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**Transcript**

May 8th. 1939

E. O’Beirne,

Jesus College,

Cambridge.

Dear Mr. O’Beirne,

Thank you for your letter of May 5th. I apologise

for not writing to you before now, to thank you for your very

pleasant hospitality on the occasion of my visit to Cambridge,

and also for the assistance you have given the League in the

matter of starting a branch at the University.

I regard to the paper, Varsity, I bought a copy on

the Saturday I was down in Cambridge and saw the report of an

I.R.A. threat to young Brooke. The report to me looked rather

humourous, and I was very amused at the reply of young Brooke

when interviewed by a reporter. In regard to Beresford I shall

send him some material about the League in general which will

be of help to him in writing it up next week. I shall also

send him stuff on Partition which might be useful, and I shall

see that he gets hold of all the information that he wants.

I am glad to see that the Orange people are arousing

resentment in Cambridge though they probably cause quite a little

amusement also. I am writing to Craig today or tomorrow and he

will probably get in touch with you later. I saw in Saturday’s

Irish Press that the Oxford Union had passed a resolution in

favour of a united Ireland. Has the Cambridge Union done this

yet? If it could be managed, it always has a certain amount of

publicity value, and I could arrange to get the papers in London

notified of it. I hope you will time to inform me of any inter-

esting, side-lights on the Partition issue in Cambridge as they

occur

Yours sincerely,

Organising Secretary