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Re Press Gallery Luncheon

Rideau Club, Ottawa, Wednesday, November 24, 1937.

Pleasure of being present:

Pleased to learn of plan to hold series of luncheon
meetings such as today's -
Appreciation of invitation to attend first of series;
Recall once a newspaperman myself;
Valuable opportunity for Cabinet Ministers and Members
of Press Gallery to meet in informal way;
Pressure of public life today such that one has few
opportunities of personal contacts and
exchange of views with representatives of
press;

The Press an aspect of public administration:

To be a member of Press Gallery itself a distinction
in newspaper world;
Difficult to think of public administration in these
times of diverse and complex problems, without
a press to inform, interpret, and bring reasoned
criticism to bear on issues of today;
A valuable agency in creation of an informed and en-
lightened public opinion;