

IV. Project

Projects for further study by the Committee, as listed below, aim at the expansion of the first field of its present studies as stated in the preceding section, viz., the study of the extent and effects of the industrialization in China.

1. Studies of the urban industries in Tientsin. The rug-industry investigation constitutes the first of a series of similar studies on the typical industries in Tientsin, such as the textile industry, brick industry, mat-weaving industry, match industry, etc. The plan of the Committee is to study each of these industries in respect to the sources and the cost of raw materials; technique, scale and expenses of production; sources, wages, hours, working conditions of the laborers and the apprentices; organization and functions of the guilds, etc.

2. Studies of the rural villages within the vicinity of Tientsin. The district of Tientsin has an area of approximately 2,550 square miles, divided into 389 villages. An estimate has been made that there are probably 99,000 families living in these villages, about 54,000 of which are agricultural, 23,000 of which industrial, 17,000 of which commercial, and 5,000 of which with miscellaneous occupations. The Committee plans to make a sample investigation of 100 villages, particularly those within the vicinity of the city of Tientsin and those which are predominantly agricultural or industrial.

Similar studies as the above may be undertaken by the Committee, later, in other parts of North China, particularly those places which are fast undergoing industrialization, such as Dairen and Mukden. It may be added that the results of all the studies of the Committee are to be published both in the English language and the Chinese language.

V. The present finance of the Committee

The Committee has, at present, no permanent source of income. The work for the present year is being financed by a limited appropriation from the University and a lump-sum grant from the Social Research Department of the China Foundation for the Promotion of Education and Culture in Peking. Statement I, below, gives a summary of the items of expenditures for the year 1927-1928.

Statement I

Salary - - - - -		\$ 5,960.00 Mex.
Two investigators for one yr. (One for rug-industry-investigation and the other for price investigation)- - - - -		\$1,680.00 Mex.
Eight persons keeping accounts for 240 families for 10 months- - - - -	2,000.00 "	
One assistant in statistical work for one yr. - - - - -	840.00 "	
Four computers for one yr. - - - - -	1,440.00 "	
Schedules, stationery, car fare, for one yr. etc.		\$ 540.00 Mex.
		<u>\$6,500.00 Mex.</u>