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General Pope notified of President Rutherford B. Hayes visit to the Southwestern Territories 9 August, 1880.

Chicago, August 9th 1880

Genl John Pope

Fort Leavenworth

Dear General:

The President, together with his wife, two sons, and Mr and Mrs Herrow? Of Cincinatti, contemplates making a trip to California and Oregon, and will return to Washington through Arizona. He will come overland from the end of the So Pacific R.Rd. now at Soldier's Farewell, to the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe RRd. At Fort Craig, and thence via Santa Fe home. His party will also include the General of the Army, his daughter Miss Rachel and Mrs ??????, the Secretary of War and his wife and Major and Mrs Barr?

If Gen'l McDowell has sufficient transportation in Arizona, it will be used to bring the party to Fort Craig, but Gen'l Hatch will be responsible to furnish the necessary escort, which must be ample for entire security. If, however, Gen'l McDowell has not the transportation, it will be necessary for Hatch to furnish it, together with enough relays to bring them through comfortably and on reasonable time.

It will be well to notify Hatch of this contemplated trip of the President's, so that he can turn the matter over in his mind and arrange the details; but at the same time he must not give orders or arrange for troops or transportation until he is definitely informed that the trip will be made and about the time the party will reach the end of the road.

The route from thence will be via Fort Cummings and thence to Craig. It is expected that the President will start from Fremont, Ohio about the 1st of September, and will go out on the U.P. R.Rd., and will return through New Mexico about the middle of October. I will start on Wednesday morning to visit the Uncompahgre country, and will return home about the 10th of September

I am, General

Very truly yours

P.H. Sheridan

Lieut General.