

(d) For bounty on Hair Seals pursuant to Chapter 48, Session Laws of Alaska, 1927—Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00).

(e) For additional and necessary contingent expenses of the office of Commissioner of Education—One Hundred and Twenty-five Dollars (\$125.00).

FROM THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CURRENT FUND.

(a) For the support of Special Schools, pursuant to Section 45, Chapter 97, Session Laws of Alaska, 1929—Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00).

Section 2. This Act shall take effect immediately after its passage and approval. Emergency.

Approved March 31, 1933.

CHAPTER 6.

AN ACT

[S. B. 10]

To amend Sections 895, 896 and 899, Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1913, relating to matters that may be pleaded in civil actions by way of answer and reply.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska:

Section 1. That Section 895 of the Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1913, be, and the same is, hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section 895. The answer of the defendant shall contain: Pleading—
Answer of defendant, what to contain.

First. A general or specific denial of each material allegation of the complaint controverted by the defendant, or of any knowledge or information thereof sufficient to form a belief.

Second. A statement of any new matter constituting a defense or counterclaim in ordinary and concise language without repetition. New matters constituting a "defense" as used herein, shall be deemed to include what at common law were known as matters in abatement."

Section 2. That Section 896, Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1913, be, and the same is, hereby amended to read as follows:

Counterclaim—
what is and
how stated.

"Section 896. The counterclaim mentioned in this title must be one existing in favor of the defendant and against a plaintiff, between whom a several judgment might be had in the action, and arising out of the following causes of action:

First. A cause of action arising out of the contract or transaction set forth in the complaint as the foundation of the plaintiff's claim.

Second. In an action arising on contract, any other cause of action arising also in contract, and existing at the commencement of the action.

The defendant may set forth by answer as many defenses and counterclaims as he may have. They shall each be separately stated and refer to the causes of action which they are intended to answer in such manner that they may be intelligibly distinguished; PROVIDED, That the defendant shall not be required to admit in his answer any liability or indebtedness to the plaintiff in order to be permitted to plead a counterclaim."

Proviso.

Section 3. That Section 899 of the Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1913, be, and the same is, hereby amended to read as follows:

New matter in
answer, how
plaintiff may
reply to.

"Section 899. When the answer contains new matter, constituting a defense or counterclaim, the plaintiff may reply to such new matter, denying generally

or specifically each allegation controverted by him or any knowledge or information thereof sufficient to form a belief; and he may allege in ordinary and concise language, without repetition, any new matter, not inconsistent with the complaint, constituting a defense to such new matter in the answer. New matter constituting a "defense" as used herein, shall be deemed to include what at common law were known as matters in abatement."

Abatement may be pleaded as new matter.

Approved April 1, 1933.

CHAPTER 7.

AN ACT

[S. B. 13]

To amend Section 17-b, Chapter 65, Session Laws of Alaska, 1923, an Act amending Section 17 of Chapter 48, Session Laws of Alaska, 1913, relating to banking corporations.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska:

Section 1. That Section 17-b of Chapter 65, Session Laws of Alaska 1923, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 17-b. No bank, banker or bank officer shall give preference to any depositor or creditor by pledging any of the assets of the bank as collateral security, except that such security may be given to the Treasurer of the Territory to secure Territorial funds, and any bank may also give such security to the United States as may be required to make such bank a depository for United States funds; provided further, that any bank may borrow money for temporary purposes not to exceed its paid up capital and may pledge the assets of the bank not exceeding fifty per cent (50%) in excess of the

No preference to be given any creditor by pledging assets of bank as collateral security. Exemptions.