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Dear Mr. Jones:

Dr. Meng's office has just phoned us long distance that Dr. Meng has unexpectedly and unavoidably been called to Washington, owing to the critical Chinese situation, I believe. His friend and co-worker, Dr. B. A. Lui, is going to come in his place - perhaps you know him too? I am writing you rather than phoning to give you a record of information about Dr. Lui, in case you are not familiar with him and his activities, and you will thus be able to select whatever you wish to use in introducing him. Here it is: Former President of the China Training Institute at Nanking. PHD from Columbia College in School Administration and research methods in education and author of "City Schools research bureau in the United States." Peiping Assistant in Educational Statistics at the Teacher's College of Columbia, does research at the China Institute. Chairman of the Chinese Students League of greater N. Y. President of the Students Council at the International House, N. Y. Has lectured in United States and Europe on Chinese philosophy, literature and education and on contemporary themes.

I don't recall giving you any information on the singer, Mr. Jen Kung Li, and you will want to know a bit about him. He ~~was~~ is former Director of Peiping Songsters, now a student at Julliard Institute. Considered one of the ablest singers from China, presents a varied program including ancient and folk songs as well as original compositions by contemporary Chinese composers. At the Music Festival of Allied Nations in March he represented China. Dr. Anup Singh writes of him:

"On behalf of the India League of America I wish to express our appreciation of your beautiful singing at the India-China Day celebration. The music of a people is truly the voice of the people, and on that evening we felt through your rendering of China's patriotic songs, closer to the spirit of China."

We do appreciate so much your introducing at this first lecture of the East and West Association a non-profit membership organization devoted to mutual knowledge and understanding of the life of the Oriental and the American peoples

Very Sincerely,
Esther Morgan McCullough

Jones received