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Probe of Project

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Tax After You Die
Painless, Anyhow

Hollywood, Calif.—All the big influential papers are full of “sook the rich.” And you can tel from the tone of their voices they have been “sooked.”

But, as the scheme is mostly on inheritance, he don’t really hit ‘em good till they die, so I would call that the nearest to a painless tax that could be invented. You don’t pay it till you die and then you don’t know it.

I would sure have liked to see Huey’s face when he was woke up in the middle of the night by the president who said, “Lay over, Huey, I want to get in with you.”

WILL ROGERS.

A telegrams to President Roosevelt, Senators Couzens, La Foillette and Schall, Relief Director Harry Hopkins and Gov. Troy of Alaska, called for approval of the action which was taken several days ago by some 40 colonists she represents.

“I’l read you our telegram and the letters we sent registered so they would have to be signed for,” she said.

In a voice joky with excitement she read the communications and got a chorus of ayes from them, without a single no.

The communication to President Roosevelt follows:

“We were promised a good many things before we came to Alaska, among which were: Our houses to be modern, with full basements and running water. We were to have a small barn, roads built to our land, machinery and tools with which to accomplish necessary work in farming and road building, food at cost plus freight, wells, and a school for the children.

“Since our arrival in Alaska we wonder if these promises were purposely made to breed discontent among the colonists. We find that in place of basements we are to have a small hole under the house, boarded up with slate. The house is to rest, not upon a cement foundation, but upon spruce pilings. Even this much looks doubtful, for the only house under construction is being placed upon the ground without any foundation of any kind.”

No Time for Cellars

Her wire explained that the colonists were told that there was insufficient time to dig cellars and put in a foundation, and that the house framework was to be green lumber, although plumed lumber is standing in the rain here. It continues:

“The corporation was to furnish

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