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Dr. Ferrel Heady, President
University of New Mexico,
Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Dear Dr. Heady:-

The Anniversary of the University Commencement is almost at hand, and my thoughts are returning to the day when you did me the honor to confer on me the H.L.D degree. And again I want to tell you how much I appreciate this.

I am sure you must know that I have special interest in the Department of Photography at the University. I see some individuals both student and faculty, from time to time and consequently learn some of the changes that are underway. I do hope that Richard Rudisill will return to the faculty of the Photographic Department next year. He is one ~~of the~~ ^{of the} very few individuals in this country who know thoroughly the history of photography, and who has the ability to instill this interest and knowledge to his students to a remarkable degree. To my way of thinking his knowledge and taste make him a great asset to the Department of Photography.

This brings my very best wishes to you and Mrs Heady

Most sincerely

Laura Gilpin