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 14adh Meiteam, 1939.

 A Chara,

 You will no doubt have observed some

brief reports in the “PRESS” from the Liverpool area. One

report appeared a week late and the other one which was

‘phoned’ last Sunday night, only appeared in yesterdays

issue. I think this question of better facilities of

publicity in the “Irish Press” should be taken up seriously:

The News Editors do not seem to be very much interested in

the leagues activities and certainly to not give us the

prominence we should get. A complaint to An Taoiseach would,

I am sure, have the desired effect.

 I visited Earlestown last Saturday for the purpose of

arranging for the establishing of a branch in that district.

Mr Earley, as a member of the National Executive, accompanied

me. We were very cordially received by the President and

Secretary of the Irish National Club and subsequently

addressed the committee and members. The response was

spontaneous. This club is one of the oldest established

Irish Clubs in Britain, having been founded in 1895. It has

a membership of 700 and hold a very strong position in the

town. A further meeting will be held shortly for the

purpose of formally opening the branch at which myself and

members of the local Executive will attend. I have left a

quantity of membership cards and copies of ‘Dev’s’ speech

with Mr Casey, who had agreed to act as Secretary and enrol

this area and I have promised to try and secure Eamon Donnelly

and Cahir Healy at a later date.

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 I am in touch with a neighbouring ^ Atherton and hope to

have a branch established there very shortly. Unfortunately

there has been a Colliery disater in this area during the

past few weeks and public interest is naturally concerned with

the event. As soon as the inquest and inquiry have been

completed it will be possible to get going.

 St Helens and Warrington are the next two area to be

covered. I am now in touch with with certain people in these

districts and hope to be able to report progress shortly.

 You will no doubt have heard from Mr Barley by now. I

supplied him with a detailed account of disbursements ex

the initial advance of £12, shewing a balance on hand of

£1.16.0 : I take it you will no doubt repeat the advance so

as to carry us on to the next meeting of the Executive.

 I have arranged to meet Mr Brian Connolly to-morrow

for the purpose of ~~e~~changing views and reaching an agreement

on the question of the Partition(!) of our respective

working zones.

 With kind regards and best wishes to yourself and

colleagues,

 Mise, do chara,

 *Tomas O’Marain*

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