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July 8th, 1921.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that Mr. Clem Ruby has been appointed a member of the staff of Peking University, Peking, China, a union missionary university; that he is engaged in no other business, and that his appointment is for a special term and under salary.

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Secretary of the University.

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TRUSTEES OF
PEKING UNIVERSITY

May 1, 1922

Professor C. S. Ruby,
Peking University,
Peking, China.

My dear Professor Ruby:

I am very glad to inform you that the
Trustees of Peking University at their Annual
Meeting on April 11, 1922, appointed you to the
rank of Assistant Professor in Peking University.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS TRAINING

March 3, 1923

Dr. J. L. Stuart,
Office of Peking University
156 Fifth Avenue, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Stuart:

We are very glad to get word through the bulletin of the campaign results. Our thought and prayers are continually of you. We are sorry to learn from a letter from Mrs. Ruby's father that you were unable to reach Dayton at the slated time, much to the disappointment of many of our friends there.

In contemplating the equipment for the Business Training Department, I naturally would like to have as much up-to-date equipment as it may be possible to obtain. While I realize that very few of our students will be going into offices equipped with modern appliances, I should very much like to have in our department one each of the labour saving devices which are found in the average American office, so that in the event that any of these men may have the opportunity of using one or another of such machines after leaving us, they would be acquainted with them.

Had we now equipment which could be photographed for advertising purposes, I would send direct to the manufacturers of office appliances, appealing to them for gifts. However, the mere picture of a typewriting class has but little merit in attracting attention, when one wishes the gift of a machine, set down in our school, all charges prepaid.

I have made a list of some of the things which would add greatly to the attractiveness of our course, were we able to add training on these machines. Many of these I do not know where they are manufactured but perhaps from a copy of the System Magazine, you may be able to learn the name of the manufacturer. It is, therefore, quite possible that in traveling over the States on the Building Campaign, you may have opportunity to obtain some of these machines for us, to be forward at once. There, doubtless, are other machines which are superior to the ones named below, which have come out in the last five years. Such information could also be obtained from System or from inquiries in any of our big offices.

National Cash Register, Dayton, Ohio.

(Mr. F. J. Nichols has returned to the office of the N. C. R. after several years with the International Committee of Y.M.C.A., N.Y. It was he who interested me in coming to the Orient)

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Dalton
Burroughs Adding Machine
Sales " "
Dictaphone (Receiving Machine, Transcribing Machine)
Comptometer
Multigraph (Type set on a cylinder)
Newest Models of Remington, Underwood, Victor and L. C. ^{Typewriters} Smith
Numbering Machine for Desk.

Fisher
We should also be profited by having the System Magazine and would like to have a continuous subscription.

I realize that it is impossible for you to spend any time on these matters which are trifles compared to your big commission. However, if you are calling in any of the cities where office appliances are made, the manufacturers will, doubtless, be invited to your luncheon and after one has made a substantial contribution, the gift of one of his machines, which may be retailed for \$500, would be a mere trifle to him and a convincing address, such as you can make on behalf of Yen Ching, would make possible the extra gift, whereas a letter with your signature, even a month later, would probably be ineffectual.

If Dr. Luce and other Yen Ching people are traveling singly to various points, they might also be able to help the Business Training Department in this way.

With warm personal regards, I am,

Yours faithfully,

O. G. Muley

Underwood Typ. Co. 35 Nass St. ~~Brooklyn~~ in a folder to Underwood Pres. Will be in N.Y. next week

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Seattle - Wash. - 7/25/26.

Mr. Eric M. North -
150 Fifth Ave - New York City

TRANSFER

PLANNING

Dear Mr. North -

For the past five weeks I've been scouring Seattle in an effort to find work of some kind - no killing real estate, insurance nor automobiles. I have interviewed scores of the more influential citizens, as outlined by the Chamber of Commerce and I've listed with all the leading employment agencies. Not only that, I've advertised four days in the best local paper. No job.

Now I'm writing to propose you with facts so if I wire you to cable Dr. Stuart, you may give him my problem in code.

First, Dr. Stuart felt very bad that the work in Teaching Business Training Dept. was discontinued & offered to override the decision of the Deans' Committee & retain me - but I told him I would rather leave if the Chinese felt the work should be stopped. So I do not feel the least hesitancy in wiring him to help me - as I know he will gladly do it.

Ask him for all possible sources where I could teach, either my same business subjects or straight English. Sure Gay. Also at least three year contract. Will come at once - - arriving in time for Fall semester - would prefer to be in Peking. He could consult Mr. ^{Berman}

Bevan of the Yenching Board in re-
gard to some schools. I should want
as good as a missionary's salary & allow-
ances. If nothing in Peking, would
go to Tientsin.

He may answer in code to me &
Y.M.C.A. you advising what code is
used.

Now, I shall wire you if I decide
to have you cable to Stuart otherwise
you may file this for future reference.
I shall either have a promising
opportunity here in two weeks, or
have you cable Peking.

Thank you very much, Mr. North,
for your action in behalf of Yenching.
You shall hear from me in any
event.

Gratefully
O. G. Ruby
% Y.M.C.A.
Seattle - Wash.

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July 31, 1926.

Mr. C. G. Ruby,
c/o Y. M. C. A.,
Seattle, Wash.

My dear Mr. Ruby:

I hasten to answer your letter of July 25th by saying that I want to be sure that you understand that we are to carry you on furlough salary even for six months, if necessary, in order to give you a chance to find a position here.

If you have determined to return to China in any case, if you can get a position there, why do you not take this up with some of the Mission Boards or other colleges?

I do not, at the present time, have a vacancy in the five colleges which are related to this office into which you could fit.

In any case, please keep me advised, as I am anxious to help you in every way that I can.

Cordially yours,

Secretary,
Peking University.

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Seattle - Aug. 22.

Dear Mr. North -
Thank you for your ~~letter~~ ^{transfer} that you
had wired Peking. I have heard
nothing from Dr. Stuart so presume
he has located within there - I have
just connected with a store
here in retail selling, a job of which
I know nothing with the result I'm
getting practically no salary to start.
However, since I have my half
year fullough allowance (and many
in Peking that the University would
give me the full year owing to dis-
continuance of dept. and not ineffi-
ciency on my part), I have taken
it with the Frederick & Nelson
Dept. store, as I shall be promoted
as I get on.

My rent in the Yucca, I shall
figure on my report which I shall
render when Mrs. Ruby joins me
about the first of next month -
Mr. Wiant said the U. would pay
my transportation to Ohio & back
to Seattle, if I remained here, so I
shall have that statement in a
couple of weeks -

Also I want to add my boys'
ages - Jimmy will be 13 on Jan 31 next.
and Howard three Sept. 13 next -
Thank you for your kind consider-
ation in helping me -

Gratefully
C. G. Ruby

% American Express Co - to which I
P.S. have found a house - which I
shall move 9/1 - Rent \$50 per month -

My dear Mr. North - Seattle - Wash -
Oct. 11 - 1926 -

I am with the payment of my account
which should have been paid you
a month ago as my family has
been with me now since August 28th,
but I have found my new job
at Frederick & Nelsons more than
enough to take all my time when coming
from China - a land of ease - to a
floor man from dawn until six, six
days a week.

I have receipts for most of my ex-
penditures which I shall forward if
you desire.

Also I wish you would decide
how many more payments you
can make us & then cut the amount
I owe you, deducting part each month.
I am getting \$30 a week only and
while I know I can expect the University
to carry "dead stock" long, I don't know
how we could manage without
some help until we get a bit of a lift.
I also owe you for the cable to Peking -

Thank you for all the consideration
you have accorded us - I most
appreciate it to the full -

Sincerely

C. S. Kubie

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Peking University

October 26, 1926

Mr. C. G. Ruby,
c/o Y. M. C. A.
Seattle, Washington.

My dear Mr. Ruby:

The Finance Committee have gone over the matter referred to in your letter of October 11th as to the adjustment of your salary. The action of the Finance Committee has been in substance to take the position that they would guarantee you the equivalent of full furlough salary and allowances for six months from your arrival in America, with the understanding that your earnings in that period would proportionately reduce the obligation, and that, so far as the period after the termination of the six months is concerned, they would ask you to advise them as to whether you felt by that time that you were in a position to make a go of it on your own. The Committee wants to be fair to you and yet conservative in its use of the funds of the University.

As the matter stands, you would be entitled, on the annual rate, to \$1800. salary, \$300. childrens' allowance, and \$600. rent, which would be a total of \$2700. or \$225. a month. Our payments to you to date have been as follows:

July 20	Salary	\$150.
Aug. 25	"	150.
Sept. 7	Childrens' allowance	
	July and August	50.
	Rent allowance for Sept.	50.
25	Salary, childrens' allow-	
	ance and Oct. rent	225.
		<u>\$625.</u>

On the six months basis this leaves \$725. due. I understand from your letter of August 22nd that you began your new position about that time so that assuming that you will receive 17 weeks' salary by January 1st at \$30. a week, there will be a credit of \$510. to be applied on the amount above, leaving \$215. From this again, we deduct the balance on your travel statement, \$201.11 and the cost of the cablegram, \$10. This leaves \$3.89. check for which we enclose herewith.

Please do not hesitate to write us if this arrangement presses you too hard and if you feel that you are unable to get along on it.

Faithfully yours,

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Enc.)

Secretary
Peking University

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Peking University

April 9, 1927

Mr. C. G. Ruby,
c/o Frederick & Nelson,
Seattle, Wash.

My dear Mr. Ruby:

Dr. Stuart has written us expressing his judgment that arrangements should be made to pay you full salary to December 31, 1926 irrespective of your earnings in that period, and in accordance with that I enclose herewith check for \$510.00 which, as you will see by referring to my letter of October 26th, will bring the total amount up to the regular salary basis.

no. #320

I am sorry that you did not take this matter up with us directly as the concluding paragraph of my letter of October 26th asked you to do. We could have given you some relief sooner.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary
Peking University

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My dear Mr. Toth Seattle Oct 19 1927
Let me thank you for
your letter of the 9th & the draft
enclosed. Coming from eleven
years as a missionary, you
can easily understand that
I am in no way financially
able to compete with life in
U.S. and yet, as I wrote
Dr. Stuart, I much preferred
to lose it all than to in any
way lessen my chance of
returning to preaching, where
I daily long to be -
Gratefully
Cyril

c/o Frederick Nelson -



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Dear Dr. Stuart—

It was so good to see you, even
the depth of how you show the
terrific strain under which you
have been working— your heart and
soul are China's and when those
near and dear to you are being wronged
with no cause naturally your voice
bring cries out to the world for
justice— your message and your
sincerity in its delivery testify to
truth and challenge men everywhere
to administer justice in aiding in a
speedy conclusion of hostilities— your
immediately following Dr. Sherwood Eddy
and Sid Gamble, each voicing the same
plea, means for a real influencing of

public opinion.

So many fears come to me on points
of difference of the two factions the Mr. & Mrs.
Gardner, who are directly behind us, came
in response to my note about your King here.
Their daughter is in the staff of the Foreign
Y.M.C.A. with George Fitch and they had
some photographs just received from Shanghai—
My boys club still operates, there King about
fifteen regular men, and as many more
whom I see singly at irregular intervals—
However, my heart yearns for Peking
and yet I try to school and to reconcile
myself that my China days are finished—
How much the picture is colored by
my general contacts with Americans is
not clear, but one thing I do know and that

is, I thoroughly enjoyed my students in ²
the Teachers' College under Dr. Footing
Men and then my five years in teaching.

The lack of business in U.S.A. has
cost us our job and we are flat
financially, owing rent and a few bills
outside - Daily, I've faced over the
city, filling out application blanks and
giving most excellent references from
some of the best men of the town - for
instance Mr. Fraser, President for 25 yrs.
of Fraser-Paterson's Store, where I've had
complete charge of their entire main
floor for 2 1/2 years, told me a week ago
that I am the best floorman they have
ever had - but the business does not war-
rent the expense - I offered to return
for just our rent & food and still they
could not put ^{me} ~~it~~ on.

While you are hearing of men & depression
during your months in U.S.A., I wish you
would keep the Rubies in mind as we
are open for work somewhere - I would
prefer going back to Peking, and would
do so if conditions were at all suitable,
but next, I would go into the New York
Office, out on the road to raise funds
for the School, or even in other lines
where there still seems to be some busi-
ness.

When you get back next year you will
see many of our friends and we wish

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I remembered to them all -
especially Helen Chamberlain,
the Brittons, Deveringhams, Corbetts,
Eleanor Kitchen, the Lucers, ^{Gambles}
and others -

Naturally, you know our continual
prayers are for your successful
work for those whom we all love -
whether it is in U.S.A. in their
behalf or in reaching in the direct
contact

The tall Mr. Jimmy next to
me, one of my boys, I told him of

your son (whom I don't know now)
but spoke of your wonderful mother
when she helped John with his Latin -
I shall never forget how that in-
spired me, when I have forgotten
practically all of my Latin which
I studied for four years -

But I must get to work now.
How I wish I could "corner" you
long enough to take you hiking again in
the Western Hills, talk to you of
so much which is now appearing
on "Prayer", "the modern Bible",

"Gandhi" - &c Have you read
"The Magnificent Obsession" by Lloyd
Douglas? Have you seen "What Can
Students Believe", a collection of sermons
by some of our best, as Fosdick, Dr.
Brown, Dr. Cadman & others - also
"The Modern Pulpit", a group of sermons
delivered in the Free Pulpit in Boston -
Halliday's "Robbing youth of its Religion"
Pearl Buck's "Good Earth" Abend's
"Tortured China" &c &c &c -
Let me know some of the good things you
are finding - Thanks -

Good to hear from you - Wish
it could be longer, but understand
the application of Christ's words "I
must be about my Father's business -
It is your work and mine
with appreciation

Clem G. Kaley
626 = 13th North
Seattle
Washington

March 23/1932 -

April 2, 1932

My dear Clem:

Your letter has just reached me, and I am taking the chance to reply at once. It was indeed good to see you and Margaret and have a glimpse of the fine growing boys.

My heartiest sympathy in the problem you are facing at this time. Nothing would make me happier than to be able to suggest your name for any position for which you would be fitted, and I shall certainly keep it in mind, although on this very hurried trip occupied almost entirely with the immediate purpose that has brought me here, I cannot be very hopeful. The same is true of openings in China at the present time although this is always possible, and if after my return I hear of any such chance, I shall not forget to let you know.

I was interested in all the items of your letter including the comments on books you have recently read. I fear that my own reading is so casual that there is not much to call attention to in return.

It was an exhilarating experience to find the hearty sympathy with the Chinese side of the big issue in Eastern Asia immediately after landing during that busy day and a half in Seattle. It gave me just what I needed to know in the occasions to speak that have come since.

My greetings to Margaret and the boys and sympathetic remembrance.

As ever yours,

Mr. Clem G. Ruby
626 - 13th Street North
Seattle, Washington

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