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Harpenden, Herts.

November 27, 1939

Dear Jeffery,

Owing to the difficulty of getting a meeting of the Board of Studies in Statistics in time, it appears that I have to nominate the Board of examiners in Statistics, of which, in 1939, you were senior member. The other members are Professor Pearson and Dr Welsh of Pearson's department. I am also asked for internal examiner, or examiners, in statistics for B.Sc. Econ. examination.

On the first head I want to ask you if it is customary to change the membership of the Board of Examiners from year to year, or to ask the same Board to continue. The latter course would seem, on general grounds, to be more convenient, but I do not wish to depart from what has been done before, especially as the whole of the present Board are members of the same College.

On the second point, I have not the present list of examiners, if any, who have acted previously, and should be glad to know who has done so, or who is likely to be available.

I am enclosing with this letter one which I wrote to the Provost on October 13th, on his letter to the Times, published October 10th. It seems to me rather serious that the head of

the College should think it proper to write to the Press impugning the good faith of a member of the College, and containing so false a statement as " I have not put any ban upon them such as you suggest, nor do I intend to! You will see from the quotation of his letter to me of September 23rd that I was fully justified in what I had said, and that the Provost's statement, which he makes in rebuttal, was, in fact, untrue. I must add that the Provost has given me no satisfaction in reply to my letter of October 13th.

Yours sincerely,