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Mr. & Mrs.

William Ives

1924 - 1938

October 6, 1924.

Mr and Mrs Wm Ives Washburn
149 Broadway
New York City N Y

Replied to Lion Letter of
October 1st - Gave -

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Washburn:

For your delightfully generous response of October 4th, simply enclosing your check for \$100., we are deeply indebted. In fact the friends of the University have put a great burden of responsibility, in the generous way with which they have contributed in this present appeal, upon us.

You will find an interesting article about the war in the October Peking News, which will be mailed the middle of the month. We are not concerned at the present time about any damage to our property in Peking. The only disquieting thing we have heard yet is the purchase of a very considerable number of French aeroplanes by General Chang Tso Lin and of the last batch, twenty were bombing planes. We hope, however, these will be used solely in army attacks and not for pernicious raiding over the great cities far behind the lines.

Very sincerely yours,

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PEKING, CHINA

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April 30, 1925

Mr. Wm. Ives Washburn
149 Broadway
New York City

Dear Mr. Washburn:

Your kind note and generous check has just come. Thank you sincerely for this. You have seen from the folder how vital this is to us.

We have credited this amount to the Mechanical Equipment and Expense Fund, which entitles you to another lion. If you care to have a second one and will let us know, we will be glad to mail it to you.

I hope that if you are to be in New York during the next month, I may have the privilege of dropping into your office for a few minutes to make your acquaintance.

Very sincerely yours

James H. Lewis.

Shall be glad to have another lion, but more glad to make your acquaintance. W.S.W.

Luce called May 1927
He was the only one who responded to the sub-card P.N. May 1927

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AT PEKING UNIV. MDC.
MAY 6 1925
A. M. W. R. E. D.
Lion sent

*James H. Lewis - 40 E 39
165 Broadway
Woolworth Bldg.
see lion*

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Windsor - 19
Ohr Young - 21-6
WMP - 28-3
Potage OK 5-10
McK Cant 12-14

Shall be glad to have another pair.
more glad to have you again. Love

May 27, 1927

Dear Mr. Washburn:

Our Treasurer, Mr. McBrier, has just returned from several weeks in Europe and as his office held your check for \$100 which you contributed toward the current expenses of Yenching (Peking) University, it did not reach us until today. Our receipt #1756 is enclosed herewith.

We are very glad of this expression of your continued interest in the work of the university and the officers wish to extend to you their sincere appreciation for the gift.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Mr. William Ives Washburn
149 Broadway
New York, N. Y.

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Washburn, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Ives

149 Broadway, New York City

June 27, 1928

\$500.00 - 1928 Camp.-Undesignated

Gift received	6-26-28
Receipt slip #	1952
Entered on control record	✓
" " acct. card	✓
" " contr. list	✓
Serial No. on L. and card	206✓
Pledge signal attached	✓
X-file cards	—
Letter ack. sent	7-29-28
Checked for O. L.	✓ 6-29-28 by O.D.W.
" " class card	✓
" " stencil	✓

In response to circular letter of June 25, 1928 from Mr. Warner

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June 29, 1928

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Washburn:

I hope you realize, even though I fail in my expression, how thankful we are for your generous gift of \$500 toward the present campaign for Yenching University. A considerable number of like-minded friends have responded in a very gratifying way to Mr. Warner's letter. We are now very optimistic as to the outcome. Mr. and Mrs. Boyd have graciously extended the time limit on their conditional pledge of \$90,000 until July 15th. We shall certainly do everything possible to meet the conditions and secure that splendid gift for the Women's College. You have given us great encouragement.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant to the President

Mr. and Mrs. William Ives Washburn
149 Broadway
New York City

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P.S. Our official receipt is enclosed herewith.

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Washburn, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Ives

149 Broadway, New York City

July 8, 1929

\$100 - Current Income

Gift received	<i>7-8-29</i>
Receipt slip #	2531
Entered on control record	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
" " acct. card	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
" " contr. list	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Serial No. on L. and card	<i>803</i>
Pledge signal attached	<input type="checkbox"/>
X-file cards	<input type="checkbox"/>
Letter ack. sent	<i>7/6/29</i>
Checked for O. L.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
" " class card	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
" " stencil	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

card

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Washburn, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Ives

37 East 63rd St.

New York, N. Y.

April 10, 1930

\$100⁰⁰ for 1929-30 Camp. - Current Expenses

Gift received	4-10-30
Receipt slip #	2735
Entered on control record	✓
" " acct. card	
" " contr. list	
Serial No. on L. and card	932 ✓
Plodge signal attached	
X-File cards	
Letter adv. sent	4-11-30
Checked for O. L.	✓
" " class card	✓
" " signed	Renewal ✓

This came in response to the letter appeal sent out for Residence Fund but Mr. Washburn scratched that designation off and inserted "Current Expenses"

NA In writing letter merely state
"current exp." - do not stress the
1929-30 Camp.

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[Handwritten initials]

June 15, 1931

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Washburn:

You have been such generous and devoted friends of Yenching that we should like to have the privilege of sharing with you some beautiful lantern slides of the University while Miss Wagner, one of our teachers, is in this country. She has been showing these slides and making a very interesting talk to some of our friends.

It occurs to me that you might possibly enjoy having me come with Miss Wagner and show the slides to you and a few of your friends at your own home. This could be done, I think, in such a way as not to cause you undue trouble or inconvenience.

If you will kindly let me know whether you feel that such a plan is practicable, I shall be glad to telephone for a definite hour and then arrange with Miss Wagner accordingly.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant to the President

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ives Washburn
37 East 63rd Street
New York City

ODW:KK

[Handwritten initials]

WM. IVES WASHBURN
150 BROADWAY
70 PINE STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

June 6, 1932.

Dr. Sherman P. Young,
Room 909, 150 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Young:

Your letter of June 2nd reached me in due course and I will admit that it gave me great distress for the reason that I am unable to do anything whatever in connection with Yenching University. It seems pretty severe for the Rockefeller Board, under the circumstances, to give no extension of time, but however that may be they may have difficulties of their own.

As far as I am personally concerned, I have retired from general practice and am dependent upon dividends and interest on my investments, the savings of many years. These are very uncertain this year and some are not paying anything. Consequently, I cannot make a subscription either in money or by a pledge in view of the uncertain conditions for the future. It gives me the greatest regret to be compelled to answer you in this way because I am greatly interested in Yenching, and I should be very sorry, indeed, to see this thing take the line, which is threatened. I hope you will understand my position and appreciate my inability to help out in this time of great need.

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With kindest personal regards and best wishes, believe me,

Very sincerely yours,

W. Ives Washburn
37 East 63rd St

W/P

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June 15, 1936

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Washburns:

In thinking of the friends of Yenching University, you are among those who have displayed real interest in the past. Your gifts of \$100 annually from 1924 through 1930 all came at a time when sorely needed, and we were very grateful for your help.

On reading the enclosed leaflet you will, I am sure, experience profound satisfaction in the phenomenal growth of the school. With scores of graduates filling important positions throughout China, this American-founded Christian university is now one of the most worth-while educational institutions in Eastern Asia.

From its inception the task of providing funds, erecting buildings, and maintaining required academic standards, has laid a heavy responsibility upon the American Board of Trustees. But with your help and that of other loyal friends, this great university has been brought into existence. The problem we now face - and we must face it squarely - is, can we maintain it? Unfavorable financial conditions both in America and China have reduced income by almost one-half. We have drastically reduced salaries and other budget items, but this has not solved the problem. We need \$10,000 at once to meet pressing obligations due July 1st. The situation is critical.

Obviously this money should be in cash, but if you find it impossible to participate with a ready check, then a commitment on the enclosed card with an amount which you could pay within six to twelve months would help greatly.

China needs us now, and needs us direly. Regardless of political disturbances, China will remain; likewise Yenching. Christian missions are not a whim or a vogue; they are basic and fundamental. This is a time for cool heads and stout hearts. The Orient needs the sanity and sincerity that is supplied through Christian leadership. Yenching has helped and will continue to help. Missionaries are not cowards, nor are we who sent them out. This is the testing time. You have proven your loyalty before and our Board of Trustees believes you will do it again. Will you do what you can, and do it now?

Sincerely yours,

President, Board of Trustees

Mr. & Mrs. William Ives Washburn
37 East 36th Street
New York City

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