

FAIRBANKS WILL VISIT COAST

Will Leave Chicago the Latter Part of the Month

CHICAGO, Sept. 8.—Senator Fairbanks will go on a speaking tour to the Pacific Coast the latter part of September. He will go out over the Northern Pacific by special train and return by special over the Union Pacific, landing in Omaha not later than October 12. Rear-platform speeches will mark the trip, though several stops will be made for large evening meetings. Senator Fairbanks will arrive in Chicago, September 23, and that night will go to St. Paul. He will pass the following day as the guest of the Roosevelt Republican Club of the Twin Cities. That evening he will speak in Minneapolis or St. Paul.

Departing that night, the Senator will go to North Dakota. Rear-platform speaking will mark the first day and the fore part of the second in Montana. He will then go through Idaho and Washington, stopping for an evening speech at Tacoma. Traveling southward through Oregon to Northern California, the people will have to rest content with addresses made from the train.

Stopping only a day in San Francisco the Eastern trip will be undertaken.

A CHAIRMAN WITH GUMPTION

Chairman Baker Urges that Senator Fairbanks Speak at Least Once in Oregon

[From The Oregonian, Sept. 11, 1904.]

The above Associated Press dispatch appeared in The Oregonian last Friday morning, whereupon the same day his capacity of chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, Frank C. Baker wrote the following letter to J. N. Tawney, director of the speakers' bureau at National headquarters in Chicago:

"My Dear Sir: Inclosed you will find an Associated Press dispatch that appeared in this morning's Oregonian. It cannot be possible, Mr. Tawney, that Senator Fairbanks will speak in Tacoma and pass through Oregon to California without making at least one speech in this state. Portland, Ore., is the metropolis of the Northwest, and Oregon fired off the first gun this Presidential year, indorsing President Roosevelt and his policies by the unprecedented majority of 24,000 odd—the largest Republican majority previously cast being 17,000. The vote last June makes Oregon so safely Republican that our workers are constrained to rest on their oars. We need something to create enthusiasm.

"The Secretary of the Treasury's speech here the evening of the 31st ultimo, concerning which I wrote you on the 2nd instance, had a most excellent effect upon our Republican brethren; but if you folks will sanction Senator Fairbanks passing through this state without making a speech, it will be a convincing argument to our

brethren in this state that there is really no use in doing anything at all. Therefore, as chairman of the Republican State Central Committee of Oregon, I most earnestly ask you to assign Senator Fairbanks for at least one speech in Oregon while passing through the Northwest; and this city being the metropolis of the Northwest, I nominate Portland. Cannot you give response by wire? You know it takes some time to make arrangements. I want time in which to invite leading Republicans from all over the state to be here and honour the auspicious event with their presence. Senator Fairbanks has spoken here before and was given a great reception. This month, if permitted to address the people of Oregon, the event will cap the climax of such occasions in the West. Your most obedient servant,
FRANK C. BAKER."

And editorially The Oregonian paid Chairman Baker the following well-deserved compliment—to wit:

The statement that Senator Fairbanks is expecting to pass through Oregon on his way from Puget Sound to California without stopping to make at least one speech in Oregon very naturally rouses Chairman Baker, of the Republican State Central Committee, whose letter to Mr. Tawney on the subject is produced in another column. The Republican managers doubtless think that as Oregon gave a Republican majority of 24,000 in June it does not need a speech from Fairbanks or anybody else. Mr. Baker will endeavor to impress upon them, however, that to overlook Oregon in this way would not tend to encourage the party in this state to exert itself much to retain or increase its vote. Besides this, Oregon would delight to show to Mr. Fairbanks the same sort of cordial welcome that was given to Secretary Shaw. While the itinerary of Vice-Presidential candidates is not made up to be changed at every request, we wish Mr. Baker good luck in the stunt he has laid out for himself, and have no doubt that his address and energy will get Fairbanks for a speech here if he can be gotten. Certainly he should be encouraged by his success in the Shaw rally. It is comforting to have a chairman with gumption enough to think of things without being told.

Thistles

The laws of Oregon make it the duty of each road supervisor and all Municipal Corporations to destroy the Russian thistle, Canada thistle or Chinese thistle upon the public highway, public streets and vacant lands within incorporated cities or villages. The weed known as the daggar cocklebur must not be allowed to grow. Failure to destroy the foregoing weeds subjects one to penalty of not less than fifty dollars nor more than one hundred.

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