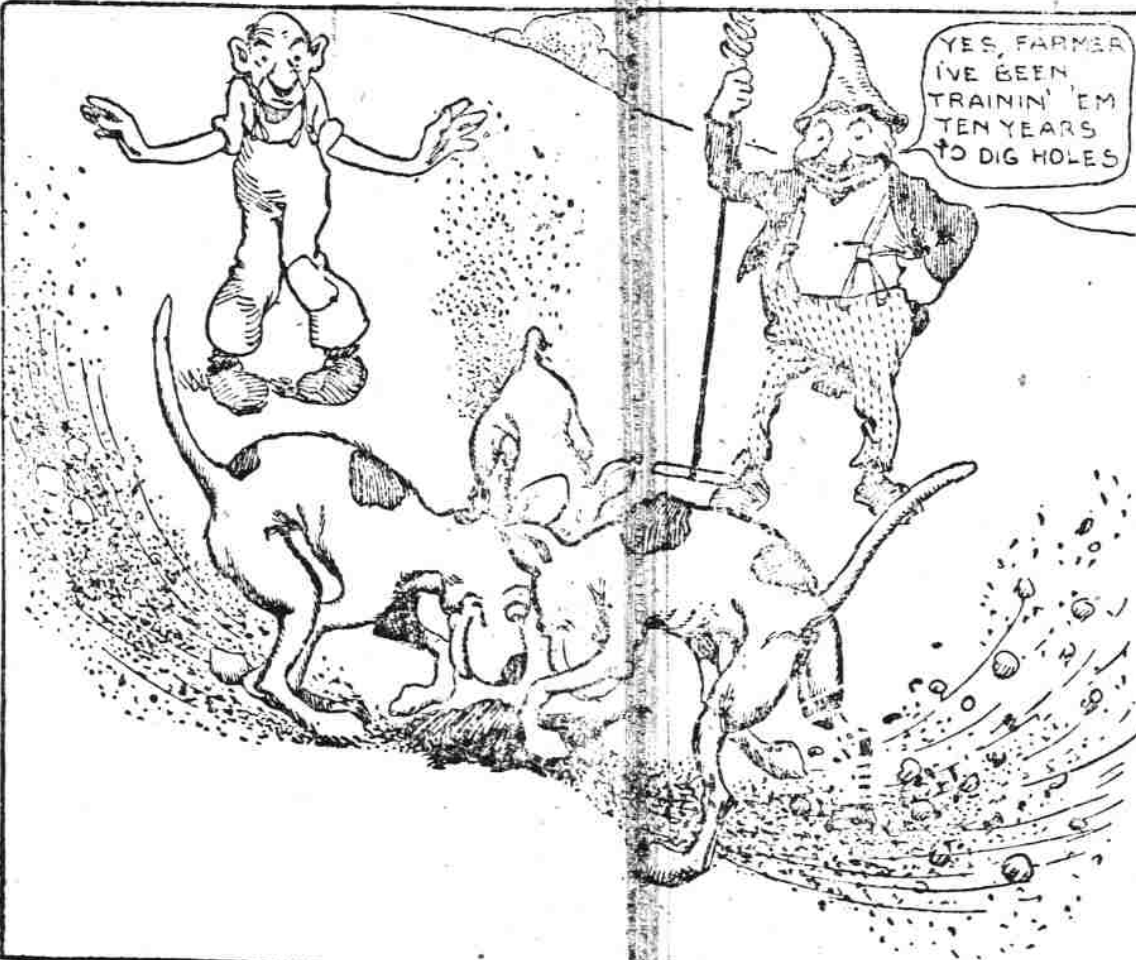
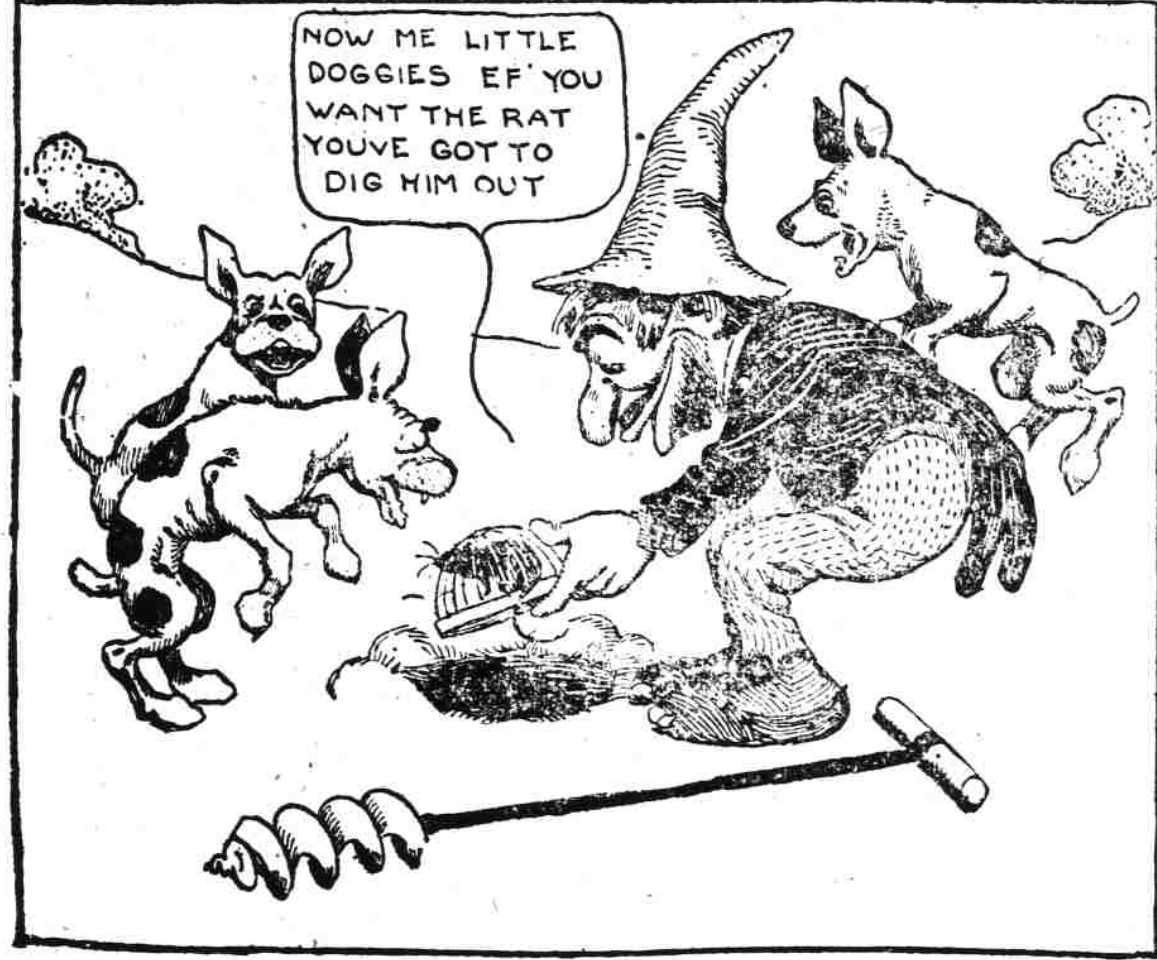


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North Carolina is expected to contribute only \$27,000,000 to the new liberty bond issue.

It is rather tiresome to see a little newspaper continually wanting some one shot, or some official expelled, when the little scribbler hasn't the nerve to face a sick jack rabbit at home.

The King murder case serves to show how much can be said and written without giving any information, also how much rot daily newspapers will print when the opportunity presents itself.

They are school children now. During the idle summer months you know they didn't have any time to spend in the gymnasium, to play foot ball and have frolics, but now it is different. Three or four hours per day in school is a terrible strain on children these days.

Venus says he is arranging to start an old loom and have some home made cloth manufactured. This is a good idea and might be followed in other lines, the manufacture of shoes for instance. Cowhides are being shipped from this section and get into the hands of speculators and the price of shoes is getting almost prohibitive. Let's have more home made goods and give the speculators a chance to die out.

The whiskey interests are being hard pressed these days and with the State prohibition laws and the national bone dry law, they are nearing the end of their

row, which is so much to be desired. But they do not expect to die without another final and mighty effort. This effort is now taking form and the program is to pack the next Congress with men who will block further legislation, if not repeal the laws that have been passed. Let's be awake to the situation and see that nothing of this kind occurs from this district. Of course this will be denied, but the intelligent cannot be easily fooled and should see that others are not.

Members of the Salisbury Chapter of the Red Cross are selling season tickets for the People's Agriculture Fair to be held here October 22-27. The fair managers owe it to themselves to let it be known what a "season ticket" means. Heretofore those buying a season ticket were under the impression it meant admission at anytime, day or night to the grounds, and many who could not attend in the day time, found it necessary to pay extra to go in at night. This was considered an injustice and did not help the association. In all fairness this matter should be thoroughly understood. The fair is a good thing and ought to be liberally patronized. But let's have no tricks.

Some comment has been made relative to the public road between China Grove and Salisbury which we have been anticipating, yet no doubt the county commissioners have been doing the best they could under the circumstances. Upon reflection some things have taken place recently that indicates a decrease in labor supply and an increase in the cost of material. The people of this State voted for prohibition some years ago and it was then predicted that court houses, jails and chain gangs would be considerably less necessary and much would be saved in this way. It is a common occurrence now to be no cases before court and often the superior court holds only a week's session instead of two. This cuts off a supply of labor on the chain gangs and recently the county commissioners found it necessary to abolish one of our

two gangs. So it will be seen that prohibition is getting in its work, the work it was expected and desired to be done. Although it effects the county's road building program, it is a distinctive improvement over the old conditions nevertheless.

The defeat of woman suffrage by practically a 2 to 1 vote in the Maine referendum should not be taken as typical of the feeling of all sections, for there are many sections that will make it 4 and even 10 to 1. The natural conservatism of the State was against so radical a change in the franchise. A still more significant factor was the antagonism aroused by the recent picketing of the White House by the militant suffragists. The repudiation of the picketing by the suffragists of Maine could not undo the damage already done in the minds of many who, before the picketing, were open to conviction. Nor could the prejudice aroused by this incident be overcome by the advocacy of suffrage by prominent people outside the state, by the governor and the majority of the Maine delegation in congress, and the support of both political parties and of a large majority of the daily and weekly newspapers. English suffragists dropped their militant tactics with the outbreak of the war, and have since received the promise of what they had long battled for in vain. It is strange that after our entrance into the war we should have witnessed at Washington the most militant incident in the history of the suffrage movement in this country. The vote in Maine should be taken as a rebuke to those who think that militancy will help their cause. The Maine election also indicates another very important under-current, that of the people doing their own thinking and voting and refusing to be led by the spell-binders or party machines. It seems to have been a case where everybody was willing except the people. Thus may it ever be.

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