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All was only

July 4, 1934.

Mr. King:

Press - Canachair "

When I mentioned to Ray Brown the fact that you had brought up the Peacock speech in the House, he said that that would take priority over any statement; that, as the Canadian Press had not carried the original dispatch (it was a Southam Press story), his view was that it would be difficult for them to carry your statement without getting one from Mr. Bennett. I told him that you considered the statement most important and would want it carried if at all possible.

Later he telephoned me to say that he was handing it over to Sanderson.

I telephoned Sanderson about eleven o'clock and asked him if he had the statement, and explained the kind of lead you wanted, namely, the reference to the dinner, the speaker, his association with Baring Bros. and the Bank of England. I informed him that the statement was to appear in indirect quotations. He said that the statement would form part of the report sent out by the Canadian Press.

As I considered this assurance superseded what Ray Brown had told me, I was satisfied that the statement was going to be used.

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