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On 23 June, under arrangements made by Sir Alfred Sherman, I met Sir Peter Parker and some of the top management of British who was all. The objective was to see whether we could arrange for British Rail itself to make better use of its assets and particularly the rail tracks and valuable land in urban areas. The result of the evening was that British Rail have agreed that there are possibilities of converting under-utilised and unprofitable tracks into high speed roads. The consultants Coopers and Lybrand will undertake to review:

- 1. The Marylebone line.
- 2. A West London line.
- 3. Another London line yet to be identified.

This looks like a breakthrough for BR.

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