

# W. Averell Harriman Touring a State Farm During His 1959 Trip to the Soviet Union



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## **Description**

Exterior view where W. Averell Harriman is seen standing on the right talking with an unidentified farmer standing near farm equipment. He may have been visiting the Viktorov State Farm not far from Rudni (Rudnyy), Kazakhstan. Thayer's typewritten account of the visit states "that the farm was started on the 15th of April in 1955." He also writes, "We visited a field station where young state farmers were repairing their equipment." Charles W. Thayer accompanied W. 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. Original 35mm negative.

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**People Pictured** Harriman, W. Averell (William Averell), 1891-1986

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