

Inter-department Correspondence



PRINCIPAL AND VICE-CHANCELLOR;  
SIR ARTHUR W. CURRIE, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.

FROM

THE PRINCIPAL AND VICE-CHANCELLOR,  
MCGILL UNIVERSITY,  
MONTREAL.

June 30, 1933.

Sir Robert Falconer, K.C.M.G.,  
Queen's Park,  
Toronto, Ontario.

My dear Sir Robert,

While I am delighted to learn that you are going to Banff this autumn to take part in the Institute of Pacific Relations Conference, I feel that you have not understood my letter of June 26th.

You may know that there is a Public Affairs Institute, of which Nicholas Murray Butler is the Chairman of the American Committee. This is an organization formed for the purpose of encouraging international broadcasting. The Institute has apparently set up an International Committee to broaden the scope of broadcast material by arranging for radio addresses to be given by leaders in current thought in Europe and America. The International Committee includes such men as Phillip Kerr, Sir Evelyn Wrench, Bonnet for France, Curtius for Germany, and so on. I noted that while Norway had a representative, Sweden another, Belgium another, Denmark another, there was no representative from Canada.

I wrote to Nicholas Murray Butler and said that I thought the plan would be more complete if Canada were included, and I also wrote to Lector Charlesworth suggesting that he endeavour to make some arrangements for the inclusion of a Canadian member of the Committee. Butler has gone to Europe but I received a reply on his behalf from Fred. A. Willis, who is the Executive Secretary for the American Committee. In his letter he tells me that they have discussed the Canadian representation and your name was suggested. I replied to say that I thought no one could act as representative for Canada more effectively than yourself, and so I wrote to you to urge you to agree, and I do hope you will.

Ever yours faithfully,