

Wabash College,
Crawfordsville, Ind.

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My Dear Dr Moss,

Pardon pencil
& my crooked marks. I have ^{not} read
in Cour. Gazette with deep pain
the calamity that has fallen on
the University last night. It is
a state calamity, and by reason
of the destruction of the Owen Col-
lection a national one. I am
sorry for Dr Owen (Richard) for he
will feel as if he were losing his
brother again in the loss of his collec-
tion - the master work of ^{his} life. I am
sorry for Prof Jordan. The destruction
of his bottles of friends will hurt him
like a personal one.

I am very sorry for you and
your brethren in the Faculty and
Board. I pray God to make you
all courageous in doing the

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great restoration you have in
hand. Of course our State will
vitalise the sacred ashes and give
a new illustration of what the
Emblems meant by their Phrasing.

I write on a card that sells too
much for good chirography, but
not too much to quench my
brotherly sympathy for you
at the University in this
great misfortune.

Fraternally
Yours,

Joseph F. Tinkle

Rev. Mrs.

Pres. State W. Ind. A.