

35, BURLINGTON AVENUE.  
KEW GARDENS, SURREY.  
TELEPHONE: PROSPECT 1973.

January 26, 1939.

Dear Mr. Hickey,

As I told you on the phone to-day, Mr. Armour and myself, after reading the draft of your Appeal, think it may stand as it is. It would be possible for either of us to write another appeal, to be sure, or change the present out of all recognition, or issue one with concrete points dwelt on.

We think, however, that your one is very good, and that sections 2 & 3 could be omitted, section 4 : the explanation of the League dwelt on, and in place of sections 2 & 3, a short bibliography of the more urgent issues included.

I enclose, as you asked, such a bibliography with summaries you can further shorten or omit, as they are for your guidance.

With the Appeal, we also suggest some literature, e.g. the Manchester pamphlet, Harrison's one, or Mr. Armour's forthcoming article, should be included. Any statement we might draw up preaches to the converted but, <sup>Des</sup> Largy, Harrison, Armour or the National Council of Civil Liberties pamphlet deal with the questions the honest English inquirer will want answered. Within the limits of the leaflet you describe, surely it is

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~~surely~~ wiser to deal, as you have dealt, with a broad statement of the issues, and devote the remainder to concrete information about the organisation.

Yours sincerely,

Desmond Ryan

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