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OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN AND PRESIDENT

MONTREAL

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E. R. Decary, Esq.,
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Dear Mr. Decary:

I have now heard from Sir Arthur Currie, whose opinion is that it would be highly desirable if I were to accept the Presidency of the Montreal Symphony Orchestra for one year.

I am willing to do this but not to have any publicity accompany it. I know that the duties of the position are largely honorary and, therefore, not exacting, but in times like these it is highly desirable that the impression should not go abroad either that McGill University is officially identified with the Orchestra or that I am loading myself up with outside duties when commercial and railway conditions demand my full time. I presume, therefore, it would be quite satisfactory if the Committee know of the appointment, but I would have to make it a condition that no mention of it should be made in the press, at least at the present time.

Sincerely yours,