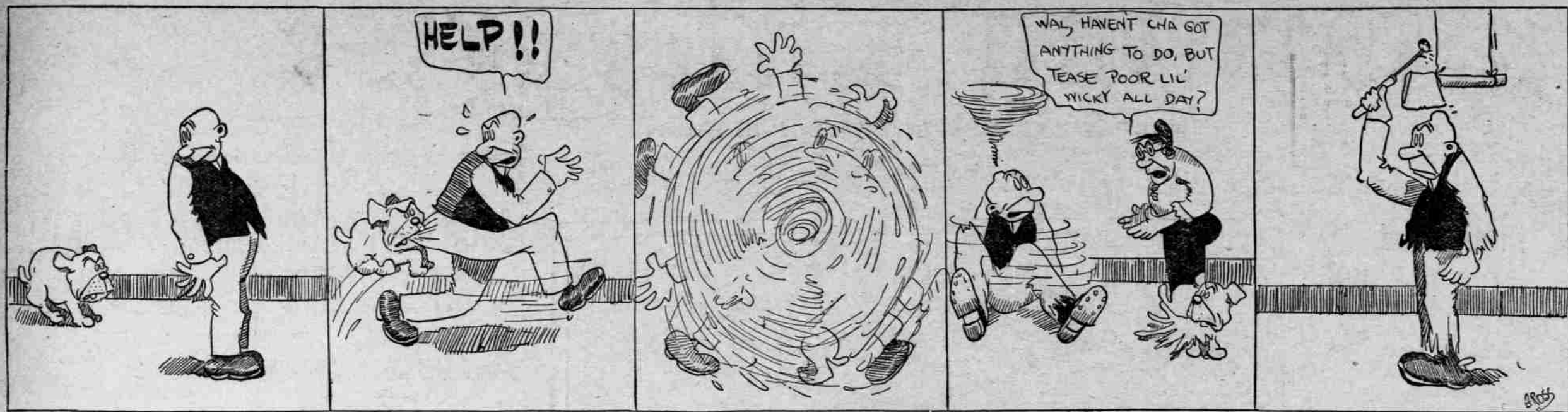


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By Gross

HENRY JR. SAYS



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CITY OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER.

STATE LIFE INSURANCE and the elimination of paid agents with all of the expenses that they entail is the plan of J. W. Ferguson, commissioner, after carefully investigating the conditions in Wisconsin where the plan has been tried.

The shortest statement of the scheme is contained in his report to Governor West and, from what the commissioner says, is admirable in every way. Insurance costs are taxed against the policy holders at an excessive rate. The commissions for the agents, the high death rate upon the companies figure to always land on the safe side, and other details make the cost excessive and, in many cases, prohibitive.

Following is the report telling in a few words the entire plan:

"After carefully investigating the system of state life insurance in Wisconsin, I am satisfied that the plan is not only feasible but practical and will recommended to you in my annual report that a similar law be enacted in Oregon.

"The purpose and intent of the State Life Fund, as explained by Commissioner Ekern of Wisconsin, is to give the people of the State the benefit of the best old line insurance on a mutual plan at the lowest possible cost. To benefit the policyholders is the sole consideration.

"Of the total expense of old line companies, more than one-half goes to agents in commissions. Under the Wisconsin plan policyholders are saved this expense. Applications are received by clerks and treasurers of counties, of cities, or towns, by officials of banks which receive state deposits, and no paid agents are employed.

"There will also be gains from excess interest earnings and mortality savings. The premium rates require that 3 per cent interest shall be earned. The funds should earn at least 5 per cent, leaving a margin of 2 per cent as a source of dividends to policyholders.

"A greater item of saving for the dividends of policyholders comes from the facts that the actual number of deaths run about 40 per cent below the numbers calculated in the table.

"The State Life Fund of Wisconsin issued its first policy October 27th this year and some of the most prominent men in that State are policyholders. Something like four hundred policies have been issued. At present seven different kinds of policies are offered: Ordinary Life, Twenty Payment Life, Twenty Year Endowment, Ten Year Endowment at age sixty-five, Ten Year Term, and Ten Year Term to age sixty-five. This affords a wide range of choice and allows the applicant to obtain the form best suited to his age, circumstances and financial resources.

"The form which has been most popular so far is the Twenty Payment Life. Under this form twenty annual payments are made and the insurance is then fully paid for life. This enables a man to pay for his insurance during his productive years and have protection for the remainder of his life.

"Premiums may be paid monthly if desired and monthly premium rates have been worked out in order to make it convenient for people earning small wages to take advantage of the new plan.

"Many of the manufacturers of the State are putting the plan before their employees by enclosing the State's circulars in pay envelopes, by posting placards in their shops and even by advancing employees money to make the first year's payment.

American Judges Have Usurped Rights of the People

By THEODORE ROOSEVELT

IF the supreme court of the United States has the power to annul acts of congress it is itself not merely a judicial, but a lawmaking power of the first consequence, for it is the final, THE SOVEREIGN AUTHORITY. This is a tremendous authority. The right to annul the law or to change it—as by judicial decision the fourteenth amendment to the United States constitution has been vitally and, as I hold, lamentably changed—is the RIGHT TO GOVERN.

For sixty years the greatest presidents, Jefferson, Jackson and Abraham Lincoln, opposed this doctrine as laid down by the supreme court. It seems to me, however, that they never any of them, not even Lincoln, formulated the right theory of opposition to the doctrine. Each of them fought against it on behalf of another branch of the government, either the executive or the legislative. Their proper ground of opposition should have been, not that the court usurped power belonging to the executive or the legislative, but that it USURPED POWER BELONGING TO THE PEOPLE.

FOR A THIRD OF A CENTURY IT HAS NOW BEEN EXERCISED WITH WHAT I AM FORCED TO SAY, SPEAKING GRAVELY AND DELIBERATELY, HAS BEEN INEXCUSABLE AND RECKLESS WANTONNESS ON BEHALF OF PRIVILEGE AND AGAINST THE INTERESTS OF THE VERY PEOPLE FOR WHOM IT IS MOST NEEDFUL THAT THE POWER OF THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE INVOKED.

"I am of the opinion that there is a broad field for State life insurance in this State and that the State of Oregon should deal with this as an economic problem and offer to its citizens sound insurance at the actual cost of paying the benefits as Wisconsin is doing today."

RURAL LETTER CARRIERS got off on the wrong foot at the Multnomah meeting the other day when they urged the county court to break up the large road districts into smaller ones that better attention could be given to the highways over which these carriers of the mail travel daily.

The vital trouble with Clackamas county today is its multiplicity of road districts. There are 59 different road supervisors in this county with 59 different ideas of how a road ought to be constructed. As a result, the roads of this county look like Joseph's coat of many colors and no two of them are built on the same lines.

Clackamas county needs a road master who has complete charge of the road work through all of the districts and under whose supervision all of the other men would have to work. As conditions now are, the road supervisor is a law unto himself. He builds roads as he thinks they ought to be built.

The effort of the letter carriers to have the road districts cut into smaller ones so more attention can be given to each highway is a bad one. Multnomah county has but two road districts and has the best highways in the state. It isn't the size of the road districts that worries this county, but the difference in belief as to the best methods of construction. As long as this county has its army of supervisors and its present methods of work on the roads, just that long will this county continue to spend \$235,000 upon the highways in a manner that will bring in no evident returns for the taxes expended.

Clackamas county is, admittedly, a hard problem. The county court here has more troubles in the matter of highway work than probably any other court in the state. We have 3300 miles of roads as against 500 in Multnomah and we have roads that require real engineering brains to improve. Multnomah is generally flat in comparison with the hills and valleys through which the roads of this county travel. There are no difficult feats in construction to overcome. But there they have adopted the policy of few districts with one man in charge of them with one idea of construction and improvement. He is given authority over the supervisors and over all of the county road employees. He has charge of all of the work that is done and whatever he believes is for the best interests of the county can be put through. Here, the county court has to send out bulletins when it wants to get its supervisors together. When they do meet, it is like a gathering of the armies.

This is a useless waste of money, and, if there is any satisfaction in it, the county has shown a wonderful lot of improvement in its roads considering its methods. The method is wasteful and it will never get this county any really good highway improvement. One road master with a small corps of efficient supervisors would get more work done and better work. The system has been tried in Multnomah. It ought to be tried here.

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OAK GROVE VOTES
OAK GROVE, Ore., Dec. 10.—At a meeting of the Oak Grove Fair association held Monday at the home of B. Lee Paget, it was decided to keep the \$154.10 surplus realized from last year's fair as a fund for a fair next year. Some preferred to divide the money between the Oak Grove and Concord Parent-Teacher associations. Mrs. John Risley resigned as president of the fair association.

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FORUM OF THE PEOPLE

REV. MR. SPIESS AGAIN

GLADSTONE, Ore., Dec. 10.—(Editor of the Enterprise)—Dr. Schultz says he "will not chew the rag with a small caliber preacher." He was of sufficient caliber to force the admission from Dr. Schultz that he knew nothing at all about the matter himself. It was of sufficient caliber also, to cause him "to retreat precipitately" from the field disowning and abandoning all his previous productions, hiding behind the association, continuing the retreat until he reached the office of Dr. Norris, and hiding behind him; yell's "now on and (I) will have Dr. Norris tied to you." His admission disqualifies him as a witness in any court, lodge or committee. No court would allow him to give hearsay testimony alone to be presented to any jury. Now, will the association accept his gift? Will he be able to show any minutes of the association that they requested him to publish what he did? Will the committee (Drs. Mount and Strickland) who both testified in the Norris case say over their signature that he was requested to publish what he did? Unless he can show either of the above we are forced to the conclusion that it is false like the rest of his statements. If Dr. Norris as he intimates, wishes to become the chief "tongue lasher" I will wait his request and come to his office if he desires it.

To those who wish to know what the charges were, also the time at which made, I will give a copy of the charges and two letters from Dr. White.

I submitted the following allegations: "That Dr. J. W. Norris acting as the secretary of the board of health of Clackamas county, Oregon, has willfully neglected and refused to observe and enforce the statutes of the state of Oregon, relating to the public health or to enforce or observe the rules and regulations of the Oregon State Board of Health." I also made specifications to support the charges. As to the time, here is a letter dated January 25, 1913.

I have asked Dr. Norris to investigate at once, and if he does not make arrangements, you can advise me so that I can investigate the matter in person.

Yours very truly,
CALVIN S. WHITE,
State Health Officer.

Dr. White did investigate in person and early in March Dr. White and Dr. Pierce conducted a public investigation in the court house in Oregon City.

On March 14, 1913, Dr. White wrote as follows: "We have now transcribed the testimony and will bring it before the board on the 27th. (Signed) CALVIN S. WHITE.

As to the doctor's suggestion in regard to the functions of a minister, he neglected to give his scripture where the minister is forbidden to assist in political house cleaning. The liquor interests used to make that argument and might give the doctor a job next year.

As to the doctor's scripture for my prayerful consideration, I will say first: That I never have heard of him being accused of a "shepherd of the sheep" or an "example to the flock." In the next place, an exposition of any scripture must be applicable to the persons spoken of. I certainly have been very "patient" with him when I knew that he knew absolutely nothing about matters he was writing about. I break this news to him very gently. It is not always best to be of good report to "all" that are "without" for Paul's master in the Sermon on the Mount, said: "Woe unto you if all men speak well of you; also "happy are you when you are persecuted," etc. "Blessed are ye when men shall reproach you, and persecute you, and say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake, e. t. c. I am also trying to keep out of the doctor's "snare." Paul also stirred up a "hornet's nest" in Ephesus. Read the 19th chapter of "Acts," please, 23rd verse: "There arose no small stir—a certain man named Demetrius, a silversmith, who made silver shrines of Diana, brought no little business unto the craftsmen," he gathered them together. When they were told Paul's teaching endangered their craft, "They cried out saying: Great is Diana of the Ephesians and the city was filled with confusion." When a "small caliber preacher" endangered the (graft) Dr. Schultz called them together and for the space of months he cried out "knowing what he said" and then retreated behind fortifications still crying out, e. t. c. HENRY SPIESS.

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WEST LINN IMPROVEMENT CLUB TO MEET SATURDAY

The regular monthly meeting of the West Linn Improvement club will take place at the city hall in West Linn on Thursday evening, December 11th, at which time the regular business will be transacted, after which the entertainment committee will take charge of the meeting.

Hon. J. E. Hedges will talk on "Boosting." The male quartette, A. Hickman, H. A. Swafford, J. Mulkey, Hugh Kenney, will sing. A discussion of the proposed charter and debate over its provisions will follow. The hall is expected to be crowded as the charter is the all important topic in West Linn at this time and many questions will no doubt be asked of and answered by the charter committee.

The new city hall and high school will also come up for discussion, the committees being ready to report.

Horse Sense.
Willie—Pa, when has a man horse sense? Pa—When he can say "Nay," my son.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

It is going to be a great hardship for some men of wealth to be compelled to have their fortunes guaranteed under a pure money act.

Wants, For Sale, Etc

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DIAMONDS FOR SALE—I have three cluster diamond rings for sale, cheap. Nice Xmas present for lady. Phone Main 1802.

FOR SALE—One 9-inch adjustable tooth harrow, \$7.50; one 14-inch steering plow, \$5.00; one disc, \$7.50; one single buggy and harness, \$25; one two-seated hack, \$35; one barrel spray, complete, \$10—at opportunity. Two miles on South End road. Inquire J. F. Spiger, Farmer 229.

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LOST—Elk's pin, between postoffice and 13th and Main. Return to cashier Huntley Bros. Reward.

LOST—Brown fox fur collar with two tails between Eleventh and Center and postoffice. Return to Miss Marie E. Libbur, care Dr. Ice, 1101 Center street.

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