

HARDING CONSIDERS SPEAKING TOUR IN WESTERN STATES

Might Benefit Sentiment on Shipping Bill—Trip Doubtful, However.

By LOUIS LUDLOW
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—

The advisability of a presidential speaking tour through the middle west and the Rocky Mountain region to bolster up the ship-subsidy bill now before the senate is being discussed in high administration circles. It is known that the president himself has been giving consideration to the suggestion and that some of his close advisers have endorsed the proposed trip, while others have expressed the opinion, after weighing all phases of the matter, that nothing would be gained by this extra presidential effort to boost the bill along.

The theory of those who propose the trip is that the president would be able to arouse public sentiment behind the bill which does not now exist and that the interest that would be kindled among the folks at home might be very helpful in securing enough votes in the senate to put the bill through by a tight squeeze.

"Indifference," is the mildest term that can be used in describing the attitude of the interior of the country toward the ship-subsidy bill. In many sections there is underneath the superficial appearance of indifference a deep-seated hostility. The feeling that pervades the interior is that a ship-subsidy would be a special privilege to favored class at the expense of the general taxpayer and that nothing else can be made out of it.

Might Benefit Subsidy

Some of Pres. Harding's advisers think—and the president undoubtedly shares this view—that in a series of speeches he could present the ship-subsidy question to the people in a way that would remove much of the hostility, even among the farmers, where opposition is most deeply rooted. The president would deal with the subject from a national viewpoint, explaining how, in his opinion, adequate ocean-carrying facilities operated under the American flag would benefit all of America by opening up foreign markets for the products of American industry and agriculture, and that the farmers would be among those directly and substantially benefited.

Those who think the proposed tour would be inexpedient and inadvisable point out that certain senators have set out with a grim determination to kill the ship-subsidy bill; that the constitutional time-limit on the life of the session operates in their favor; that a few men working under an agreed arrangement of relieving one another can filibuster the bill to death by holding up all bills and creating a jam that must be broken by Mar. 4 if the supply bills, carrying the life-blood of the government, are to be passed and that in view of all these obstacles the ship-subsidy has a mighty slim show, indeed.

"What position would the president be in if he should carry the ship-subsidy fight to the country in a speaking tour and lose out, after all?" these advisers are asking. They answer their own question by saying that undoubtedly it would weaken his influence and diminish his power to accomplish other things that are of vital importance to the country.

Avoid "Big Stick"

Then there is the objection, which probably has the most weight with Pres. Harding, that a speaking tour of this kind, obviously intended to bring public sentiment to play on the senate, would savor too much of executive coercion of the law-making body. Against that sort of performance Pres. Harding stands committed by repeated utterances, dating backward to the very beginning of his administration. Some presidents whose names might be mentioned have found exhilaration and amusement in swinging the big stick on congress but Pres. Harding, himself only a few years removed from the senate, has consistently taken the position that the law-making body should have absolute freedom to at-

tend to its constitutional functions without interference from the executive-end of the avenue.

Mainly for this reason, it seems probable now that the proposed presidential speaking tour, although it has been freely and seriously discussed, will not be undertaken.

FLORIDA IDEAL FOR CITRUS FRUIT LAND

No Commercial Fertilizer Is Needed, Says Expert Who Uses Seaweed.

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 29.—To make the native soil of Florida entirely suitable for the growing of citrus fruits not only dust of commercial fertilizer need be used, according to Charles T. Simpson, of Little River, Mr. Simpson has been conducting experiments on his Little River farm, six miles from here, for the past eight years.

The only fertilizer that Mr. Simpson has used has been the so-called seaweed. Once a year this expert with plants brings loads of seaweed from the waterfront, mashing the grove, and declares this is absolutely the only fertilizer that is necessary.

On the strength of his experience he declares that he is inclined to believe that seaweed is a most splendid fertilizer. His trees are weighted to the ground with fine fruit, yet the mulch he uses, he says, is not a true seaweed but a couple of little plant-like grasses which grow on the bottom of Biscayne Bay. These plants are loosened by fish that feed on tiny bulbs at their roots and float to the surface and are washed to the shore.

Policeman Rescues Ten Children From Flames

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—Ten small children were rescued in a tenement fire early today by Sgt. Charles Eitz of the police force.

Court Commissioner to Keep "Open House"

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—(By U. P.)—"Open house" will be kept at the federal building tonight by Court Commissioner Glass.

Prohi Agent and Woman Found Dead in Auto

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 29.—Walter Neely, a prohibition enforcement agent, and a woman were found dead in an automobile in Neely's garage in Trenton, today, according to a telegram received by Prohibition Director Ross here.

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LAD EMPLOYS GUN TO FORCE POLICE ACTION

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. 29.—(By U. P.)—And a little child shall lead them—at the point of a gun! Thirteen year old Manuel Kendrick took matters into his own hands here today when police refused to release his father who had been put in jail for drunkenness. At the point of a pistol, he way-

laid Policeman Charles Dillard at his home and marched him to jail to release his father. At the jail the tables were turned and young Kendrick was lodged behind the bars with his father.

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There is a society to give you clothes when you lack them and another to take them away when you can spare them.

There is a society for free milk for Italy and temperance for Scandinavian sailors.

There is a society to save you from reading books that you shouldn't read and from going to places where you oughtn't to go, to save you from vice, poverty, sickness and the grave.

But if you should finally escape all these societies and die, there is one that will see to it that you are given a proper burial. And then, if that isn't enough, there is another that will investigate the activities of your soul in the life beyond.

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