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Rochester, N. Y. March 27, 1920.

Dr. Henry W. Luce,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Luce:

Under date of March 17th, Dr. William P. Shell wrote me as follows: "Dr. Brown asks me to say that the whole question of our Board's relation with the Industrial Department of Peking University, will have to go over until after April 10th, on which date the Board of Trustees of Peking University is to meet. Many of us are anxious to send Dr. Vincent, formerly of Siam, to Peking, but the trouble is that our Board has already provided its full quota of professors on the faculty at Peking, while the other Boards have not reached their full quota. I am very sorry that it is impossible for me to answer your question more satisfactorily at this time."

In view of this uncertainty we could not tell our people that any special gifts which they might make to Peking University would be counted as part of our contribution to the general New Era Fund, and inasmuch as it was necessary in order to bring our people up to the larger increased apportionment to our church to tell them that they would not be further solicited during the coming year, we cannot present the cause for Peking University to them. Our canvass was made last Sunday.

Of course Mr. Farley with his special family interest is free to do as he likes and he may be able to interest some of his friends.

I am very sorry that the situation is as it is, but you see how we are placed.

Yours very truly,

W. E. Taylor

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Brick Pres. Church
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Replied - now
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March 22, 1924

My dear Dr. Nixon:

I can hardly expect that you will recall me though once when in Rochester I heard you preach in the Brick Church and met you briefly. I am a colleague of Dr. Stuart of Peking University, who I think stopped off to see you a few weeks ago to confer about possible relationships between the Brick Church and Peking University, carrying out some suggested plan that Dr. Weeks had hoped to carry out in case he had come to Rochester.

Dr. Stuart left for England immediately before I had opportunity to inquire of him what the result of your conference together was. In view of the fact that I am leaving for China the middle of April with Dr. Stuart I was wondering if it would not be agreeable to your plans to give me opportunity to present to your people the whole great question of China and American relationships with brief mention (if it seemed desirable) of the relation of Peking University to this great task. My objective would be entirely informative so your people would have the problem clearly before them and I would not regard my presentation as committing you to anything but only furnishing you data on which to make your decision as to whether you would be willing to plan to take some part in this inspiring task.

I fully realize that one does not likely give up a service in your church though in view of the fact that my return to China is at hand I would hope you might find it possible to do so on March 30 or April 6 or 13. I know Reverend Philip Swartz of the Third Presbyterian Church and have spoken several times in that church. I should be pleased if you would call him up to assure yourself that what I would say would be measureably acceptable and in harmony with any suggestions you might make.

I would appreciate it if you would wire me (collect) any decision you might reach.

Believe me,

Very sincerely yours

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March 26, 1924.

Rev. Henry W. Luce D.D.
Peking University,
156 Fifth Ave,

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Dear Luce,-

Since receiving your letter I have hoped to see Nixon and secure his reaction to Dr. Stuart's visit. I believe that the Brick Church will do something of a very substantial nature to show its interest in the University. It will probably take some time to bring this to pass. Both Mr. Leary and Mrs. Strong are thoroughly awakened to the importance of our enterprise in Peking and I feel sure that they will be able to swing other influential leaders in the church behind the University program.

We shall be very glad indeed to see you and feel sure that a day or so in Rochester would be well spent. If you can let me know your plans in advance I shall try to have sufficient time to cooperate fully with you in anything which you may wish to do.

We are hoping to show our increasing interest in Peking in a very definite way, but with Dr. Strayer's absence and the general loss of his leadership our people are somewhat conservative about committing themselves to any definite obligations. I have, however, both real hope and faith in their ability and interest, and possibly by the time you arrive we may have worked out some plan that will prove this.

With best wishes, and trusting to see you in the near future, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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*Brick Pres. Church
Rochester, N.Y.*
300 Alexander Street,
Rochester, New York,
March 27, 1924.

Dr. Henry W. Luce,
Room 912,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Luce:

I have your letter of March 22 with reference to possible relationships between the Brick Church and Peking University. I am very much interested in the idea, but I do not believe that now is the time to present it formally to our church. We are in the midst of raising our budget for the new year, a task which is straining our people somewhat and the atmosphere is not favorable for the presentation of a new cause.

I assure you of my own personal interest in the idea, and if some plan can be worked out by which we may cooperate I shall do my best to further it. You can be sure of my own interest in advance as I believe intensely in the type of work you are doing in China. My wife was a missionary in China and knew Dr. Stuart there so you may be sure that we feel already a certain personal attraction to your work.

Sincerely yours,

JWN.WEB.

Justin W. Luce

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Taken from discarded file copy
December 12, 1929 E. W.

Brick Church

October 22, 1925

Rev. Philip Allan Swartz,
Central Union Church,
Honolulu, Hawaii.

formerly of Brick Church

Dear Philip:

Your letter of September 25th reached me just before I went to Rochester and helped me a great deal to get in touch with the proper men. I was there at the Wednesday evening supper and spoke about ten or twelve minutes preceding the regular lecturer and came into personal touch with the four men you mentioned: Messrs Stebbins, Seeber, Bahn and Wickes and their wives. I proposed that they select thirty-five or forty names who should be regularly on our Peking list and receive our literature and be definitely informed as to the University and its work.

I took a long automobile ride with Dr. and Mrs. Strayer, through the park and Mr. Strayer's condition is just about the same as when you left.

For some reason, mainly due to the fact that our notices to Mrs. Strong failed to make connection, she had failed to pay the last half of her residence. On my calling I found her ready to pay. Between the time of her last payment and now I have found that the cost of residences have increased \$500.00. I suggested that she pay the additional \$500.00 and we had a good laugh over my penalizing her \$500.00 for failure to pay on time. She invited me to dinner and Mr. and Mrs. Nixon were there also. We then went to the Eastman Theatre and saw the opera "Martha" given by school talent. During the progress of the opera Mrs. Strong sat ~~by~~ Dr. Nixon with the result that they raised the question of the possibility of Brick Church giving \$35,000.00 a year toward either a residence or the support of a man. I think our suggestion should be to get the residence up and then continue the amount for the support of the man. The present plan is for me to go back there October 30th and in a parlor meeting of about fifteen or twenty of their most prominent members, present the matter fully to them.

Seeing Mr. Eastman at the theatre I immediately sent him a note asking for an interview. This is the second time I have made the attempt with the result that I had an hour with him in his home and have confirmed "beyond the shadow of a doubt" that he will help nothing beyond the seas.

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Philip A. Swartz -

October 22, 1925.

The fact is that he has really decided to confine his giving to one or two calculated bits of work and I think he has already given over the residue of his whole fortune to Rochester University and they are paying him a sort of annuity.

You know enough about the China situation to realize that the stage was set whereby our Christian Educational institution might have come through with decreased influence. That has been true of St. John's University and the Baptist College at Shanghai. The latter opened with twenty-five per cent enrollment and the former with fifty per cent. Nanking, Shanghai and Peking have normal enrollment. Indeed, Peking has capacity enrollment in spite of her entrance requirements which are the highest in her history. I was surprised when I was in China last year at the very superior academic requirements for entrance and all through the academic course. In my own estimation they were too severe to justify and were justified only by the fact that we had such limited accommodations. Though our group stand very vigorously for high standards, I have an impression that our standards are the highest in China. One rather remarkable fact throws a flood of light on the increased prestige that has come to Peking University. You know the students Union in Peking number about twenty-five thousand students in about fifty-three institutions, I suppose the non-Christians outnumber the Christians 24--1, yet when the annual students' committee centering at Shanghai called a representative meeting at Shanghai and Peking was granted one delegate, the Peking Students' Union voted that this delegate should come from our Christian University and that the students of our University should elect him. That seems to me the most remarkable incident that has occurred on the foreign field recently and I would have been slow to have believed it if Dr. Stuart had not brought the news to us direct. He came home on a short trip in September on a proposed Institute of Chinese Studies, which we found was to be developed at Peking, and were eager to bring it under direct Christian influence. The matter has not yet been fully decided but I feel almost sure that it will come to ~~to~~ a happy conclusion and if it does it will mean to us the income of a million dollars will be devoted to the study of Chinese History, Language and anything that pertains to its culture, in the most scientific way known at the present time.

Letters sent to Mrs. Luce by Dr. Stuart are probably reaching her today in Peking. These letters suggest that she join me in America for the winter.

Although I took great care in the summer and in September thought I was equal to the task of going on through the Fall, I find I am not standing up very well even under a fifty-percent strain and the Trustees are wanting me to take a real rest. There are so many pros and cons in the complicated question of Mrs. Luce's coming that at the present moment I cannot make even a good guess as to what her decision may be.

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Philip A. Swartz-

October 22, 1925.

You may be sure that when I return to China , I will come by way of Honolulu and would have the joy of seeing you and Mrs. Swartz and your work. I have been there once or twice and can in a way visualize your work. I think the situation there offers a very large and most inspiring task for your wonderful zeal and energy. The Lord will still bless you. Everywhere at Rochester, there were the kindest expressions of affection and regards for both you and Mrs. Swartz.

With affectionate regards,

Ever sincerely yours,

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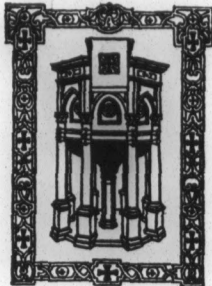
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The Brick Presbyterian Church

North Fitzhugh and Allen Streets



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Raymond P. Sanford

Rochester, N. Y.

October 26, 1925.

Rev. Henry W. Luce
American Office of Peking University
150 Fifth Ave.
New York City

My dear Mr. Luce:

In accordance with my telegram, I talked over with Mr. Farley the question of a meeting here on next Friday. We both agreed that on account of the pressure of work in connection with our Centennial it would be difficult to get our people interested at this time. It would be much better to have a meeting in January when we are making up our budget for the new year. It will be necessary for us to secure some pledges in advance for this project but that will not be impossible.

Mr. Farley suggests that it might be possible for Rev. W. R. Wheeler, his brother-in-law, whom we expect to have here for some of our mid week services, to handle a private gathering of our people on the same trip. I am writing to Mr. Wheeler today and am suggesting this possibility.

Will you get together all the data which you think I ought to have in support of a professorship at Peking and let me have it in the near future so that I can take the matter up privately with a few of our people such as Mrs. Strong? I am so glad we had the talk about Peking while you were here and I hope sincerely we shall be able to do something this year.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Justin W. Nixon

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THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
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156 FIFTH AVENUE
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DEPARTMENT FOR SPECIFIC WORK

SECRETARIES

GEORGE H. TRULL
MISS MARY W. KERR

October 30th, 1925.

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Rev. Harry W. Luce, D.D.,
Office Peking University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

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My dear Luce:

At the meeting of the Executive Council today, the matter of your appeal to the Brick Church of Rochester, New York, for funds for Peking University was fully discussed. Both sides of the question were fairly presented. It was the vote of the Council that the Department for Specific Work should communicate with the church, presenting to them the need for under-writing the Board's present pledge of \$3,500.00 annually to the University, and to suggest that the church apply its first additional gifts for the University to this obligation. As stated to you the other day, the Board already has the interest of \$1,000.00 on endowment fund applicable toward this amount so that we need \$2,500.00 more annually.

If the Brick Church is prepared to contribute \$3,500.00 a year to the University, \$1,000.00 of this sum would be new money for the University and might be the beginning of even larger gifts in the future. Dr. Speer said that he felt the Brick Church ought to be contributing \$15,000.00 a year to our Foreign Board.

Before communicating with the church, I want to send you this word so that you may know what instructions have been given the Department for Specific Work by the Executive Council, as it would doubtless affect your own

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further approach to the church. It would be unfortunate to have competitive appeals presented to the pastor.

Very cordially yours,

George H. Tull

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Wick Hill, N.Y.
Rochester, N.Y.

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November 5, 1926.

Rev. J. W. Nixon,
Brick Presbyterian Church,
Rochester, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Nixon:

It is possible that you will have received a letter from Dr. Trull of our Presbyterian Board, by the time this reaches you.

I did hope that we might work out some plan by which the Brick Church might get technical credit for cooperation with Peking University. At the present time the Board supports six men in the University in common with the other three denominations in the Union - and we give us \$3000.00 for current expenses. It costs us \$250,000. annually to run the University. We have to secure the last third of this by special appeal. The buildings of the University have been secured by such extra effort. That is why I must "live in my suit case". If the Brick Church should accede to the request and rules of the Presbyterian Board (which no doubt from the Board's point of view is a reasonable basis) the gift which you suggest would help Peking University in common with the whole work of the Board throughout the world. It would mean no great real advance for the University itself. At bottom, it really means there is a little competition between the needs of the Kingdom of God as a whole, and that particular spot in Peking.

I suppose that the whole matter boils down to this - just what the Brick church will desire to do. If it desires credit, doubtless the gift could go through the Board, as Dr. Trull suggests. If it desires to help Peking make a real advance at this particular time and without technical "credit" then a gift should be made "special to the University". Seeing that the matter is not urgent at the present time, perhaps we will have time to talk it over later. I raised the whole question simply because - expecting to meet your Committee - I wanted to be able to tell them exactly what the situation is.

Very cordially yours,

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Brick Pres. Ch.
Rochester, N.Y.

November 13, 1925

Dr. Justin W. Nixon
The Brick Presbyterian Church
N. Fitzhugh & Allen Sts.
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Nixon:

The enclosed little pamphlet tells something of the origin of Peking University. Its growth has been limited by its physical facilities. For the last three years we have had capacity enrollments and have been compelled to turn away sixty to seventy-five per cent well-qualified students simply because our plant was inadequate. Our enrollment this year is five hundred and fifty as it was last year and the year before.

At the present time the University has, in addition to its Liberal Arts Department, a graduate Theological Department, an Educational Department, a Department of Journalism and an Agricultural Department.

Approximately fifty per cent of our faculty is Chinese and there is not a single Chinese professor or instructor whose educational qualifications are less than would fit him for teaching the same subjects in an American college.

You will see a reproduction on the back of the folder of the new buildings and grounds of the University, which will be occupied in the fall of 1926. This will provide for an initial enrollment of approximately seven hundred students and our enrollment of qualified students will be limited continually simply by our physical facilities and our own desire for limitation in order to do the highest educational work.

Every professor in the University is working on a financial basis - approximately half of that given in American universities. Each one is doing this out of love for the work and in the belief that it is the greatest contribution which he can make by his own life to China and as a personal example of the value of the teachings of Jesus lived in every-day life.

It costs \$5,000 a year to cover the expenses of one of the American members of the faculty. It costs two-thirds of that to provide the amount for one of our Chinese professors and this will probably have to be increased fifty per cent within the next three years because of the increasing cost of living expenses there.

If it would be possible for the friends in the Brick Church, either to give a residence and provide for the expense of the professor who would occupy it, or at least to provide the salary of the professor who will occupy the house which Mrs. Strong has so generously provided, I believe this would be one of the finest contributions and most complete of which I know. It would also closely

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link up the friends of the Brick Church with an enterprise of unique constructive service both now and in the future.

Very sincerely yours

P. S. We have an ideal man whom I would like to have spend a weekend with you some time just while you are considering what can be done on this matter. If you meet him, I am sure you and the friends there will want to support him.

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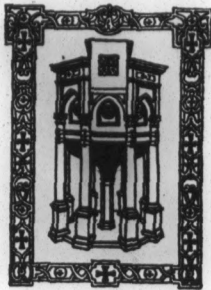
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Rochester, N. Y.

November 20, 1925.

Mr. H. W. Luce
150 Fifth Ave
New York City

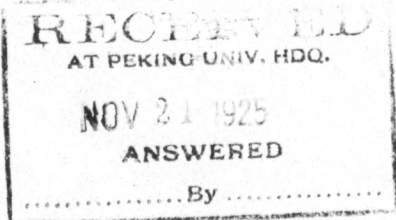
My dear Mr. Luce:

I have your letters of recent date. We shall go into this whole matter in reference to Peking University in January.

→ // The matter of getting credit for our gift to Peking is not of great importance. I have no letter from Dr. Trull in reference to this matter up to the present time.

Sincerely yours,

Justin W. Nixon



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Brick Pres. Ch.
Rochester, N. Y.

December 8, 1925

Rev. Justin W. Nixon, D. D.
Brick Presbyterian Church
N. Fitzhugh and Allen Sts.
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Nixon:

Your letter of November 20th, making clear that it would not be possible to take up the matter in reference to Peking University until January, came to the office when I was in the hospital and for some reason it was not forwarded to me and I did not see it until after I had written you last week. Had I seen this letter I should not have written you.

If I cannot be here to be of service to you in January, our executive secretary, Mr. J. H. Lewis, or someone else could take my place. Knowing the Rochester situation as sympathetically as I do, I should, however, like very much to be present myself at that time and I shall try to plan to be present myself at that time and this will be the more possible the later in January you set the date. I would appreciate it very much if you could let me know as early as possible after you have set the date. I shall be on the Pacific Coast but I am coming back East and would come earlier if I knew the date in time.

Very sincerely yours

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THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
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156 FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK

OFFICE OF SECRETARY

Brick Church
Rochester

January 21st, 1926.

Mr. James H. Lewis,
Peking University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Lewis:

Enclosed is a copy of a memorandum I have sent to Mr. Trull and Dr. Scott concerning the situation in Rochester and the desire of the Brick Church to support Leighton Stuart as its representative abroad, making its gift through the Presbyterian Board as an underwriting of the current grant of \$3500. made by the Board to the University.

Will you make sure that this is all right as far as Dr. Stuart is concerned? Perhaps Eric North can help clear this situation.

Our Council will probably act on the matter February 11th.

I want to say what a pleasure it was to be with you in Rochester. I heard most flattering reports of the impression you had made upon the various Rochesterians whom you met.

I told Mrs. Wheeler about the Marquis de Albizzi and she would like to depart at once for instruction in skiing at the Lake Placid Club.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

W. Reginald Wheeler
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January 21st, 1926.

Mr. Wheeler

Mr. Trull

On January 19th, Mr. James H. Lewis, Secretary of Peking University, and I were in Rochester and spoke at a parlor meeting in the interests of the University at the home of my sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Allen Farley, 251 Culver Road.

This meeting had been arranged by the Rev. Justin W. Nixon, D.D., pastor of the Brick Presbyterian Church at Rochester, who desired to have his church contribute toward the work of Peking University. Dr. Nixon wanted to secure contributions of approximately \$3,000. for the University. He desired his church to support a missionary on the University staff.

In talking with Dr. Scott before going to Rochester, I learned that there were no professors whom we might assign to the Brick Church, as the support of the Presbyterian quota of six has been assigned to various churches, but that the Board was contributing \$3500. annually to the University; and Dr. Scott suggested that we ask the Brick Church to underwrite a portion or all of this amount.

You promised to look up any women members of the staff who might be available and wired that you could offer Mrs. Luce and Mrs. Randolph Miller. The relationship of Dr. and Mrs. Luce to the University, as far as work in China is concerned, is not definite, and Dr. Nixon did not seem to desire to take on these two women as representatives of the Brick Church.

In the discussion at a luncheon engagement with Dr. Nixon, Mr. Lewis and Mr. Farley, the fact emerged that Dr. Stuart was not supported by any church, and Dr. Nixon proposed that the Brick Church give \$3500. toward the University, covering the current grant of the Board to the institution, the gift to be made through the Brick Church and through the Board, and that arrangements be made with the University to assign Dr. Stuart to his church as their representative in China. Mr. Lewis assured Dr. Nixon that this arrangement could be made as far as the University was concerned. The only question involved is the attitude of the Board.

Dr. Stuart at present is supported from current contributions to the budget of the University and doubtless part of the Presbyterian quota is going toward his support under the present circumstances. I think the assignment of Dr. Stuart to the church is a matter for the University office to arrange, and the only question would be whether the Board would object to this assignment being made of the contributions which is going from the Board to the University.

Dr. Nixon said that as this money represented a clear plus in the giving of the church he would, of course, prefer to have it go toward the support of an additional Presbyterian representative on the faculty, but I pointed out that such an arrangement would be difficult to put through as our Board would hardly desire to

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increase its quota of six unless the other Boards also made an increase and this step could hardly be hoped for at the present time.

Dr. Nixon said that they desired to have their gifts go through the regular channels of the Board, but that if for any reason this did not seem desirable they would make the contribution direct to the University through the office of its Treasurer in New York, with the understanding that Dr. Stuart would be assigned to his church just as members of the faculty of Canton Christian College have been taken over by certain churches throughout the country.

My own judgment is that the best course would be to accept the gift of \$3500. from the Brick Church, with the understanding that this would cover the current grant made by the Board to Peking University, without the Board taking action on the specific designation of this amount, and that the Brick Church make its arrangements direct with the Peking University office, asking for the assignment of Dr. Stuart to their church as their special representative, his salary to be paid by the money grant made by the Presbyterian Board and contributed by the Brick Church.

Dr. Nixon said he would send in the formal proposal of the Church early in February after they had had a little more definite information concerning the results of their canvass for this object.

I will not be at the meeting of the Council next week, but will be present at the meeting February 11th when I suppose this matter may come up.

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W. Reginald Wheeler.

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*Brick Pres. Church
Rochester*

Fort Pitt Hotel

Pittsburgh, Pa.

Jan. 26, 1926.

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Dr. H. W. Luce,
Vice-President, Peking University,
Santa Barbara, Calif.

Dear Harry:

Mrs. Farley →

Last week, on Jan. 19th, Jim Lewis and I spoke at a parlor meeting at my sister's home in Rochester, and I want to send a note to you to report on the results of this meeting.

Dr. Nixon had helped to arrange the meeting and about thirty people attended it. We showed pictures of the University and told about its progress, and Dr. Nixon presented the suggestion that the Brick Church raise \$3500.00 for the current budget of the University. There were no members of the faculty, whom we could offer for their support, but it was pointed out that Leighton Stuart was now being supported by the University budget and not by any church, and that the Brick Church might wish to have their contribution applied to his support. The Church would like to have its gift go through the Presbyterian Board, and it was suggested that the gift of \$3500.00 a year could be used to underwrite the \$3500.00 appropriation made by the Board to the University, and that the University could assign this to Leighton's support, Leighton to be considered by the Brick Church as its representative on the foreign field.

We spoke, of course, of your hope that the \$3500.00 gift from the Brick Church could be a plus in the contributions of the Board to the University, but our Board would not approve of this, unless the other Boards increased their contribution, and in the present state of their finances, I am sure this cannot be done.

If the suggested arrangement can be put through, it will have certain advantages which I need not point out. If, for any reason, our Council and Board will not approve, then the Brick Church will probably make its gift direct to the University through the New York office, with the understanding that Leighton will be assigned as their representative abroad. This would mean an increase in the budget of the University, but it would also provoke a somewhat unfavorable reaction in the Council of our Board, and I hope the former proposal will go through. This matter

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will probably come up before the Council meeting, Feb. 11th. The Peking office will, of course, keep in touch with you on it.

I remember very well when you and I spoke at the Farleys' home five years ago. The successful issue of the meeting last week was really due to the preliminary work, which you had done at that previous meeting. I remember when the first \$5,000 came in for the University after you and I started campaigning for it. Last week, Jim Lewis and I reviewed the assets of the Institution, and Jim pointed out that contracts had been let, or were in the process of being let, for the plant and buildings at Peking, totaling \$2,000,000; and that within a few months, the endowment funds of the University will reach approximately \$2,000,000, without including the \$1,000,000 assigned to the support of the Harvard-Peking Institute. The miraculous way in which the University has gone forward, has certainly exceeded my most hopeful dream. I think we should thank God for the way He has blessed the Institution and ought to thank Him for the brave and good men and women, who have put their lives into the University, and upon whose sacrifice and devotion, it has been built. (over)

I told the group at Rochester that you were responsible for a large part of the development of the University, and I am sure that your ears must have burned as we spoke of you.

I hope you have been able to get a good rest. Connie and I enjoyed the Christmas message that you sent from California.

I am here trying to raise some money for Latin America, but it is hard "slogging" compared with raising funds for China. However, "In due season, we shall reap, . . ."

With love and best wishes.

W. Rex Wheeler

Dear Elizabeth

Last October I dined with Mrs Strong & Dr Nixon in
Rochester & this plan was decided upon then.
My suggestion to Dr ^{Nixon} that we have
this parlor meeting to interest his views
yours names were acceptable to him. It
was to have been carried out in November
but they later found it would conflict
with their "Centenary Celebration" of the
founding of their church. I am glad
it was not necessary for me to
return in January for this meeting. I
thought I would not need to because
Dr Nixon, Mrs Strong & Mr Farley had
the matter so much at heart. \$3500
a year is a fine sum.
Harry

Wheeler

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The Brick Presbyterian Church

North Fitzhugh and Allen Streets



Pastor Emeritus

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Ministers

Justin W. Nixon

G. B. F. Hallock

Raymond P. Sanford

Rochester, N. Y.

February 8, 1926.

Mr. James H. Lewis
American Office of Peking University
150 Fifth Ave.
New York City.

My dear Mr. Lewis.

Enclosed find a copy of the letter which I have just sent to Dr. Scott.

Will you confirm definitely by letter to me the willingness of the University to accept our contribution of \$3500.00 and to assign that amount to the salary of President Stuart as the special representative of Brick Church?

Everything acts very promising for raising the money.

Sincerely yours,

Justin W. Nixon

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THE BRICK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

North Fitzhugh & Allen Sts.

ROCHESTER, N.Y.

Feb. 8, 1926

Rev. George T. Scott, D.D.
156 Fifth Avenue
New York City

My dear Dr. Scott:

I am writing you today on behalf of a project in which we of the Brick Church are interested.

First, we should like to contribute to Peking University, annually, the sum of \$3500.00 which would be allotted by the University authorities to the salary of President Stuart.

Second, We understand through Rev. W.R. Wheeler that our Board of Foreign Missions makes an annual contribution to the University of \$3500.00 which is allotted to the general funds of the University. We beg leave to submit this proposition to you. We will increase our contribution from the Brick Church to the Foreign Mission Society \$3500.00 if the Foreign Mission Society will consent to have its \$3500.00 contributed annually to the general funds of the University, assigned by the University to the support of President Stuart so that he may be regarded as a Brick Church representative upon the faculty of the University. We understand that our Board of Foreign Missions already supports six professors on the faculty. We do not mean to disturb the arrangements in regard to any of them. Our proposition would simply involve a definite allocation of your contribution to the University general funds. In this way our Foreign Society would gain in its income from the Brick Church \$3500.00 a year.

Third, The sentiment of our people is such that if this proposition is not acceptable to the Foreign Board, our church will make its contribution directly to the University treasury, which will be quite willing, according to Mr. Lewis, the Secretary, to designate this fund for the salary of President Stuart. Under this arrangement the University would be the gainer to the extent of \$3500.00 but our Foreign Board would not benefit directly.

We prefer very much to make our contribution through the Foreign Society and we would like to know whether such contribution under the arrangement proposed would be acceptable to you.

Cordially and fraternally yours,

(Signed) JUSTIN W. NIXON

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November 18, 1929 JC

February 16, 1926

Rev. Justin W. Nixon, D. D.,
Brick Presbyterian Church,
North Fitzhugh & Allen Streets
Rochester, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Nixon:

Your letter of the 8th instant to Dr. George T. Scott, Secretary for China, he has handed to me for reply as our Department is responsible for making all arrangements with churches for the application of specific gifts. The Board is very appreciative of the offer which the Brick Church makes to provide \$3,500 annually for Peking University to cover the Board's pledge of this amount for the running expenses of the University, with the understanding that arrangements will be made between the University and the Brick Church whereby the President, Dr. J. Leighton Stuart, will be assigned to the Brick Church as its representative.

This proposition was presented at the last meeting of the Board's Executive Council last week and was voted upon favorably, so we are prepared to accept the offer of the Brick Church as above indicated.

We understand that Mr. James H. Lewis, Secretary of the Peking University, fully understands the arrangement which the church desires since he and Rev. W. R. Wheeler conferred with you about the matter when they were in Rochester on January 19th last. We are sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Lewis so that he may understand the terms of the agreement, and are writing him as per enclosed carbon copy.

If it will meet the convenience of the church we will be very grateful if payments on the pledge of \$3,500 may be made quarterly on or about the 15th days of April, July, October and January. Will you kindly let me know if this will be satisfactory, or if you prefer some other plan of payment?

In behalf of the Board and personally we wish to express our very grateful thanks to you and all the members of the church who are contributing to this fund. We are sure it will be a satisfaction to the authorities of the University to know that Brick Church is thus so closely identified in the support of the University's work.

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Cordially yours,

(Signed) George H. Trull

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*Put in
by R O Folker
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Rochester, N. Y.

March 31, 1926.

Mr. James H. Lewis
American Office Peking University
150 Fifth Ave.
New York City.

*The answer to
this letter is filed
F.P.*

My dear Mr. Lewis:

Our Every Member Canvass is completed and we are able to assure you without question the salary of President J. Leighton Stuart for next year. According to our understanding the first payment will be made on or about April 15th through the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions.

*Refer to
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Can you tell me anything about the status of the house which Mrs. Henry A. Strong has promised to build at Peking University? Our original plan as I talked it over with Mrs. Strong was to support a professor who should live in the house that she was building. Is there any chance at all of our getting Dr. Stuart into that house? I am sure that the whole project will set better with Mrs. Strong **if we can do that but**, of course, it may be utterly impossible to make such an arrangement, and if so we shall have to explain the situation to Mrs. Strong. Mrs. Strong is in New York City from time to time and I hope that when she gets back to the city you will call upon her and tell her how matters stand at Peking. I should like to increase her interest in the institution.

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Is the whole matter of Dr. Stuart's connection with us thoroughly settled? If so, we should like to put his name upon our church calendar as our special representative in the Far East.

With kindest regards,

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ANSWERED
By P. S.

Justin W. Nixon ✓

*Mrs. Strong's New York address is Mayfair House
610 Park Ave.*

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Brick Pres. Church.
Rochester, N.Y.

June 15, 1927

Dear Mr. Evans:

In the early fall of 1925 I conferred with Dr. Nixon, of Rochester. He desired that his church should cooperate in the work of the University, the thought being that they would support one of the faculty at \$3,500 a year. The original plan was that I was to return to Rochester in November, when the matter would be laid before the leaders of the church.

A little later he realized that that would bring the meetings in behalf of the University just to the time when they were to have their 75th Anniversary celebration, so he wrote me suggesting the postponement of it until January. As I was to be in the West at that time and Mr. Lewis in New York, the matter was left to him to carry out.

I had explained clearly to Dr. Nixon that if the church wanted credit for this amount in the Minutes of the General Assembly then the contribution of his church would simply become a part of the general funds of the Foreign Board and would not mean any real advance to the University. He said that they were not concerned about the credit and did want the amount to count on a real advance to the University. I passed on this information to Mr. Lewis.

The first intimation of the consummation of this project ~~which~~ came to me through the attached letter from Mr. Wheeler. I imagine Mr. Wheeler was present at this meeting because it was held in the home of his brother-in-law, and also because of his long interest in the University.

When I returned to New York I brought up the matter to Dr. George Scott, of the Presbyterian Board. He desired that we do not press the matter at that time because of the near approach to the 1926 General Assembly at Baltimore, where the question between the Fundamentalists and Modernists was to the fore. The gift of \$3,500 to the Board enabled them to say that all their gifts to Peking University were "special", and not given out of general funds.

Recently when I saw Dr. Nixon he expressed the opinion that our Finance Committee might take up the matter with Mr. Wheeler.

Very sincerely yours,

A. Wallace

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THE BRICK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rochester, N. Y.
January 3, 1928.

Dr. T. T. Lew,
American Office of Peking University
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Lew:

I am writing you at the request of the men of the Brick Church and at the suggestion of President J. Beighton Stuart. President Stuart, as you may know, is on the staff of the Brick Church and we are very proud of our connection with your University through him.

Our men are accustomed to have a mid-winter dinner and the natural date for that dinner would be March 9th. It is our purpose to bring to these dinners, of which we hold two in the course of the year, some outstanding interpreter of national or world affairs. It would be indeed a great privilege for us to have you as our guest at the March dinner. Will you not tell us whether or not you could arrange to speak at our mid-winter dinner on March 9th? If the date is not satisfactory, could you make it on some other Friday evening of March? Also tell us what your terms would be?

I am personally very anxious that you should be our speaker. Dr. Stuart has just been with us and we want to interest our people in the idea of a dormitory at Peking University.

In earnest hopes of a favorable reply,

sincerely yours

Justin W. Nixon

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T. T. Lew*

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MONTGOMERY E. LEARY, M. D.
827 MAIN STREET WEST
ROCHESTER, N. Y.

Friday
January
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American Office,
Peking University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Gentlemen;

The Brick Presbyterian Church of this city is planning a CHURCH DAY and MISSIONARY DAY to be held in February.

As a part of this days work and demonstration we are to have the activities of each of the mission stations and missionaries supported by the church, represented and demonstrated, as a means of informing our people and making out stations more real.

As you know Dr Stewart of Peking University is closely related to our church and we desire to obtain whatever material it is possible concerning him and his work, to use on that occasion.

Can you assist us in any way? If so we will greatly appreciate your cooperation and assistance.

Our plan is a booth for each station and in the booth any material we are able to obtain. This to be in charge of a committee who will if possible dress in costume and arrange the interior to bring out the desired background and then supply with information our visitors.

Thanking you in advance for your courtesy,
believe me, very cordially,

Caroline T. Leary
Caroline T. Leary,
(Mrs. Montgomery E.)
Chairman.

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MONTGOMERY E. LEARY, M. D.
827 MAIN STREET WEST
ROCHESTER, N. Y.

Thursday
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Yenching University,
American Office,
150 Fifth Ave.,
New York City. Attention Louise Maloy,

Gentlemen;

By this mail we are returning to you
at same address the material you so kindly loan-
ed us for the Brick Church Day exercises.

Permit us to thank you for your courte-
sy in supplying us so promptly and successfully.

The whole plan went through splendidly.
Every organization and activity in the church was
represented graphically. Visitors could easily
visualize the whole church program. Your material
was most valuable and we are confident that our
people now know better than before how much you
mean.

Believe me, most sincerely,

Caroline J. Leary.
Caroline E. Leary.
(Mrs M. E.)

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September 21, 1934

Mr. Lyman H. Thompson
150 Fifth Avenue
New York City

My dear Mr. Thompson:

I am sorry that my business trip to England, together with the interruptions of the summer months, have so long delayed my writing you in regard to the inquiries of the Brick Church of Rochester as to the handling this year of their contribution to Yenching for the support of President Stuart. I have, however, been giving the matter a great deal of study in an effort to formulate suggestions which would be fair alike to the Brick Church, the Presbyterian Board, and the University.

As I review our Yenching records, I find that in 1926, after conference and correspondence between representatives of the Church, the Board, and the University, arrangements were made whereby the Brick Church would contribute to the Presbyterian Board \$3,500 annually (the amount the Board was already appropriating each year to the general Yenching budget), the Board would in turn transmit this amount to the University, and the University would apply this amount toward the salary and allowances of President Stuart. This arrangement by which the Brick Church became responsible for Dr. Stuart's support has provided a most happy personal relationship which we are all very anxious to see continued.

For several years the Presbyterian Board has been compelled because of serious decline in income, to reduce its appropriations in practically every field of work. The Christian Colleges in China receiving support from the Presbyterian Board have in general received much the same cuts as other forms of work. While these reductions have added greatly to the serious financial difficulties of these colleges, they have always accepted them without demur. In the first place they feel that, as an integral part of the missionary enterprise, they must bear their fair share of the burdens the present economic situation has produced. In the second place it has been their experience that the Presbyterian Board has never been less than fair in its treatment of these colleges, and that in most cases it has gone just as far in the direction of generosity as its other obligations would possibly permit.

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Up to this year the Presbyterian Board kept its appropriation to the general Yenching budget at the figure of \$3,500 - about the only instance among the China Colleges where no reduction had been made. Then, at the beginning of the current fiscal year it announced that it would be necessary to reduce this figure to \$2,000. I did not have any detailed discussion of the matter with the Presbyterian Board so I did not know, until you told me, that Dr. Hall had written the Brick Church suggesting that \$2,000 of this church's contribution for Yenching be used to meet the Board's appropriation to the general budget of the University and that the remaining \$1,500 be applied toward the salaries and allowances of some of the Board's eight missionaries on the University staff.

From the standpoint of the Presbyterian Board we can see the reasonableness of this suggestion. The Board is struggling under the burden of very heavy deficits which have accumulated during recent years, and is facing the possibility of further deficits this year. In spite of these difficulties it has not made any reductions in its quota of missionary personnel at Yenching for several years, and it is quite possible that unless increased gifts are received it may be compelled to withdraw one or more of its representatives who are now serving on the Yenching staff. Hence it thought it logical to ask the Brick Church to help the Board maintain this Presbyterian quota at the University.

From the standpoint of the University this loss of \$1,500 is a very serious blow. We must, of course, continue to provide the salary and allowances of Dr. Stuart at all costs. And since the expense of living in China has risen rapidly during the last few years we have sought to avoid, wherever possible, cuts in salary. (This is particularly true in the case of Dr. Stuart, who carries heavy personal obligations, partly as a result of his position as president, and partly because of other responsibilities which he feels he cannot neglect). Therefore, in setting up our 1934-35 budget we have kept our appropriations for Dr. Stuart at their normal level and have gone on in the hope that in some way this \$1,500 might be secured from some other source. However, we are now facing a very serious deficit in our Yenching accounts for the current year and naturally would warmly welcome this additional \$1,500.

I understand from what you have told me that the Brick Church will probably be able and willing to continue this contribution of \$3,500 toward the support of Dr. Stuart, and that it is anxious to keep the closeness of this personal relationship which we have all found such a pleasant one, and that it has not responded favorably to the suggestions of Mr. Hall that \$1,500 of its contribution be applied to the support of other Presbyterian personnel at Yenching.

Under these circumstances it would seem to me that the best procedure would be for the Brick Church of Rochester to request the Presbyterian Board, for the current year, to transmit its \$3,500 to Yenching University as follows: - (1) The amount of \$2,000 to be used in payment of the Board's contribution to the general budget of the University. (2) The remaining \$1,500 to be forwarded by the Presbyterian Board as a special appropriation to Yenching University, as it is a special designated gift outside its regular appropriation. Yenching

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Mr. Lyman H. Thompson

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University would then apply this entire \$3,500 toward the salary and allowances of President Stuart as has been done heretofore.

Since you state that Dr. Nixon wishes us to keep our discussion confidential, I have, of course, been unable to ascertain whether the proposals made above would be acceptable to the Presbyterian Board. However, I have always found the Board anxious to carry out the wishes of its supporting churches and to deal generously with all of the institutions in which it participates, so I am hopeful that they will be willing to accept such an arrangement. We all sincerely trust that within the near future the Board will be able to restore its appropriations to more normal levels, so that the situation created this year will not be continued.

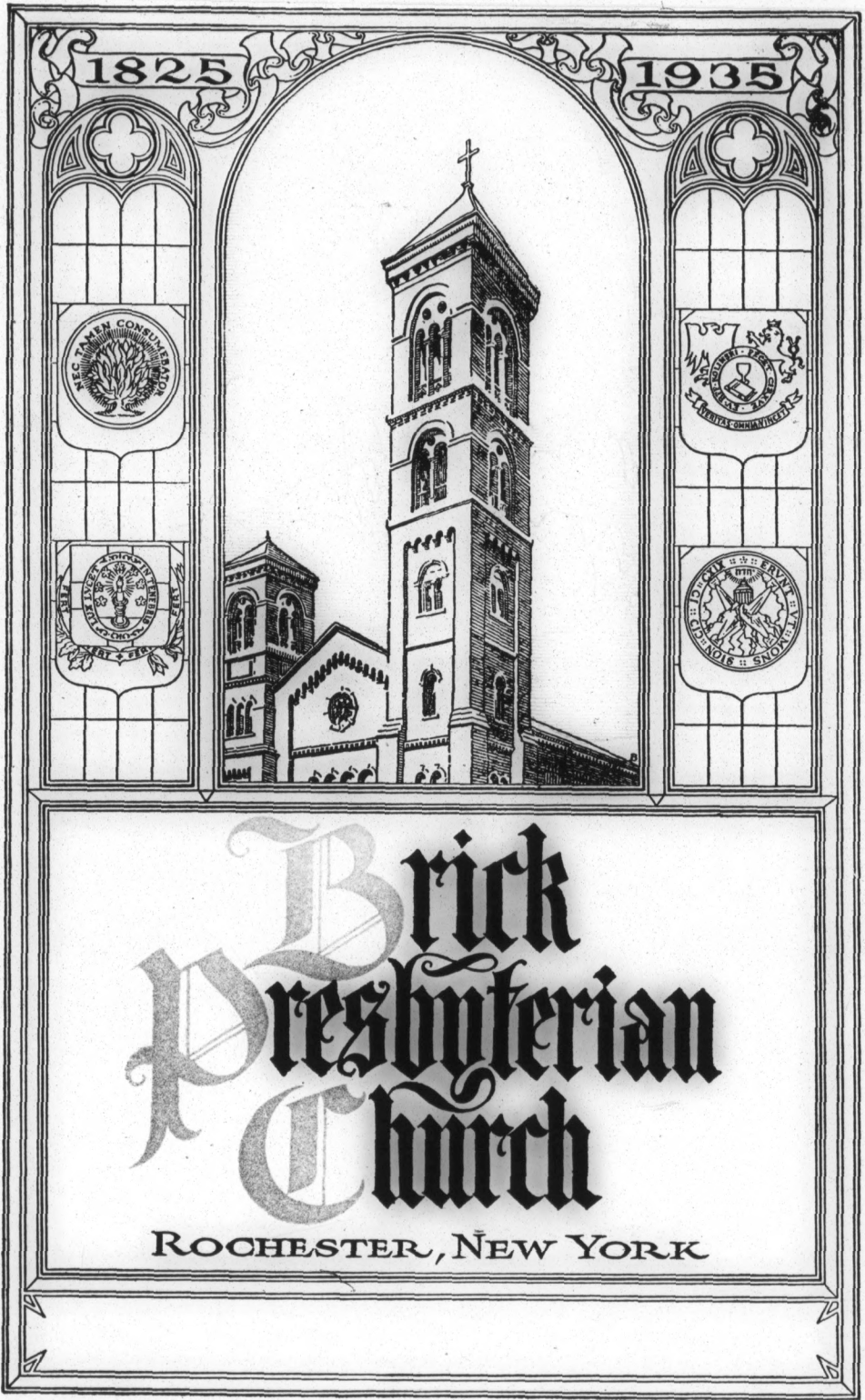
If there is any point at which these suggestions are not satisfactory to the Brick Church, I would be very happy to go into the matter further, and, if desirable, to confer personally with Dr. Nixon or with representatives of the Presbyterian Board.

Very sincerely yours,

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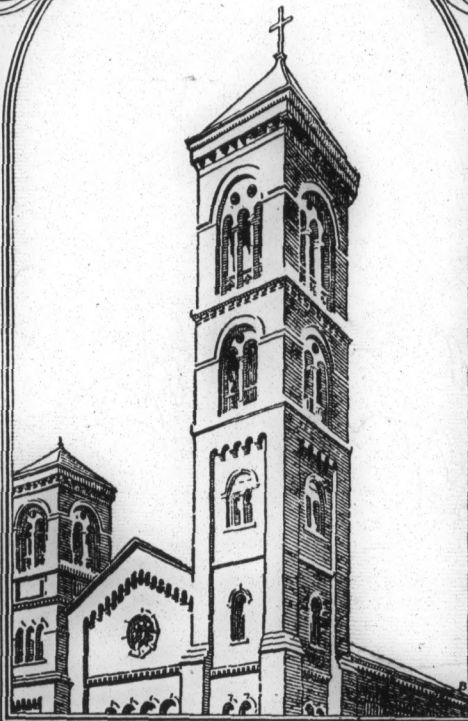
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Morning Worship

January 27, 1935

Prelude—"Vermeland" HANSON

Hymn Hymnal No. 278

Call to Worship

Invocation, Confession and Lord's Prayer

Psalter Selection No. 5
(Congregation rising with the Choir)

Scripture Lesson

Anthem "Te Deum in C" STANFORD

Prayer—Responses

MINISTER—*The Lord be with you.*
PEOPLE—*And with thy spirit.*
MINISTER—*Let us pray: O Lord, show Thy mercy upon us.*
CHOIR—*And grant us Thy salvation.*
MINISTER—*O God, make clean our hearts within us.*
CHOIR—*And take not Thy Holy Spirit from us.*

Announcements

Offertory—"Turn thy face from thy sins" SULLIVAN

Children's Sermon

Hymn Hymnal No. 308
(Congregation rising with the Choir)

Sermon

Prayer

Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude



Next Sunday

Sunday, February 3rd. Communion service and reception of new members at eleven o'clock with sermon by Dr. Nixon. The choir will sing "Crucifixus" by Lotti. Dr. Gutelius in Men's Class at ten o'clock on "Gideon—Stonewall Jackson."



THREE MONTHS WITH THE LIFE AND TEACHINGS OF JESUS

- Jan. 28. Luke 7:36-50. Your faith has saved you.
- Jan. 29. Luke 8: 1-15. He addressed them in a parable.
- Jan. 30. Luke 8:16-21. Nothing is hid that shall not be disclosed.
- Jan. 31. Luke 8:22-25. Where is your faith?
- Feb. 1. Luke 8:26-39. That frightened them.
- Feb. 2. Luke 8:40-48. Your faith has made you well.
- Feb. 3. Luke 8:49-56. Have no fear, only believe.

"Keep Your Sundays for the Lord"

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Morning Worship

January 27, 1935

..... HANSON
..... Hymnal No. 278

Lord's Prayer

..... Selection No. 5
(Congregation rising with the Choir)

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O Lord, show Thy mercy upon us.
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Holy Spirit from us.

"face from thy sins" SULLIVAN

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(Congregation rising with the Choir)



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Weekly Calendar



Sunday

Remember: Members of this church are expected and our guests are invited to say "Good-morn-
ing" to those sitting next to them at this service.
10 A.M.—Sunday School in all departments and Men's Class. Guest speaker, Mr. Olin D.
Wannamaker.
11 A.M.—Morning worship with sermon by Dr. Gutelius, "Storm Troops of Christ."
11:20 A.M.—The Children's Church League.
7 P.M.—Sunday Evening Club meets in Mary Rumsey Shaw Room. Bruce Gelser, Blodwyn
Bastian, Charlotte Van Alstine, Grada Hopeman, Hugh and Stanley Wilson will participate
in a panel discussion on "Practical Chivalry." Worship chairman, Helen Taylor. 8:15 P.M.—
Buffet supper (ten cents). 8:30-9:30, Special program.

Monday

10-4 P.M.—Dow-Wright Class all day sewing meeting.
7:30 P.M.—Brick Church Men bowl. Teams 5-6-7-8.
8 P.M.—School of Lay Evangelism under auspices of Federation of Churches in Institute.
Subject tonight, "The Reason for Lay Evangelism," Dr. Weldon F. Crossland.

Tuesday

6:30 P.M.—Hartshorn Class Dutch Treat Supper. Speaker, Rev. W. E. Saunders. Soloist,
Mrs. C. L. Stowe.

Wednesday

10-4 P.M.—Ladies Missionary Society all day work meeting.
4 P.M.—Young Married People's cooked food sale in Institute.
6:30 P.M.—Brick Church Night Supper and Lecture. Reservations by 12:30 P.M. 7:15, Singing.
7:30, Dr. Earle B. Cross of the Colgate Rochester Divinity School will give the concluding
talk on "Helps for Living Today from the Old Testament" entitled "The Wonder of
Love Divine."
8:15 P.M.—A comedy, "The Mad Breakfast," will be presented.

Friday

4:30-5:30—Junior Choir Rehearsal. Mr. A. I. McHose, director.



Dates Ahead

Tues. Feb. 5. Joint Dinner meeting of New Era and Brick Church Guild. Men invited.
Tickets 50 cents at Institute desk.
Wed. Feb. 6. Executive Committee of Association of Brick Church Women.
Thurs. Feb. 7. Hartshorn Class Luncheon.
Fri. Feb. 8. Joint Court of Honor for Boy Scout Troops 8 and 15.
Sun. Feb. 10. Baptism of Infants.
Mon. Feb. 11. Joint Board dinner meeting.
Mon. Feb. 11. Young Women's Class meets.
Fri. Feb. 22. Girl Scout Troop No. 11 Fifteenth Birthday Party.



Missionary Conference

Sunday

7:45 P.M.—Two mass meetings. Asbury-First M. E., speakers Mr. B. A. Garside and Presi-
dent Ching-Jun Lin. Baptist Temple, speakers, Dr. R. E. Diffendorfer and Miss Wu Yu-Chen.

Monday

2:30 P.M.—Mass meeting for Women in Central Church. Speakers, Miss Rebecca W. Griest,
Miss Li Dzi-Djen and Miss Wu Yu-Chen.
7:45 P.M.—Mass meeting for all in Central Church. Speakers, Dr. Robert E. Speer and Presi-
dent Ching-Jun Lin.

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Brick Church Ministry



Pastor Emeritus
 WILLIAM R. TAYLOR, D. D.
Assistant Pastor (Emeritus)
 G. B. F. HALLOCK, D. D.

Ministers
 JUSTIN W. NIXON, D. D.
 STANLEY F. GUTELIUS, D. D.

Staff Members
 MR. HUGH T. MCNAIR
 MISS EMILY P. HARTSHORN
 MISS RUTH E. KENYON

The Choir
 Mrs. Frances DeWitt Babcock, *Soprano*
 Mrs. Clinton L. Stowe, *Contralto*
 Mr. Albert W. Aske, *Bass*
 and vested choir
 Mr. A. Irvine McHose,
Organist and Choirmaster

Missionaries
 Miss Harriet Davies, *Friendship Center, Rochester*
 Mr. Raymond Anger, *Friendship Center, Rochester*
 Miss A. Elizabeth Farra, *M. D., India*
 Mrs. Frederick G. Scovel, *China*
 Rev. Leon D. Sanborne, *Arkansas*
 Miss Edith F. Gaylord, *Arkansas*
 Prof. Lester O. Vanzant, *Arkansas*
 Prof. T. L. Smith, *College of Ozarks*
 Rev. Dirk A. Lay, *D. D., Arizona*
 Mr. Joseph A. Poncel, *Santa Fe*

Special Representative
 J. Leighton Stuart, D. D.,
 President, Peking University, China

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Brick Presbyterian Church

121 North Fitzhugh Street, Rochester, N. Y.



March 1, 1935.

Miss Helen L. Woodward
Yenching University
150 Fifth Ave.
New York City

My dear Miss Woodward:

We shall be glad to make the change in the name of the University which Dr. Stuart is serving. Unfortunately a supply of the first and fourth pages of our church bulletin is already printed and we shall not be able to make the correction until the next printing which will be some time this summer. Thank you for calling our attention to this.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth E. Kenyon

Secretary to Dr. Nixon

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May 31, 1935

Dr. Justin W. Nixon
Brick Presbyterian Church
Rochester, New York

My dear Dr. Nixon:

Upon my return to New York last week I talked with Mr. Garside, the Secretary of our Yenching Board of Trustees, concerning my conversation with you as to the Brick Church's contribution this year toward the support of Dr. Stuart. Mr. Garside told me of conversations he had had with Mr. Lyman H. Thompson in the summer and autumn of 1934, after you and Mr. Thompson had discussed this matter together. He also showed me a copy of a letter he wrote Mr. Thompson on September 21st, 1934, and which he understood that Mr. Thompson had forwarded to you with his comments. Since it is possible that you did not see a copy of this letter to Mr. Thompson, I am enclosing another copy herewith.

Today Mr. Garside and I talked with Mr. George Trull of the Presbyterian Board and asked whether the Board would be willing to agree to the proposal made in the paragraph at the bottom of page two and the top of page three of Mr. Garside's letter. Mr. Trull told us, however, that he had within the last few days received a letter from you stating that the Brick Church would be willing to agree in general to the suggestion of the Presbyterian Board that only \$2,000 of your gift this year be allocated to the support of Dr. Stuart and the remaining \$1,500 be used elsewhere. I hope it is not too late to have you revise this action and take the course suggested in Mr. Garside's letter. Please let us know.

Yenching is, of course, very anxious to cooperate with the Presbyterian Board to the fullest extent. On the other hand we badly need this \$1,500 for the coming year and desire to maintain the close and cordial relationship which the Brick Church has so long had with Yenching University and with Dr. Stuart. We will be glad to concur in whatever plans you and our friends of the Presbyterian Board consider best for achieving these results.

Very sincerely yours,

Vice President

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June 17, 1935

My dear Mr. Gee:

I have your letter of May 31st in reference to our contributions to the salary of Dr. Stuart. As you know the Presbyterian Board will give us credit upon the quota of our church which we are assigned by the Boards of the Church for only \$2000.00 of Dr. Stuart's salary. We cannot afford to contribute \$1500.00 to Yenching University over and above the general quota assigned to our church by the Presbyterian Board. The result is a re-allocation of our funds and out of this has come a reduction in our total contributions to foreign missionary work. We are increasing contributions to the Board of Pensions and are making other adjustments. I do not know whether we could have maintained the \$3500.00 which we were contributing to Yenching. But we would have endeavored to do so if we could have received credit from the Presbyterian denomination for the gift. You see that in the situation in which our church finds itself, with a large number of specific objects of missionary interest, the decline in our missionary resources has affected our ability to give to the general funds of the Boards beyond these specific objects for which we have obligated ourselves. In the case of Dr. Stuart the Board itself asked us to make a reduction of \$1500.00 in our contribution to this specific object and with our release from this obligation the officers of the Session of this church felt that any funds so released should go to meeting our obligations in connection with other missionary interests. In this present re-allocation of funds we have a small margin of unassigned funds which we shall hope to send to our own Presbyterian Foreign Board.

Sincerely yours,

Justin W. Nixon

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January 10, 1936

Dr. Justin Wroe Nixon
Briek Church
Rochester, New York

Dear Dr. Nixon:

In connection with Dr. Leighton Stuart's visit to this country and to Rochester, and in the interests of Yenching and the other Christian Colleges, we hope for a special emphasis in Rochester during the next few weeks. I shall be in Rochester early next week and will call on you and talk through our hopes and plans. I shall be most interested in getting your counsel. There is a real crisis on for these China Colleges which represent, we believe, the finest and most progressive aspect of the mission and educational program of the Church.

Very sincerely yours,

Carlton M. Sherwood
Executive Director

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February 26, 1936

My dear Mrs. Nixon:

Before leaving New York today on my way to the Coast, I want to send a few lines to thank you for your hospitality during my last visit to Rochester. This was, as always on these trips to the States, one of the most pleasant experiences. It is a joy to know Justin and to have a little insight into his mental life and socialized activities. I hope John will make fine progress in health this year and have a clear leading as to what his life work is to be.

I have been much encouraged by the actual results of financial efforts during my stay in this country, which total about \$135,000. Much more to the point is the improvement in promotional organization which bids fair to ensure experienced leadership and continuance which is the most essential thing in the maintenance of these efforts. There has also been quite a little progress toward closer integration of the Christian colleges rather than the fatuous efforts to have a joint financial campaign of the type recently attempted in Rochester.

News from China indicates that the Government is preparing to make some form of resistance in the not distant future. What the effect of today's news from Japan may have is too early to predict, but in any case it would seem to indicate that the issue is becoming clarified, for which I am glad.

My farewell greetings to Justin and John and best wishes to all of you.

Yours very sincerely

Mrs. Justin W. Nixon
Brightford Heights
Rochester, New York

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Yenching University

June 25, 1936

Justice William F. Bleakley
County Court House
White Plains, New York

Honorable and Dear Sir:

We have received notification that a plan is to be presented before you in the New York State Supreme Court on June 30, 1936, covering the reorganization of the Westchester Bond & Mortgage Corporation.

It is our understanding that the Mortgage Commission law provides that a plan be declared effective provided one-third of the bondholders do not file a dissent. It is also our understanding that in case the dissenters do not reach one-third of the holdings, that it is in the province of the Court to decide that bonds held by the minority be purchased by the majority at the prevailing market price.

As we advanced \$40,000 of good money to the Westchester Bond and Mortgage Corporation on the assumption that their bonds were absolutely safe and sound, and as it is necessary for the Trustees of Yenching University to exercise every precaution in the protection of its capital investments, we do not wish to take any steps which will deprive us of any portion of the principal funds, and therefore are writing to you to express our judgment upon the proposed plan.

First of all, may I say that we have agreed to the setting up of trusteeships on various bondholding committees where the individuals appear to be competent to handle the affairs of the reorganization and trusteeship in a thorough, business-like manner. On similar grounds, we are ready to agree to the plan proposed for the Westchester Bond & Mortgage Corporation.

We are of the opinion, however, that the handling of the affairs of this organization do not warrant the expenditure of $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% fee, as some of our most difficult situations have been and are being conducted on a $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1% basis. The last list of mortgages involved in this corporation which is in our possession is far out of date, but if conditions have not improved meanwhile, it is quite conceivable that it will cost more to service some of these mortgages than the minimum of $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1%. There are many of them, however, which will not require any expenditure of effort, and the average which we have stipulated above would seem to be equitable.

The only trustee known to us among those suggested is Mr. Jaeger, and we believe that he will make an excellent trustee. The others we cannot pass judgment upon.

Very truly yours,

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