

Tourane, Annam.
April 11th, 1924.

Dear Brother Cadman:

I am enclosing Mss for the first issue of Thanh Kinh Bao, as follows:

1. Editorial matter
2. Report of Native Conference. Mr. Hoang Trong Thua.
3. Sermon. Cai Hoang Canh Moi. Mr. Wong. (Hoàng - ng - Tô)
4. Noi Ton Tat Ve Sach Thanh. Mr. Jeffrey
5. Thanh Kinh Du Huan. Dr. R.A. Terry.
6. The Re Ma. (first installment). Mr. Jeffrey
7. Sermon. Toi Loi. Mr. Wong.
8. Illustrations etc.

Extras: To be held over if not needed.

1. Sermon. Xuat Hanh. Dr. A.B.Simpson.
2. Sermon. Su Thu Ren. Rev. E.F.Irwin.

Mrs. Irwin tells me that she expects to send the S.S. lessons by May 1st, so they are to be included in this first number. If it should happen for any reason, that the S.S. lessons are not available for this issue, the extra material may be useful, and I have some more of Mr. Wong's sermons.

If you are absolutely forced to make a further cut on material, I would prefer that you hold Mr. Wong's sermon on Sin. Further than that I shall throw up my hands in horror.

Please feel free to change my order if you think best and to make any excisions in Mss. I have carefully considered the serial articles and would regret to have any of that material held over. I have given Mr. Wong's sermon preference to Dr. Simpson's and Mr. Irwin's, because I have more of Mr. Wong's which will be available for next number. Mr. Wong's articles also are part of the Native Conference idea.

Mr. Jaffray has suggested that we translate his articles on Revelation which are appearing in the Wuchew Bible Magazine. What do you think of the idea, beginning with next issue?

Will you please send me 100 copies of this first number. Do not charge them though as I may have a few left in stock. I will remit cash as it comes.

May I also suggest, though you probably have it down, that Messrs Olsen, R.M.Jackson and Stebbins be sent copies.

Enclosed also find a snap of this year's class in the Men's Bible School, which is for you and Mrs. Cadman,

yours in Him,

D. I. J.

Tourane July 19th 1924.

Dear Frank:

According to letters which arrived from Chut this morning, you are leaving tomorrow for Saigon, so I will chance a note giving the latest news. I sent a letter to Hongkong a few days ago but do not know whether it will reach you or not, in fact I sent two of them but asked to have them returned if you have left.

After connecting with past events by my previous letters you will note that I have sent Thay Dinh as Curwen needed him urgently. Jackson wired asking about Tu but I have left that till you see him. Herb. also wired urging that Long be sent immediately but I wired that nothing could be done until you had authorized it. I had to borrow money from Cadman to send Dinh as I am about at the end of the rope. (Please note this fact and act accordingly).

Curwen is in difficulty as far as finances are concerned. He wants me to send him two hundred to refund money to students and to help pay the fares of some men according to arrangements that I have made with him. I am unable to send this, so will you please see that he gets it. Curwen and Mrs. Smith want to come to Tourane as soon as possible but will not be able to do so until he gets this money.

Tiep and Thong have arrived here, they being the first installment of students.

This leads me to add a few more remarks concerning Thay Phan and the affair at Saigon. I have held judgement and tried to help Phan but the evidence is very bad against him. I have his letter, Robinson's letter and Tiep's testimony. No doubt Do will be able to tell you more, but according to Tiep things are exceedingly bad. Phan and Lang are standing together and fighting Robinson. Tiep gave me all the details that Robinson put in his letter without my saying anything, and it was certainly going too far for Phan to sit with his hands in his pockets and feet stretched out, to tear up a program in front of Robinson's face, to tell him that he was not fit to be a preacher, Lang told Robinson that he was a hypocrite. This was all done in the presence of other Christians. Tiep tells me that the men acted fine, Robinson didn't say anything, Pruett had to hold himself to the bench but managed alright. There are also other details of private conversation between Phan and Lang while Do and Tiep were with them which reflect badly of Phan and Lang.

My conclusion is that whether or not the men did anything that might hurt Phan's feelings, (and it is certain that if they did it was very slight and unintentional) that Phan has acted worse than any outsider could act. I feel that Phan ought to ~~give a serious public~~ ask Robinson's pardon and state that he is sorry for his sin, and if he has done things in front of the church, that he ought to publicly ask their pardon for what he has done as well as publicly ask Robinson's. If he does not do this I am urgently in favor of dropping him, i.e. suspend him till Conference and not let him commence Bible School. ~~For my part if the Mission vindicated a man like that and he refused to ask pardon, I would go home, or would feel mighty like it.~~

When one considers how Phan lets himself imagine things and gets worked up it almost looked as though he is demon possessed at the time. I suppose it is really pride, jealousy and a temper but he must get victory over it and it is up to us to help him or drop him as it is going to be serious for the work. Note for instance how Phan wrote Cadman, then his

letter to me, which was simply caused by his imagination without the slightest foundation in fact.

I was also very sad when Khanh showed me or told me of a letter from Phan to him. They left Phan off this new Benefit society somehow and he was mad. For that I don't blame him and blame Khanh, but in his letter Phan remarked you put a chinaman on the Committee but left me off. If Phan is going to keep on trying to divide and make division I think the sooner we drop him the better.

I hate to rake all this stuff up and know that if Phan repents we can quickly forget it all, but unless Phan gets down from his high horse one is forced to keep these things in mind and to realize that the future may hold worse in store.

This is all for the present,

with best regards to Mrs. Irwing, George
and the two Franks.

Ivory Jeffrey

Tourane Amam,
August 18th 1924.

Rev. E.F. Irwin
329 Rue Frere Louis,
Saigon, Cochinchine.

Dear Frank:

A couple of days ago Thay Tu came to me and said that he had certain matters on his heart but did not want to mention them, and stated that he was praying to know what to do. Today he was in, has just been in rather, and has told me the trouble, he also spoke to Thay Thua. I pass it on to you, trusting that God will guide.

There are three rumors abroad concerning the work in Saigon:

1. The mother of Do permits gambling above the chapel. Tu says he does not know whether Do is aware of it or not. When Do goes to church the mother is always anxious that Mrs. Do goes also. A relation of Thay Loi's is the authority for the statement that there is gambling going on over the chapel, she says the gospel is alright as far as words are concerned but not as far as actions are concerned.
2. The two grown up daughters of Do are said to be bad. Inquitrers come but are more interested in looking upstairs than in listening to the gospel. Tu says all the men from the south noticed this. Further the daughters sell books with cigarettes in their mouth and act, like wives of frenchmen.
3. Thay Nhuong's mother gave him 100 dollars when he left Sadec, but in Saigon he borrowed money from the Sadec men. Do's mother urged him to stay and offered him the youngest daughter. Tu says the Sadec men say that Nhuong has frequently committed adultery, they think, according to Tu that he committed adultery in Saigon from the influence of Do's mother and that the reason he lacked money is that he paid it to her. Tu says Nhuong sent Do to see about a boat so that he could be in the house with the daughters.

This is awful stuff to touch but whether this is all true or all false we have to avoid the appearance of evil, and the rumors are bound to hinder the work. If these things are true about Do's mother and grown up daughters it would look as though they would have to separate or else drop him.

In regard to Nhuong, I find him nice enough he was sick when he arrived ~~last~~ and wanted to go home but has been quite content since getting better. Two other men, Loi and Cung gave me a lot of worry as they decided to go home. I ~~cannot~~ begin to enumerate their complaints but they have come through splendidly. The southerners objected to Tourane cooking (not the amount this time) and I have put them in charge of it, our fellows kicked a weeny bit, or ~~that~~ I should say they felt a bit badly but everything is going on perfectly at present.

*Do not make any changes
whatever necessary*

P.S.

*Yours,
Joey*