

TALK WITH HARRIMAN

Magistrate Says His Policy is to Make Roads Pay Dividends.

HE LOOKS AFTER FINANCES

Others Operate Trains and Look After Traffic.

AGITATION DELAYS PROGRESS

Discussion of Abuses, He Says, Interferes with Improvements.

HE MAY ANSWER QUESTIONS

Says Refusal to Give Information About Alton Deal Was Based Upon Reasons of Policy.

RENO, Nev., Aug. 15.—"All of the railroads in the country would be mine if I could get control of them," said Edward H. Harriman to a reporter for the State Journal on his arrival at Sparks, Nev., the division terminal yesterday in the course of an interview, during which he discussed his work and his ambitions.

"I have been quoted seriously for an expression made facetiously, to the effect that I would manage the railroads for the federal government, that I would turn my holdings over to the United States for a fair compensation and act then as a commissioner," Mr. Harriman continued.

Remarking that since Mr. Harriman does not yet own all the railroads of the country, a statement of his policy in the light of the renewed agitation for more drastic regulation by the federal government with respect to those he does own would be of interest, the reporter asked:

"What is your policy concerning the management of the railroads we are told you own?"

"It is to pay dividends," came the decisive answer. "Since 1888 we have spent \$250,000,000 for improvements. We want some returns. Don't you think we are entitled to return from such an expenditure? Mine, then, is a financial policy. I watch that end of the game. Other matters are left to the officials connected with them. There is not much to that policy except to make a good investment better. Results, they bring success."

Agitation delays progress. "Agitation of the abuses on the railroads makes harder the accomplishment of local improvement. Facts that in themselves are insignificant are magnified and distorted by the public and to me. It is the spirit of the age—and the newspapers—so what can we do?"

"Why did you not answer the questions put to you by the Interstate Commerce commission, and will you answer them when the proceedings brought by the Department of Justice force you to appear for the second time?" the reporter asked.

"I refused to tell what I knew about the Chicago & Alton purchase because the questions put to me dealt with matters of policy," Mr. Harriman replied.

"Some of them I would not answer any more than you would if asked from whom you bought your shares or how much you paid for your stock. I could not, to be specific, answer all the questions in justice to my associates in the purchase."

"But, now that the proceedings have been started to get these replies, I will probably not refuse again. Questions directed at me in connection with the Chicago & Alton case will perhaps result in the answers desired by the Interstate Commerce commission. It was a business principle involved that prevented me from answering questions. I may answer when the matter comes up again."

Will develop the West. In closing the interview Mr. Harriman declared that in the future the policy of his roads in the matter of rates, extensions, etc., will be to develop the state of Nevada and the entire western territory, through both the north and south lines. Mr. Harriman positively declined to discuss politics.

Continuing, he said that San Francisco was the natural tidewater terminus on the Pacific coast and nothing could dislodge it from that position.

"The railroads and the capital center there," he said, "and despite the efforts toward that end, neither Seattle, Oakland nor any other city will ever be able to destroy San Francisco's paramountcy."

SEASORE RESORT IS BURNED

Two Are Dead, Three Injured and Many Summer Buildings Are Destroyed.

SUMMARY OF THE BEE

Saturday, August 17, 1907.

Table with columns for dates (AUGUST 1907) and numbers (1-31).

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Auditor of Treasury Allows Claim of Former Adjutant General.

OFFICERS OF THIRD MUST WAIT

Nebraska Railway Commission Files Complaint with Interstate Commission on Union Pacific Coal Rate.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Cahoun and Sizer, attorneys for the state of Nebraska, have succeeded in effecting a settlement through the auditor for the War department of one of the items in the claim of the state against the general government growing out of the Spanish-American war and which consists of pay allowance of \$24.52 for services for former Adjutant General Patrick H. Barry.

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INDIAN IN DIVORCE COURT

Mrs. Frances La Fleche Brings Action for Separate Maintenance.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—(Special.)—Francis La Fleche, an Omaha Indian from Thurston county, Neb., who has for many years held a responsible clerical position in the Indian bureau, yesterday filed in the district supreme court an answer to charges made against him by his wife, Rosa B. La Fleche, a Chippewa, in her suit for maintenance.

The differences between the Omaha Indian and his Chippewa wife have apparently been of long standing and these are about to be aired in open court.

Mr. and Mrs. La Fleche were married March 15, 1896, and subsequently La Fleche discovered he had married a divorced woman whose right to remarry was somewhat doubtful, to say the least.

It was the beginning of their family troubles. Subsequently, it is asserted by Mrs. La Fleche, an agreement of separation was entered into, La Fleche agreeing to give his wife alimony in the amount of \$5 per month. This La Fleche claims to have done, but which is denied by petitioner, and now the domestic affairs of the family are about to be fought out in the supreme court of the District of Columbia.

La Fleche is one of the leading spirits in the Omaha tribe. He is regarded as an excellent clerk by his chiefs in the Indian office and is looked upon with favor by Commissioner Leupp, who knows a good Indian when he sees him.

NOW FOR HARVESTER TRUST

Government is to Institute Suit at Chicago under the Sherman Act.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—Suit is to be instituted against the International Harvester company for alleged violation of the Sherman anti-trust act. The papers in the proposed action are being drawn at the Department of Justice. It is likely the proceedings will be begun in Chicago. A year or more ago, complaints of the operation of the International Harvester company reached the Department of Justice and a report of that department and of the bureau of corporations have accumulated a mass of information on the subject.

The investigation discloses the fact that the parent company controls practically all the big reaper and mower and threshing plants in the country and that an appropriation of the country is made among the various subsidiary concerns in such a way that no one of them will come into business conflict with any other. It further is alleged that prices of the farm machinery manufactured by the International Harvester company are fixed by the concern and from those prices dealers are not permitted to vary. In this way and through its control of the country it is made possible to dictate the output of such machinery, the localities into which it shall go and the prices, operations which the department regards as in restraint of trade.

EFFECT ON VALUES IS BAD

German Tariff Agreement Will Soon Be Tested in the Courts.

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—The German tariff agreement will, it is now probable, be taken into the courts for a judicial decision as to its validity. This action is likely as the result of a decision by the general appraisers on the importation of chocolate from Germany. Their decision was based on and followed the decision of the supreme court of the United States in the Passavant case. It is understood the importers will appeal on the strength of the German tariff pact, a proceeding that is desired by all importers who wish to obtain a judicial ruling.

While none of the general appraisers has made any definite statement, it is well understood that one or more of them believe that the agreement in practice will work toward the suppression of evidence as to values, and for that reason are of the opinion that it is illegal.

FIVE INJURED IN COLLISION

Chicago Motor Car Collides with Milk Wagon and Injures Re-

CHICAGO, Aug. 15.—Five men were seriously injured today in a street car collision at Fifty-seventh and State streets, when a north bound State street car going at full speed crashed into a milk wagon, destroyed the vehicle and killing one of the horses. The driver of the wagon was picked up unconscious and it is not believed he can survive. The victims are: Martin Quinington, driver, fracture of the skull, internal injuries and contusions of the body; William Martin, motorman, leg broken and several bruises on the body; Daniel Glass, leg fractured, internal injuries and severe scalp laceration; Daniel J. Gorman, leg injured; Robert Laska, conductor, injured on leg.

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