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ENDORSEMENT:

When you vote for Sulzer you are endorsing the policies of our great President; you are complying with a request direct from him to the people of Alaska that the Delegate from Alaska be in accord with the Administration, a Democrat, not a political jumping jack...

little charity ought to be given to the Alaskan law makers. Most of them have been men who desired to do the right thing, but they were not skilled in the law...

THE WOMAN'S WAY.

It is an interesting source of speculation as to how much the women are taken in by the bombardments of the politicians. It has often been asserted by those who pretend to know that the fairer sex is always susceptible to a uniform or to a knight errant...

WORK OF DEMOCRATIC CONGRESS

That the Wilson administration has been one of accomplishment is well known to the reading public, but the annexed synopsis of the work done in the past three years will refresh the minds of those who might have forgotten part of the early record of the 64th congress...

GEORGE B. GRIGSBY.

In view of the fact that George B. Grigsby, of Nome, was expected to be in Fairbanks to speak for himself, little has so far been said in the Fourth Division in advocacy of his candidacy for the attorney-generalship of the territory...

AND REMEMBER THIS—THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY WAS FIRST TO AID ALASKA.

MISTAKES ARE NATURAL.

In criticizing the last legislature for the acts passed by it there are several things to keep in mind. In regard to the eight-hour law the judge, in making his decision, found forty or more cases where similar acts had been enacted by other legislatures...

a vote for Mr. Sulzer is an expression of confidence in President Wilson. With even greater force it can be insisted that the votes registered for Grigsby will count in this respect...

SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

Yesterday's telegram from the Record-Herald of Chicago, to the effect that it was to join the ranks of the Democrats, is one of the most encouraging signs of the times. Last presidential election that paper supported the Republican party...

THE ALASKAN'S VOTE.

It is now a good time for the voter to calmly sit down and figure out just what this election means to him. Although Alaskans have no electoral vote yet, they do have a way of expressing their confidence in the present administration...

APPRECIATION.

It is unfortunate that Alaskans have no direct way to show the administration how much they appreciate the splendid work that is being done for the territory. It is, no doubt, true that the administration will go on with the road work and the government railroad without a single word of approbation from the territory...

ON MODERN NOVELS.

It is a pleasure to open a modern book and find therein something of humanity as it really is. Too many of the so-called popular novels are of a hot-house nature. The emotions are so strained and unreal that the reader rises from a reading of them with the same feeling that he wakes from a nightmare...

WORDS OF WARFARE.

It is merely natural that the heat engendered by the friction consequent on a political campaign should result in a boiling over when the parties thereto are careless with the steam gauge. Fortunately the importance of the result, so far as the general welfare of the particular community in which the effervescence takes place, can be measured by that homely simile which describes a controversial warfare as a "storm in a teacup."

WORDS OF WARFARE.

A trite illustration of this state of affairs is furnished by the battle of wits (?) that is being waged over the eight-hour law between the evening paper and the local representative of the Wickersham party. The ill-considered, and to say the least, extravagant, reflections cast by the N-M on those members of the Alaska Legislature who voted for the measure have been taken as a text by the local manager of the present delegate's campaign from which he preaches a sermon, the intent of which is to prove that none of the aforesaid members are fit for re-election...

WORDS OF WARFARE.

The importance of the discussion to the community is, of course, entirely negligible, its glaring foolishness being as apparent as is the childishness exhibited in the hunt for a quarrel. For to state that a member of a legislature, or other law-making body, is incompetent because he voted for a bill which subsequently has been declared to be poor law would argue that practically every Congress of the United States has been made up of incompetents. This is, perhaps, best demonstrated by the fact that the ordinary law library is made up of about one per cent statute and text books and ninety-nine per cent volumes devoted to the elucidation of the differences of opinion that possibly can be arrived at by the judges whose place it is to administer those laws...

WORDS OF WARFARE.

So far as the eight-hour law is concerned, the phase of the question that alone can be claimed to be of

importance is that Senators Sutherland and Sulzer and Representative Burns expressed their approval of the measure by their votes in favor of it, presumably because they were in accord with its sentiment. Undoubtedly these gentlemen have no desire to hide their records in this regard...

WORDS OF WARFARE.

For that reason alone, and there are others, it is refreshing to open the novel mentioned. It is pleasant to visit and see through the author's eyes the quiet beauty of the rural community and the quaint persons with which the story deals. Then there are so many people that you can get acquainted with. The handsome hero and the languorous siren and the beautiful heroine become tiresome after a while. It is interesting to know that the novelist has found other people in the world...

WORDS OF WARFARE.

Now that the "frost is on the punkin and the fodder's in the shock" those who have lived in the middle west can take down their poems by James Whitcomb Riley and live again the kindly life of those broad plains. As one critic has said, Riley is the poet of the broad prairies. There is nothing of the rude and boisterous spirit in him. Nothing, either, of the great passions and tumultuous ambitions that dominates the work of the master appears in his homely verse...

WORDS OF WARFARE.

For his is the simple, tender verse of a quiet, busy people. He was not a great poet in the sense that the term is commonly understood, but he has created a new folk poetry. Everywhere one of those people of his community stands before the reader. There is the contented farmer in the poem quoted above, and the Lis-town humorist, and the hired man in "The Raggedy Man," and so on. All of them breathe the humor and the pathos of a simple country people...

WORDS OF WARFARE.

No comment on the work of the poet is complete without reference to his poems for the children. To paraphrase the book that the poet loved, whole generations of children yet unborn shall rise up to call him blessed. There is something wrong with the child that doesn't shiver with "Orphan Annie," or have opportunity to meet a chap like "The Raggedy Man." Such a comment is the one, perhaps, that the poet would like best of all. That he lived children is written in no uncertain terms in the best of his verse...

WORDS OF WARFARE.

Last it should be written that there is nothing in his work that a child dare not read. His poems need not be placed on the upper shelf, where the child can not reach them. His works are as clean as the meadows that delighted him. It is a pleasure to take one of his books and visit for a while with just ordinary people. Pleasant it is to be where the sentiment is clean and pure and wholesome...

WORDS OF WARFARE.

The game of politics certainly brings out the humorous side of American life. Although the time of narrow, partisan politics has in a measure passed, there is still some of the spirit left. That spirit sees the cloven foot always on the candidates of the other party and the halo on the brows of their party leaders. Still there is plenty of vituperation vented on the opposite party. Not one-half of it all do they mean. If they did mean all that was said there is more than one neighborhood that would be in a regular Kentucky feud. But most of them say, "Oh, it's just politics," and pass it by at that. After the election the party strife is forgotten and bitter enemies can again become bosom friends...

WORDS OF WARFARE.

Now it seems strange that the men who use the partisan method of warfare do not realize that the majority of the voters are next to the dope. Their fiercest broadsides are recognized as blank cartridges. Therefore what is the use of all of the political dope? Why not say that the other fellow is a pleasant fellow and has a little brains and honesty...

WORDS OF WARFARE.

IT would seem from her remarks as reported in our dispatches last night from Cordova, that Lena Morrow Lewis, the Socialist candidate for delegate to congress from Alaska, is campaigning more in the interests of Wickersham than of herself. "Why don't you speak for yourself, Lena." A house warming was held for Mrs. Sbermer at Chatanika yesterday afternoon.

AN OPEN LETTER.

To the Honorable James Wickersham, Sir: I am in receipt of a pamphlet, containing speeches supposed to have been delivered by you in Congress and published July 25, 1916, (no doubt free of charge under the unanimous consent of "leave to print privilege.") I admit, as a campaign document, in your own behalf, it is a masterly effort on your part...

AN OPEN LETTER.

According to your own statement two years ago, President Woodrow Wilson and Secretary Franklin K. Lane were the best friends Alaska ever had; and to my way of thinking they are now as good as they ever were. To my way of thinking, too, you have failed in that political pamphlet of yours, to show wherein they have failed in their friendship towards Alaska. Someone in Washington, D. C., opposed your super-full Home Rule Bill, and, as usual, you became sore and began to denounce everybody. But if your super-full Home Rule Bill is as faulty as your full Home Rule Bill has proven to be, the man who opposed it conferred a lasting benefit to Alaska...

AN OPEN LETTER.

Your Honor, after reading your political pamphlet and recalling your past record, do you expect me, or anyone else with a sane mind, to take your word as against the friendly actions of President Woodrow Wilson and Secretary Franklin K. Lane? No, sir, you did not advance any convincing argument in your political pamphlet that the Wilson Democratic Administration is an enemy of Alaska, and you the only friend of Alaska, and that is the reason why I have written this open letter to you, and not only I, but there are quite a number of my roughneck friends who are of the same opinion as I am...

AN OPEN LETTER.

Hoping that when you come to Fairbanks you will give us more light on the subject, I remain, Respectfully yours, MARTIN HARRAIS.

TELLS DETRACTORS OF LEGISLATOR FEW FACTS ABOUT FORMER DOINGS.

The Evening Flopper, consistent with its record for misrepresentation and unreliability, in commenting upon our feeble efforts in behalf of Senator Sutherland's candidacy for re-election, errs in the following particulars: Sen. Sulzer DID NOT father the resolution which brought us the mining experimental station, because, firstly, there never was any such resolution; secondly, the mining experimental station which Sulzer's MEMORIAL asked for was to be established at JUNEAU, and the bill which provided for the establishment of twelve of these stations throughout the United States was PASSED BY CONGRESS before the legislature had convened. What we stated in our former article was that Sulzer tried to steal our school of mines and was frustrated by the watchful waiting of our faithful Dan. We did, however, make one misstatement in the former article, in stating that the two Pioneers' bills were all the constructive legislation passed by our legislature. The election law is another constructive measure, which was passed at the last election by Dan Driscoll, with the collaboration of Sen. Sutherland...

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We hope the voters of the Fourth Division have not forgotten that Senator Sutherland was the only member of the first senate who refused to sign that letter declaring against the government railroad. The "seven slippery senators" were not of the machine that gave Thompson's infantile legislator so much trouble at the last session—Adv.

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Laura Herrington, one of the hair-bred girls who gained so much notoriety in connection with the trials which, for a time last spring, occupied the attention of the court here, and resulted in the conviction of several men on serious charges, will leave for the Outside today. She is being sent out by District Attorney R. F. Roth, who has arranged with the attorney general of the United States to have the girl put in a private school at Portland, Ore. Mr. Roth did not say to what school the girl would go. She will go out in custody of Mrs. Paul Ringseth as matron.

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SUTHERLAND'S ADVANCE MAN IS STILL ON JOB

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