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My dear Dr. Riddle:

I am always thinking of you in my daily prayers. Your personal influence toward me is immeasurable one. I admire you all the more after you left me alone in my study at the school. I could not forget your kindness and friendship which you have shown to me in the past years.

I have pondered upon one thing since you left the campus, that is, why did you leave the position among both the New Testament scholars and us, your faithful students. Now I begin to know that you have sacrificed all the position you had in the past for the service to your country. I have been in your country for five years and there have been several chances for me to leave here for my country Formosa after the war broke out but I decided to stay here and do what I can; and wait for the war come to its end and peace is restored to all mankind and everyone might be able to enjoy the democratic ruling.

But I am convinced that unless every person takes an active part in the process of making the new peace for all nations it will not come to be realized as soon as we can expect because the way toward winning the peace is still far beyond us.

As you understand I was born in Formosa as a Chinese Formosa and know how to speak, write and read both Chinese and Japanese very well. I am anxious to see this confused age come to its end and to see the new age which will bring to the whole world through the democratic rule.

For this end, I am willing to do something for the country which you love best and for which I have much respect.

If I have any chance to serve this country in offering my knowledge of the languages and cultures of

both Chinese and Japanese, I will be very glad to do my best for this country. But I do not know how to approach the government and to make my desire known to them, so that I might be able to do my part for this country. Therefore I dared to write you and express my willingness to you who I can heartily trust and know my situation best.

I would like to ask your advice and your help so that I might be able to have an interview with the proper person for this purpose.

Will you kindly consider this case as my sincere feeling and let me know about your idea regarding my attitude? Shall I thank you for your kindness and your friendship? May God bless you for ever.

Sincerely yours,

H. C. Liu

P.S. One of my Formosan friend has joined the American Army and now he is doing his satisfactory service for this country in somewhere of the South Pacific Ocean. I am the only one Chinese Formosa in the whole United State now.