Chicago, February 14, 1916

My dear Archbishop Mundelein:—

I am writing to express my sincere congratulations at your escaping so well from the effects of the dastardly attempt last week. When one sees how easily the result might have been very different from what it was it causes little less than amazement. It seems to me too that it leads to another thing. All the forces in this country which are interested in the maintenance of law and order and the prevention of crime, especially the infamous crimes of anarchy, should unite, regardless of differences on other subjects, in order to secure the safety of our Republic.

With cordial best wishes for the success of your pastorate here, I am,

Very truly yours,

H. P. J. — L.

The Most Reverend the Archbishop of Chicago.
Office, Representative 1st. I.R.E.

Mr. George Hendricks, Manager:

I am writing to express my sincere congratulations on your successful effort last week to prevent the attack of the enemy and the secession of the state from the Union. Your efforts in the maintenance of law and order and the prevention of crime, especially the recent occurrences of rioting and violence, have been in order to ensure the safety of our Republic.

With conscious peace we trust for the success of our

Best regards, I am

Very truly yours,

H.R.H. - L.

The Most Reverend the Archbishop of Chicago.
October 14, 1919

My dear Archbishop Mundelein:

The University Convocation next week, at which the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws will be bestowed by the University upon His Eminence, Cardinal Mercier, is to be held at two o'clock, on the afternoon of Wednesday the 22nd, as I understand the program. The exercises will be entirely academic in character. At the same time we usually have an invocation and a benediction on occasions of this sort. I should be very much gratified if your Grace would authorize me to ask Father Shannon to act as University Chaplain on that occasion, and to give the invocation and the benediction.

Very truly yours,

His Grace, The Archbishop of Chicago,
740 Cass St., Chicago, Ill.
October 16, 1930

My dear Professor Mabelia:  

The University Convocation next week

will be performed by the University in the

Kingsbury Gymnasium. The Charter is to be read at the

opening of the afternoon at Wednesday the 16th.

As I understand the程序，the exercises will be

entirely separate in character. At the same time

we formally have an inscription and a presentation

on accession of such parts. I am to do very many

speeches at your grace whom excusings me to

seek further permission to ask an University Oration

on that occasion and to give the inscription and

the presentation.

Very truly yours,

The Grace of the University, Ill.

Mr. Henry Pratt Jordan, President,
The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ills.

My dear Mr. Jordan:

I hasten to express my appreciation of your kind congratulations at what was certainly an escape from a dastardly attempt at the University Club Dinner last week. It cannot be questioned but that the Lord was with us, otherwise there would have been tragedies on a large scale resulting from a maniac's or an anarchist's attempt at the lives of Chicago's most prominent citizens. The unfortunate part of it all is, that there seems to be no way to safeguard against similar attacks coming from crack-brained individuals, as these
kinds of forces all work in the dark.

Personally, I felt no ill-effects from the evening, but I felt very sorry for the men of all creeds and from every walk in life, who had come to do honor to the head of the Catholic Church in this city, that their demonstration of respect should be marred by an incident of this kind. I trust that an incident of similar nature will never happen during your lifetime or mine, to discredit in any way the good name of our city.

Again thanking you for your congratulations and good wishes, I beg to remain,

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Archbishop.
October 20, 1919

My dear Archbishop Mundelein:

On returning from a brief absence in the East I find yours of the 17th. Thank you very much for your courtesy in the matter of the chaplainship for the Convocation on Wednesday.

I am greatly pleased also with your suggestion as to the benediction, and shall take pleasure in embodying it in the program. In fact I had the matter in mind, but am much gratified that it meets with your approval.

I have asked my secretary to communicate with your office in regard to asking the Cardinal to address the audience briefly after the degree is conferred. If he is willing to do so, it will give, I am sure, an especial distinction to the occasion.

With sincere regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

Most Reverend George W. Mundelein,
740 Cass St., Chicago, Ill.
October 20, 1949

My dear Administrative Manager:

In response to a prior request in the
letter I find myself of the firm. Thank you very much
for your assistance in the matter of the appointment
for the consideration of the President.

I am especially pleased also with your
statement as to the beginning of our material
presentation in opposition to the program. In fact
I have the matter in mind, but as many additional
it seems with your permission.

I have in mind the necessity to communicate
with your office in writing to carried the
matter of the substance of the letter at the
conference. If I am willing to go on, I will give
an idea of the conclusions for the conference.

With sincere regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Most cordially to, Manager,
Chicago, Ill., October 17th, 1919.

Mr. Harry Pratt Judson, President,
The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Dr. Judson:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. My answer thereto has been delayed by almost continuous absence from home on Confirmation tours during the past two days. I am glad, however, to accede to the small request that you make and place Father Shannon at your disposal as the University Chaplain for the occasion of the University Convocation on Wednesday next, when the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws will be bestowed by the University of Chicago upon His Eminence, Cardinal Mercier.

If I may be permitted to offer a suggestion, it would be this: on a similar occasion at Princeton University some days ago, the President showed what seemed to me a rather delicate courtesy to the guest of that occasion, by asking the Cardinal to give his blessing to those who were gathered for the ceremony in place of the benediction that is usually given at that time. This act called for rather favorable comment and news thereof reached us even here in the West, though you will understand I am not offering it as a precedent, for every university has its traditions and regulations for similar occasions.

With sentiments of sincere esteem,

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Archbishop of Chicago.