

MR. HILL AND NORTHERN PACIFIC.

The advance in great Northern preferred yesterday to 132 following upon the advance a few days ago has been credited to covering of shorts. We understand that this element does not enter into the case at all. The advance in the stock is the result of knowledge on the part of a gradually increasing number of people that the railroad situation in the Northwest is about to undergo very important changes.

There is no longer any doubt that important propositions have been made to Mr. Hill, and there is comparatively little doubt that Mr. Hill's acceptance of some proposition or basis is known to a few people. This proposition or propositions is believed to involve a close connection between Northern Pacific as a reorganized property and Great Northern, with probably considerably better rates and a more harmonious state of affairs in the Northwest. The Adams committee and its allied interests need the support of Mr. Hill if they are to carry through any reorganization of Northern Pacific. It is still not clear what kind of support Mr. Hill has been asked to give, but indications point in the direction of the obtaining control of a sufficient quantity of second mortgage bonds to give the Adams committee the majority of that issue which it lacks. The idea then is that a majority of the consols can be easily bought or obtained otherwise, which would then place the Adams committee in control of the second, third and consolidated mortgages.

It is intimated that the present plans of the Adams committee called for an extremely drastic reorganization as far as the preferred and common stocks of the company are concerned. It is certain that there will be considerable opposition to any such plan and in any event it would probably be more than a year before reorganization of the property could be consummated, even supposing the opposition were not as important as it is likely to be. Those, however, who think they can guess pretty accurately as to Mr. Hill's views on the matter say that as far as the consolidated mortgage was concerned the results of the deal would be favorable.

Mr. Hill arrives in this city to-night or to-morrow morning.