

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



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## Description

Exterior view with W. Averell Harriman walking in a farm field with cattle in the background. It may his interpreter behind him to the right. 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 attempted to find the beef cattle but were only shown the herd which was being milked to meet the demands of the Rudni mining town nearby." 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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