

The Washington-Merry-Go-Round —

Truman's Proposed Trip Around Country to Become a Campaign Tour Against Congress

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Different Twist

Only the president's inside advisers know it, but he gave a decidedly different twist to the idea they originally put up to him of stumping the country.

Some of Mr. Truman's loyal friends had suggested to him, shortly before the Jackson-Jefferson dinner, that he go on a tour of the nation in order to keep contacts with the people, not to rap congress.

They were frankly afraid that Truman, sitting in the rarified atmosphere of Washington and surrounded by too many yes-men, was losing his perspective.

So it was suggested that instead of going to Key West for a vacation, the President go on a trip through the West perhaps to visit some water-power project or the snow-bound areas.

Mr. Truman, however, declined to give up his Key West outing, though he had spent two weeks there shortly before Christmas. And at the Jackson-Jefferson dinner, he twisted the original idea around so that his proposed trip becomes a campaign tour against congress—despite the fact that the present congress is overwhelmingly Democratic.

Security for Servants

President Truman's program to extend federal old-age insurance to an additional 20 million persons will not slide through the house ways and means committee as easily as did the bill to extend reciprocal-trade agreements.

Although chairman "Muley Bob" Doughton, of North Carolina, agreed to introduce the administration bills on social security, he explicitly did so only "as the basis for consideration and discussion."

When current hearings have been completed, the committee will then sit down in executive session to write its own bill, which will probably bear little resemblance to the Truman proposals.

For example, the President includes five million farm workers, 3.5 million hired hands, and 2.5 million cooks, maids and other household servants in the 20 million total to be covered. Yet members of congress from rural areas, among them Speaker Sam Rayburn, are convinced that farmers are opposed to social security. And the prospect of a rebellion from an army of irate housewives, compelled to pay and collect employment taxes on their hired help, makes even the congressmen from the cities shudder a bit.

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Bureaucrats Dug Snow

The army did a great job in feeding snowbound civilians and cattle during Western storms, but other civilian agencies did equal pioneering jobs with no credit at all—the interior department's bureau of land management and the agriculture department's forest service.

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