

us say, for example, that you have got a train, as shown by one of your red lines on the map you have presented, which is going across the State of Texas, part of it being an intrastate segment, part of it being an interstate segment, eventually going to the coast.

We have agreed they can shut down an intrastate segment under order of the Texas commission. What if this is a segment of a train which goes clear to the coast? If you said "No," under your provision, but the period of time has run out and they still want to shut it down under this bill, can they?

Mr. TIERNEY. Under this bill, with the exception of the last train, if that segment of the interstate train within Texas is permitted to be discontinued by the State of Texas, we have no power over that.

Mr. ADAMS. Now, what about the total train operation?

They have shut down a segment, we will say, of what would be an interstate run. Let's just take from New Orleans to Los Angeles.

Mr. TIERNEY. Yes, sir.

Mr. ADAMS. Going through Texas and the Texas people say "You can shut down the intrastate section." Now, they want to shut down a number of trains going to the coast. Can they do it under this bill?

Mr. TIERNEY. You mean the balance of that particular train?

Mr. ADAMS. Let us say, they have got four trains, as in the Santa Fe situation. Let us say they want to shut down two of them, so there is only a train in the morning and a train at night. Can they do that?

Mr. TIERNEY. As to an intrastate train, after the expiration of a period of a year, the jurisdiction in effect reverts back to the States. As to the segment of an interstate train, within a State, if the State permits discontinuance, there is nothing we can do about that. There is nothing we can do about that. If a State permits them to discontinue that segment of two, three or four trains, there is nothing we can do about that, sir.

Mr. ADAMS. The man gets on at New Orleans and has been used to catching a train out to Los Angeles, and he goes by a series of segments. The year period is over and the carrier decides they do not want to run any train to the coast.

Mr. TIERNEY. Yes, sir.

Mr. ADAMS. Can they shut it down even though there is no State commission order?

They are beyond your year period.

Mr. TIERNEY. No.

Mr. ADAMS. Can they shut down?

Mr. TIERNEY. They are bound then by the States. They may seek relief from the states or they can come to us and seek discontinuance. They can't shut them down without State or commission approval of a segment of an interstate train.

Mr. ADAMS. I have got the segment situation. I am talking about the through interstate train now.

You have got four trains. We will take this as an example. They leave New Orleans during a day and go to Los Angeles. You can get on a train four times a day.

Mr. TIERNEY. Yes, sir.

Mr. ADAMS. And go out to Los Angeles. It goes by a series of segments through these States. A carrier decides—I am going to ask you two sets of questions. I want to know whether or not he can say