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ANOTHER DANGER FROM "INTERLOCKING BUREAUS."

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rule of applying more democracy to cure the ills arising under a democracy applies here with special force. What Alaska needs is more home rule. President Woodrow Wilson spoke in the light of history and in accord with the creed of his political faith when he urged that full Territorial government be given Alaska. Alaska will not experience the best kind of growth as long as it is governed by those who have influence with bureaus rather than by the people of the Territory. Home rule is never a failure. Under it, in the end, people get just as good government as they deserve. Any kind of government requires watchful attention from the governed. When it is home government intelligent attention is possible.

A GOOD REMEDY.

AS A REMEDY for prevailing vice among Yukon Indians the Dawson News urges the Canadian government to set apart good farming lands for them and then to teach the young men to till the soil and the girls the arts of domestic science. It is good advice. There is no vice remedy so effective as wholesome and useful employment. And there is no education so valuable to the Indians of the North as that which prepares them to make a living for themselves under the changed conditions that have accompanied the coming of the white race.

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