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# Office Correspondence

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To General Files

Subject: Amendment to section 13b - Loans

From Mr. Cherry

to Industry.

This morning at about 10:30 I delivered to Congressman Spence, personally, the letter addressed to him transmitting the draft of amendment to section 13b. Mr. Spence said that he would not introduce the amendment as a clean bill but would insert it as an amendment to the existing bill, H.R. 591, at the time the bill is reported out of his committee. He said that his committee was ready to go to work now but that the republicans had not organized yet but said it would not be long until his committee would take the matter up.

I then went to the Senate Office Building and delivered to Mr. Delman the letter addressed to Senator Wagner enclosing a copy of a draft of amendment to section 13b. The draft of bill is identical with the one delivered to Congressman Spence. Mr. Delman said that the Senator would be back in about ten days and would introduce the bill upon his return. Mr. Delman inquired whether the bill contained a provision which would have the effect of limiting a substantial amount of the fund to the making of loans to small business. In other words, so that the entire fund would not serve as guarantees for a few large loans to big business. I told him that I had not worked on the draft but, in reading it over, I did not think the draft contained such a limitation. He said that he recalled that during the hearings several Senators were concerned about having the fund available for guarantees to small business. I told him that I would mention this point to Mr. Clayton.

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