level of the medical property before the Spring Floods, and inasmuch as the Board of Governors has agreed to bear the cost of raising the level of the land when the United Church of Canada had erected the building (See Min. #476 of Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, Oct. 31st, 1924) RESOLVED: That we ask the Board of Governors for a special grant of gold \$500. to meet this emergency. Letter from Mr. Sparling dated February 23, 1928.

RESOLVED, that the Secretary point out to the Senate that provision has already been made for this in B. of G. Minute #790.

681. (3) #2159 Revised Budget for 1928

RESOLVED, that we adopt the revised budget for 1928, totalling Gold \$21,490.

RECORDED.

682. Treasurer's Financial Statement

The Treasurer submitted a brief financial statement to date. There was no item therein calling for action.

It was reported that the matter of the appropriation from the Woman's Board of the Baptist Church could not be settled until after the next meeting of their Committee. The Woman's Missionary Society of the United Church of Canada had renewed their appropriation of \$2,000. *See Appendix*

683. Friend's Service Council

Read letter from Mr. H. T. Silcock, informing the committee that the Board of the Friends Foreign Mission Association has now been merged with the Council of the Friends' European work to form the Friends Service Council.

684. Increase of Chinese Members of Staff (B. of G. #810)

The following reply was received from the Friends Service Council:

"We have received a suggestion from the Board of Governors of West China Union University that when Missionaries retire from the service of the University, the funds which have been used for their support should be contributed towards the salaries of the Chinese teachers at the University. We are in warm sympathy with the idea of staffing the University with Chinese as far as possible, but we do not see out way to adopt this particular proposal"

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685. Committee for Christian Colleges in China (See B.ofG.#738)

Read letter from Prof. H. B. Robins, the representative of the Board on the "Permanent Committee for the Co-ordination and Promotion of Christian Higher Education in China", detailing the following changes in the organization as decided by the Committee on January 12, 1928, and requesting the approval of the Board to the same:-

"VOTED, to approve the following recommendations in regard to the organization of the Permanent Committee, and to instruct the Acting Secretary to transmit this proposed reorganization to the various Boards of Trustees and other administrative bodies with a request for an early consideration and ratification:-

- A. The name of the Permanent Committee for the Co-ordination and Promotion of Christian Higher Education in China shall be changed to "The Committee for Christian Colleges in China"
- B. The representation of the co-operating institutions shall be so modified as to provide for two representatives for each College of University Board; and one representative each for Yenching Women's College, and the Women's Departments in Cheloo, Lingnan, and West China.
- C. In addition to the institutions now co-operating in the Permanent Committee, the following five colleges and universities listed in Part 1 of the Survey of Christian Higher Education in China are cordially invited to elect representatives to the Committee, and if they desire, later to co-operate in such plans as may be recommended by it:- St. John's University, Shanghai College, Central China University, Huping Christian College, and Lutheran College.
- D. This re-organization of the Permanent Committee is undertaken with a view to more effective co-operation with the constituent Boards of Trustees and the Council of Higher Education in carrying forward the co-ordination of Christian higher education in China.
- E. This re-organization is to become effective upon ratification by the Boards of Trustees of six co-operating institutions!

(It was agreed that the change in name to "The Committee for Christian Colleges in China" become operative at once)

RESOLVED, that the changes be approved.

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686. Resignation of Prof. H. B. Robins as representative of the Board on the Committee for Christian Colleges in China.

Read letter from Prof. H. B. Robins resigning his position as representative of the Board, on the ground that he expects to be absent from America for a year.

RESOLVED, that Dr. Huntingdon and Dr. Anderson should represent the Board and that Miss Bender should be asked to communicate with Miss Sinclair and Mrs. Doane with regard to the selection of the representative of the Women's work in West China.

687. Travelling Expenses of President

The president having intimated that he plans to start for Chengtu via England and Russia about the end of August, the Treasurer was authorized to pay the expenses incidental to his travelling.

689. RESOLVED, that a hearty vote of thanks be given to the Board of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society for their kind hospitality.

The meeting closed with prayer by Dr. Franklin.

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Frank Anderson, Secretary,
199 Regent Street,
London, Canada.

July 12, 1928.

Approved Oct. 30, 1928
Ernest Huntington
Chairman for term

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REPORT BY THE TREASURER'S OFFICE
WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY
on the
STATE OF THE UNIVERSITY ACCOUNTS
as of June 30, 1928

The Executive Committee of the

Since at the meeting of the Board of Governors on January 25th, 1928, the Treasurer presented his report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1927, there is no need at this time for anything more than a brief and informal report covering the first six months of the current fiscal year.

During the last six months the West China accounts have undergone unusually few changes, about the only activity being the receipt and disbursement of regular current budget funds.

I. ENDOWMENT ACCOUNTS

These have undergone no changes thus far this year.

II. PLANT ACCOUNTS

These accounts have been relatively inactive. In accordance with Minute 667 of the Meeting of January 25th, we have disbursed to the field the sum of G\$2,481.79 for the Lamont Memorial Library. We have also sent the field the sum of G\$300.33 representing the amount available here in New York for land improvement. The Committee's attention is called to the following two items in our Plant Account which should be cleared off as soon as funds can be secured:-

Loan from Special	\$2,809.59
Plant Cash Overdraft	2,444.59
Needed to balance Plant Account..	<u>\$5,254.18</u>

III. CURRENT GENERAL ACCOUNT

During the first half of the fiscal year, toward their approved budget appropriation of \$27,000., the trustees have received G\$10,338.56 and have disbursed G\$12,819.02, so that at present this account shows a cash overdraft of G\$2,480.46. The various cooperating boards have paid their obligations for the first half of the year, except that we have received nothing as yet from the Church Missionary Society which is budgeted for \$500., nor from the Women's American Baptist Foreign Missionary Society, which is down for \$1,000. The Committee's attention is called to the fact that in agreeing to provide an appropriation of \$27,000., the Governors undertook to secure about \$1,000. more than was visible as assured income. Practically nothing has as yet been secured of this unassured \$1,000.

IV. CURRENT SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

There has been little activity in these accounts during the past six months.

West China Union University

Office of the Secretary,
199 Regent St., London, Ont.
OCTOBER 3rd, 1929.

To the Members of the Board of Governors:

The following is the text of the Annual Report of the President. This report will engage the careful attention of the Board of Governors at its forthcoming meeting in New York, on Wednesday, October 9th, and whatever action is taken on any particular item will be duly entered in the minutes and in this way reported to the co-operating Boards.

Since, however, it may be taken as presenting a reasonably full picture of the present position in Chengtu, it may serve as a report of the Institution to the co-operating Boards. It has, therefore, been printed, and after the meeting of the Board, copies will be sent in sufficient quantities to all the representatives to enable them to put one into the hands of such members of their Boards as it is important to keep fully informed of the progress and prospects of the University.
(Signed) FRANK ANDERSON, Secretary.

AUGUST 1st, 1929.

HONORED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:—

The most important aspect of Christian educational work in China at this time is its political and general background, and that topic is given first place in this report.

One essays to write a paragraph on this subject with trepidation and many a mental reservation as we are faced with conflicting claims and statements, a plethora of naive pronouncements, on the one hand, and persistent cynicism or ventured open criticism on the other; and, we know full well that a situation so complex and vast as the China of to-day presents cannot be summarized and to record one's impressions may create misunderstanding rather than clarity of perception. But it falls to the lot of one who chronicles the work of this University, and who endeavours to gauge its needs and future prospects, to furnish you with some criteria by which you can evaluate the work done and formulate its future program.

You are, of course, aware that Christian Missions have been vigorously assailed and in some instances wantonly attacked, and that Christian educational institutions have furnished their due share of the target. While other causes have operated to some degree, destructive revolutionary propaganda and actions, an erroneous identification of Christianity and Christian institutions with imperialism and imposed extraterritoriality, and an exuberant nationalism have been, and still are to some extent, the main factors in this movement. Governments, Central and Provincial, are endeavouring, with prospects of success, to repress the first of these; the second, is greatly weakened by a growing understanding of the purpose of the Christian movement and the very meagre relation it bears to extraterritoriality and the so-called unequal treaties; and, the third is a less disturbing factor than formerly because of the quiet attempt which responsible leaders are making to curb or direct these excessive manifestations into more constructive channels.

While West China was not in the main path of these forces, they have touched us in spots with destructive result and their influence is still evident in a weakened Christian morale, a slackening of the Christian Movement and in efforts to limit the Christian effectiveness of our institutions. If we except the closing of the West China Educational Union, the sum total of these movements has worked little harm within the University, and has not materially

diminished the esteem with which it was regarded among the well informed and better elements of society. Through the organization and work of the West China Educational Union we had created a standardized and supervised system of schools, enrolling more than 20,000 students, which promised to provide the University with a continuous and well prepared Christian student body. Its demise was due to a state of mind engendered in, and outside of, Christian circles, and to the urge that was developed for schools to be placed under the local educational authorities. Since the Educational Union failed to function when many of our districts were deprived of effective missionary oversight, and when the anti-Christian psychology was abroad, there has resulted a loss in the number of schools with reduced attendance, a loss in educational efficiency and with little if any, Christian instruction in some places. The hope in this situation is that the Educational Authorities will make standardization effective or, as seems more likely, that the local interfering bodies will be restrained or grow weary in their supposed well doing, so that we can re-habilitate the Educational Union, or provide some other form of effective supervision and effective Christian instruction. The Missions must also continue to prosecute this arm of their work with unabated vigor.

Regarding general affairs, it appears likely that the Central Government will hold a firmer and larger grasp on the country's revenues than formerly; that it will offer a better rallying center than any other group; and it now appears to manifest more cohesion than any or all of the forces against which it must contend. In the past the government's concessions to trouble makers, and its inability, or reluctance, to restrain divisive elements have been the cause of many of the troubles of Christian institutions. Should a stable government eventuate, as now seems hopeful, it will limit the activities of these elements and in so doing remove them from our door-step. If, then, the powers accord China recognition as an equal sovereign power, I venture the prediction that Christian Educational Institutions will be accorded increasing liberal treatment and will come to their day of greatest opportunity.

Turning to this province of Szechuan, it has suffered two wars during the past year, but the trouble has not come nigh our dwelling. The only noticeable effect these wars have had upon the University has been the withdrawal of troublesome soldiers from our campus. The parties now in control of the Province are, in the main, friendly to us, and the indications are that should they suffer a change of fortune it will be due to new combinations that will not effect our relations with the government authorities.

The final observation of this review is optimistic, notwithstanding the fact that, in some parts of China, Christian Schools are being compelled to provide military drill and party features at their school's expense although these activities are entirely beyond the control of the school authorities; that in some sections, as in the greater Shanghai District, Christian instruction is forbidden during school hours, and that in other quarters, school properties are occupied or the school work conducted with great difficulty. In Chengtu we enjoy a high degree of immunity from troubles and there are no indications that this state of affairs will be reversed.

II. THE MIDDLE SCHOOL SITUATION.—

The Middle School Situation requires more extended consideration than has been accorded it in previous reports as it is anomalous and critical as it relates to the University. The former Chinese System of graded schools suited general conditions here and Christian program admirably. It comprised seven years, of two divisions, in the grades; four years in the middle school; and five years in the college, two years in the junior division and three years in the senior division, with graduation at the end of each division. Junior college graduation provided an honorable and natural exit for those who demonstrated little aptitude for more advanced study and also provided the Missions with workers urgently needed for the extension of church and school work in the country districts. The middle schools, generally, were not equipped in staff or facilities for the teaching of general sciences, provision being made for such work in the junior college. A change of government brought its inevitable change in education. The change, gave us the present school system of six years in the grades; three year junior and three year senior middle schools, and four year colleges. This change transferred the work

formerly done in the first year of the college to the middle school.

In co-operation with the Educational Union we devised a method of conforming to the new system, year by year, without a break in student supply to the several grades of schools. Government and Chinese private schools in Szechuan responded to these changes with less alacrity, or on paper only, and made little attempt to meet the difficulties the transition involved. Teachers in the grades looked with disfavor upon the departure of their senior class, and students in the middle schools rebelled against being detained an additional year in middle school when otherwise they might be enjoying the name of being a college student and profiting by the facilities of the college. Reason was with the students as most middle schools, including our own Union Middle School, attempted the change without increase of staff, budget, or facilities. The detention of students in the middle schools reduced the enrollment in the classes of the Chengtu Government University, and caused them to add a sub-freshman college class. Its popularity led to the inauguration of a sub-sub-freshman class and then a triple sub college class. Senior middle schools now operated with difficulty or with attenuated upper classes. The total result may be described as educational higgledy-piggledy with very few senior middle schools offering the complete three years' work. Our Senior Middle School graduated its first class this June. It consisted of ten students. The sciences were taught in the University laboratories, with University teachers assisting, as otherwise the graduation of this class would have been impossible. Two of our Middle Schools for girls plan to retain their old system senior classes next year, and Chungking High School may do likewise if student attendance justifies. These will be the only Christian schools aiming to fit students to matriculate in the University.

Upon the adoption of the new system, the University decided to retain its former first year junior division class as a pre-collegiate class until our Senior Middle School was able to receive this grade of students. Before that time arrived the upper class senior middle school students and graduates of the old system middle schools were not content to remain longer in the middle schools, especially as the Government University was beckoning them to enroll as University Students at a cheaper rate of tuition. Faced with this condition the Senate voted to retain its sub-freshman class, and later added two lower classes. A proposal to offer three years of pre-collegiate work next year shared the fate of the proverbial Congressional Bill, in that it failed to emerge from Committee. However, two years of such work is to be offered.

Due to these causes and conditions, the University has been led, or forced, into doing two years' work of middle school grade in competition with our own Union Middle School and in violation of its own adopted plans, or have an entering class so small that the advanced courses could not be taught because of the inordinate expense of teaching classes with a constantly diminishing ratio of students. A remedy insofar as the situation is remediable by us requires collaboration with the Missions or Mission Board authorities. It is hoped that the Board's representatives, whom we are informed will visit the University the coming winter, and whom we shall delight to honor, will come authorized to aid in the solution of this problem.

III. THE STUDENT BODY.

An analysis of the student body for the school year 1928—29 reflects the situation stated in the foregoing section of this report. Of the total number of 252 students enrolled in the University, 103 were in sub-freshman classes. The enrollment by classes is as follows:

Pre-Collegiate classes	103
Special Students, Unclassified	12
Freshman Class—includes 13 pre-medical-dental students	38
Sophomore Class—includes 9 pre-medical-dental students	31
Junior Class—includes 8 first year Medical-Dental students	20
Senior Class—includes 8 second year Medical-Dental students	19
Third year Medical-Dental class	13
Fourth year Medical-Dental class	5
Fifth year Medical-Dental Class	11
TOTAL—252	

Of this number, the enrollment of women accounts for 57; and of the 149 students that are pursuing work of college grade or professional study, 45

are studying medicine and dentistry, and 22 are in the pre-medical-dental courses in the first and second college years. The University Union Middle School enrollment is 150, The Goucher School and the Dewey Practice School enrollments are 81 and 163; making a total enrollment for the University and its associated schools of 646 students. The conduct of the students has been exemplary throughout the year, their relations with the Administrative Officers and the Faculty have been harmonious, and their contacts with groups outside of the University have been devoid of unpleasant incident.

IV. THE GRADUATION OF THE CLASS OF 1929.

The graduating exercises this year bore semblance to a House of Bishops of the Anglican Communion. We were honored with the presence of four Bishops and one Bishop-elect, four of them participating in the program. The Reverend Bishop F. L. Norris, D.D. of North China preached the Baccalaureate Sermon, The Reverend Bishop L. H. Roots, D.D., of Hankow gave the main address at the Graduating Exercises; The Reverend Bishop Ku-Ho-lin led in prayer, and Bishop-elect, Reverend Song Chen-tze, B.A., interpreted for two of the speakers and pronounced the benediction. Reverend Ku Ho-lin was consecrated Bishop a few days before our Commencement and Reverend Song Chen-tze shortly thereafter. The consecration of two Chinese Bishops for West China is an epochal event in the history of the Church in Szechuan; and it has an added significance to us because one of them, Bishop Song Chen-tze is a graduate of the University, in the class of 1924.

The graduates, eighteen of whom are residents of Szechuan, numbered nineteen, the largest class we have graduated. Ten of them, six of whom had majored in education, received Bachelor of Arts degrees, and one received the Bachelor of Science degree. The degree of Doctor of Medicine was conferred on seven of the class and one received the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery. They entered the University in 1921 and 1924. Their appearance and demeanor, quite aside from their academic costumes, singled them out as a company who would do honor to their Alma Mater, their Church and their Country.

Spontaneous applause greeted the placing of white and blue trimmed hoods upon five of the graduates, one in arts, four in education, expressing the irresistible feeling of the entire Convocation that they were participating in an event of unusual significance. The five graduates were the first young women, among the many millions in Szechuan, to graduate with full university honors in the score of centuries of West China's history. As a by-product of their college work they had refuted the common verdict of feminine mental inferiority by capturing most of the prizes offered to their class, including the valedictory honor. They deserved the public acclaim given them, though protesting that the honor was due their Alma Mater. Places of prominence awaited all of them, as follows: Miss Lucy Liu, teacher of instrumental music at the University of Chengtu Methodist Episcopal Girls' School; Miss Chu Bin-mei, teacher of Chinese language and literature in this same school; Miss Gu Tsi-pei, principal of the United Church of Canada Girls' Middle School, Chengtu; Miss Lo Kwei-chi, principal of the Methodist Episcopal Girls' School, Suining; and Miss Liu Hwa-cheng, the valedictorian, principal of the Methodist Episcopal Girls' School, Tzechow.

Convinced of the supreme importance of the higher education of China's women to the Christian program, the writer has labored ardently to offer this opportunity to the women of Western China. He desires to commend all who have helped to make the dream of higher education for women an actuality, mentioning by name, Miss Alice Brethorst, the Dean of Women, and Miss Sallie Downer and Mrs. D. S. Dye who have been associated with her from the inception of the Woman's College. He congratulates the Women of the Board of Governors and other members of the Board that they have made this historic event possible; and again reiterates his deep conviction that in building and forwarding the West China Woman's College the Christian Women of England, Canada and the United States are engaged in the most strategic undertaking for the Christianization of West China's women that can ever come to the women of the West. My prayer is that your zeal may be commensurate with its importance and that you may plan upon a scale equal to your opportunity and worthy of your countries and your Christ.

V. THE UNIVERSITY GRADUATES.

Lest the five women graduates appear to bulk too large in this record I hasten to supply the information that they are five of 113 graduates, of whom 107 are living. Of this latter number 34 are graduates of medicine and 4 graduates of dentistry. About 75 per cent. of these are engaged in some form of Christian service, distributed as follows:

- 14 in Church work, including pastors, a church paper editor, a district superintendent, a convention secretary and a bishop.
- 33 in school work, 15 of them on the University Staff, several others principals of schools.
- 20 on the staffs of mission hospitals, including three attached to the University Medical Faculty.
- 3 in dental hospitals, 2 of whom are on the University Staff.
- 12 are taking post-graduate work in America, England, France and at the Coast. Most of these expect to return to the University or some form of Christian Service.
- 82—total graduates engaged in or intending to enter Christian service.
- 12 others are engaged in Government service, business or private school work.
- 13 doctors, including one dentist are in private practice in our Mission Station cities.
- 107—total living graduates.

If there are other Universities in China that have 75 per cent. of their graduates in Christian service they have escaped my notice. The Contributing Mission Boards should not overlook the fact that a large number of Bible and Normal School graduates and graduates of the Junior College, not included in the above enumeration, are engaged in Church and School work. Without doubt our location and organization have contributed largely toward this result. Most of our students come from Mission areas and return there. One of our graduates at Yenching has written as follows: "Yenching this year graduates three times our number of graduates, but only 12 are from the Province of Hopei. Our 19 graduates all come from Szechuan, so we will make a greater contribution to our province than they will." One of the 19 is a tribesman from the Szechuan-Yunnan border. He returns to his people to take charge of a mission hospital at Si Men Kan. A Tribesman, a university graduate doctor among the Tribesmen, borders on the miraculous!

VI. MEDICAL PROBLEMS.

Because the Medical Faculty is faced with problems that call for special consideration, I asked the Dean of that faculty to write a section of this report. He responded as follows:

"The factors which make the situation very acute in regard to the medical school are similar in most regards to that in the other faculties of the Union University, but there is a specially important phase which is of grave importance to the continuance of the school up to our previous and aimed at efficiency. Heretofore, the United Church of Canada has almost entirely supplied the budget for their hospitals, which are, as you know, the recognized chief general teaching hospitals for this school.

During the time of the general evacuation of the missionaries from Szechwan there occurred a large financial deficit; instruments, drugs and equipment were used or disappeared and have not been replaced. This condition together with an indication from the United Church of Canada that they will be unable to supply a budget over a certain amount makes an extremely painful situation for the Medical School. It must be held in mind that that society supplies a budget for a general mission hospital and not for a teaching hospital for a medical school—nor should they reasonably be expected to do otherwise. The budget supplied by the Board of Governors and allotted by the Senate has been insufficient for the pre-clinical subject viz.—Anatomy, Physiology, Biochemistry and Pharmacology together with the clinical subject of Pathology. There has been allotted to certain clinical subjects only an extremely minimum amount from the above mentioned budget. However, the school has been able to continue with more or less efficiency by the budget supplied and in our judgment the continuance of the school has been justified up to date. The facts of the situation as at present before us indicate that a considerable sum for expenditures in the clinical subjects, viz. Medicine,

Surgery, Obstetrics, Gynecology and the special branches being taught, will have to be supplied from other sources than the liberal (comparatively) amount given by the United Church of Canada. The equipment at the United Church of Canada Hospitals is pathetically inadequate for a teaching hospital of a medical school though fairly efficient for a general mission hospital. In essence, it is clearly indicated that the budget for the clinical subjects will have to be supplied in addition to that for the pre-clinical subjects.

If one makes a moderate minimum estimate there will be required at least \$5,000 gold a year for the pre-clinical subjects and an additional annual appropriation of \$5,000 for the clinical subjects—a total of \$10,000 gold annually for the Medical School alone, not including dentistry. This estimate is pared to the "quick." We request your careful considered attention to our plea. The equipment in clinical subjects, in particular, and pre-clinical subjects, in general, is pathetically insufficient, and there is immediate need, outside and above the annual budget, of a special grant of at least \$25,000 gold for purchase of imperatively needed equipment. To anyone who knows the requirements for running a medical school, the above requests are ridiculously small, when viewed from the angle of even moderately efficient work. We realize, in part, your difficulties, and if the Board of Governors will pardon a medical analogy—we wish to kindly, earnestly yet emphatically draw your attention to the fact that if conditions are not remedied there is certainly a high morbidity, if not an actual mortality, imminent for our faculty.

The medical faculty has considered the organization of the Medical and Dental Faculties as a separate school under your direct control and not under that of the Board of Directors. Our decision favoring this has been presented to the Senate and has been under consideration by us since April 1929. In our opinion such an arrangement will tend towards more useful and permanent work in our faculties."—(W. R. Morse).

VII. BUILDINGS AND LAND.

This topic, which filled so large a space in reports a few years ago, again appears because of the labors of Mr. Walter Small, but, I hope, not to trouble you. If we except the finishing of the Medical-Dental Building; residences for Chinese teachers; possible Mission College dormitories and the Woman's College Buildings; our chief building problems for some years will be to make the best use of the buildings we now have. Reckoning each of the large medical and dental wings as a separate unit, and including two college buildings partly used as dormitories, we now have TEN large teaching and administrative buildings and the Coles Clock Tower. Exclusive of the two buildings partly designed for dormitory use, included in the above list of teaching buildings, we have eight permanent college and middle school dormitories, and the two semi-temporary units of the Woman's College and the Middle School quad of the Church Missionary Society; a total of twenty-one college and dormitory buildings. As for land, we are at the limits of that question, except for investment purposes. We now own 149 English acres of land within ten-minutes' walk of the South Gate of Chengtu.

During the year under review the wings of the Medical-Dental Building have been completed by a much appreciated grant from the Mission Board of United Church of Canada. This provides much needed quarters for the expansion of medicine and dentistry. By this year's grant from the Hall estate income, a beginning has been made in furnishing the buildings. But, they are entirely without heating facilities unless improvised stoves with smoke exits through the windows can be thus defined. This doubtless violates the fire laws and every aesthetic sense, while its heating value is, I imagine, mostly from the irritation produced. It is a condition that should be speedily remedied. The Cadbury Educational Building has also been erected, except one wing, which could not be erected as the graves on the site could not be removed and the funds in hand were inadequate. The Faculty of Education and the Music Department will occupy this building this autumn. This building, thanks to the generosity of Mr. George Cadbury, will give them the home they have long desired for their important teacher training program. The Church Missionary Society's first permanent dormitory has been built and occupied.

We have recently purchased the Chen property, thus fulfilling the prom-

ise of the President of the board when land was transferred to the Church Missionary Society two years ago. This purchase, adjacent to the medical site, replaces the acreage sold, and gives us the ownership of that much-desired small section that was entirely within our borders. We have recommended, and we trust you will approve, that you sell to the Woman's College a small piece of land, intended, at the time of purchase for the Church Missionary Society. It is contiguous to the land that the Woman's College has purchased from the Methodist Episcopal Mission and at some distance from our borders. They need it badly and we do not. The expected proceeds from the sale to the Church Missionary Society and the Woman's College will probably equal the cost of the Chen property. If a slight deficit remains it can be provided by income from rent or land fund balance.

VIII. REGISTRATION AND RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION.

We are of the opinion that the Registration of the University should not be seriously considered apart from the instrument under which it will operate after registration is consummated. Accordingly we have prepared and sent forward to you a new provisional constitution which we believe incorporates the provisions for government registration, and in the best manner we can devise, safeguards the primary interests of the Board of Governors. The Senate has approved this provisional constitution, except where noted, as an instrument under which the University may be operated when registered, but it has not, as yet, voted to recommend registration under it. That action should rightly await the adoption of a new constitution making provision for it. Senate action has not approved the inclusion of the Medical-Dental Faculties under the Board of Directors. The matter is now under consideration upon motion of the Medical Faculty that they be allowed to remain directly under the Board of Governors.

Following Government advices we have not included the Faculty of Religion in this constitution. We have introduced a liberal number of elective religious courses, where the content permitted, under philosophy, sociology and literature in the Faculty of Arts. We have taken preliminary action toward the formation of a school for the training of Christian workers, comprising two years of work of a grade comparable to the first and second years of college. We have taken similar action in regard to a one-year course of post-graduate theological study. This work is to be under the Board of Governors or the co-operative direction of the Mission Colleges. These actions may be regarded as a corollary to the new provisional constitution, as we assume that your adoption of it will be followed by approval of these actions or similar provisions.

IX. CORRELATION AND OTHER MATTERS.

The action of the Executive of the Board of Governors at their May meeting in regard to the Senate's actions pertaining to "Correlation" harmonizes with our judgment more closely than the figures sent forward to you indicate. The Senate's financial exhibit should be viewed as their judgment of the quota which West China should receive of the total amount budgeted for by the Correlation Committee. I arrived here too late to participate in its formulation, but in time to assist in drafting the statement of principles upon which our askings rested. I believed it represented more of a protest than expected receipts, and that its unmistakable message to the Committee would be, not so much a demand for money as a message on principles, as follows: "In view of your total askings, West China needs and should receive its due quota based on its relative program and the relative needs of the entire Western half of China, rather than a rating arrived at by percentage of student enrollment, especially where most of the enrollments are in the restricted area of Shanghai, long occupied by Christian forces, and where economic considerations now constitute such a powerful motive for a Western education." If we enter this movement it will not be to demonstrate our covetousness but to declare our solidarity, even though experience has taught us that distance militates against effective co-operation. Quite aside from financial askings, (for we deprecate "Correlation" if based too largely on that consideration,) we trust the Board of Governors will accord with our main contention, and com-

municate your views to the Correlation Committee, before their November meeting in Shanghai.

Owing to the inordinate length of this report, mention will not be made of other matters that have been sent to you in the Minutes of the Senate, except to explain or give point to a few of them.

The Senate's call for the return of the missionaries was quite unanimous, though doubtless the work they were to do had not been thoroughly canvassed in all cases. The political situation has changed to such a degree that consular authorities who strenuously urged them to leave now desire their return, and I believe the leading Chinese Officials will welcome them.

Chinese additions to the staff are increasing as rapidly as our finances will permit. Additional salaries and increases in salaries will require about \$5,000 in our next budget over the present one. While additional funds are available for increase of the staff of the Department of Chinese, there is a paucity of teachers of the type we desire. Two additional full-time men have been invited to join the department next year.

We are grateful for the gifts from the Trustees of the Hall Estate and for the very generous compliance of the Governors to requests for its use, which, while circumstances fully justified, might have been denied as contrary to precedent on strictly business procedure.

The Budget of askings for next year has gone forward to you on the basis of last year's grants plus a moderate increase. The askings were far in excess of your ability to supply, consequently they were not sent forward. Since all faculties asked for more, the present year was made the norm and the struggle over division reserved till the allotment was known. Will you cable your action.

Party dominance in education has assumed a serious aspect in some quarters. Compulsory military training under party officers, school discipline under party leaders and party principles, taught by party men, not only put a financial burden on schools but interfere with their liberty of action and perhaps violate their principles. Pronouncements have come to us with great regularity, but thus far we have experienced no compulsion. That may be owing to our distance from Nanking or our non-registration there. This question may be urgent when your representatives arrive, it may be a forgotten chapter in our kaleidoscope of political events.

We are greatly rejoiced that representatives of the Board of Governors and the Mission Boards are to visit the University and trust they can be here when the University is in session, March or April preferred. We regret that the Board cannot hold its session here. Since the delegation appears to be limited largely to Mission Board Secretaries, the president begs the courtesy of moving that the Chairman of the Board be made Missionary Board Secretary pro-tem in order to secure his inclusion in the delegation. His long service to the Board, his interest in and knowledge of University affairs, create a well nigh imperative reason for his presence here. We ardently hope that he may find it possible for the Chairman of our Board of Governors to accompany this much desired visit of members of the Board.

I will close this report with a prophecy that this delegation, though finding much to criticize or amend, will leave Changtu somewhat as Dr. Skevington, representing the Baptist Northern Convention, left it. "I have seen them all and place West China Union University at the top in accomplishment and promise." God's hand was in the University's inception, has been in its development:—its future is all before it, and we pray that in His hand it may work out its divine ends. May the visit of your delegation and your deliberations contribute to that desired consummation, for which we dream and toil tirelessly. On behalf of all who love and labor for the West China Union University.

JOSEPH BEECH, President.

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