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STORIES WE HAVE HEARD BEFORE

There are three candidates for con-
gress in the fielf, four for the senate,
and twelve for the Alaska house of rep-
resentatives. According to the tales that
are being told by the friends of the re-
spective candidates, they will all be el-
ected. It is impossible for them to lose,
but, we have heard these same stories
before. Six candidates will be success-
ful and thirrtteen will be buried by the
political gravedigger. From Martin
Harrais down to John Conna, the lieuten-
ants of the various factions are heard
on every side proclaiming victory each
for his respective brand, because, in
politics, there are jobs for the faithful.

EVERY MAN HIS OWN OPINION

The scurrilous and unwarranted attack
on our popular district attorney on the
eve of his departure for the outside by
Caskey in the Citizen, seems to be be-
ginning to react. Casked quoted Cross-
ley as having said that Roth would
make a good district attorney. Crossley
called up the Democrat boss (to be) and
requested that he be not misquoted. J.
H., however, thought he would make it
go, and printed it. Crossley called up
the evening paper--the News-Miner
and denied the statement as quoted in
the Citizen. Caskey now in his last issue
turns loose the vials of his wrath, and
the people, to show their appreciation
of Caskev's criticism, are circulating a
petition to send to the attorney general
asking that Crossley be allowed to serve
his term out. The people here know
Crossley, and the attack made by Cas-
key---what does it show? It simply
shows the vindictiveness of Caskey--the
result of Democratic training---to the
victors belong the spoils. We, the Dem-
ocrats, though in the minority, are in
power, therefore, the offices belong to
us. If Crossley had said that Roth
would not make a good district attorney
there might have been some ground for
argument. What he did say was that he
would leave it to the people of this com-
munity to decide whether Mr. Roth had
made (after trial) a good official or not.
He was willing to leave it to the people.
Caskey doesn't seem to like that kind
of reasoning.

On the other hand, there is no reason
why M. Roth should not make a good
district attorney, unless it be that he
might keep his ear too close to the
the Democratic bosses, McGowan and
Caskey, in which event he would surely
suffer shipwreck.

The emancipation of the working
class must be the class-conscious work
of the working class.---KARL MARX.

What The First Legis-
lature Accomplished
at Juneau

The above is what the first Al-
aska Legislature accomplished in
the way of passing laws for the
benefit of the working man. The
horny-handed son of toil is going
to vote for his friends again in a
short time. He should pick live
ones.

The other day the writer was going
along Second St. in the Town of Fair-
banks when one of the leading attor-
neys of the town hailed him as follows:
"Say, young fellow, was it you that put
in that blank space in the Alaska Soc-
ialist entitled : 'What the legislature
did!' Well now, that was a good one!
But you made a mistake. Here is what
they accomplished. Put that in your
paper!' The following is what he hand-
ed to the writer:

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Remedy-?!?-;-,-,?
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The Clans Are Gathering
From Near And Far

From near and far, for the past week
or more, the different political chief-
tains have been gathering in Fairbanks.
Election day is drawing near and the
forces must be recruited. Promises of
reward, in case of victory, must be made
in order to get recruits. Instructions
have to be given to the various party
lieutenants. Precincts must be looked
over. Results of previons elections have
to be compared, all, all this is done for
the good of the people---just as they did
in Ancient Rome:
"Then none was for a party
Then all was for the State,
And the great man loved the poor man,
And the poor man loved the great.
Then lands were fairly portioned
And spoils were fairly sold.
The Romans were like brothers
In the brave days of old."

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When the truth costs dear;
Fools to do the dying,
Patriots to cheer.
Rulers, Priests and Preachers,
Hypocrites galore,
Praying to the Prince of Peace
For Victory in War.
Ex.

The Soldier

It's fried eggs and bacon
And bacon and eggs,
A broken old jawbone;
A dent in both legs.
And "hang you, you critter,
Fer firin that way."
A snuff of gun powder
And then through the fray.

Then dodgin' a bullet
And cluckin' a ball,
And watchin the sucker
That's next to you fall.
Then back to yer quarters,
What's left of yer hide;
But then yer far better
Than those who have died.

The bill o' fare changes.
You eat beans and pork---
Yer lap is yer table,
Yer fingers yer fork.
And there on the soggy,
Old ground you can squat,
To rise the next morning---
Go out and get shot.

Then inside the wagon
That's made for the dead,
Your bullet- holed carcass
Is stood on its head;
Till some one has mercy,
Or just 'cause you smell,
Like every good soldier,
You're shipped off to hell.---Ex.

"What are they moving the church
for?"
"Well, stranger, I'm the Mayor of
these diggin's an' I'm for law enforce-
ment. We've got an ordinance what
says no saloons shall be nearer than 300
feet from a church. I gave 'em three
days to move the church."

The contented people are mostly to be
found in cemeteries.

Dunning letters are seldom lost in
the mails.

Pay day comes more slowly than rent
day.

If making money was as easy as mak-
ing love, we'd all be millionaires.

Some self-made men look as though
they had run out of material.

Will the Bull Moose party nominate
Roosevelt again.

"Will they? Do you think they want to
smash their party?"

Mrs. Lincoln

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