

Mellen, C. S.

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C. S. Mellen to J. J. Hill.

A large part of this letters discusses railroad rates, especially those in North Dakota.

Congratulates Hill on the latter's recent interview in Spokane Falls, and states: "I much admired the courage displayed in stating to the public the facts you did. I was very glad there was one man at the head of a railroad corporation who was sufficiently strong to warrant his taking such a position, but

I fear you forget other are not all situated in their positions as you are. You control your company; you are in every sense its master; while I am but the 'hired hand,' so to speak, of this one."

Will be unable to meet Bull in Portland as planned, but will plan to see Mohler soon. The O.R.&N. matter is being confused by the participation of so many people, some of whom are Carr, Harriman, Burt and Munroe.

General correspondence by date