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Professor R. A. Fisher, F.R.S.  
Whittingehame Lodge,  
44 Storey's Way,  
Cambridge.

1st May, 1950

Dear Professor Fisher,

I am taking the liberty of sending you the tentative programme of a symposium on Information Theory, centred mainly round the work of Dr. C. Shannon of the Bell Telephone Laboratory of America, which I and a number of other enthusiasts are in process of organising, and wish to enquire whether you would be so good as to support and help us by contributing a talk on Statistics in relation to this subject during the morning of the 2nd day, the 27th September.

We have in mind that your talk and the discussion arising from it would occupy the 1 - 1½ hour period prior to a break for coffee and a talk by Dr. Shannon on the problem of coding. Your talk might desirably occupy therefore a period up to ¾ hour or rather longer if you wished.

I shall be indeed grateful if you find it possible to agree to this request, but should this not be the case I wonder if you would be willing to act as Chairman for this morning session.

Yours sincerely,

*Willis Jackson.*

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