

bills are rendered monthly, the first statement should have been in his hands during the early part of May, 1920.

Q. 7. Are not all of the transactions between the Courier and Times, so far as agencies are concerned, and the number of papers sent each, at this place, conducted by and under the directions of this man, Rheinhart? and did he not attempt to interfere with the business of your present agent?

A. Mr. Rinehart, like other men on our staff, receives instructions direct from the office as to when to make changes in agents. Some latitude is given them to make a change where they find that our interests are not being properly served by the present agent. Every new agent, regardless of his standing in the community, is required to sign a contract, this being held by the office. These contracts stand exactly as written, and any change, if need be, has to receive the sanction of the office before being made. The latter part of this question states "Did he not attempt to interfere with the business of the present agent?" A rather vague question which requires an explanation as to its meaning.

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