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July 28, 1942

American Board of Commissioners  
For Foreign Missions  
14 Beacon Street  
Boston, Mass.

Dear Friends:

We have received a letter dated May 25th from Dr. Y. G. Chen, President of the University of Nanking, wherein he calls attention to an action taken on April 20th by the Emergency Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the University which reads as follows:

"EE-203 VOTED to express appreciation to the American Board and to Miss Grace Boynton personally for her services during this academic year, and to request that if it should prove impossible for Yenching University to open a unit as is now anticipated that Miss Boynton consider remaining with the University for a second year."

President Chen goes on to request me to forward this message to the American Board and asks for a continuance of the services of Miss Boynton if Yenching advises it is impossible to open a separate unit in September.

We have heard from various sources that Miss Boynton has been rendering an especially valuable service to the University of Nanking, and our office joins with the University in China in expressing gratitude to the American Board for its generosity.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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To the Board of Trustees  
Yenching University

Your Committee on Nominations and Audit has examined the detailed report as submitted by the Auditors, Messrs. Chambellan, Berger and Welte, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1942, and believe that the accounts of the Treasurers of Yenching University and Yenching College for Women for that period are in order, and that no change in procedure is required.

This Committee would like to express its appreciation for the consistently careful and accurate work both of the Treasurers and of the Associate Treasurer, Mr. C. A. Evans, on whom falls the main responsibility for accounting. We trust that it may soon prove possible for the Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China to relieve him of other duties for this primary responsibility.

Respectfully submitted,

Wynne C. Fairfield  
Wm. John H. Staley  
Margaret E. Beaton  
Wynne C. Fairfield  
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...to the Board of Trustees  
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Respectfully submitted,

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C. L. Tamm

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ROBERT E. CHANDLERJuly 20, 1943  
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7/24/43*Mr. C. A. Evans  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York 11, New York

Dear Mr. Evans:

Dr. Fairfield has just received through XGOY,  
Chungking, the following message dated July 10:LUCIUS (DR. LUCIUS PORTER) WRITES MAY 9 LIFE IS WELL  
ORGANIZED WITH DIVISION OF LABOR INCLUDING SANITATION  
AND STREET CLEANING. FOOD ADEQUATE AND VARIED WITH  
FRESH VEGETABLES. MAIL BOTH LOCAL AND FOREIGN BEING  
DELIVERED. HEALTH FOR FIRST SIX WEEKS GOOD. F(R)ITZ  
(DR. F. BAUMGARTEN) REPORTS HIMSELF WELL WITH GOOD NEWS  
FROM EARLE (BALLOU). NOTIFY NEW YORK.

GRACE BOYNTON

Dr. Fairfield is on his vacation but asked me  
to send this information on to you promptly. We have  
notified all of our American Board group who are inter-  
ested by a bulletin.

Sincerely yours,

*Lucille J. Downs*  
Mrs. Darley Downs  
Acting Assistant Secretary

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July 24, 1943.

X Mrs. Darley Downs  
American Board of Commissioners  
For Foreign Missions  
14 Beacon Street  
Boston, 8, Mass.

Dear Mrs. Downs:

We are grateful for your letter of June 20th quoting the  
cable from Grace Boynton.

This is the first word we have had from those interned at  
Weihhsien.

Very sincerely yours,

C. A. EVANS

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December 26, 1944

Mrs. Edward Lincoln Smith  
2520 Mount Baker Drive  
Seattle, Washington

My dear Mrs. Smith:

We are sorry to be so late in acknowledging your very generous gift toward the current needs of Yenching University, receipt for which is enclosed.

It is through the loyal support of American friends, like yourself, that the staff and students of the University are able to continue their academic work and to keep up their courage in these difficult days in war-torn China.

With renewed appreciation of your interest,

Sincerely yours,

Treasurer

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ROBERT E. CHANDLER

28 December 1944

Rev. Earle H. Ballou  
60 Gramercy Park North  
New York 10, New York

Dear Earle:

I presume at this moment when I am dictating this short letter you are at the South Station in Boston awaiting your train. We were disappointed that you could not call here at 14 Beacon Street either on your way out or in. However, we forgive you in view of your telephoned explanation.

Wynn has handed to me a Yenching Finance Committee report of December 16, 1943 in which Mary Stanley was mentioned as receiving full salary, January to June 1942. Recently Mrs. Wilder wrote wondering what arrangements had been made regarding living allowances for Mary Stanley, and that request led us to ask you whether or not the Yenching Finance Committee has made any further adjustment in the case of Mary Stanley. Mrs. Wilder says the Stanleys are going further and further in debt for their expenses while interned.

Are we correct in thinking that John Stanley has no claim on Yenching funds because he had transferred to the Language School prior to December 8, 1941?

A happy 1945 to all of the Ballous.

Cordially yours,

*Harold M.*

Harold S. Matthews

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Mr. Harold Matthews  
14 Beacon Street  
Boston 8, Massachusetts

January 6, 1945

Dear Harold:

By delaying I can answer two letters with one. On December 28 you wrote me regarding financial arrangements for Mary Stanley. It reached me January 2nd. On December 29 Mr. Evans wrote Wynn regarding Mary Stanley. It should have reached him on January 2nd. Hopefully Evans' letter answered yours, though, I understand, one or two questions may be explored a little further. In any case the matter seems to be receiving attention. I am sorry the prospects are not brighter for financial assistance for these young people.

This morning there comes to hand your letter of the 3rd, giving addresses of some people who may be interested in Cheeloo. I am afraid my letter to various mission boards may have been phrased a bit too diplomatically. Or perhaps you were not sufficiently diplomatic in your interpretation of a sentence or two in it. When I said, "We are not after subscriptions and gifts," I was using wai chiao yen yü. What we want are the names of a lot of people who have a lot of money and who, after a period of quiet and honest cultivation, will come across in fine shape as regular and generous contributors to the University, either voluntarily or on application of a little Christian persuasion! Note the sentence in the last paragraph of my letter: "who might become interested after a little systematic cultivation." Surely, Harold, your eyes are sharp enough to read between such lines! However, maybe you served me right by taking me a little more literally than I wanted to be taken. I will say this, that while we are very glad indeed to have the names you gave us, I doubt if Mrs. Ewing, or Alfred Heininger, or Helen MacEachron is in a position to do an awful lot in the matter of gifts, now or later. Maybe our plan won't work anyway, though it was a board secretary of some experience, Dr. Ruland, who suggested it.

We shall follow up the leads you gave in the latter half of your letter. As a matter of fact, Mrs. Lair has gotten out two issues of a news letter designed primarily for present and alumni members of the foreign faculty here in this country. We are asking her for her list and are planning to try to get each person on it to give us some names.

I suppose it likely that you are spending these days in Canada. As things developed I rather wish I had planned to go--not, however, that I am not glad to have the time more quietly here.

Cordially yours,

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February 9, 1945

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ROBERT E. CHANDLER

Rev. Earle H. Ballou  
Associated Boards for Christian Colleges in China  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York 11, N. Y.

Dear Earle:

Wynn has asked me to answer your inquiry about our present attitude toward Stanley Wilson thinking in terms of early departure for West China to join the Yenching University staff.

Dr. Ward is opposed to missionaries of his age (64) going into West China under present living conditions there.

Wynn and I are inclined to think that while individuals one by one may be able to go back to the North China cities earlier from West China than they might from the U.S.A., yet we believe that the institutions will not move back until they can return to their former locations with communication lines open so that students can be free to travel to and from a very wide area. Therefore, if Stanley Wilson went out soon to West China the chances are he would be there for a few, if not several, years and then might be returned to America instead of making the move to Peking, since he would be almost if not at retirement age.

You are in closer touch with the Yenching situation in particular and with the situation in general and would be in the best position to advise Stanley from the standpoint of Yenching University's own needs and wishes. I think I would side with Dr. Ward in this specific instance unless a very strong case can be made which would move Dr. Ward from his present opposition. In other words, I would not hold out against it after Dr. Ward had given his consent. He is the one for you to work on, if you do draw up a case for Stanley's early assignment to West China.

Cordially yours,

*Harold*

Harold S. Matthews

Acting Associate Secretary

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## Foreign Department

June 1, 1945

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ROBERT E. CHANDLER

Mr. Earle H. Ballou  
150 Fifth Avenue  
New York 11, N. Y.

Dear Earle:

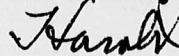
I am enclosing a page of outline entitled, "Tackling the Problems of Developing Christian Homes in China". There is a copy for you and one for you to forward to Y. P. Mei together with a copy of this letter.

This outline has grown out of my conference with Y. P. Mei and is simply a statement for us to think about and to work on. The cooperating units and institutions would have to be developed after the war in relation to the Yenching Center. I presume also that Cheeloo and other institutions will have some way of tackling this problem.

My reason for putting this outline on paper is that a very good friend of the Christian Home Movement in Oregon seems to be ready to try to find \$3,000 to help such a Center at Yenching University. His name is Dr. Brown at Salem, Oregon. I believe Y. P. Mei expects to call on him when he is in Oregon in September.

I presume that we will be getting from you or Y. P. Mei, or someone else, authorization to tell us just what the definite Yenching setup will be as related to the Christian Homes Movement in China.

Cordially yours,

Harold S. Matthews  
Associate Secretary

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cc- Y. P. Mei

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150 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, N.Y.

Foreign Department  
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Mr. Leslie H. Wilson  
150 Madison Avenue  
New York 17, N.Y.

Dear Sirs:

I am enclosing a page of outline entitled, "The Problem of Developing Christian Home in China". There is a copy for you and another for Y. P. Mei together with a copy of this letter.

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Earle Ballou

May 25, 1945

Tackling the Problems of Developing Christian Homes  
in China

Christian Home Training Center with Cooperating Units.

I. Center - Yenching University

The Center would - Train leadership to become centers around whom would develop the Christian Homes Movement in each mission station.

The Center would - Experiment and evolve strategy and create handbooks for various phases and general manuals for those founding and developing Christian homes in each community.

The Center would - Weave the available faculty into various departments such as:

- (1) Religion and Ethics
- (2) Economics
- (3) Food - clothing - shelter - health sanitation
- (4) Sociology
- (5) Kindergarten and child training
- (6) Marriage and parenthood
- (7) Social and recreational
- (8) Music in the home

The Center would collect as complete a library as possible.

Make available research discoveries.

Prepare a literature program to stimulate Christian Home Life.

Prepare Visual Educational Material.

II. Cooperating Units and Institutions - Christian Homes'  
Committees in Mission Stations, and Institutions.

These would secure and use the leadership trained by the Center plus other local missionary and Chinese leaders.

The handbooks - manuals, etc. would be used in short courses given in schools - hospitals - city churches - in Lay Training institutes, etc. Mothers' Clubs - Parent-Teacher Associations.

Aims - "Each home - a case by itself."

"Each home - a practice center."

"Each community - a collection of Christian homes creating a Christian Community Program and Spirit."

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