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January 24, 1942

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

I have before me a letter from Sydney Maddock requesting photographs of the Dental Building and suggesting wording of a plaque.

I am forwarding this request to Mr. Robertson with the hope that photographs will be taken and, if possible, a plaque made and a photograph taken thereof. I sincerely hope this can be taken care of promptly. Mr. Maddock wants this material to build a brochure to send to the contributors and it is an excellent idea.

In my frequent contacts with Mr. Maddock, and in the deep interest which both he and Mrs. Maddock show in the work for China, it has occurred to me that he might be considered good material for the Board of Governors of West China Union University. I know that he is exceedingly busy and is hopping all over the country bolstering up the sagging ends of the business and keeping the staff going at top speed, but as a matter of fact, he can give as much time to it as some others have given, and possibly more.

I have not mentioned this to anyone else and quite naturally have not spoken to Mr. Maddock. Neither have I ascertained whether there is a place on the Board which he could properly fill. When I make this suggestion, I am conscious of the fact that he moves rapidly and our meetings, with their long-drawn-out discussions and deliberations, may prove irksome.

What is your reaction?

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Jan. 26/42 - 2110 Fargo Ar Chicago.

Dear Mr. Evans:

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Before discarding my 1941 Diary, I glance at the closing pages & find the following -

" Amount billed for <u>December N.Y. trip</u>	\$38.26
" Clery books and postage acct	11.59
Total	\$49.85
" Sent bill - receipted Jan. 2/42 "	

Paid 1/29/42  
No. 3820

I find no reply. That may not be proof that you did not reply. The reply may have been misplaced while I was absent from home.

I mailed a letter in your care to Dr. Agnew. No reply. Did he get away on the 26th?

Have you any mail or messages from Chengtu? If you have I would like to write them again. Had breakfast with Miss Crawley two weeks ago. She came quite direct from Chengtu, leaving Hongkong Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>. The Mrs. Harrison that sailed on the 30<sup>th</sup> got caught. All well at Chengtu when she left. But queer doings reported at Hongkong. G-ram bombed three hours after they passed, unnoticed in the dark.

There may not be "any light" from this source in reply to the letter from Prof. Eliseoff. But that is not final. I would like to ask why praise was withheld for our conservation of resources.

What is News? Cordially yours Joseph Beech



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January 30, 1942

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

I am chagrined that you were compelled to write us regarding the expense account which you sent us January 2nd. This became mixed up with some of our orders, but we enclose check for \$49.85 herewith. I am also returning to you the letter from Harry Price which you enclosed at that time.

A telegram from Dr. Agnew from Newport News dated 1:55 P. M. today states that the boat is just leaving Newport News. He also states Auth Electric Case arrived and he is taking it along to Rangoon. We are arranging insurance with Mr. Dean of The Rockefeller Foundation.

There are no late messages from Chengtu other than the request for funds to start a Yenching unit at Chengtu.

As soon as you return Dr. Elisseeff's letter with your comments, I will call a meeting of the Finance Committee, meanwhile framing some sort of a definite answer for presentation to the Board. This is something which must be handled very carefully.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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2110 Fargo Ave Chicago Feb 11/42

My dear Travis:

This is what is designated "a list"  
Sent with the enclosed. Like many another man  
these days. I have not light enough to reveal the  
course to follow regarding the requests the letter  
contains. I send it on to you for the atmosphere  
it seems to supply. Return at your convenience.  
Please keep me in touch with any information  
regarding Chengeton oblige.

I owe you a better tie my reactions to  
the S.Y.S. letter. I have been away - part  
of the time - put to bed & threatened with  
hospital room at St Paul. Got away last  
Thursday night but brought my so-called "cold"  
along with me. Mrs. Beech has shared it with  
me, without much diminution. Expect to  
get at a study of the H.Y.S. matter & write you  
soon - Thank you for your letter with checks.

I suppose you are "blue" this Am. as  
I certainly am. Expressions of "strategic retreats -  
rearguard actions" when we are pushed off a continent  
taxes my capacity to perceive. English as it is  
now brewed.

Cordially

Joseph Beech



February 17, 1942

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

If you had any feeling of despondency when you wrote your letter of February 11th, it is nothing to what I had when it came to hand on Saturday morning and which was intensified over the weekend. Surely someone in the end must pay for the laxness of our officials both in England and America in what has happened in the Pacific. The slogan is, "REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR." I want to forget it. We have sufficient information as to what happened to make it a blot on American intelligence. I am not sure but that the fiasco in the Malayan states is not something similar. We certainly have a war on our hands now and must see it through.

I am returning herewith the decorated letter from Mrs. Lindsley which happens to be the first one from Chengtu since December 7th. The question she raises about shipping books to China and especially valuable books just at the present moment seems to be out of the question. It is true we have sent out large shipments of material, but the first boat load that arrived was trans-shipped to Calcutta, and we are now endeavoring to find out something about it.

I have made copies of this letter and as soon as there is some light ahead of us in the near future, we will take it up for further consideration.

May the good Lord be with you and sustain you these dark days.

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Fuller Chicago  
2110 Fargo Ave. Feb 28/43  
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Dear Mr. Evans:

Search in basement & Garret has failed to supply records of some facts. Perhaps a run through your University may find some things I failed to find. I do remember taking a file of university matters when I went out at beginning of 1939. I know I left them there or destroyed them to lighten my plane load - \$8 a pound.

I am clear enough that we have the records that wipes out the Graham claim. That contract was due long before they <sup>the Baptists</sup> asked for the cash & you paid it. (Did you pay \$20,000, less or more?) That \$20,000 P.O. clears out the first claim.

I believe I have stated the 1938 item correctly. But I seem to have a dream that when Dr. E. gave Mr. C a fellowship, & authorized that he report to Harvard Univ, that ~~he~~ Robertson wrote saying could not pay the travel. I know the Cheng request at Chicago was a fact & know he told me Prof. E. had been generous to a high degree. - In either case - whether by Robertson or Cheng or both the reasons given in my letter apply.

I do not have any record of the 1937 bonus for Dr. Graham. But I believe it was granted to him. The Baptists may have some record re this item and you may also have it also. I remember some thing about it, seemingly conversations with Prof. Elisseff.

I think ~~you~~ and ~~me~~ must get together  
CAG J.B.



2-23-43  
on a statement in reply for the Bd of  
Governors. It will only confuse or irritate  
to present this letter in this form without  
rather clear guidance in the approach  
to it. I think my letter to Eliseff will  
help. I trust he will see the propriety  
of a reply. I will let you know.

If he still writes in this same 'who  
wronged us' style - Would you put me on  
the back; if I replied 'If we have taken  
anything unjustly we <sup>ought</sup> will restore our fold'?

Excuse my pencil notes on the copy  
of your letter. ① and ④ may call for your  
attention. I can help on ①. ② + ③ are probably  
up to me.

Enough for this time. I will write you  
again if Prof E. replies - and this head  
ache is over

Cordially yours

Joseph Beech

Listened with care to F.D.R. 'so called, miss called, Chat'  
He made a good case of a bad case

Please reserve for my study copies of the  
catalogues of other Universities years 1937-1939

(Rec'd 2-26-43 AR)

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HARVARD-YENCHING INSTITUTE  
17 BOYLSTON HALL  
CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

February 26, 1942.

Dear Dr. Beech:

I have your letter of February 23, 1941, and I regret to say that the remarks which I have made concerning Mr. Cheng Te-k'un and Mr. Graham have been misunderstood by you; they have nothing to do with either Mr. Cheng's or Mr. Graham's personality, but they concern the procedure of West China Union University in asking for special grants when there was money available in New York which from the beginning was given to the University on the understanding that it would be used for the improvement of Chinese studies. It was not to be kept in New York without reasons being given to the Trustees of the Institute for doing so.

Your letter does not mention why the Board of Governors of West China Union University followed such a policy. It is not a personal matter between you, Mr. Cheng, Mr. Graham, and myself, but a matter of policy concerning the expenditure of the Restricted Funds of the Institute.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)      Serge Elisseeff  
Director

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 West Fargo Avenue,  
Chicago, Illinois

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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

CHENGDU, SZE., CHINA

2110 Fargo Ave Chicago - Feb 28/42

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE  
150 FIFTH AVENUE  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

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3/2/42

Dear Dr. Evans:

This brief note goes forward with two letters for your information, advice or action.

P.K. I ① The letter from Dr Kilborn dated Chengdu Jan 9/42  
3/6/42 I cannot understand the omission in Dr Balfour's re-  
commendations. If you can ascertain that he  
is now in U.S.A. please let me know.

Statement  
Ret  
3/6/42 ② Quite aside from these grants to Central and the also  
this matter of the costs of living, ording, is a  
matter of just that to the WCU medical staff and  
others also. This brief statement should have  
circulation and special considerations.

③ Has the full \$3000 for Dental bldg been deposited?  
Did you authorize them to draw on you? As you  
will note they borrowed? circ \$77.000 from Medical Hospital  
Bldg account for erection of this dental

④ This is news re Sewells & Mulletts. I have  
written Dr Armp. Please return this letter to J.B.

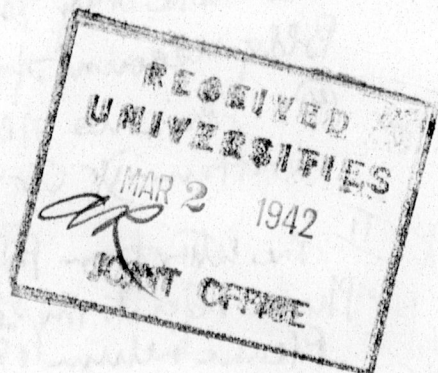
Ret II  
3/6/42 The letter from Prof Eisseloff goes to you without comment  
Please refer to my letter to him & my ? mark on his reply  
Please return this letter also

Cordially Joseph Beech



WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

CHENGDU, SICHUAN, CHINA





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March 4, 1942

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

I am wondering how you have recovered from your "so-called cold." Apparently you are not "confined to a hospital" or you would have been less inclined to carry on this recent correspondence which is before me.

First, responding to your card of the 19th, we shall be glad to let you have any information which we may receive from Dr. Agnew when it comes to hand. Your comments regarding China-in-India compell me to state my conviction that this conference is quite definitely a tying together of the elements in the Far East which will save our whole fabric of civilization.

Your card of February 20th alluding to \$40.50 from Lawrenceville has us still investigating. No such amount has been received, but receipts for designated funds from United China Relief have not come to hand -- there being about \$2,000.00 worth which have not been reported. We are glad to have this specific instance where we can make a definite claim for a more prompt handling of these designated gifts through United China Relief Headquarters.

Harvard-Yenching Institute Communication of December 23rd. Your letter of February 23rd indicates that you wrote to Dr. Elisseeff and that you intended to enclose a copy of that communication. I do not find such a copy and wonder if this was overlooked. It would seem to me that it would be rather essential for me to see this copy before entering into any further discussion of this West China situation and certainly Elisseeff is very curt in his reply to you. Possibly it is just as well that I do not have this material before me at the present moment as I am afraid that I would be calling up a couple of trustees of the Harvard-Yenching Institute and making some definite recommendation regarding Dr. Elisseeff's future. Such a reply is inexcusable from anyone engaged in the kind of work in which we are all involved.

This letter does not, of course, make any attempt to comment on the Institute, but I am replying relative to the Kilborn communication.

(1) I have read this paragraph with great interest and would like to check with The Rockefeller Foundation, but will not take any step whatsoever unless you permit same. Dr. Balfour was in China at Chengtu and travelled down the Burma Road to Rangoon and is now in India, which doesn't help us from that angle.



Dr. Beech

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(2) We have copied Dr. Kilborn's letter and hope that we can use some parts of this in our next issue of "CHINA COLLEGES." An appeal from Chengtu by cable reenforces and still further emphasises this condition.

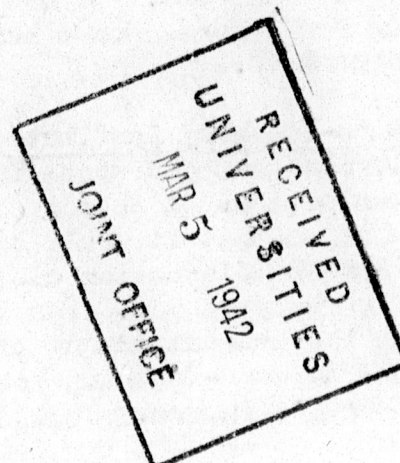
(3) We have authorized the field to spend \$3,000.00 for the Dental Unit and \$1500.00 sent. Sydney Maddock guaranteed \$3,000.00 and told me he would see that this amount was secured. The actual receipts on our books to date total \$1,380.00. Mr. Maddock is pretty much in the air (actually) flying from one appointment to another, but I expect him back at the end of the week. I hope to see him on Sunday and will check with him at that time.

I am returning Dr. Kilborn's letter and will send back the financial statement as soon as that is copied.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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2110 Fargo Ave Chicago  
Dear Mr Evans: Mar 13/42

The following may be known, but  
lest -- I forward as received from  
Mrs. Manly near Pacific. It was reported to  
her "from the Friends Bd at Richmond Ind."  
"This Am (Feb 18) the following recd from Crull  
"Full... Telegram from US Consul Rangoon states  
"Rev. Robt Simmon wife were wounded by shell  
"fire in life boats after leaving a vessel sunk  
"by enemy submarines off Burma coast. Telegram  
"adds that Mr Mrs Simmon are recovering in hosp-  
"ital at Bessemer & information will be submitted  
"re their financial needs." (Bessemer is circ. 100 miles  
due west of Rangoon J.B.) end of quote.

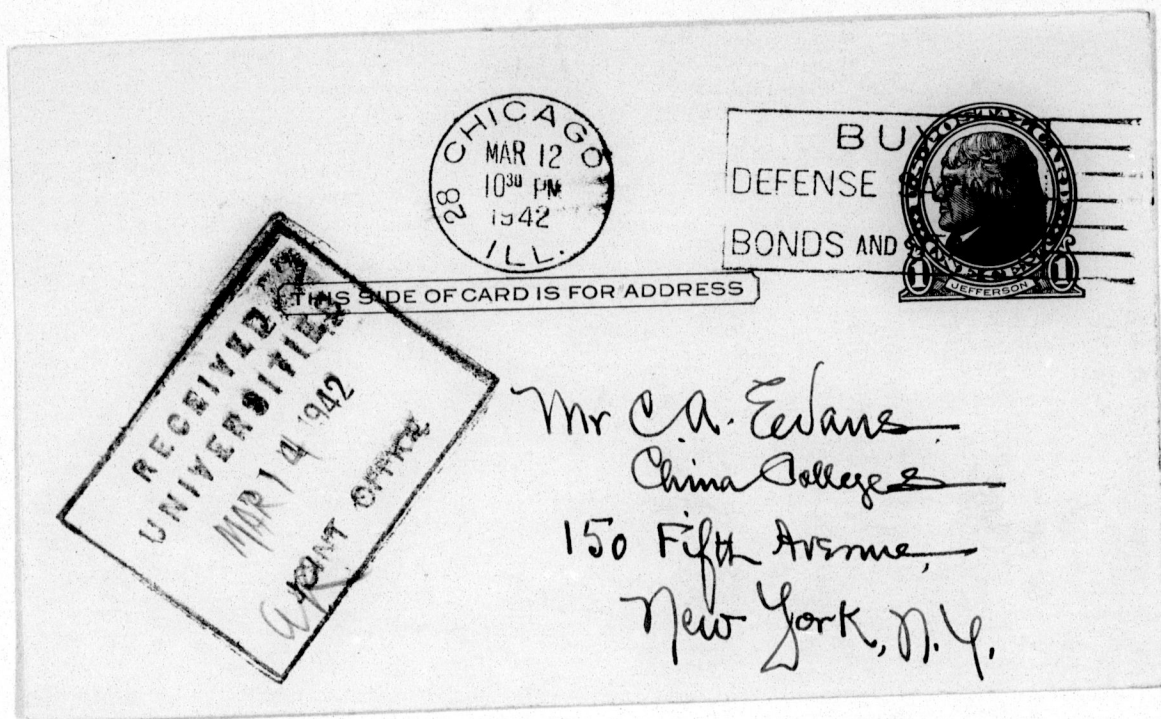
The letter adds the following items from PLS brother:  
The Simmons left S Frisco Nov 9, with passage  
to Penang, but the ship left them at Manila.  
They took passage from Manila Dec 5. This  
ship changed its course & landed them at  
Sourabaya, Java. It appears they then attempted  
to reach Burma on the ship torpedoed. They lost  
everything. No word from the Simmonds direct.

The Sewells - Mrs & 3 children were with them  
from US - Mr Sewell came to HK to meet them  
This implies the family joined him at HK and all  
are caught in HK.

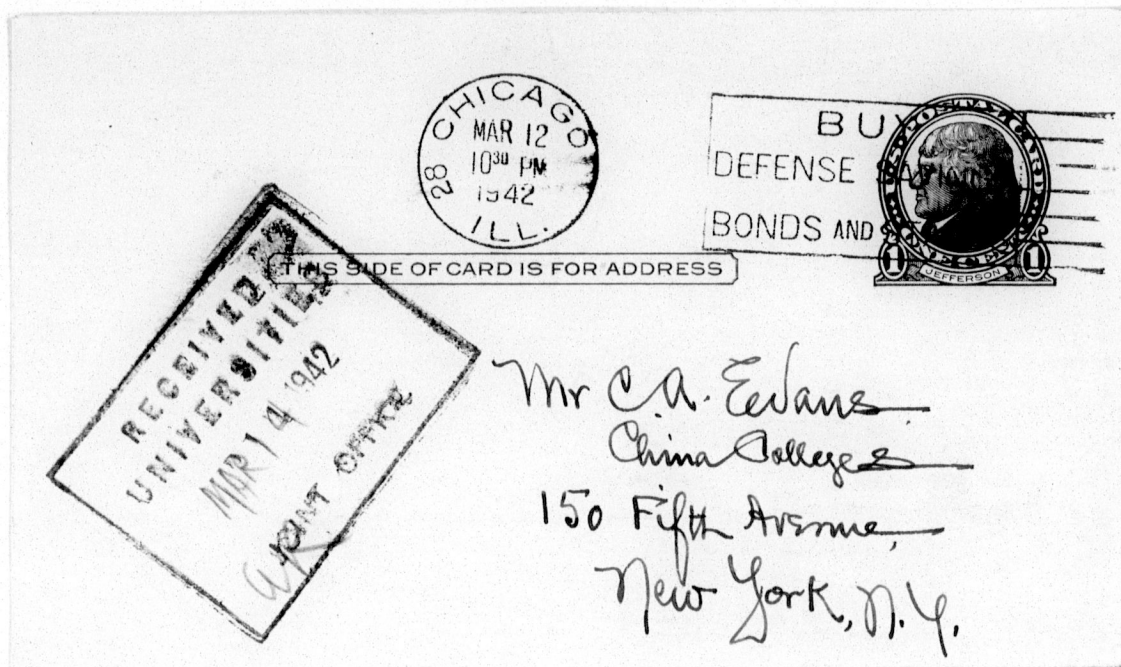
So much very distressing, but as tragic as  
the experience might have been. "Saved by Grace"

Embassy Rangoon J.B.





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150 FIFTH AVENUE  
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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

CHENGDU, SZE., CHINA

2110 Forge Ave Chicago - March 12/42

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3/17/42

Dear Mr. Crane:

Thanks for yours of March 11, 1942.

I intended to do what you have suggested; namely, see Dr. North, re a better understanding of the Trustees point of view. I doubt if a 'storm in a tea cup' should even be mentioned to "A.V." at the present stage. Dr. Stume is a different matter as regards clear understanding of the situation.

As I recall it, there are two things that bear upon the "policy" of the Board in having credit balances in N.Y.

One, 'requests for funds from the "Director" when the Bd. had credit balances'. The other, 'credit balances in N.Y. while inadequate provision for undergraduate study of Chinese prevailed at the University?'

My letter of Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> deals with, though it does not entirely state all that I might have <sup>been</sup> said in regard to, two of the particular items of funds asked for. In Prof. Eliseeff's reply, one fails to find any reference to these two items. I did not write to justify any one - least of all Dr. Graham or Dr. Cheng. I wrote re these two items, only.

Regarding the other matter, I am of the opinion that our provisions for undergraduate <sup>study</sup> were adequate, and that the amounts asked for were adequate in the light of sound educational principles, and were

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use of "Restricted Funds."

When these two questions, or matters, are clearly understood, - as they should be before any attempt to state the policy of the Board is made, - I am of the opinion that commendation, rather than anything else, will be due us.

I quite see that our custom of voting a distinct amount of "Chinese Currency" to the field inadvertently created credit balances in US money when exchange moved in favor of gold, but that it itself did not call for increasing the expenditures on the field. It did call for wisely conserving those balances, that I believe has been done by the Board. The Board did not report such balances to the field, and evidently the Director did not receive direct report because the treasurer was not ~~not~~ informed that report was required. - So, I consider the matter, in itself, very simple when all the factors are understood.

I have said that I am of the opinion that adequate provision was made for <sup>adequate</sup> undergraduate instruction. I lack the facilities here to confirm the opinion. Will you therefore loan me copies of Yenching Hankow Canton, Chuloo etc catalogues for some years 1937-1939. I happen to have Wu catalogue for that period.

Please refer again to your closing paragraph re "Cher. Central University" is the name of the National Institution. He has severed connection with the United Hospitals. Is that what you meant?

Cordially yours Joseph Beech

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March 17, 1942

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, ILLINOIS

Dear Dr. Beech:

I am replying to your letter of March 12th. After I confer with Dr. North, I will know better whether an approach should be made to Mr. Davis. This may be more than a tempest in a tea cup. You know my attitude and everything possible will be done to control the situation without causing further action on the part of the Institute. I can well agree with you that the letter of Dr. Elisseeff does not answer your inquiry and I can understand readily why he doesn't give a direct answer.

When you request catalogs for Nanking, Canton, Cheeloo, etc., you are asking the impossible. None have been printed for a number of years -- the last one for Nanking being in 1931. Yenching is the only one issuing such a publication and we are loaning a copy which we are sending under separate cover.

Thank you for the correction about Dr. Cheer. I am sorry that I allowed my letter of March 11th to go out with this incorrect statement.

May I also acknowledge your postal card of March 13th. We have this information in our files.

I am enclosing a letter which has been returned to our office and which you apparently posted on March 14th.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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April 3, 1942

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

I am grateful for your letter of March 30th with enclosures, -  
two of which are being returned herewith.

We are very grateful to have the news contained in these communica-  
tions. The note from Mr. Robertson is also re-assuring as it refers particularly  
to the banking situation. Just within the past few days checks have come through  
and have been cleared -- so the bank informs us.

We now have in hand practically all of the \$3,000.00 undertaken by the  
Commercial Investment Trust. It is about \$95.00 short, but it is my understanding  
that there are some other pledges which will be coming in later on.

We are endeavoring to locate the second shipment of material which was  
sent out on the Steel Scientist. Presumably that is in Calcutta at the present  
time. Way bills have been sent by air mail with the hope of claiming it. We  
can find no trace of the later shipment and we are withholding the balance of the  
orders on hand.

Our Annual Meetings will be held the first week of May and it is hoped  
that the West China Executive Committee can be held on March 6th. Of course, we  
wish to have you present. I am enclosing copies of the material going out to the  
Executive Committee today regarding the Harvard-Yenching Institute situation. I  
have taken great pains and considerable time in framing these replies and Dr. North  
has been most gracious in cooperating. An earlier reply which seemed to cover much  
more details was discarded and the one which I enclose substituted. This has been  
sent, as you will note, to the entire Executive Committee and we will be governed  
by its action.

With the season's greetings to you, I am

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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April 3, 1942

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

This morning I received a letter from Miss Stevens, Executive Director of the American Bureau, making certain inquiries concerning one of your Chinese friends, Dr. Lan Tien-ho. I am enclosing copies of both Miss Steven's letter, and of my answer to her.

Our records in this office are very meager concerning Dr. Lan. I would very much appreciate receiving your advise in relation to Miss Steven's inquiries, together with information about Dr. Lan, his past and present connections with West China Union University, and whatever obligations he may now be under to the University.

Cordially yours,

C. A. EVANS

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April 14, 1942

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

Thanks for your letter regarding Lan Tien-ho.

In view of the approaches you are planning to make to  
The Rockefeller Foundation, we will do nothing more other than to  
inform the American Bureau that no approaches are to be made to  
Dr. Lan until action by our Executive Committee.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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2110 Fargo Ave

Chicago 45

May 14

Dear Mr Evans:

Planned a letter before  
now, but that will reach you  
later. We are leaving this  
afternoon - Address until the  
14<sup>th</sup> Care Mrs W.T. Greig Polo,  
Ill. After that date to  
about kind of the month,

Care Dr R. St. Beech

924 Goodrich Ave, St. Paul, Minn.

Will you by return mail let me  
know when O'Laughlin again  
plans to leave N.Y. for abroad.  
I have written him since your  
call - in fact immediately there after,  
but other matters call for a letter.

If in N.Y. I suggest an invitation  
to the China Colleges Meeting. Thank  
Mr. Bailean for his invitation, will be  
with you in spirit. Truly, J. St. Beech

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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mr. C.A. Evans  
China College  
150 Fifth Ave.  
New York, N.Y.

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CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE  
150 FIFTH AVENUE  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

2110 Fargos Ave:

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My dear Mr. Evans:-

Replying again re your letter for information  
regarding Mr. Lam Tien-ho.

He should return to West China for our  
Dept. of biology as soon <sup>as possible</sup> after he finishes  
this year's work at Rochester. He has given  
full satisfaction to Rochester University in his work  
there, and also to the R.F. by whose favor  
he was granted extension for this present  
academic year.

I owe Dr. Lambert a letter in reply  
to one from him. I will mention the fact  
that I plan to see Mr. Lam enroute to  
New York for the Asso Bds of WCUU Exe.  
Meetings and will call and see him  
while I am in New York.

Meantime, I am of the opinion that  
nothing <sup>need be said</sup> beyond report of my intended visit

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to see Dr Lam, and the fact that Wauer  
is awaiting his return to Chengtu if  
the way is open. I suppose Dr  
Lam is making his headquarters at  
Kwei Yang in West China.

It would be proper for him to negotiate  
with the University directly but I would  
not suggest this to Mrs Stevens.

U.C.M. needs Lam's services and we  
should try to get him there if the  
way is open. ——— Until I see Lam,  
and see you, ———

Cordially yours

Joseph Welch





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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

CHENG TU, SZECHWAN, CHINA

2110 Fargo Ave. Chicago - May 27/42

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE  
150 FIFTH AVENUE  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

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Dear Mr Evans:

Thought that I should write you before I sleep, that Dr David SK Dai seems all fixed up with a fellowship from the Kellogg Foundation for two semesters at Michigan University School of Dentistry (in Dental public health course)

This fellowship includes tuition, and \$30 per week for living expenses. I have written letters of appreciation to Dr. Emory W Morris, whom I know, and through him to the President of the Foundation Mr. Darling. I have also written to Dean Russell Bunting of the Michigan Univ. School of Dentistry adding my word of commendation to Dr Dai - Also to Dr Dai that everything be done to "catch the bus" or make sure of the steamer later on. Dr Edward H. Dime has done fine work in this matter, and I have written due praise to him & told Dr Dai to follow suit.

You may have time to phone him a word of appreciation also for the print knocked down.

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MAR 27 1942

Though not for publication - you should know  
that Dr (Prof.) Volker at Rochester Univ had  
another year's fellowship in his hand  
for Dr Dai. But Dr Dai's desire for the  
Michigan Course in Public Health through  
Dentistry was & is what Dai wanted  
for his future West China work with  
our Univ & the Government.

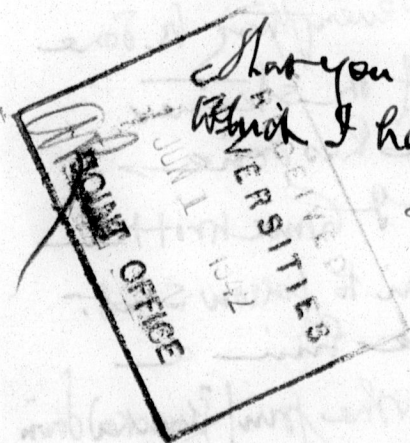
Also on Q.T. I tried to get into the Kellogg Foundation  
last autumn for a good equipment  
grant. but found my case was outside  
their constitution. I still have an invitation  
to "address" them & will some of these days.

But, in a keyhole opening this fellowship  
lets me in —

With best wishes & hopes

that you have had a moment of rest,  
which I have not yet had, but plan so to do,

Cordially yours  
Joseph Beck





May 28, 1942

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

I am returning herewith the cablegram from Ashley Lindsey which you graciously forwarded to me last week.

Dr. Hume's Medical Office notified me day before yesterday that everything had been arranged for Dr. Dai to go to Michigan -- a Kellogge Foundation scholarship having been received which would give tuition plus \$30.00 per week. It would appear that this is a very unusual grant as it has been designated for students from Latin-America, but in this instance they have set aside this ruling and granted it to a Chinese.

I must confess that for three days I have been remiss in not passing on to Mrs. Singley final information which we secured regarding the Fred P. French Tudor City proposition.

I am writing today and enclose a copy of my letter.

I am wondering how you continue to stand the "ups and downs" of the China situation.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Chicago - Mar 30/42

Dear Mr Evans -

A letter from Mr Robertson this Am.  
with 3 enclosures, one for you herewith.  
The letter to me was dated Dec 7 (Howard New).  
Another bit dated Dec 8<sup>th</sup> <sup>WAR</sup> and still another  
dated Dec 27<sup>th</sup>. The stamp on the envelope  
seems to be = 日 + 日<sup>+</sup> which should be  
Feb 10, 4 Pm. The war evidently upset things  
here also. No special news in his letter,  
except "coat of living items". But you have  
the later & fuller statement from Dr Kilborn.  
A letter rec'd from Dr Lindsay dated Jan 19<sup>th</sup>  
mostly re fellowships for the dental staff  
people. Expressed delight for the \$3000  
for the dental unit. Robertson also said  
the cable for \$3000 for dental unit good news,  
but I presume you have been informed that  
almost \$4000 was used.

The shipment that left S.F. Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> is at  
Calcutta. Have requested that cable be sent  
for Agnew to get it out of Calcutta into the  
hills along the way to Chengtu. Bengal may  
be next on Gaps list. with number II Burma  
Road <sup>moved</sup> via Tibet.

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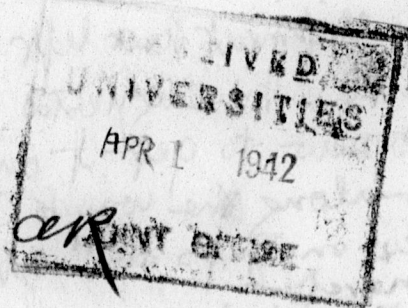
I should be turning up in New York some  
of these days. Would like my visit to take  
in the Associated Colleges meeting if that  
is slated to come along soon. Please  
let me know

I oblige

Sincerely yours

Joseph Becht

I had a fine evening with Dr. John Earl Baker  
who arrived here last Wednesday. He brings  
little hope from the Burma Road or the  
General Situation. He came from Bombay -  
(I judge he did not say) with that large  
party that arrived in NY last Monday.)



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CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE  
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NEW YORK, N. Y.

WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY  
CHENGDU, SZECHWAN, CHINA

2110 Fargo Ave. Chicago - May 30/42

Dear Mr. Evans:

I have today answered a fine letter, from Mr. Dean Sage Jr under dated, May 21, regarding his resignation from the Board of Governors, because of anticipated call for service with the Army and other causes.

I have written that I will keep his letter for presentation to the Governors at their next meeting in New York.

Meantime, I urged him to respond to the calls of the University for Committees etc in New York. So I trust you will continue to notify him of important meetings.

I am under the impression that he is on the Finance Committee, etc.

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Please get him to the meetings that  
will consider the Loringbirds to the  
University, and affairs of the N.Y. Inst.  
Trustees' actions. <sup>He & his wife</sup> ~~He~~ knows the  
University, as it was several years  
ago, and his opinions should be  
valuable

Cordially yours  
Joseph Beech

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2110 Fargo Ave.  
Chicago. Ill. , June 6th, 1942. *ack 8/2/42*

Dear Mr. Evans:

You may regard this as fulfillment of promise in yesterday's letter regarding the use of HYI funds. Refer to that letter for / (numbers.

Regarding number (1) in my former letter no comment is needed except to say that the Field should know the approximate amount of their regular work budget to avoid misinterpretation of the following items.

In view of other pressing needs and possible contingencies, I do not consider it advisable to spend more money than was spent last year for the HYI regular work. But the University should be informed that they are empowered to pay a satisfactory salary to the curator of the museum and that the money is available. I am confident that this will be in accord with the ideas of Prof. Elisseeff as he thinks highly of Dr. Cheng Te-kun and would have grounds for severe criticism if we should lose him after all that the HYI has invested in him.

Regarding the \$10,000 listed under number (2).

I am quite aware of the fact that \$10,000 will not provide for the restoration of the living conditions of three years ago , and that it will not permit of equalization of West China salaries with those paid by the "guest universities" on our campus, with the possible exception of Ginling. ( See Mr. Caldwell on this point .) But, authorization to draw up to \$10,000 for these purposes will afford great relief and lessen the mental strain under which our staff now works. You will recall that the government has made "living aid" grants to refugee universities, both government and private, under which West China could not qualify since we were hosts not refugee guests. Also recall the grant of Dr. Balfour for \$5,000 for living aid to the medical staff of Cheeloo. Were it not for the fact that a similar condition may exist and require similar aid next year a larger sum should be made available.

Regarding the \$1,000 for agriculture and nutrition aids, (3).

I am enclosing a letter from Dr. Ho, the purport of which may have been given to you from President Dsang or Mr. Robertson, regarding these items. Since no adequate help was available for this work from the current budget, Dr. Ho and his associates , have sought my aid in securing it. It has my unqualified approval as it may be an aid to this existence question as well as giving this institute a chance for life.

Dr. Ho and Mrs. Ho after receiving their doctorate in agriculture and nutrition and doing research work for nearly five years returned recently to Chengtu being urged to do so by the University authorities. They naturally expected that this needed line of work for which they were highly qualified could be pushed forward. They are greatly discouraged that no funds are available, but there is no flagging of their loyalty for this work which they regard as a matter of "life or death." Please provide that it shall not be death.

Number (4) in my letter should be mentioned as good news to the University and to Dr. Lindsay.

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Regarding Reserve Funds.

There should be reserve funds kept in New York or Cambridge for continuance of aid in the next few years, as I have intimated under number (2) above, but that is not all of the picture.

It is not becoming of me to think bad thoughts , much less give expression to them, even en famille as I am now doing. But for the first time in my life I am compelled to counsel setting up reserves against destruction or evacuation from our campus.

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Mr. Evans , 6/6/42.(20).

Despite Life's story, of May 25th-page 20, of the dramatic resistance of the so-called "White Cloud"- the governor of Yunnan, the situation on China's Southwest border is precarious. Far more so than press reports indicate. The sudden incursion of the Japs around the left wing of the Chinese with the sudden capture of Lashio and regions to the North and West may have caused the destruction of vast stores scattered all over these regions( when Rangoon was in danger) ~~may~~ <sup>or they</sup> have been ~~destroyed, or~~ captured by the Japanese. The Salween and Mekong fought on our side then and may do so through the summer, but that is not end of the Japs timetable. The communist armies broke into West China to the South and West of Chengtu via Changsha and the Kweichow-Yunnan border. The movement of vast <sup>74</sup>forces westward toward Changsha may have disastrous consequences when seen along with other forces from the southwest. We hope not, but something more than hoping is called for at this juncture.

This decision gains emphasis from the latest utterances of Anthony Eden. As quoted by the Associated Press , June 3rd, he states, " Great Britain and the United States is sending China all the materials it is possible to supply in view of 'other requirements' and the difficulties of transport."

Again I say and urge the setting up of reserves for contingencies that we must <sup>not</sup> even mention; and do so, not as a counsel of fear, but realistic common sense.

Cordially yours,

Joseph Beech

Enclosures to be returned:

Card & letter

From Dr Ho Wen-chun

Ret.  
8/3/42

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Cordially yours,

*Joseph P. Kamp*

*Information to Mr. Burns  
Camp + letter  
from Dr. J. P. Kamp*





June 9, 1942

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

In sending you the minutes of the Spring Meeting of the West China Executive Committee held on May 6, I wish to call two items particularly to your attention. They are as follows:

Action E-1657 - The plans for Dr. Ian Tien-ho have been referred to you for clearance.

Action E-1670 - A special committee, of which you are a member, has been appointed to give consideration to the special askings which are to be presented to the Associated Boards and to United China Relief.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Secretary

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AGREEMENT made this       day of November, 1940 between the BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY, party of the first part, and the BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, party of the second part, covering retirement for Dr. Joseph Beech.

It is the understanding of the said BOARD OF GOVERNORS, party of the first part, that Dr. Beech sailed from America on October 4, 1899 and arrived on the foreign field in January, 1900. At the time of his retirement forty years had been spent in service in China, eighteen of which was in the service of the BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, party of the second part. The present basis for retirement under the said party of the second part is eighteen dollars (\$18.00) per year for service which would produce a retirement for Dr. Beech of Seven Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$720.00). In view of disability of one dependent, Two Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$260.00) is added to this amount, making a total of Nine Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$980.00).

As Dr. Beech served 18/40 of the time with the BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, it is

AGREED that the said Board will furnish directly to Dr. Beech 18/40 of Nine Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$980.00) or Four Hundred Forty-One Dollars (\$441.00) per year.

It is further understood that the party of the first part desires to continue the salary of Dr. Beech at the same figure as the year last preceeding his retirement. The basic figures are as follows:-

Salary	\$1,300.00	
Service Allowance	300.00	
Allowance for Dependent	260.00	
Rent	480.00	
TOTAL		\$2,340.00

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that the said party of the first part continue



the annual payment of \$2,340.00 to Dr. Beech less the Four Hundred Forty-One Dollars (\$441.00) agreed to be paid by the party of the second part or a total amount of One Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$1,899.00).

In the event that the basis of retirement of the party of the second part increases or decreases, it is understood that annual payments from both parties will be adjusted on the same ratio of years of service, as outlined hereinabove.

In Presence of:

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BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF  
WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

By \_\_\_\_\_

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE  
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

By \_\_\_\_\_

## Joe Beech '99 Builds Wesleyan Into China

WILLIAM G. CHANTER '14 M.A., D.D.  
Waite Professor of Ethics and Religion

DO YOU KNOW that a strong case could be made out for the assertion that a hundred years from now Wesleyan University would be remembered as the college from which a certain Joseph Beech was graduated in the year 1899? I hope that if this is ever published this same Beech will not see it for I like to flatter myself that he likes me a little and I am afraid that he would not like it.

Well, what is the case? What would you think of a man who was in at the breaking of the ground for a new China which a hundred years from now may dominate the world? That is a possibility,—a China-dominated world. What would you say if this man had done a significant piece of work in making China safe for the world? But even if you decline to take seriously the idea of Chinese world leadership, you surely can't deny that an awakened China—and China is now awake—is either a grim threat or a magnificent promise for the future history of mankind. And our man Beech has been in at the very beginnings of the awakening and has done a piece of work which for sheer statesmanship has not been surpassed in the annals of Christian education.

Within forty years he has seen a great university grow out of the bare ground and grow because he had the idea to begin with and the ability and devotion and energy to make that idea an actuality. In the capital of China's most westerly province—most westerly and richest—he planted an institution which now teaches in six faculties,—art, science, religion, medicine, dentistry, and education. He did this by persuading four different religious denominations representing the United States, Great Britain, and Canada to join forces in founding and supporting the new college. At the time a union effort of this sort was something new and revolutionary—but this man Beech is not afraid of new ideas.

Within forty years the university has become the owner of more than sixty buildings from faculty residences to dormitories and lecture halls. Now it is the host to four Chinese universities which have been driven from their homes by the



JOE BEECH

war. Joe Beech has the art of making friends for his university. He never asks anything for himself—but if you do not want to feel a great impulse to do something for West China Union University, why, keep away from Joe Beech.

And now—at the time of writing—at an age when most men are retiring and when he himself would be well justified in taking a rest, this Joe Beech is on his way across the Pacific to his beloved West China with a whole huge cargo of equipment for the hospital for which he has raised the money. How he is going to get it across war-torn China to Cheng-tu (which is not far from the borders of Thibet) he doesn't know. There are no railroads available because they are in Japanese hands. Canton and Shanghai are also occupied by Japan. So Joe has to get through French Indo-China and commandeered army trucks for the long trek to West China. I am betting that he does it—if he can't, nobody can. And thus he will crown a long career with the erection and equipment in the midst of a great war of the finest hospital in all China.



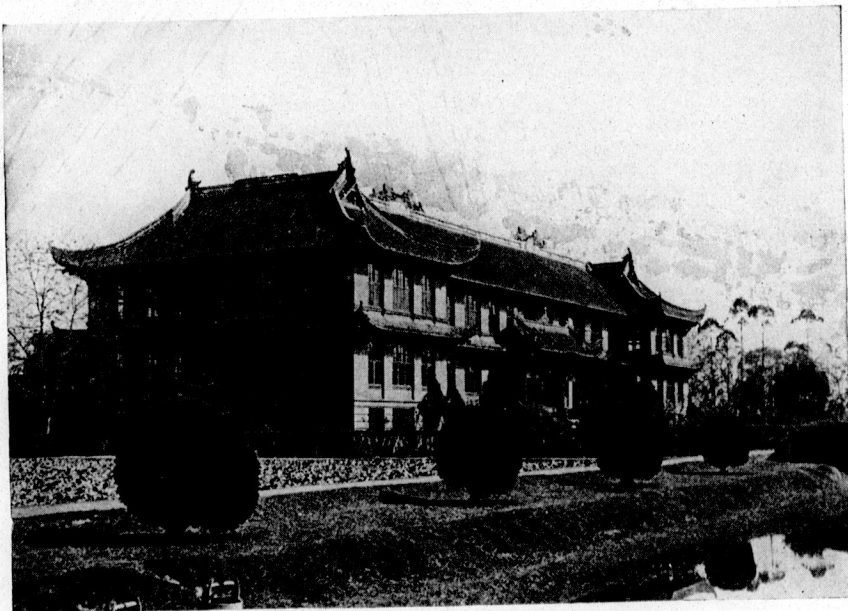
We at Wesleyan have through the years given some money and at least a little interest to the work of Joe Beech. Surely we have never made a better investment. He will be retiring one of these days. It

is safe to predict that his American college will never be out of touch with the Chinese University which is his lengthened and still lengthening shadow.

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ventive Medicine)

West China Union  
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The gift of the  
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July 21, 1942

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

I have a stack of correspondence which I have been trying to answer but it seems to get ahead of my over-coming it. I have decided that the best way is to start at the top and go through or I will never finish if I continue the haphazard method and answer all the questions which come over the phone and by way of personal inquiry.

Your letter of July 8th enclosing check for \$50.00 on the Hazen Foundation has been credited. I am appending herewith a list of gifts from the Hazen Foundation as requested.

Incidentally, the whole Chengtu situation involving the four Colleges has become greatly beclouded through efforts to coordinate instruction. The Harvard-Yenching Institute is pressing for a more definite understanding regarding the cultural program and surely something must be done to right the situation. Regardless of what some think here in New York about sending a coordinator to the field, I am pretty nearly convinced that this would not be a solution at the present time, but I am even more convinced that it is necessary to take some measures to meet a situation which is rapidly growing worse. After Dr. Decker returns from the South, I am going to talk with him at length with the hope of having an opportunity of writing up such information as I have secured from a variety of sources and submit it to you for comment.

You will hear more from me later on.

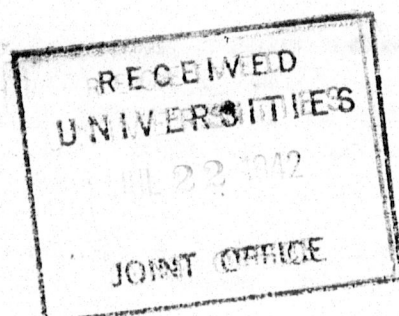
Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE  
150 FIFTH AVENUE  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

CHENG TU, SZECHWAN, CHINA,

2110 Fargo Ave. Chicago, Ill. July 8/42

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7/21/42

Dear Mr. Evans:

Please include this sum of the enclosed \$50.00, check, with designation in your next remittance to the University. It is designated for student religious work. #2

I will try to get a letter through to Chengtu about many things to many people soon and will mention this gift to be applied through Phelps.

I am sure the Hazen Foundation would not wish this check to travel to China before it reaches them. Of course it will not, but a receipt of it from you will be in order, in addition to cancelled check.

Trying to keep my self in the 'land of the living' these days - a troublesome affair at times. Hope you are enjoying life & its labors -

Cordially yours Joseph B. Beech

P.S. Do you have any Hazen gift credits on your books? If so please include them in the remittance & let me know. JB

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Beech

FROM: Mr. Evans

We have no other gift from the Hazen Foundation open, but on December 9, 1941 United China Relief reported \$100.00 received through the Hazen Foundation and designated for West China Union University.

As this was paid through United China Relief, it became a part of the Sustaining Fund program and could not be credited outside of the funds sought through the United China Relief.

C. A. E.

Dated July 21, 1942

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August 3, 1942

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

For a long time I have been endeavoring to find time to write you at length regarding the developments at Chengtu in the Chinese Department of Cultural Studies.

I also find that in the delay to cover this very important question, communications which were prepared for your file were not forwarded. This all dates back into June and covers a period of very intense study on the part of the West China Board of Governors, as well as a continued investigation since that time.

News received from various sources by Harvard-Yenching Institute indicated a total lack of regard for the program of the Institute and the budget showed no appropriation whatsoever for undergraduate cultural work, but considerable items for library, museum, and the Chinese Cultural Studies Research Institute. The enclosed letters are the result of the thinking of all of the Board of Governors in this area, plus Dr. Arnup of the Canadian Board who came this way especially to attend these meetings.

Dr. Elisseeff has also written to the field along the same line calling attention to the fact that any project sponsored by Institute funds must have the approval of the Institute. From all that I have been able to gather from various sources during the past month, I am convinced that the Governors have been correct in not granting the full amount of the Harvard-Yenching Institute appropriation to the field. Surely something must be done to correct the situation and I think that we are on the right road at the present time.

I am returning herewith the correspondence from Wen-chun Ho as requested in your letter of June 6th.

We are continuing to keep Dean Sage on our roster of board members and hope we can find opportunity for using him to a greater extent than in the past.

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August 3, 1942

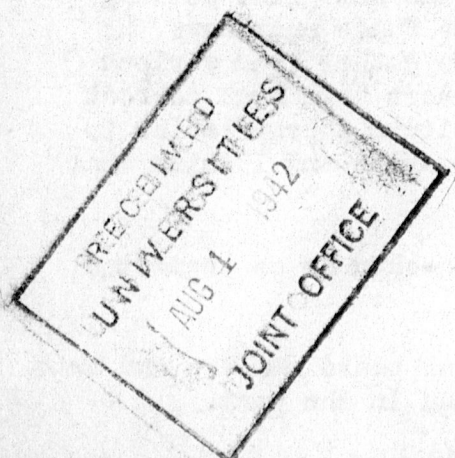
I have recently had a letter from Dr. David Dai including funds to be sent to his good wife at Chengtu.

With every good wish, I am

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Dear Mr. Evans:

This was forwarded to me by Mr. J. R. Jones,  
of the West China Theo. College & Methodist Mission, from  
Chengtu, dated Sept 17/41.

I believe that you were authorized to have this balance  
transferred to your account sometime ago. I send it as  
a reminder for such action as you may desire

Chicago, Sept 1/42

Cordially yours

Joseph Beech

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September 21, 1942

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

Thank you very much for your letter of September 17th. I am touched by your concern for the welfare of my parents in China. Your information is quite correct. We have been hoping that Father and Mother would return to this country, particularly in view of the condition of my Father's eyes. However, the last Conference at Soochow unanimously passed a resolution requesting that the Caldwells return to Fukien. In the face of this request, I am sure that it will be some time before they return to this country.

My Father has often spoken very highly of you, so that I felt that I was already acquainted with you at the time I first met you.

We are looking forward to seeing you again in this office.

Very sincerely yours,

Oliver J. Caldwell

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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY  
CHENG TU, SZECHWAN, CHINA

Home 2110 Fargo Ave. Chicago, Ill. Sept 17/42

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My dear Mr. Caldwell:

I am saddened beyond measure to express as I have read over the following paragraph from the Board of Foreign Missions News of missionaries repatriated under date of Sept 8/42 --

"Paul Wiant with Mr & Mrs Harry Caldwell were supposed to have left Foochow June 16<sup>th</sup> enroute for Chungking. Mr Caldwell is now totally blind and either we will decide to have the cataract operation performed in Chengtu or send him on to Calcutta. Paul is enroute to America on Furlough"

Under India I find the following: "Radiogram 'sans origine' and undated received Aug 19, 'Hubbard, Wiant:.... leaving'"  
Naturally I ask what became of Mr & Mrs Caldwell - your father and mother.

I knew Mr Caldwell years ago and liked him very much - so I say saddened beyond measure that this has come to him & more poignantly to you.

Do let me know if you have any further news.  
Cordially Joseph Beek

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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY  
CHENGDU, SZECHWAN, CHINA

2110 Fargo Ave. Chicago. Sept 21/42

ack  
9/23/42

Dear Mr. Evans.

A letter <sup>just</sup> rec'd from Doris born dated Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>  
the first word for quite some time. Things  
going on under pressure from students seeking  
to enter 1900 applying for vacant places, &c.  
stresses the subject re. which I wrote at length  
many weeks ago. Have no word re. any final  
action. Anything in sight to date?

Well - yesterday was a probable last visit home  
by our son Robert, now 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Robert D. Beech, Med  
A.S. with 300<sup>th</sup> General Hospital Unit at Camp Forrest,  
Tenn. We had a sad time of farewells. It is expected  
that his unit (from Vanderbilt Hospital - University Nashville)  
will move from the Atlantic Seaboard. They are on  
alert for any day or hour now.

After many consultations & waiting for cooler  
weather, it seems that I am slated for an  
operation at the hospital here by about  
the end of this week. I cannot get away <sup>from the hospital</sup> in  
less than two weeks - nor away from home in  
less than two or three weeks more. Don't -

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September 23, 1942

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

Your good letter of the 21st is greatly appreciated with word regarding the enrollment at Chengtu. We are glad to have this information for early use in our bulletins.

This war is coming closer and closer to us all and my heart goes out in deepest feeling toward these young people who are carrying this load. Yesterday I had the privilege also of bidding good-bye to one who is taking his place in the ranks of the Navy.

I surely am greatly surprised to learn that "you are slated for an operation." Please drop me a card with the name of the hospital thereon, for surely we will have some inquiries as to your welfare. We <sup>shall</sup> certainly think of you in these coming days with the assurance that you are in the best of care.

The Board of Governors meeting will not be changed insofar as we know at the present time.

We all were greatly perturbed about the recall of Dr. Hu. More than all are the regrets of the Chinese here in America who have looked to Dr. Hu for the kind of leadership which naturally was his to give. He was a very gracious representative of a delightful people. We regret that there are those who must live upon politics and that they make such a mess of things.

Possibly your inward feeling regarding the war situation is a truer reflection than any of the propaganda we read in the newspaper.

May the good Lord be with you.

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE  
150 FIFTH AVENUE  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

2110 Fargo Ave Chicago. Ill Sept 30/42  
ack 10/9/42

Dear Mr Evans

Thank you for your letter, -  
awaiting my return from the hospital. I  
came home while X ray and other studies  
were being made. I see my two doctors  
tomorrow Am. After that they will  $\phi$  in  
a bundle and bundle me off for an  
operation that will keep me there two  
to three weeks, Or - Meantime: -

I find the G.E. Xray Co bill for machine  
sent to Pacific Coast + transportation &  
Storage - as submitted in July has not  
been paid. It was billed to Weill Hospital  
and sent to Mr. Dean of the P.T. Evidently  
some slip up somewhere.

I have written calling <sup>Dear's</sup> his attention to  
the matter - suggesting that he pay the



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account and collect from you or inform me if he prefers me to pay the account since I purchased the goods to get them off with Dr Agnew

So please pay all bills in connection with this Hospital account submitted by Mr Deam and charge to the R.F. Grant credit on your books

Dr Shih has professorships offered him from Harvard Cornell Wisconsin. I have informed the Chinese friend of his who informed me to keep him free as <sup>Cultural</sup> Ambassador of East to the West.

Greatly surprised that Wesleyan Trustees have followed the 42 year beaten track with the last gift yet to China in giving the UCR their President, McConoughy.

Cordially yours

Joseph Beach



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Nos. 1/13

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Order 46852

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*J. Halas*

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*J.B.*



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Memo.

This account was to be sent to Mr. Dean. R.F. for payment - with request  
that he take over the charges & dispositions for the "shipment"  
as from Oct 1/42. JN.

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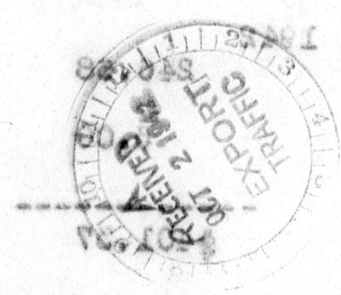
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that the amount be charged to his "Government"

Yours,



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## OFFICE OF THE TREASURER

150 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY

2110 Fargo Ave. Chicago, Ill. Oct. 5/42

ack 10/9/42

My dear Mr. Evans:

In a telephone talk with the G.E. X-ray Co. I have learned for the first time that a check received from Mr. Dean last June was not cashed because the amount due for transportation and storage was not included.

I have requested them to send a receipt for the machine invoice amount, \$2624.38 as per the enclosed copy. Also asked them to send the transportation & storage bill to end of September, billed to them by the Universal Trans-  
~~continental~~ Continental Corp., \$401.37 as per enclosed invoice.

I desire to have these "war charges" kept separate from the equipment accounts, because we will have such accounts from India, San Francisco, New York and perhaps Chicago, that may run into large amounts for which we must seek supplemental grants or gifts to cover them.

Mr. Dean will be asked to take over responsibility for the "shipment" and future charges with the Universal T. Co. direct, rather than through the G.E. X-ray Co.

I am quite sure Mr. Dean has these goods and all others insured. When you get the freight & storage bill from him, it might be well to check on this matter with him. All future insurance accounts might well be included in the above mentioned "war charges".

Thank Mr. Dean on my behalf for the extra trouble he has taken.

Cordially yours,

Joseph Beech

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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY

CHENGDU, SZECHWAN, CHINA

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE  
150 FIFTH AVENUE  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

2110 Fargo Ave. Chicago, Ill. Oct 5/42

Act. 10/5/42

Dear Mr. Evans.

Very kind of you to send the wire to Mrs. Beech.

I remarked that my letter to you gave all the explanation possible at the time. Sorry that folks have been concerned unduly. Briefly for your eye, the case is like this. I a hernia, which reached the stage where the doctor-surgical - thought an operation the right solution. The only question was a matter of my age. Therefore he sought the opinion of an internal medicine man, who gave me a fine examination. But, while nothing urgent about it just then, both doctors thought I should go to hospital for X-ray + Cardiogram treatment. This showed up evidence of a stomach ulcer which might or not be active. So they asked me to have a stomach analysis. This has now been done. The internal medicine man just told me that, I doubtless had an ulcer, but no indication of activity. That he & the surgical man did not see exactly eye to eye. One thinks the surgeon could properly go ahead, but he states that the surgeon does not wish to take chances of the operation bringing on a flare-up. I failed to connect with the surgeon today, will try to connect this evening and will add P.S. if there is anything different said.

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I should state that both these men are on the staff of the  
M.W. Medical School and stand very high in their field.  
So unless the Surgeon tells me to pack my bag for the  
hospital. I will start on special diet etc for a matter  
of ten days or so, when another exam will follow.

The reason for this letter at this time is to enclose this  
letter from A.D.R. I am not informed as to the present  
state of me, to & fro, with Prof. E. and the actions that  
you may have taken re the use of reserve to  
frame a reply. My opinion is that they are confused  
with things & don't know what to do. Perhaps I can  
bring peace & quiet by writing them again. I have  
given up writing & did not cable since I assumed that  
the major concerns were cabled to them by you.

With the prospects for mail delivery being what they  
were, I decided not to write about business as  
I deemed they would get informed from you - and I  
had little comfort to pass on. I have been one  
of those people who found little evidence, despite  
miles of radio & press pep talk, that we were winning  
the war. To day things look brighter because of the  
fine & unexpected wonderful stand the Russians  
are making - ② because F.D.R. has gotten over the  
first real major hurdle, formulation of a program  
with promising personnel to work it.

Please return the letter - with your kind regards  
Cordially Joseph Beech

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Chicago - Oct 10/42  
Dear Mr. Evans:

Had a phone talk with the surgeon last evening - following one with the internal medicine dr. in the afternoon.

Dr. Wolfer, the surgeon does not wish to run the risk of "getting a flare up from that stomach" x-ray. That shows up in the X-rays. So he favors that I be given diet + care treatment as long as the hernia does not get acute, for awhile longer. He will have another study of the case with Dr. Corralle and the X-ray man Dr. Case, and let me know what next in a short time -

So, until you hear I am in the hospital for this miserable thing that may keep me on my back long enough to try all the patience I possess, you may think of me "at home" writing & clearing up old forgotten far off things & battles long ago. You J.B.

Dr. Wolfer does all his operating in the Coarvent Memorial Hospital, Chicago, Superior St. Coarvent has a Reception Room for



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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY  
CHENG TU, SZECHWAN, CHINA

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE  
150 FIFTH AVENUE  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

- A personal billet -

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Dear C.A.E.: - Before mailing the letter written to day - I thought you might like to know that I regard the Trustees of Wesleyan as running true to form - in contributing their President to the China Cause. I have written to him & have his reply to day.

I am keeping contact with the D. Shih matter after my usual fashion - when a mistake has occurred a remedy should be sought. Through several channels I am adding my bit to keep D. Shih from taking offered chairs at Harvard, Cornell, Wisconsin & now Chicago Univ's. He is too bright a light to hide it under a bushel, even a Cambridge one. We must keep it moving in the public eye & building friendship & appreciation between American & Chinese for our mutual benefit.

The Secretary General of the Chinese American Institute of Cultural relations has been here three times with friends of his. He returns to China in November. He ought to report to Readgrowters when he gets to Chungking - that China needs two Ambassadors - one political, the other the Cultural

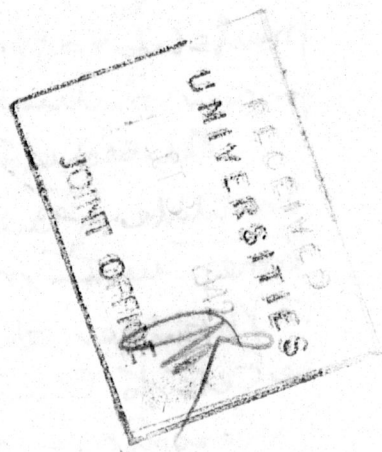
Ch. Lu Fan

Ambassador of the East to the West a representative  
of the people of China to the people of America  
in association with U.E.P. - A.E.C. and  
every other organization that are furnishing  
oil for our spirit's lamp

Better join the cavalcade. There are  
indications, though nothing more as yet, that D.H.S.  
will reside in New York + not in a 'Chair' so called.

Cordially J.B.

You may consider this as acknowledgement of yours  
of Sept 23- for which my thanks J.B.





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PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

October 8, 1942

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

I am distressed and yet relieved to receive your letters of October 5th. Your very clear analysis of your condition together with the information regarding your medical advice clears up many questions in my mind and I am indeed grateful that you are in good hands. I hope you will continue to give us first-hand information regarding your physical well-being.

I am amazed to hear that you were not familiar with the actions of the West China group regarding the Harvard-Yenching situation. It was my impression that the complete papers submitted to the Committee were forwarded to you as well as the minutes of the meeting. If you have not had this information, kindly let me know and I will see how far we have duplicates of the material.

Returning to Mr. Robertson's letter of August 4th -- his first paragraph regarding the Institute is the correct understanding, - but, between us, it is even deeper than that and it led finally to the Institute's taking action requesting us to send \$900.00 of the Harvard-Yenching balances held here in New York to the field for the purpose of paying the indebtedness to Cheng Te-k'un. I have seen letters of his and of others and know of the dire need of these people who have been in the States, whose families have been neglected and whose return to the field to take up responsibility are none too welcome. Please note I am saying some very intimate things, but there is evidence at hand from a number of sources and of no insignificant position that Chinese education<sup>2</sup>/colleagues are none too welcome. I am amazed at some of the things which have come to light and which have been so authenticated that I cannot help but believe them.

The Chinese Cultural Studies Research Institute insofar as we can find is doing nothing to help the University and is a drain upon the finances. Mr. Robertson admits this, but he does not give the extent to which criticism has been leveled at this particular department.

Dr. Stelle's report pretty well corroborated what I have said and although I have made an effort to see him personally, it has not been possible as he is overwhelmed with his duties in Washington. I doubt also that he would say a word further than what has been reported to the Institute. Mr. Robertson is at fault when he says that explanations did not go to West China covering our cablegram.

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October 8, 1942

Two copies of the letter was sent which was not of my own making in any sense of the word. It was a communication written in collaboration with two members of the Harvard-Yenching Institute and the officers of the West China Board after a special meeting had been held to consider the complaints filed by the Harvard-Yenching Institute.

I am sorry that Mr. Robertson feels that we bungled the Meng situation in New York. A review of that situation reveals that we followed instructions and placed the matter before the Director of H. Y. I. Knowing the standards and purposes of the Institute I was perfectly conscious in writing that Mr. Meng did not have the qualifications to carry on under the sponsorship of the Institute, even after a year's preparation. It is just one of the type of cases which the Institute does not recognize and of which we are fully aware and are doing all we can to further inter-cultural relations with universities in America that will recognize other lines of culture than that sponsored by the Institute.

I have thought that recommendations for graduate work would come from the Graduate Department of the Institute carried on at Yenching University and that the individual recommendation of any college would not carry great weight, especially as coming directly from the field. Mr. Robertson is not dealing with the actual facts when he states that the Harvard-Yenching Restricted Funds are solely in the hands of the field in other universities. They are all sponsored by the Boards of Trustees and reports are sent to us as well as to the Institute. Every Board is responsible for the proper use of these funds. It is true, however, that in every other instance the Board votes the entire amount of the Restricted Funds for the use of the field, but it is because ~~that~~ reports of the work and the use of the funds have been adequate. The history of the cultural work for West China justifies the attitude of the Board of Governors in making the local currency appropriations. As you know, however, both last year and this year, the entire appropriation is being released to the field, less \$1,000.00 for home administration.

In reference to the "suggestions," I am speaking very plainly. The Board of Governors in consultation with the Institute has agreed upon the expenditure of balances and it was submitted to the field. The first designation was that the salaries of the staff of West China be equalized with those of visiting institutions. We cabled the field for this information and received a reply that West China staff was well taken care of in this respect and that the appropriations for 1942-43 would cover all their needs. A closer study revealed the fact that positions occupied by foreign members of the staff should be held by Chinese with a much more adequate salary. In fact, from several sources, we have information that the salary question in West China is not scheduled according to professorships, but it is a matter of negotiation ~~on~~ bargaining between the "powers that be." Lincoln Dsang has worked himself into a position where he has the largest of any president on the campus and, if I am not mistaken, he is the least competent. *Salary*

I hope I can trust you not to pass on these confidential remarks when I say that our Canadian Brethern have been some of the greatest sinners in restricting the Chinese, ~~and~~ they have been forced to give ground when it comes to facing Lincoln Dsang and his Chinese followers.

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Dr. Beech

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October 8, 1942

The third suggestion made by Mr. Robertson relative to the Research Institute has been largely answered but frankly the criticism is much deeper. A review of Dr. Elisseeff's letter written in December gives specific proportions of expenditures for the Restricted Funds. They are not final but significantly suggested. They emphasize as a first requisite the establishment of a school of undergraduate Chinese cultural study. The schedule suggested for the re-allocation of 1942-43 Restricted Funds was as follows:

25 per cent for teaching  
25 per cent for library  
25 per cent for museum  
19 per cent for research and publication  
1 per cent for scholarships  
5 per cent for general administration

We know that this was received by the field as Miss Priest has cabled us to that effect.

I am repeating what I have heard a dozen times this past spring from trustees of the Institute and from correspondence with Dr. Elisseeff that if a strong undergraduate Chinese department is maintained, the Institute will be wholly satisfied with the use of the funds.

May I say, in closing that all kinds of criticism has been leveled at the work in West China <sup>but</sup> and it is the result of standards by contrast rather than a sensible evaluation of conditions. *Reviewing*

Again I am writing in strictest confidence knowing full well that you realize what the conditions are far better than I do. It is a very simple matter in my estimation to follow the general plan of the Harvard-Yenching Institute, but it will be an entirely different matter to unscramble the egg which is now in the cooking.

With every good wish and hoping you have the best of things which life holds, I am

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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*Minerals love sent but more still will  
be forwarded. (D)  
(Letter from Mr. N. D. Robertson returned  
to Dr. Beech)*

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October 9, 1942

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

I wrote you somewhat at length yesterday in answer to Robertson's letter which I regret somewhat as I wrote too freely. On second thought, if I cannot trust you then there is no one on earth to be trusted.

We found extra copies of the Toronto minutes and are sending them out today. They were sent on December 2nd and the Clipper copies were not returned, but the regular mail copies came back.

Regarding your suggestion relative to Hu Shih -- I seriously questioned becoming involved in this situation when we made an effort to get him as a speaker for our Shantung Christian University dinner on September 30th. At that time we put the pressure on from several angles and his answer was a very regretful refusal "for diplomatic reasons." From other sources we secured a more fundamental story. Thus while we agree one thousand per cent with all that you say regarding him, any effort on our part or that of the Colleges to interfere with the decision of the Chinese Government will only involve us in Chinese politics.

If you will refer to Kimm Wei Shaw, who is Secretary General of the Chinese American Institute of Cultural Relations, and have in mind asking him to take a message back to the Chinese Government regarding Hu Shih, you can rest assured that it never will be given, and everything possible will be done to blacken Hu Shih's reputation. I have personal reasons for knowing that Kimm Wei Shaw is a right-hand man of Chen Li-Fu, Minister of Education, and I am sure that you understand the situation existing there.

My strongest recommendation, therefore, is to let nature take its course while we keep our skirts free from any possible criticism.

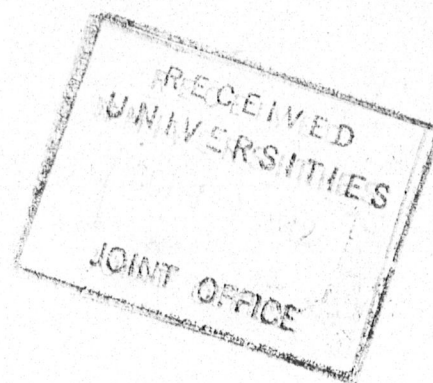
Again you will note that I am writing this in the strictest confidence and assurance of the fine Christian spirit which you always manifest toward my poor efforts.

Very sincerely yours,

CAE/B

C. A. EVANS

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CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE  
150 FIFTH AVENUE  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY  
CHENGDU, SZECHWAN, CHINA

2110 Fargo Ave. Chicago, Oct 10/42

Dear Mr. Eram:

I send you two letters from Dr. Dai. Please read in order of dates. I have replied this evening to him - saying his letters of Oct 6<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> have been forwarded to you. I asked him to send to you a statement of supplies needed with coats, and ditto for instruments.

I do not doubt that the purchase of books & other tools have put a load on him that he finds hard to bear - especially since he is making payments to his family. (you know that better than I do)

Although I wrote him that you paid money on the West China account within the budget or on request of the president. I was not simply bypassing the matter. Simply trying to help him see the rules by which we play the game. I would be most happy if you had some undesignated fund by which you could aid him over this hurdle, or designated gift that could be loaned

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or preferably given to him. He will have  
troubles a-plenty when he faces his home-  
going.

Yours Joseph Beach

PS This is no reply or acknowledgment to  
your personal letter of October 8, 1942.  
That letter and another received - not from you -  
from a friend re the medical situation in  
Chengtu make me wish NY was not so far  
from Chicago - Both call for a quiet sit-  
down talk through the subjects, now  
made difficult by distance & time from  
Chengtu. I will write you later on. Meantime  
my sincere thanks to a friend who does  
things in such friendly spirit. JB

10-10-42



WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY  
CHENG TU, SZECHWAN, CHINA

2110 Fargo Ave. Chicago  
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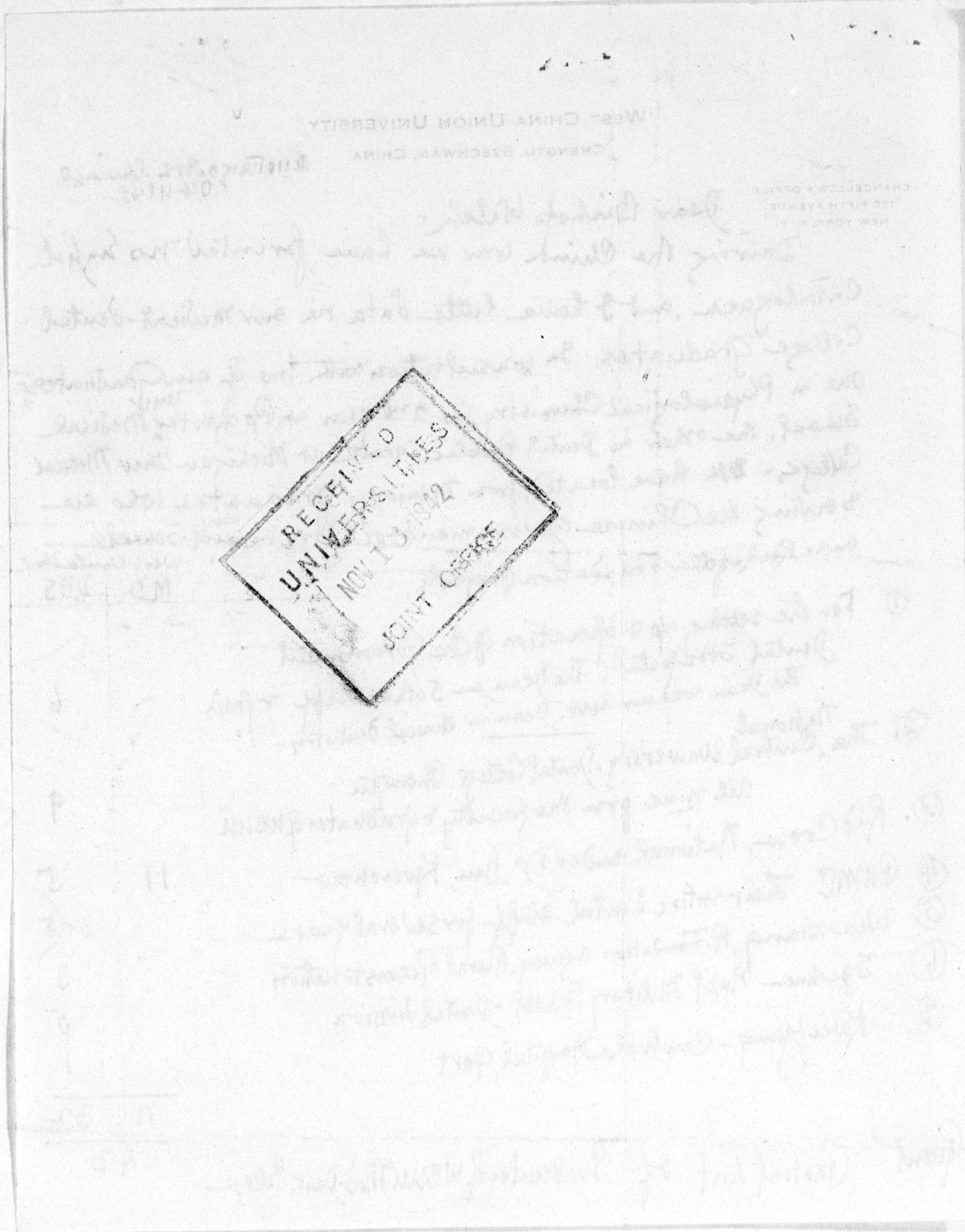
Dear Bishop Welch:

During the China war we have printed no English Catalogues, and I have little data re our medical-dental College Graduates. In consultation with two of our graduates, one in Physiological Chemistry for 2<sup>nd</sup> year at <sup>univ.</sup> Rochester Medical School, the other in Dental Public Health at Michigan Univ Medical College, - we have located, from memory, graduates who are serving the Chinese government or Government Schools and Rockefeller Foundation projects.

	West China Univ	
	M.D.	D.D.S.
① For the setting up & operation of the Government Dental Hospital. The Dean and 5 other staff or grads. The Dean was our Asst. Dean in Clinical Dentistry -		6
② National Central University, Dental College, Chengtu all nine from the faculty & graduates of WCUU		9
③ Red Cross, National under Dr. Lin, Kweichow	11	5
④ PHMC Their entire dental staff for several years		3-5
⑤ Wen Kiang, R. Foundation agency, Rural Reconstruction		3
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Partial List of Graduates of WCUU Med-Dent College







2110 W. Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois  
October 12, 1942

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My dear Bishop Welch:

I am very grateful to you for your letter just received and the interest manifested in our institution. Before attempting a reply to the questions and request for my observations on the standing of the West China Union University Medical-Dental College, permit me to record an experience in another field.

Having been brought up with the idea of American plane superiority it was a mortifying experience to get reports from the Solomons, England and Washington that our planes were inferior to the Zeros, the Sterlings, and Lancasters. But now, Mr. Seversky, Mr. Ziff and Mr. Ralph Wallace, our best experts in planes and their performance, have allayed my fears. They say, "True, our planes were not designed for the particular style of air war for which the Japanese and British planes were made. It is not a controversy as to whether our planes are good, but whether they are right for the special purpose our strategy envisages." Then they add, "Our planes, are, today, the best precision instruments in existence for the purpose for which they were designed."

Though Medical Schools in West China are far removed from planes, it is nevertheless fair to assume that they should be judged by the light of the purposes for which they were designed.

For example:

I. I have been informed that the prime objective of P.U.M.C. was the creation of superior scholars of Western Medicine. If this is the purpose we should expect notable medical graduates in due time, for time is the essence of notability in a great profession.

II. West China Medical-Dental College was organized (under the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York, from whom we receive authority for granting of M.D. and D.D.S. degrees) with the prime purpose of educating men and women in Western Medicine to properly staff and extend the Christian hospitals in Western China, and to bring the healing merits of medicine and dentistry to the people by aiding our graduates to set up practice in the cities of the western provinces.

With this prime purpose there should be some notable graduates and there are. Example: (1) The calls for some of our graduates yields them \$10,000 a month, and this comes not without merit. (2) The Methodist Hospital in Chungking has been bombed out of its building for three years. It now has a clinic of thirty emergency beds in the city; its surgical cases are treated in a school building in the official section two miles from the city; its main in-patient section twenty miles distant in temporary buildings on the Chungking hills - a total work with three hundred beds, that has operated constantly throughout and during air-raids for over three years without any foreign doctors within call.

Under the purpose gauge of measurement as operative in P.U.M.C. West China may not, now, have notable graduates, and under the purpose

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rule in West China, P.U.M.C. graduates might share a similar fate. Of course it should not be either notable scholarships or notable service, it should be both, in all our Medical Schools.

In this connection, - A great service might be rendered to us all if some persons familiar with the points and weights by which Medical Schools are graded in the United States and Canada; and, also conversant with conditions in China would prepare a "scale" to be filled out on occasion by such Medical Schools as would be willing to respond. Such information would permit of better grounds for classification than now exists.

I come now to your questions and observations on the same:

I. Regarding Medical Education :

(a) We have a common medical-dental college. All students of the college are taught by the same staff members with the same subjects for 5 of the 7 years of the course. I am certain the dental members of the faculty would not accord the graduates in dentistry a superior standard. Both of them recognize that our dentists are in wide demand in government and private institutions such as the P.U.M.C. This permits of a better acquaintance than the medical doctors have, because we are the only registered ~~dentist~~ institution graduating dentists.

(b) I do not like the question or the word "notables", for notables in a great profession requires more time than we have had years in recognized instruction.

It is true that few, if any of our graduates in medicine or dentistry have had Rockefeller Foundation scholarships. We had four of our graduates on fellowships in Canada and the United States last year. Two that are remaining here are in their third year of advanced work. We have had several in former years, two of whom died here. One of these was, in my judgment the most promising man in the college or here in the United States, I regret that there have not been R.F. scholarships granted to our graduates for I believe there would have been satisfactory results.

Authority in the institution is in the sole power of the faculty to recommend and the president to authorize, from the dean down to all heads of departments.

(c) Again, I do not like the form of the question, why particularize on something so universal.

The comment above answers this in part as the authority is with the faculty which is now two or three Chinese to one foreign member. The statement re "appointments" is entirely contrary to fact and constitutional provision. I personally introduced into the constitution of the university a clause that denied to all boards the right to appoint their missionaries to the staff. The faculty and the president asks, more often begs, a mission board to permit a man or woman to come to the university. The faculty then does the appointing. We desire and seek Christian men on our staff. We would consider it fortunate if we had a man like Dr. Kelly of Johns Hopkins, but I have never known any one favorable for "evangelistic motive" in the medical faculty.

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II. Nurse Education :

The Medical-Dental College has no Nurses School. It has provision for one in the new University Hospital. Heretofore the nurses have been graduated from the Canadian Mission School operating in their two hospitals at Chengtu. If West China Medical College had a board I am certain a Chinese head of the type which Miss Lin is reported to be would be most acceptable. I rejoice with Dr. Cheer, a good friend of mine that Rockefeller Foundation has given him such a magnificent grant for his work.

III. Hospitals.

No comment except to say that I am in full agreement .

IV. Priorities;

No comment except to find agreement, but believe the Provincial Health Commissioner seems to have been overlooked.

I include letters from the University which may throw additional light on the general situation in the medical field. They are personal letters , but I am sure there is no copyright on the facts stated.

I have also included a list of WCUU Medical-Dental College contribution to the government and other services beyond our own borders. It is very incomplete , secured from the memory of our graduates now in the United States. It was compiled when an effort was made last Spring to secure doctors, now in the United States , for Red Cross or Army work. You are at liberty to give this information, though it is only a partial list of such graduates .

With High Regards,

Cordially yours.

*Joseph Beech*

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Season's



Yule  
Greetings

To my friends of the  
China Colleges!

A Merry Christmas and  
a very happy new Year to  
each and all of you!

May the memory of work  
well done for a cause most  
deserving and full of promise  
for a finer world, increase



Joy as you take up the tasks  
in the year to come.

"Fear not little flock it is  
your Father's good pleasure to  
give you the Kingdom"

Joseph Beech 畢啓

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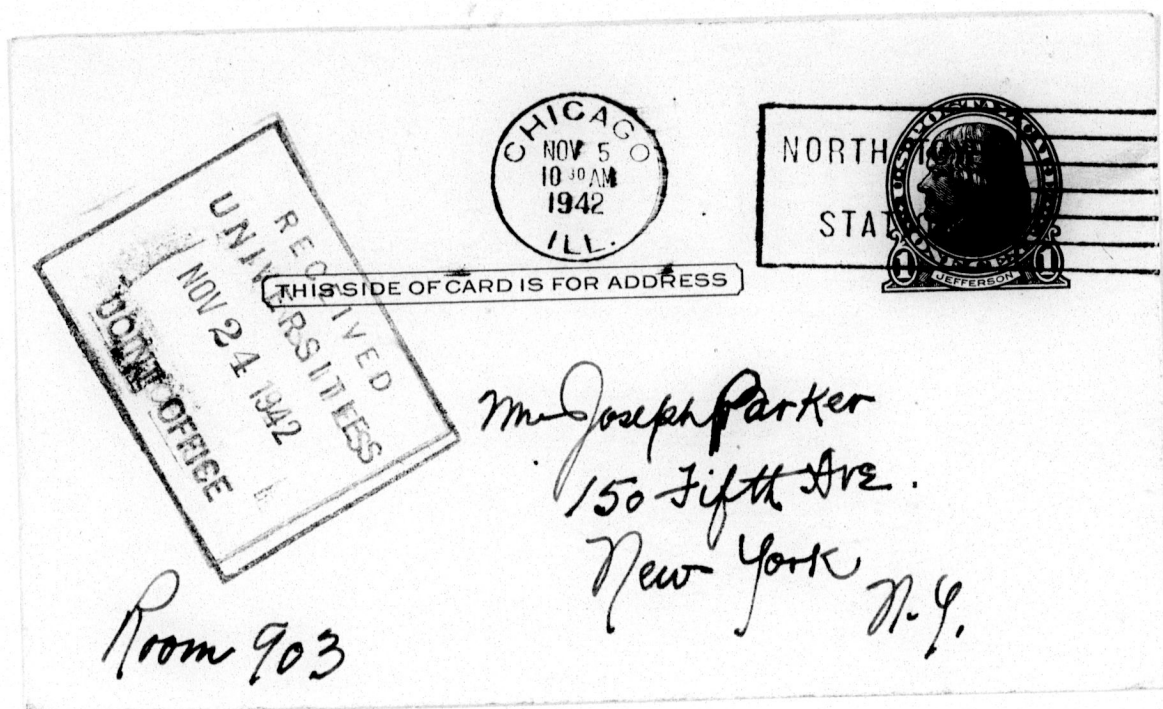
2110 Fargo Ave. Chicago  
Dear Mr. Parker: November 29/42

Having voted & as they say,  
done my duty by my country  
I think of future events, one  
of them 26 days hence <sup>Thank for</sup> ~~the future~~

When you come to agenda  
for the Governors Meeting, you  
will doubtless be putting down  
some thing like, Report of ~~or back~~  
That will be all right with me  
as I have somewhat to report.

I expect you will all be keeping  
late hours to night to attend  
the wake of one Mr Bennett  
& his high priest, and celebrating  
once again the victory of  
Manila Bay by one Dewey soon  
to move into the Imperial Mansions  
at Belmont. Yesterday was all assurances  
here, tomorrow some tears will fall. <sup>indeed</sup> ~~in fact~~





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OFFICE OF THE TREASURER  
150 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY

2110 Fargo Ave. , Chicago, Nov. 7th/42

Dear Mr. Evans;

Enclosed find checks for \$100.00 from Mr. F.C. Atherton, Honolulu. Mr. Atherton's gift to the University was \$400 instead of \$500 as listed in your statement of expected income for this year. This \$100 will bring the amount up to the regular from the Honolulu friends. Send receipt to me for inclusion in my next letter to them, or direct to FCA. In either case it is to be listed, as from him, not from me.

I send you another slip re the HK Am. Exp. Co balance which has failed to get in other letters to you.

Regarding yours of Nov. 5th received this A.M. relative to Special Requests, and a meeting of the committee.

I do not expect to get to New York until ~~Friday~~ late Saturday night or Sunday Morning. But I think the committee would do very well to consider these matters; or rather, the New York members of the committee.

Aside from the \$10,600 reported from UCR on suggestion of Dr. Bachman I am not clear regarding the other items you mention, and I list the following:

1. Something direct and adequate need to be done re the nursing school and the nursing situation. Since the proposals for the nurses school concerns property of the Baptist Mission, I hope Dr. Decker can meet with the committee on this. Since the death of Dr. Morse, I am not aware of any contribution being made by the Baptist Board toward the medical work at this juncture. If I were in New York I would try to approach them re the donation of their former middle school dormitory for a nurses school. Even if granted, several thousand dollars is needed to restore (the school) bombed parts and add additional building space. The financing of the nurse service should be faced, unless we expect the Canadian Women's Board to continue to carry it, or are ready to request such apolicy.

(You have letters on this and other matters turned over to you by Bishop Welch, I believe. If convenient at this time, please mail them to me by the 18th. I expect to leave by the 20th at latest - via Washington.)

2. I would like further evidence that equalization of salaries and costs of living equalization have been given satisfactory treatment. Letters from sources that I was permitted to read yesterday quoted our Medical staff "doing outside practice in order to live." The letter was written in August.

3. The Institute of Agriculture is another matter that needs consideration. The quality of our staff is under criticism from more quarters than one. Men and women are trained abroad for finer service. They tend to be lost to us, because of low salary, or lack of conditions for good work.

Cordially Joseph Beech

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November 13, 1942

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

I am acknowledging your letter enclosing two checks of \$50.00 each from Mr. F. C. Atherton.

These checks have been applied to the regular budget requirements and we are very grateful indeed for this continued substantial interest in the work which you have devoted your life.

With added thanks, I am

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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Via Air Mail



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November 13, 1942

Dr. Joseph Beech  
2110 Fargo Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Beech:

Your letter of November 7th brings before me the sheaf of correspondence sent to our office by Bishop Welch.

We were very unfortunate in being hoodwinked out of a conference with Dr. Balfour. The date was all set to his liking when someone else outside of the Board and Foundation interfered, causing a postponement of the date on the eve of which he had to fly for China. I say "unfortunate" as he indicated his cordial eagerness to talk with me about many things on his own mind. Of course, I had some questions also which I desired to ask.

As a consequence of this slip-up of dates, we could not use your good letter to Bishop Welch and he has sent it to our files. The material is very valuable for the information it contains and I have taken occasion to copy the August 3 letter of Dr. Kilborn.

The checks contained in your November 7th letter have been credited and I am writing under separate cover to you as there are no receipts issued for items included within the Regular Budget. Last year we received \$1100.00 from the Atherton Estate and \$400.00 from the F. C. Atherton Trust. I wonder where we got the \$500.00 from.

Many questions have been raised regarding the land situation and Forrest Smith, the Chairman of the Committee on Finance, would like to see you if possible before the meeting of the Board. I was hoping you would be able to get down by Friday morning, the twentieth, which would give some time for consultation. He will even come into town Saturday, although their office is not supposed to work Saturdays. I thought we had the land situation in hand, but suddenly the lawyers seemed possessed to disagree and the matter is now before us again in a new form. What say you?

The various projects listed for special consideration and to be presented to U. C. R. have very little to expect during these days of wild inflation when the regular budgets and Sustaining Funds do not keep body and soul alive. Cables from the field indicated the necessity of greatly increasing the appropriations and so the larger askings were submitted to U. C. R. and they were approved. This left no room, however, for special projects. The amount approved by the Associated Boards for West China was \$100,000 for current use and \$20,000 for temporary buildings if needed.

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I am in thorough accord with you on the salary question and am far from satisfied that there has been any drastic move to meet this need. A number of letters and cables have been exchanged on the subject (from China) all to the effect that the salaries have been equalized with the other visiting units. It is a distressing situation and as a first step to getting somewhere we are asking Dr. William Fenn to leave his teaching position and become our special representative in China. He will be requested to give all the information available on every subject of administration. It is a big task, but we are getting nowhere now.

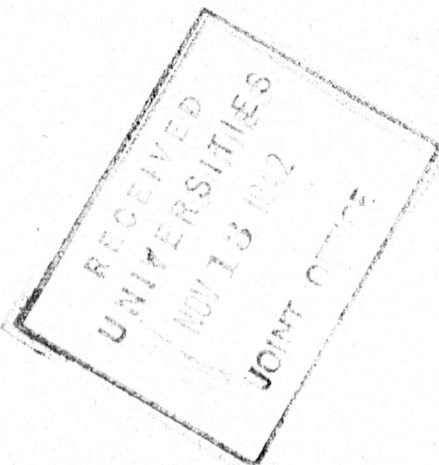
I am looking forward with eagerness to seeing you.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

CAE/B

Via Air Mail



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2110 FARGO AV. Chicago

Dec 15/42

Dear Mr. Evans:

file C A letter awaiting my  
return from Out of Town tells  
me that Mr. Arthur Rao sent  
you - the as-here-to-for gift  
of \$1600 from the Arthur  
family. I am glad to note  
that the full as here-to-for  
gift came this time.

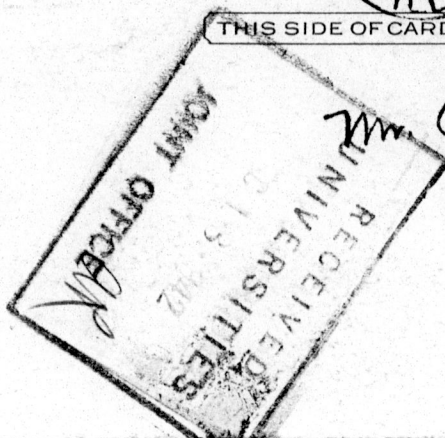
I will be writing him today  
or soon with my appreciation  
to all concerned. I note some  
change in the personnel of the  
gift, but the amount is the  
same.

I have not yet visited the dr.  
re my prospective operation.  
I would like to have Christmas  
without bothering him -  
Cordially, Joseph Beech





THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Mr. C.A. Evans  
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New York N.Y.

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WEST CHINA UNION UNIVERSITY  
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2110 Fargo Ave Chicago, Nov 16/42

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE  
150 FIFTH AVENUE  
NEW YORK, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Evans

I am in receipt of your air mail  
letter of Nov 13/42 with enclosures.

By way of reply I send word that I plan  
to arrive in New York - going via Washington -  
on Friday this week, not later than 12 noon.  
I will call you from the Station on arrival.  
I write this by air mail to say that you  
may make any appointments you  
may desire - as I will be at your  
service. Still appreciate it if you will  
call Bishop Welch and say when I am due  
to arrive - and ascertain the time when I  
can see him. We had expected to meet Sunday  
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Sunday morning. This change of plan may  
permit him to fix a more suitable time  
for him than Sunday Eve.

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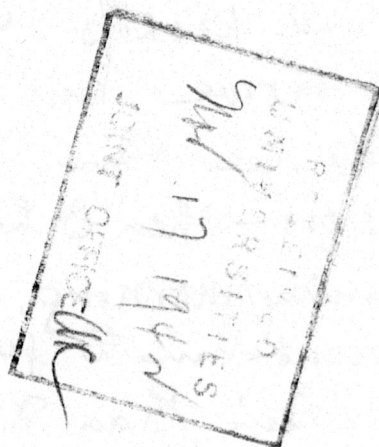


With this possible exception, I know of no other  
fixed engagements to interfere with to your  
Service from Friday 12 M.

Cordially yours  
Joseph Beech

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