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FRANCIS LOUIS SLADE
115 BROADWAY
NEW YORK

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December 17th, 1928

Mr. Olin D. Wannamaker,
Assistant to the President,
Yenching University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Although my charity budget is more than full--in fact, overflowing-- I want to express the interest of Mrs. Slade and myself in Yenching University by sending you the enclosed small check to help you complete your Fund, which we do with genuine interest and best wishes.

Yours very truly,

F. Louis Slade

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\$100 - 1928 Camp. - Undesignated

Gift received	12-18-28
Receipt slip #	2277
Entered on control record	✓
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Pledge signal attached	
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Checked for O. L.	✓
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FRANCIS LOUIS SLADE
115 BROADWAY
NEW YORK

ROOM 1212
TELEPHONE BARCLAY 4576

*J. L. Slade this
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April 14th, 1930.

Mr. Olin D. Wanamaker,
Assistant to the President,
Yenching University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Wanamaker:

I have your letter of April 7th
about Yenching, and in this difficult period
for educational projects in China, I am
willing to renew a former gift to Yenching, but
regret that I am unable, with other commitments,
to send you more than the enclosed check of
\$100.00.

*appeal for
Heating plant
fund!*

Please express to Dr. Stuart my
appreciation of the fine work that he is doing
at Yenching, with my best wishes for its con-
tinued success.

Yours very truly,

J. Louis Slade

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FRANCIS LOUIS SLADE
115 BROADWAY
NEW YORK

ROOM 1212
TELEPHONE BARCLAY 4576

April 17th, 1931.

Dr. J. Leighton Stuart, President,
Yenching University,
Peking, China.

Dear Dr. Stuart:

I have your letter of April 7th,
asking for a continuation of my last year's
gift of \$100.00 to Yenching.

I do not feel that I can make this
an annual gift, but in this difficult year,
I am trying to help out by sending you the
enclosed check for \$50.00, but with other
commitments and with my interest in Nankai
University, (as Treasurer of the American
Cooperating Committee,) and hosts of regular
responsibilities at home, I cannot promise
an annual gift, and declining income makes
this especially hard at this time.

Yours very sincerely,

FLS/mar

F. Louis Slade

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Mr. & Mrs. F. Louis Slade

~~115~~ Broadway, New York City
49 E. 67th St.

Gift received, Apr. 22, 1932 (date)

Cash Gift \$ 50⁰⁰
Pledge \$ ---
Designation End. of Nat. Sciences
Received through SLB
Entered on control record
Serial number 1384
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Receipt number 3566
Acknowledgment sent 4-22-32
Entered on renewal sheet
Checked for office list
Checked for mailing list
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Mr. and Mrs. Francis Louis Slade
115 Broadway
New York City

Gift received April 21st, 1933 (date)

Cash Gift \$ 50.00

Pledge \$ ----

Basis of payment ---

Designation Undesignated

Received through JLS

Control record serial number 1638

Entered on record card

Pledge signal attached

Receipt number ~~5878~~ 3869

Acknowledgment sent 4-21-33

Entered on renewal sheet ✓

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April 3rd, 1934

Mr and Mrs Francis Louis Slade,
115 Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Mr and Mrs Slade:-

Your check for the amount indicated on the enclosed receipt came to-day and I want to thank you most heartily for your gift.

During these days of uncertainty as to just what our future is going to be here in our own country and when an even greater uncertainty exists as to just how our hard times are going to influence Yenching's future, such loyal support as you constantly give us is most reassuring.

As you know our gifts have dropped off to such a degree that we are having to make very serious cuts in our China budget and we have the added difficulty of having a rate of exchange which is cutting our China local silver income from our American dollar endowment income almost forty per cent. So we are being hit in these two ways. In order to try to counter-balance this somewhat Dr Stuart is starting a campaign in China to try to raise a million dollars local currency. I do not think they have any hope of doing this any time soon, for it is a new thing for China but it is starting an educational process which will eventually bring us a good return we believe. The Faculty has underwritten one tenth of the amount and they will pay their subscriptions over a period of four or five years. The students will raise some funds, but this too will be a slow process even at best. We are hoping that the Rockefeller Foundation will be liberal with us and help us over our difficult times at least in the School of Public Affairs. We have requests for aid before them now and the China representative is doing his best for us, I am sure.

I hope you will pardon this long letter but I know of your great interest in what we are trying to do and this is my reason for writing you at this length.

Assuring you of our appreciation of your generous assistance, I am

Very sincerely,

N. Gist Gee.

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Mr. & Mrs. Francis Louis Slade
115 Broadway
New York City

Gift received April 3rd, 1934 (date)

Cash Gift \$ 50.00

Pledge \$ ---

Basis of payment ---

Designation 1933-34 Current Operating Budget

Received through Yenching News for April 1934 (but gives this amount annually in April)

Control record serial number 1697

Entered on record card

Pledge signal attached ----

Receipt number 3972

Acknowledgment sent 4-3-34

Entered on renewal sheet ---

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Checked for mailing list

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April 2, 1935

Mr. and Mrs. F. Louis Slade
115 Broadway
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Slade:

Our expression of gratitude for your gift of \$50. received this morning would be inadequate if we failed to add that it is doubly welcome at this time. Our country's abandonment of the gold standard has lessened the exchange value of every dollar we send to China, but with strict economy and the generous support of friends such as yourselves, we are sure that Yenching University will carry on.

Our official receipt is enclosed.

Very sincerely,

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FRANCIS LOUIS SLADE
115 BROADWAY
NEW YORK

ROOM 1212
TELEPHONE BARCLAY 7-4576

April 21st, 1936

Mr. George G. Barber,
Yenching University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Barber:

Your letter of April 20th,
about Yenching University, is received, and
it gives me pleasure to enclose my check
for \$50.00, renewing Mrs. Slade's and
my gift to Yenching.

With all good wishes for your
work, I am

Yours very truly,

F. Louis Slade

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April 28, 1956

Mr. and Mrs. F. Louis Slade
115 Broadway
New York City

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Slade:

We have received your very generous
check for \$50.00 and enclose herewith our official
receipt for this gift.

Just at this time, when Yenning is
taking a forward step in establishing the security
of its work in China, this gift from you is very
much appreciated.

Thanking you again for your help, I am

Sincerely yours,

Treasurer

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115 BROADWAY
NEW YORK

April 1st, 1937

Yenching University,
150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

It gives me pleasure to
enclose herewith my check for \$50.00,
renewing Mrs. Slade's and my usual
gift to Yenching University.

Yours very truly,

F. Louis Slade

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April 14, 1957

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Slade:

Thank you for your very generous gift of \$50.00 for the work of Yenching University. Our receipt is enclosed herewith.

We deeply appreciate your continued interest and support, and hope that you will find increasing satisfaction in having a share in the service Yenching is rendering to the Chinese people and to the cause of international good will.

Sincerely yours,

Treasurer

Mr. and Mrs. F. Louis Slade
115 Broadway
New York City

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*Mrs. Howard
? Miss Shelby
Vice Pres.
Branch*

Hotel Bellevue
Boston Mass.

12 October 1937

Dear Mrs. Slade:

You will already know that Margaret Speer is now with us, and that she is spending the next month on the Wellesley campus. For the next ten days she is to be left free to settle in at Wellesley, and to meet those members of the faculty and the student body who have Yen-ching's interests at heart. You may not know that Miss McAfee is planning to promote Yen-ching support among the Wellesley alumnae, who are at present not making contributions. The Student Chest at Wellesley is to be counted on each year for a substantial gift, but there has been no carry-over into the alumnae ranks, which seems an unnecessary loss.

As we look forward to the time after November 10th or 15th, I am wondering what we should plan for Miss Speer. She is giving this first half year to Yen-ching promotional work, and of course I should enjoy very much to have her continue with the part of the promotional program which is under my supervision. This would mean going from Boston westward to Rochester, Cleveland, and possibly Detroit, before the mid-year break in February. I am conscious, however, that the Greater ~~New York~~ area ought to have something of her time, and it is for this reason that I am writing to you.

Would it be possible for you, on behalf of the Yen-ching Women's Committee, to supervise Miss Speer's schedule in Greater New York from the middle of November for two weeks or longer? There is no one who could do it better, or whose supervision Miss Speer would more greatly enjoy. You, best of all, could make it possible for her to come more closely in touch with Bryn Mawr friends. I am hoping very much that you will feel that you can give time to this. Of course our New York office stands ready to use Miss Speer's time, and no doubt there could be helpful cooperation from that office even if you were primarily in charge.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. F. Louis Slade
49 East 67th Street
New York City

(Mrs. T. D. Macmillan)

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March 7, 1939

My dear Mrs. Slade:

The ad interim committee of the Greater New York members of the Women's College Committee will meet at eleven o'clock Tuesday morning, March 14th, at the home of Mrs. Firley, One Lexington Avenue. There will be a brief discussion of promotional matters concerning the Women's College and the meeting will end not later than twelve-thirty.

I hope you can join us for this meeting.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. C. C. Parlin

Mrs. F. Louis Slade
49 East 67th Street
New York City

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June 9, 1939

My dear Mrs. Slade:

Please accept our hearty thanks for your generous gift of \$100 for the work of the Women's College. Our formal receipt is enclosed.

Your gift is especially helpful at this time, when we are putting forth every possible effort to reach our goal before the end of this month.

With best wishes for a pleasant summer, I am

Sincerely yours,

E. M. McBrier

Mrs. F. Louis Slade
49 East 67th Street
New York City

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Copy of letter typed by Mrs. Robert E. Speer, addressed to
Mrs. F. Louis Slade, 49 East 67th Street, New York City

Hotel Irving
Greenwood, Mississippi
April 12, 1940

Dear Caroline:

With the news from Europe getting worse daily, it must seem like madness to try, now, to get more endowment for Yen-ching, but those of us who know Asia, know that the future of the world, and of our own country, hinges quite as much on what happens there, as it seems to turn on closer connections with Europe, and knowing what I do from Marnie's letters, I do not hesitate to do my utmost for this modest sum now asked for the Yen-ching Women's College.

There are few miracles greater in history than that Yen-ching should have been able to carry on undisturbed with the Japanese army all about them. The life on the campus sounds quiet, until one reads between the lines, or some uncensored letter comes through by the kindness of a traveller, then one knows the back-drop of strain and tragedy behind the routine of college life.

The faculty are doing their utmost to use what they can, that comes to them from the balance of exchange, to meet the most urgent needs, but it is not right that the Women's College - as a college - in relation to the University, should be in the position of a woman who has to go to her husband for each postage stamp, each car-fare, and when the cooks go on strike, it shows how close the village population is to rice-riots.

The amounts that have already come in for this endowment are miraculous, too. If we, here, in our safety and comfort, cannot help this need, one wonders what will happen to us. Here, in this hinterland, it is interesting to see that the sense of responsibility is at least growing.

You will do all you can, I know, both in seeing Florence Lamont and in your own gifts. If you want an interesting moment, go in to see the editors - and officers - of "China Today", on West 23rd Street. They are a gallant lot, as are the young men and women who are working on the Non-Aggressions movement.

We are here for Rob's work in the churches. I wish I could see you.

Love to you,

(Signed) Emma Speer

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49, EAST SIXTY-SEVENTH STREET

June 14, 1940.

Dear Mrs. Mcmillan:

I am truly sorry that I have been so long in sending a contribution for the Yenching Endowment Fund.

I had hoped that I really could do more but I have just talked with Mrs. Finley and told her I would send \$250.00, and this I shall do in September.

Sincerely yours

Caroline Slade

Mrs. F. Louis Slade.

Mrs. T. D. Mcmillan,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

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July 24, 1940

My dear Mrs. Slade:

You have probably already received intimations that by the first of July we had secured in cash and pledges the \$25,000 needed to meet the conditional endowment pledges for \$47,000, and thus to round out the \$100,000 endowment unit for the Yenching Women's College. We hope to have during September a meeting of the Yenching College Committee, at which a detailed report can be presented.

Mrs. Finley, Mrs. Parlin, and Mrs. Moore are all away from the city just now, so I am writing you in their behalf to give you this good news, and to thank you for all that you did, both through your own gift and through enlisting the support of others, to make this undertaking a success. We know that Miss Speer and all of her assistants on the Women's College staff are gratified and encouraged by the success of our efforts to provide increased income and security for the work of the College at a time of special difficulty both on the field and here in America.

Very cordially yours,

B. A. Garside

Mrs. F. Louis Slade
49 East 67th Street
New York, New York

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December 26, 1941

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Slade:

We are very grateful for your generous gift of \$50.00 for the support of Yenching University. Our treasurer's receipt is enclosed.

Since the declaration of war, we have had but little news from China and an accurate appraisal cannot be made at this time. We do know that China's needs are great, and that our obligations are compelling. Your gift is therefore most timely.

The Christian Colleges in China are built on everlasting foundations and will be preserved for China's youth if their Christian supporters continue faithful. You may be assured that as news comes, our friends will be notified.

As we pray for guidance, we can also be thankful for opportunities to serve in this war-torn world.

Very sincerely yours,

Treasurer

Mr. and Mrs. F. Louis Slade
115 Broadway
New York City

480 W.6th St.Claremont, Cal. June 16/29.

Mr.Franklin H.Warner, New York City;

Dear Mr.Warner;

I have just recvd yr circular to
yr Friends in regard to the prospective dedication of the Yenching Univer-
sity. It is only a few years ago that we were in a dense and apparently hope-
less Fog as to any kind of a union on a large scale in North China Missionry Ed-
ucation. The last place that I visited before leaving Peking in June 1896 was
the campus with several houses, but no ^{houses} compacted of college type. Now the 'open-
ing' is an incident in an Oriental tour for we know not how many travellers new
and old! It is a long stride since Dr. Joseph Edkins in 1861 began the first
Protestant work in Peking, and its present status!

Our Am.Board has always stressed education and rightly does so still. Since
the disturbances in China have become chronic evangelistic work has been inter-
rupted while many educational institutions-Yenching especially-have been rela-
tively undisturbed. There is a growing disproportion between the amounts expended
for evangelism and the higher education, and there is an increasing recognition
that the product of the higher education tends less and less to be available
for help to the common people. It seems no longer possible to get our graduates
to go into the country, or to ~~work~~ for such salaries as these important positions
can command-so much below the collegiate standard and becoming more and more so.

I hope the balance between educational evangelistic, medical, and rural work
will not be lost sight of. But the educational demands are vocal and insistent
while the others are far less so. As for myself I long since made my Will
constituting the Am.Board my residuary legatee. I am at present transferring my
property-or the most of it-to the Am.Board as a Conditional Gift. This throws
the responsibility of deciding in what direct expenditure is most needed on the

*Letter June 8
Signed by
Franklin Warner*

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administrators of the Am. Board, where I think it belongs. I do not ^{now} feel free to undertake various lines of general help as I have sometimes done. A little help to the Pilgrim Place Resthouse, &c, is an exception, but I ascertained that it was cordially approved by the secretaries of the Board, as well as others.

Yes, I did give a special contribution to Yenching for some "emergency" & I remember specifying that it would not make a precedent.

I shall be pleased to know that your Dedication ceremony attracts renewed attention to the great contribution which Christian missions have made to the Uplift of China, and that you are able to undertake and carry through this arduous tour without injury to your health.

I need scarcely say that we steadfastly ask the blessing of God upon you and your wife, amid your many undertakings and travels.

I remain most cordially yours,

Arthur H. Smith -

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