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Most respectfully yours,

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Wm. H. Gray, Jr.

Mr. W. F. Powers, Secretary

Dr. C. C. McCracken July 7, 1949

P. S. Recent developments have made it necessary for me to tender my resignation from the presidency here at the college, effective this date. I hope that I shall have an opportunity to see you at some time in the future, at which time I shall discuss the matter with you.

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