

~~the~~ all the detailed activity. It just does not work. You must have your control in a large group, and of course in the railroads your system is that your directors of the railroad select officials who they think are competent to run it. And if these officials run it in a satisfactory way, they have a good ~~of~~ balance sheet, ~~and~~ and general public satisfaction is with them of their work, and the customers are satisfied, and if the directors of the railroad are not satisfied, they fire the railroad officials and ~~put~~ put new ones in. And if the ~~work~~ thing is not being done right, even if the directors for some ~~reason~~ reason are satisfied, if the stockholders, who are scattered all over the country, ~~are~~ are apt to interfere, and to vote them out and elect new directors. But the stockholders don't try to get in to the details of what ~~the~~ time the train is going to leave, or what kind of bonds are going to be issued, or all these details. ~~A~~ A great body of stockholders couldn't handle all these things, not any more than a great body of Pullman porters could. ~~You~~ You have to have either an ~~individual~~ individual with his advisors, or a group of ~~people~~ people to handle each thing.

And so the ~~pure~~ pure congregational system is not very much used, in ch. govt. And the result is that very often in churches which try to have a pure congregational system, with all of the ~~people~~ people supposedly making the decisions on all the matters, it ends ~~up~~ up with a great body of the people ~~having~~ having such confidence in the minister that anything ~~he~~ he says is satisfactory. And the minister actually makes all the decisions. And often ~~rarely~~ rarely bothers to explain his reasons to anybody to the congregation as a whole. And the result is that your extremes meet. And your pure congregational system of ch. ~~govt.~~ govt. in a great many cases, where the church is an effective ~~growing~~ growing concern, actually becomes a prelatical system. A system in which the minister is the sole authority. He is the one who is running it. And if you ever dislodge him from that ~~position~~ position, it is done by means of an upheaval and turmoil in the congregation, and people taking sides for and against the ~~minister~~ minister, instead of a cool consideration of the matters at hand.