

DENIES EVERYTHING.

Charles Francis Adams Follows This Method.

Instances Where He Did the Same Thing Before.

He Says the Road Makes Surveys Just for Nothing.

A Long Interview With a San Francisco Newspaper Reporter—Local Railway Notes.

Charles Francis Adams, the president of the Union Pacific, has been carrying out his favorite policy of denying everything.

A day or two ago Mr. Adams spoke as follows to a Chronicle reporter:

"My visit to the northwest was merely the visit of inspection which I make every year, and the matter of our extensions there was considered only incidentally.

It was determined to extend our line from Portland to Tacoma and Seattle at once, if the step is approved by the board of directors.

Besides this line we will build one or two little spurs to mining districts. All reports about other Union Pacific extensions in that country are mere talk.

The policy of the Union Pacific is entirely a conservative one. We realize, more perhaps than other lines, that the Union Pacific and Central Pacific roads were constructed at the same time, and the purpose for which they were constructed can best be accomplished by their acting in harmony.

When the Union Pacific will build into this state depends entirely on the contingencies of the future and on the course which the Southern Pacific adopts toward the Union Pacific.

If the Southern Pacific continues to deal with us in the spirit recently shown the thing is a good way off. I do not think that any man connected with the railroads will commit himself to any prophecy of the future.

Merely speaks of the present under existing conditions. It is possible that in six months every existing condition will be changed.

When asked about the numerous surveying parties now at work in Southern Nevada and California Mr. Adams said: "We have made surveys pretty much everywhere. We always have parties in the field, and run lines in every direction in order that we may be fully advised as to the nature and possibilities of a country.

But running a line, in our case, does not mean that we have any idea of constructing on it. We have run lines into California through Utah, Oregon and portions of Nevada, and we have them on file in the office of the engineer of the company."

The intelligent reader who knows anything about the practices of railways will regard this as very strange talk. About the extension from Milford to Pioche, Mr. Adams said:

"The construction of this line is going forward as rapidly as possible. We already had a line from Salt Lake City south to Milford and Frisco. The extension had insufficient business, and our investigations caused us to believe that an extension to the Pioche mining district would justify itself in connection with the existing road. The only important extensions which the Union Pacific is now engaged in are the line to Pioche, 140 miles, and the one to Puget sound, 185 miles.

Local Railway News. General Manager Wade of the Southern California line, has returned from his tour of inspection.

Richard Gray, general traffic manager of the Southern Pacific, and L. M. Clement, former superintendent of track, passed through the city yesterday, on their way north.

The railway offices of the city display a notice to the effect that rates will go up on the 9th of June.

It is rumored that one feature of the new division of the Santa Fe system, growing out of the recent acquisition of the St. Louis and San Francisco, will be that the sphere of General Manager Wade's operations will be enlarged to take in the line as far as Albuquerque.

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He then repeated his former story of the quarrel over the first load of lumber, in detail, and this took up the time of the court until the noon recess.

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In reply to a question by the court as to what the man and boy were doing all this time at the side of the house, Olme stated that the old man remained sitting down, and the boy stood at his side. Cook's pistol was produced and identified by the witness, who was then closely questioned with regard to how he carried it and where it was found, and at this juncture court adjourned until tomorrow morning.

THE PARK BOARD. It Decides to Reduce Expenses to a Minimum. At a special meeting of the board of park commissioners held in the mayor's office at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon there were present Chairman Hazard and Messrs. Hubbell and Hutton.

The payroll of the department for the month of May, amounting in the aggregate to \$1,823.99, was approved. A number of demands, amounting to \$114.48, were also approved.

In response to a communication from the city clerk, the park superintendent was instructed to notify all employees of the department that all moneys collected must be paid over to the city treasurer. The offer of the Y. M. C. A. to sell one of the large fountains, recently used at the pavilion during the flower festival, delivered at Seventh-street park, for the sum of \$65, payable in six months, was accepted.

The city clerk having notified the board that the park fund was exhausted, the superintendent was instructed to stop all improvements and to discharge all men not absolutely required to keep the present growth in the parks alive. A recommendation was also made to the council to credit the department with \$5,000, the board preparing to cut down the expenses of the department to the lowest possible limit, which was estimated at \$1,000 per month.

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Before they came out of the shanty the door had been ajar, but they pushed it open wider to allow of their coming out. The wagon was then twenty paces from the house. Cook being twenty-five or thirty yards behind it. When Gardener came out with a loaded rifle in his hand, the witness was seven or eight paces from the house.

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