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CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION CLARKSVILLE, TENNESSEE April 11th, A.J. SMITH. SUPERINTENDENT 1 9 2 3. President H. A. Morgan, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tenn. Dear President Morgan: I read the account in our morning papers yesterday of your trouble with one of your teachers. I am not accustomed to rejoice in the downfall of anyone and personally I feel very kindly toward the gentleman concerned in the case I refer to at the University, but I want to commend you for the action you took in the matter. I believe this is absolutely the right step to take and that the people in Tennessee will feel more like sending their sons to the University when they know that they will not be brought into contact with someone who proposes to undo the teaching of everything the boy has received in regard to religion. Everyone whom I have heard speak of it commends you in the matter. With best wishes and kindest regards. I am Yours truly, AJS/C