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Dr. Francis P. Gaines  
President  
Washington and Lee University  
Lexington, Virginia


Dear Dr. Gaines:

I have deferred answering your very kind letter of April 3 in the hope that I might write you that I would go to Lexington on April 30. Unfortunately, I now find that it will be impossible for me to accept the invitation to attend the Mock Convention.

I saw Senator Barkley Saturday night in Washington and he told me that he and Mrs. Barkley were looking forward with much pleasure to their visit to Lexington. Incidentally, he was in better shape than I had seen him for some years.

With my high regard and all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

  
John S. Battle

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