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WAR DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
WASHINGTON, D.C.

My dear Mr. Rice:

Vicars is here,

in connection with

some foreign matter

and has spent some

time with me -

Last evening he

came in and in

his conversation re -

presented to you in a
most complimentary
and friendly way -
Of course no ~~know~~
of my relations to
you - He said you
ought to have the
R. P. that the courts
largely controlled
by local politicians
who want to use
its power for their

personal purposes
wanted retain control
and that suit after
suit wanted be
brought to thwart
your movements
but that he could
point out a way
to you to obtain
immediate possession
by the purchase of
securities with money
which he could point

out to you at
prices which would
at once advance
any materially -

He was full of the
thing and very en-
thusiastic. I send
you this for what
it is worth. It
may be no news or
of no consequence -

Hastily & Sincerely

R. S. Lamont