

March 29, 1947.



Dear Prof. Wataughin,

I hope you have by now received a reprint of Dirac's latest paper, "Developments in Quantum Electrodynamics," published by the Dublin Institute for Advanced Studies, which I sent you some time ago. I also sent a copy of the same to Dr. Schönberg.

A short time ago  
Prof. Dinae told me that  
he has again been invited  
to lecture in Princeton, for  
a whole year this time.

He is leaving Cambridge  
sometime in the summer  
(referred to here, of course).

I am very disappointed  
about this, since he has  
only recently returned from  
America. When he goes  
I shall have to be placed  
under the supervision of



somebody else, who can't possibly be interested in the kind of work I am doing. I am not yet in a condition to proceed far without any guidance. The main problem in research is, as Prof. Dirac aptly remarked, to find a problem to work on. It is all somewhat disheartening.

We have been having a dreadful winter. First we had continuous, heavy snowfalls, and when it all

drawed up, there came  
the floods. The Cam over-  
stepped its banks, and Queens'  
College was a foot under  
water. No trains to and  
from London for a day or two.  
Then a heavy gale blew up  
and did a lot of mischief.  
It uprooted many trees  
in the backs and tore the  
roof of Downing College kitchen  
off. The latter looked like a  
direct bomb hit.

What is the news from  
the lab? I haven't heard  
from you for ages.

With best regards to all  
over there  
yours sincerely,

J. Ashauer.