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## COAL LANDS STEAL.

John E. Lathrop in McClure's Magazine Tells the Story.

The January number of McClure's Magazine has an interesting story about the methods employed by land grabbers and coal barons, and in part Mr. Lathrop says:

"In 1901, prospectors for oil found a billion dollars' worth of coal in southern Alaska. They were looking, without much luck, for oil wells, when the Indians and squawmen took a few of them back into the glaciers and showed them the mountains of coal along Bering river—known to the local tribes for years. Nowhere else on the face of the earth has anything like these mountains ever been discovered. They are masses of tilted rock from 1900 to 4000 feet high, cut across from one end to the other with seams, from 5 to 50 feet thick, of the highest class of bituminous and anthracite coal. The people having inside information on this land were naturally anxious to secure title to it, away from the United States government, which owned it.

Congress has been giving coal lands for 35 years, but while extending the coal land laws to Alaska had carelessly failed to remember that it could only give away surveyed lands, and these were unsurveyed, hence all that would be grabbers could do was to take possession and hold the lands till a new land law could be passed. Various groups of capitalists made efforts to get possession, the best territory, containing more than 200,000,000 tons of coal, being taken by a group called the "politicians' syndicate," whose manager was ex-Mayor Harry White of Seattle, a "power-of-attorney" man.

Powers of attorney were obtained by hundreds, from all sorts of people, one stock-selling concern operating in Portland, headed by a banker and an owner of a leading newspaper. There were finally 959 of these power-of-attorney claims, covering the whole Bering river coal fields, not 5 per cent of the claimants ever having been near that locality. The fight was for the most wonderful coal district in the world.

It is the only first class bituminous and anthracite coal on the Pacific coast; from the Bering river district railroads can be built to the sea, not more than 110 miles long, over perfectly level country; and, according to a published statement by Alfred H. Brooks, head of the government's geological survey work in Alaska, there are 6,000,000,000 tons of it in both fields—more than one and a half times all the coal that has ever been taken out of Pennsylvania. Two thirds of this has been filed upon by these claimants—that is, as much coal has come from the mines of Pennsylvania. Mr. Brooks estimates it to be worth \$1 a ton as it lies; that is \$6,000,000,000.

Alaska people objected and protested, but got no satisfaction until 1904, when the demand became irresistible, and then the Cunningham group, composed of millionaires, took the lead. Cunningham was the manager, and according to one of his memoranda, Senator Hoyburn was to get a 160-acre claim, worth perhaps \$1,500,000, for local services. The coal land law provides that any citizen or prospective citizen of the United States is entitled to take one 160-acre tract of coal land at a nominal price, and no more. No association or company of men can take more than 540 acres of this land—a privilege allowed to four or more men who have spent \$500 in improvements on this square mile of land.

This law leads to wholesale perjury and the lands invariably pass into the hands of great corporations. Hoyburn sought to have the law changed in the interest of the syndicate, but was not successful. Then the government got busy prosecuting land fraud cases, and Roosevelt held up all these coal land claims.

By this time the Guggenheim syndicate had become the greatest monopoly of its kind in America, and as far and fast as possible acquiring these Alaska coal lands. In 1905 the Guggenheims secured control of the great Bonanza copper mine in southern Alaska, and then began to reach out for this enormous coal field, and they bought out their rights as coal lands, a railroad and a harbor, of an English company.

With possession of the only feasible harbor, that of Cordova, and with their Copper River railroad already built over a third of the district to the field, the Guggenheims hold an absolute key to transportation. Several special agents successively reported, at first, that these Cunningham-Guggenheim claims were fraudulent or illegal, during or prior to the time that R. A. Ballinger of Seattle was commissioner of the general land office, and he appointed Louis F. Glavis to make a further and special report. Influential men got busy, and Glavis, who found the claims fraudulent, was called off.

Ballinger, after ceasing to be land commissioner, became attorney for the Cunningham claimants, and especially for the White group. On becoming secretary of the interior Ballinger turned this business over to his successor as land commissioner, Fred Dennett, who had been Senator Hensbrough's private secretary, and later a land office official and real estate speculator in Seattle. One special agent, Love, had at first reported the claims fraudulent, but later modified his report.

On January 4, 1908, a telegram, signed by Commissioner Ballinger, was sent to Love in Alaska, asking him to send the plats of the Cunningham claims required for issuing "patent," the last approval still required from the government for these claims. On January 7, Assistant Commissioner Dennett notified Glavis Love's report. Glavis, having some knowledge of the evidence against these claims, protested at once by telegram and letter. Immediately after the order to "clear-cut" the Cunningham claims for "patent" was revoked by the land office. Then the claimants sought to get legislation needed by them through congress.

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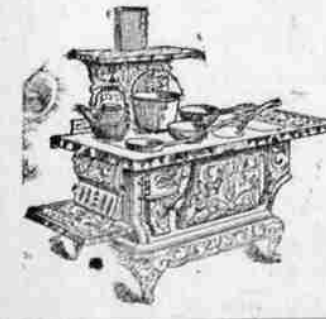
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