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To the Faculty:

At the meeting last evening it was voted by the students present to approve the action for a two day strike (Nov. 25-26) as passed by the Peiping Student Union in protest against certain recent arrests in Shanghai. A reply has been sent from this office to the Student Association refusing permission to have classes discontinued and explaining our reasons. This is also posted as notice on our official bulletin board. You are all expected therefore to conduct classes as usual during tomorrow and the day following and to make due record of students not in attendance.

Chancellor's Office

November 24, 1936

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TO THE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY

This is to urge that all of us during these anxious days cultivate the intellectual virtue not giving credence to unconfirmed reports. At such a time as this, people generally tend to believe news that gratifies unrealistic hopes, and are even more susceptible to accept rumors which feed our fears. At such a time rumors are rife, partly due to deliberate fabrication by interested parties, partly to inaccurate sources of information, or carelessly-formed impressions which grow as they spread. Let us, as a university group, resolve to accept no items of news that do not carry evidence of being reliably confirmed, and what is more, let us guard against passing on to others anything that comes to us merely by hearsay. Let us be skeptical and critical about current happenings, just as we would be in our academic study and research. Such a discipline will help us not to expect more from others who are responsible for the national welfare than factual conditions would make possible, and at the same time keep us from being too despondent over the only partially understood present situation. This office will undertake to secure reliable information and disseminate this, and will be ready to receive suggestions, or cooperate in every other way, in the effort to strengthen the spirit we have tried to express under more normal conditions.

July 31, 1937

President's Office

諸位教職員同學公鑒
茲值時局不靖凡我同
仁及同學對外傳消息
切不可輕信或隨意揣
測致使人心不寧因而
有碍本校治安在此期
內本校必盡力設法採
訪正確消息并用最迅
速方法公布之諸君有
何意見并望隨時示知
特此通告。

校務長辦公室
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To the Members of the Faculty now in residence:

The Administrative Committee has determined that the dormitories be opened for students on September 1, and that classes begin on September 13, according to schedule; also that a second examination be given in Peiping on September 6-7.

We shall probably have difficulty in securing the necessary supplies for or in maintaining such services as electricity, water and heat. We shall therefore have occasion later to advocate rigid economy in the use of these utilities. It may not be amiss therefore for those of us who are now here to begin a special effort in the practise of such habits and thus prepare for more general application later.

Cables or letters have been received indicating that Mr. and Mrs. Band, Prof. Sapir (Sociology), Messrs. Barnes (Princeton, Political Science), Lindsay and Taylor (Oxford Modern Greats), Dr. and Mrs. Hubbard (Geology), may be expected. We are awaiting developments regarding a number of our teachers or staff members who are now detained in the South.

August 18, 1937

J. L. S.

Later: A rumor has been spreading to the effect that Chinese troops are closing in on the Japanese troops from the Nankou region and that fighting in our neighborhood is imminent. After careful inquiry it can be stated that there seems to be not the slightest foundation for this report.

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逕啟者：茲經大學行政委員會會議決本年度決按原定學曆於九月一日開放學生宿舍，十三日上課，並定於九月六七兩日在城內舉行第二次新生入學考試。

關於本校水、電、燃料之供給，因交通阻滯，原料方面將感缺乏，故應由同仁等對此種公共用物竭力練習節省，且如由現在練習作起，將來或不致突感不便，是為至盼！

本年由國外返校及新聘之教員如班維廉夫婦社會系之 Sapp 教授，政治系之 Barnes 先生，Lindsay 先生，Taylor 先生，及 Hubbard 博士及其夫人均可於開學時來校，至於滯留南方之教職員，本校現正設法使之能從速返校也。特此通知，此致
留校教職員公鑒

司徒雷登 八月十八日

再者：近日忽謠傳本校附近，或將再有戰事發生，經本校一再調查，此種傳說似毫無根據，附此通知。

To the New Appointees:

Please be advised that the following action was taken at the joint meeting of the Administrative and Deans' Committees held today:

"VOTED that a notice be sent to the new appointees pointing out to them that they should begin their duties at the University on or before September 13th. Due to the interrupted communications, however, the University is extending the time to September 21st. If a member fails to arrive by this later date, it is assumed that he does not intend to come to the University."

August 30, 1937.

Secretary of the
Administrative Committee,
Yenching University.

逕啟者：本日本校行政委員會及院長會舉行聯席會議，通過
關於新聘教職員到校之議案一則，茲特抄錄奉上，即希
查照是荷！

燕京大學行政委員會書記啟 八月卅日

原案如左：

凡本校新聘之教職員應於九月十三日以前來校就職，惟
因目前交通梗塞行旅不便，特展期至九月廿一日為新聘教
職員最末到校之日，倘屆時仍不來校，即以不願就職
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This office has been instructed by the Administration to prepare identification cards for the members of the staff. Each member is requested to send to this office two two-inch passport photographs, one to be pasted on the identification card the other to be kept for reference in this office.

In case you do not have the photos of the kind required, you can have yours taken by a photographer, specially arranged for this purpose, at the Business Office within office hours from September 6th (Monday) to 8th (Wednesday). The cost for the two pictures will be 30 cents.

Sept. 2, 1937.

Office of the Controller.

逕啟者：茲經校務行政委員會議決，由本處制定教職員證，發給本校教職員隨身攜帶，以資證明。務請台端惠下最近二寸半身照片兩張，以一張粘貼證內一張存留本處備查。

再為謀同人便於照相起見，已與照相館商定，於本月六七日（星期一、二）在本校庶務課等候。

諸位有欲拍照者請於辦公時間內前往接洽可也。特以附函，即希查照是荷。

總務處啟
九月廿

附照相價目

照二寸半身軟片兩張價洋三角

NOTICE !

Members of the Faculty and their families are advised not to leave the residence compounds after dark until the danger from "irregulars" in this neighborhood will have ceased.

The following message was sent by the American Consul at Hankow under date of September 4:

"Wilson and Miss Boring proceeding Peiping
Via Hongkong September 6".

Presumably Miss Burt and Mr. & Mrs. Hsu Fong-ch'eng are with them.

An apparently authentic report that Japanese soldiers had been quartered in the New South Compound of Tsing Hua proves now to be unfounded. It had been proposed but was not put into effect.

J L S

September 7, 1937

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To Members of the Faculty and their families

It is of the utmost importance that all members of our community avoid public discussion of current political issues. Word has reached me of two persons who talked together at length on this subject during a trip to the city in voices easily audible to other passengers with a Japanese sitting directly behind them. We ought all to be aware, however, that spies and informers are not limited to nationals of any one country, and we should be extremely circumspect in remarks made that may be overheard and reported on unfavorably to those in authority. Not to observe this caution may unwittingly do serious harm to the University, or to individuals among us.

In this connection it may not be amiss to call your attention to the censorship of letters and to urge that the same care be exercised in making references to the present situation. This applies even to material thrown in waste paper baskets, to our behavior when inspection is required at the gates or elsewhere, and to all such apparently trivial relationships with those now in power.

J.L.S.

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Notes from the President's Office

Dr. L. C. Porter and Mr. Hsiao Cheng-yi are planning to make another trip to Tientsin to arrange for students to leave there in a special car on the morning of September 24. Dr. Porter will spend the two previous days in Tientsin keeping office hours in the mornings. A letter is being sent to those students whose addresses we have. Members of the faculty may care to send personal notes to individual students in whom they are especially interested.

K. A. Wee, Ph.D., is due to arrive in Tientsin next Sunday from Shanghai and will doubtless come directly here.

Messrs. Wu Ch'i-yü, Ku Tung-ju, and Hu Yu-chieh are sailing from Shanghai on September 19 SS "Shengking."

Latest enrollment figures:	Men	221
	Women	<u>95</u>
	Total	316

September 17, 1937

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Yenching University
September 21, 1937

To the Members of the Faculty and Staff
Yenching University

Dear Friends:

Last week, in view of the widespread destitution among the village people near the University, President Stuart appointed a Committee on Relief Work, consisting of the undersigned.

The Committee has held three meetings and discussed the need, the form of organization, and the method of raising funds.

The authorities concerned agreed that for this year the responsibility for the "Community Chest" should rest with the present Committee, but that in view of the unusual need, steps should be taken to secure a larger sum than usual, and by a procedure which would be most convenient for all concerned.

The present committee voted unanimously, and with the approval of the University Administrative Committee, to propose the following plan to all members of the Faculty and staff:-

That all persons be invited to contribute to this year's special Community Chest, to be used chiefly for relief work, as follows:

- A. Those whose salaries are per month \$150 or more to contribute 10% of one month's salary.
- B. Those whose salaries are per month from \$75 to \$149 to contribute 5% of one month's salary.
- C. Those whose salaries are less per month than \$75 are requested to contribute such sums as they themselves designate.

The Committee suggests further that, in so far as the plan above mentioned is approved, the Bursar's office be authorized to deduct the sums specified from the October salary payments.

Kindly fill out and return direct to the Bursar's office the blank below before September 30th. May we have it understood that "silence gives consent", and that persons who do not reply before September 30th consent to the application of the plan.

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Facts Concerning the Incident at No. 1 Tien Ho Ch'ang

Tuesday evening at about 8 o'clock Mr. Lu K'an-ju was visited at his house, No. 1 Tien Ho Ch'ang, by what seemed to be bandits. Three men entered his premises by his own gate, tied up the hands of the servant who opened the door, and demanded an interview with Mr. Lu, who was forced to give them two hundred dollars and two watches. The incident was reported to the police the next morning and investigations made. Meanwhile the police station in Haitien reported to the University authorities that three robbers had been taken that night about 10 o'clock, and were being detained. Mr. Lu identified the things in their possession as belonging to his household. The robbers were taken to the P'ing Tze Men Police Station. Later Messrs. Lu and Shih went to P'ing Tze Men Police Station, where it was discovered that one of the three men arrested was the son of a former amah of Mrs. Learmonth and himself a former employe in one of the departments. He has been a notoriously unprincipled man and a narcotic addict. This incident need not be regarded as an instance of possible danger to our community except in so far as the general disturbed conditions prompted the attempt of a disreputable local group to benefit themselves while giving vent to a personal grievance. Incidentally, the leader was armed with what proved to be a child's toy pistol.

J L S

September 23, 1937

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Notes From the President's Office

Faculty Reunion. There will be a Faculty Reunion at the President's House on Friday, October 1, from 4-6:30 p.m. to welcome the new members of the faculty and greet each other after furloughs and summer absences.

The new members already here are:

Dr. Martha Kramer - Home Economics
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Band - Physics
Miss Katherine Cherry - English
Mr. A. L. Pollard-Urquhart - English
Mr. Hsiao Cheng-yi - Chinese
Mr. Alfred T. Nih - Physics
Mr. Ch'i Zhang-k'ang - Education
Mr. Yuan Wen-p'u - Economics
Mr. Lin Tien-shu - Economics (Part time)
Miss Kao Chun-che - sociology
Mr. Hauch Mu-lien - Biology
Mr. Mao Ying-tou - Biology
Rev. M. Garton - Anglican Mission

Members expected soon:

Mr. Robert Barnes - P-Y fellow
Dr. and Mrs. Hubbard - Geology
Dr. and Mrs. Sapir - Sociology
Mr. George Taylor - Political Science
Dr. K. A. Woo - Physical Education

Mr. Michael Lindsay has postponed his arrival for two or three months.

Arrivals Due from Peitaiho. Word has just been received that the Wolforz, Wiants, Moads, and de Vargas families are leaving Peitaiho today, and are due to arrive in Peiping tomorrow (Saturday) at 2:05 p.m. A few students are also expected. The Mead children will probably live in the city and attend P A S; and it is probable that Mrs. de Vargas and the children will live in the city temporarily.

Arrivals Due from the South. Mr. and Mrs. Li An-che, Dr. K. A. Woo, Miss Boring, and Miss Burtt are all expected to arrive today, possibly on the special car from Tientsin, but no definite word has been received from them as yet.

Mr. Gerald T'ien. We regret to report that Mr. Gerald T'ien was not able to get his steamer for the United States, so is spending the winter in Central China, with his family.

Dr. M. Elizabeth Jenkins will hold office hours from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. daily except Saturday and Sunday. Saturday office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Saturday afternoons, Sundays and holidays, either the doctor or nurse will be on duty at the Women's Infirmary. All Women students, Single Women of the Faculty, and South Compound families please take notice.

Chinese Study. Members of the faculty who wish to study Chinese this year are asked to report to Miss Lucy Burtt or Miss Cockingham.

Yenta Christian Fellowship!

Saturday, September 25th: from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the Women's Gymnasium the Christian Fellowship will hold its annual party to welcome new friends. All Fellowship faculty members are invited to be present, and take part in the programme.

Sunday, September 26th:
10:30 a.m. Dr. J. F. Li: "where is thy Brother?"
5:00 p.m. Dr. H. S. Galt: "The Faith of Liberalism."

← Please note change of time

Daily Chapel Services will be held from Tuesday to Friday in both Sage and Ninde Chapels, at 8:55 a.m. Speakers are Dr. Chao in Sage Chapel, and Miss Boynton in Ninde. On Friday morning Mr. Beal will play special organ music in Ninde Chapel. On Saturday morning there will be a worship service in Ninde Chapel only.

Local Situation. Due to the active efforts of the local detective bureau and police office evidence seems to have been secured that the looting in this neighborhood has not been a part of the larger organized banditry or groups of "irregulars", but a gang of local ruffians. Over 20 have been apprehended, and with the beginning of the arming of the Haitien police there is reason to hope that this form of disorder can be brought under control.

J. L. Stuart

September 24, 1937

Notes from the President's Office

Dr. L. C. Porter and Mr. Hsiao Cheng-yi arrived last night with another party from Tientsin, which included Misses Boring and Burt, Messrs Wu Gh'i-yu and Hsieh Ching-sheng; Messrs Ku Tun-jou and Ha Yu-chieh of the Political Science Department; about thirty students seven of whom were girls and several members of faculty families.

Registration to date (not including last night's arrivals)

Men	284
Women	<u>125</u>
	409

J. L. S.

September 25, 1937

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To the Yenching Community:

As you are all aware, the University has purchased the property popularly known as the Tian Hsi Yuan. This is an utterly pointless name and should be abandoned in favor of one more suitable. After considering various solutions it has been decided to adopt one of the original names: Ching Ch'un Yuan (鏡春園), "The Garden that Mirrors the Spring." You are all hereby requested to begin its use and to assist actively in displacing the old name before it become hopelessly fixed.

J.L.S.

July 5, 1940

本校社區全人公鑒：

查一般所稱之淀北園，本校已經收買，諒大家均已聞悉。惟淀北園之名稱，無任何意義，似應廢除而代以適當之名稱。經詢謀各方意見，及縝密考慮之後，覺該園「鏡春園」之舊名，殊雅緻妥切，已決定採取，希望大家今後一致稱用至為盼企。

司徒雷登 七月五日