

Peiping.

March 13th, 1935.

Paul W. Meyer, Esq.  
American Legation,  
Peiping, China.

Dear Mr. Meyer:

In continuation of our conversation of to-day's date, I am sending you a list of contents of the several packages which we are sending to the Department of Agriculture, Washington:-

- 1) one case containing seeds and botanical specimens ( vegetable drugs specimens ).
- 2) one case containing botanical specimens; two packages of negatives; one package containing negatives of map of Inner Mongolia; and a Tibetan-Chinese list of Materia Medica.
- 3) one package containing four volumes of Tibetan medical texts.
- 4) one package containing the original of a map of Inner Mongolia.
- 5) One package with botanical drawings.



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Camp Temur-Khada,

August 19th, 1935.

H.E. Nelson T. Johnson,  
American Minister,  
Peiping.

Your Excellency,

Following receipt of your radio of August 16th,  
we have sent to-day the enclosed reply which, we hope, has safely  
reached you.

The Expedition's field work is proceeding satis-  
factorily. The seeding season will be over in a few weeks and  
we shall then return to Peiping to arrange for the despatch of  
the collections. We are at present working in the vicinity of  
Pai-ling miao, one day's motor journey from the railroad at Kuei-  
hua. Our address remains c/o Rev. Gunzell, Pai-ling Miao, Sui-yuan.

With kindest regards from us both,

I remain, Your Excellency,

Sincerely yours,

Encl. copy of radiogram  
dated August 19th.



His Excellency Minister Johnson

American Legation

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Sent from  
Pai-hing miao  
on the 19<sup>th</sup> Aug.  
1885.

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Yours sixteenth received step Please convey following  
Secretary Wallace quote Scientific work with collaboration  
Chinese botanists proceeds unhampered step Following your  
radio August sixteenth planning completion seed collecting  
within few weeks step if hastening completion fieldwork  
Suiyuan desired please advise step after return Peiping  
shall proceed as indicated Departments letter July ninth  
unquote Reerich

midnight  
21<sup>st</sup> Aug.



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His Excellency Minister Johnsen  
American Legation

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Yours twenty second step Please convey Secretary of Agriculture  
following quote Hope our radiogram nineteenth received step  
Referring recommendation going Sining impossible reach there  
before end September due bad condition roads floods and necessity  
obtaining extra truck for gasoline step New permission authorities  
also required step Also essential bring personally present exten-  
sive collections seeds herbarium Peiping for shipment step Much  
of seeding season will be lost during journey Kukuner where seeding  
season closes about end September due altitudes step Local seed  
collecting proceeding unhampered good results step Could terminate  
local collecting towards middle September and proceed as indicated  
Departments letter July ninth Please advise unquote Reerish

Copy of radiogram  
sent of the 24<sup>th</sup> Aug.  
at 8.30 p.m.  
Pai-ping Miao.



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Camp Temur-Khada,

August 26th, 1935.

To

His Excellency the American Minister,  
Mr. Nelson T. Johnson,  
American Legation, Peiping.

Your Excellency,

Following receipt of your radiogram of the 22nd inst. we have sent on the 24th inst. the following radiogram through the local Mongol Wireless Station:-

" Yours twenty second step Please convey Secretary of Agriculture following quote Hope our radiogram nineteenth received step Referring recommendation going Sining impossible reach there before end September due bad condition roads floods and necessity obtaining extra truck for gasoline step New permission authorities also required step Also essential bring personally present extensive collections seeds herbarium Peiping for shipment step Much of seeding season will be lost during journey Kukuner where seeding season closes about end September due altitudes step Local seed collecting proceeding unhampered with good results step Could terminate local collecting towards middle September and proceed as indicated Departments letter July ninth Please advise unquote Reerich".

We hope you have received our previous radiogram which instead of the nineteenth inst. was actually sent at midnight the 21st inst.

With kindest regards, I remain,

Your Excellency,

Sincerely yours,



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Peiping,

September 16th, 1935

Paul W. Meyer, Esq.  
American Legation,  
Peiping.

Dear Mr. Meyer,

We are forwarding by Ocean Freight two cases containing botanical collections ( property of the Bureau of Plant Industry, U.S. Department of Agriculture ) addressed to J.S. Roberts, U.S. Despatch Agent, Room 5, Ferry Post Office, San Francisco.

I am told that a letter from the American Legation to the Chinese Customs in Tientsin will be necessary to facilitate the passage of this shipment through the Customs. The American Express Co, Peiping, handles the shipment.

Sincerely yours,



Peiping,

Sept. 19th, 1935.

Paul W. Meyer, Esq.  
American Embassy,  
Peiping.

Dear Mr. Meyer,

We have received the Department's instructions to forward seeds by ocean freight, and therefore have to request the Embassy to issue a letter to the Customs Authorities in Tientsin to facilitate the passage of this shipment through the Customs.

The shipment consists of two cases containing seed material and constitutes the property of the Bureau of Plant Industry, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Sincerely yours,

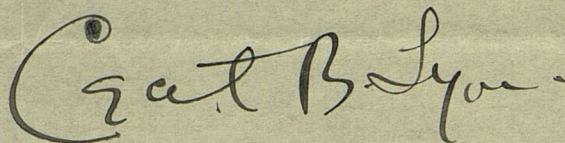


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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

PEIPING, March 19, 1935.

Received from G. de Roerich, care Hongkong-Shanghai Bank, Peiping, one package stated to contain botanical drawings for transmission to the Bureau of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., attention, Dr. E. N. Bressman.



Cecil B. Lyon,  
Third Secretary of Legation.