

Nikita Khrushchev and Hedgehog in Government Garden During W. Averell Harriman's 1959 Trip to the Soviet Union



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Description

Exterior view with Nikita Khrushchev bending down near a plant or bush with W. Averell Harriman partially in view next to him. It is believed that the picture was taken in the gardens of the government's guest dacha named Ogarevo located west of Moscow, Russia. Thayer reported that Khrushchev bent down and picked up a rolled up hedgehog seen along the path. Charles W. Thayer accompanied Averell Harriman as a guide and confidant on the trip which took place May 12 - June 26, 1959. Harriman went as a special foreign correspondent for the North American Newspaper Alliance (NANA). Trip visits included Moscow, Leningrad, Kiev, Yalta, etc., as well as areas in Siberia and the Urals, and ended with a meeting with Nikita Khrushchev.

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