

Lamont, D. S.

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Lamont to Hill

Re the territorial control of the Clearwater area and the views of Harriman, Bull, Baker, Coster, and others present at a recent conference on the subject of the control of the Nez Percés Reservation and the Oregon Railway & Navigation Co. trade. "Mr. Baker, Mr. Coster & Mr. Thomas, who remained in the room after the Navigation Committee had retired, regarded the matter as practically settled and it was understood that if you favored, the matter of the Navigation ownership would be immediately taken up" but now it is rumored Hill sent word of some other policy to Cannon and "Today Mr.

Coster and Mr. Baker have both expressed to me their fear that a break is imminent" from some remark of Mr. Cannon's." "Mr.Coster has been particularly considerate of me since your visit ... He showed me, after it was sent, his answer to your letter [of Nov.8?]."

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