

*C. Hsueh*  
THE  
FIGUEROA  
HOTEL



FIGUEROA AT OLYMPIC BOULEVARD  
LOS ANGELES 15  
CALIFORNIA



*Dr. E. K. Sanders  
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Houston  
Texas*

On the train near  
Salt Lake City, Utah  
Feb. 26

(1)

Dear Dr. Sanders,

How are you? Are you up working  
or still down on bed?

Both the school and I worked three  
good weeks on a British Visa but so far no news.  
At the same time I tried the other means too which is  
by boat to any Chinese port. There is no such boat  
from the East Coast but there is one sailing today from  
San Francisco to Tientsin, North China. As there is not  
enough time for me, ~~therefore~~ I am going to Los Angeles  
to catch it. It will sail <sup>for</sup> there on 28. It gives me two  
extra days.

Certainly I left N.Y.C. in a great hurry.  
My baggage was ready for flying — we thought  
there were more chances for flying. The minute we  
got the notice my niece & her husband helped me  
in every way. Before the packing was done, it was  
midnight, we had to stop and send my niece to the  
hospital, for the baby was on the way. We all  
laughed & laughed, for why should things happen  
at the same time! The baby arrived in the morning.  
They were disappointed for it is another boy. I like  
boys.

I have a roomette by myself on this  
train. I don't see people except meal times. I sleep  
a lot. This desert region is something to look at.  
Nature is a great wonder. Those rocks are mysterious

looking in a way. They remind me of Grand Canyon (2)  
I visited last time.

I try to write to my friends but while train  
is moving it is a little bit hard. I should have  
my typewriter with me. (Can you read this?)

Feb. 27

Hotel Figueroa

Well, well, I left cold snow far behind. It is warm  
and nice just like spring. There are trees and  
flowers everywhere. Maybe Houston is quite like  
this place. I was here 10 years ago. People  
are still so friendly and take time & interest  
in everything.

My boat won't be <sup>in</sup> until tomorrow so  
I have come to a hotel which I reserved before  
I left N.Y.C. It is close to the business center  
all the department stores & etc are clustering around  
I spent whole afternoon shopping. I didn't have  
time to do that <sup>in N.Y.C.</sup> and also I was not feeling  
well the past 3 weeks, down with a bad flu  
having fever quite a while.

Maybe I was a little bit too ambitious  
during the past year - most of my friends told me  
so and they may be right. I always feel that  
I am not as efficient as I was before the operation.  
Do you think I'll feel alright in the future? My

right upper arm is still bigger than the left one  
Don't you think it will stay that way the rest of my  
life?

I didn't go to the hospital for another follow  
up before I left, for I thought it was not necessary.  
If you were there I might have gone to say good  
bye in person.

Sometimes I feel very much disappointed for  
not to be able to complete my work in Columbia  
before I leave this country. No degree, no trip  
to Europe this time. I shall come back again  
one or two years after. Really I haven't done  
much these two years except I have gained my  
life through operation. I might not pay much  
attention to it and then might be too late if  
I were in China. I shall never forget  
you and Dr. Goheen. I shall be always  
happy to hear from you and your work  
shall be a great interest to me. My address  
in China shall be

McTear School  
Shanghai, China

5¢s for slow mail which will reach me within  
35 days.

May be you would like to read an official letter which I got from the Advanced School of Education they sent the original letter to China but also me a copy through my niece. I made a few more copies for my friends who are somehow concerned with my studies.

I enjoyed my radio on the train although the connection was not good at all. The radio is on now. A few minutes ago I heard from my favorite station WNBC in New York City. It made my heart leap for joy, as if I had returned from my home town. Well, I spent most of my time in that city in this country. No wonder I have such feeling.

Please take good care of yourself and good  
by Dr. Sanders!!!

Sincerely yours,  
Hsueh Cheng

I shall go straight to Peking, the new capital, only 3 hours riding from Tientsin where I shall land. I shall see the university where I did my undergraduate work years ago.

C O P Y

February 7, 1950

Miss Cheng Hsueh  
McTyeire School  
Shanghai, China

My dear Miss Hsueh:

It gives me pleasure to inform you that on recommendation of the Committee on the Degree of Doctor of Education, you have been accepted by the faculty of Teachers College as a fully matriculated candidate for the degree of Doctor of Education. The committee has also approved your proposed program of courses. Your work will continue under the guidance of your major adviser and your project committee until you will have completed the requirements for the degree.

Enclosed you will find a card of membership entitling you to all the privileges of the Advanced School of Education.

Sincerely yours,

Ralph B. Spence

Executive Officer