

MOVE FORESEEN TO VIRTUALLY GIVE ALL ALASKA AWAY

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Washington, May 13.—Quietly, almost in solitude, the house committee on territories, presided over by Representative Charles F. Curry, Thursday began hearings on a gigantic plan to hand the resources of Alaska over to a commission responsible to nobody. Legislation with fat in it under our system usually gets a good start in that committee with nobody present except those with previous knowledge of what is to be divided.

If this audacious bill goes through it makes czars out of the commissioners. They are not responsible to any department of the government. They are not responsible to congress. They are not responsible even to the president of the United States. Short of actual malfeasance they can sit out their whole terms with no control, giving away natural resources in one-sixth of the territory of the United States with a freedom from interference that would have aroused jealousy in William Hohenzollern at his zenith.

POWER COMPLETE IN GIFTS
Another fascinating feature of audacity that really ought to be filmed is that this completeness of power holds only while the commission gives things away. If it refuses to give them up then there is provided an appeal.

If I were in a more humorous mood, I could be funny with that for half a column. The subject of what to do with Alaska was brought up in a cabinet meeting nine days ago. Tomorrow a letter from Secretary Wallace of the department of agriculture ought to be received by Chairman Curry. Also it is expected that Secretary Fall will be heard from. Fighting on the curb is that Mr. Fall will handle the proposal with roughness and that even Mr. Fall will find it too stiff.

WAY LEFT FOR AMENDMENT
As the bill creating the commission stands today it turns over absolutely the forests, the unreserved public lands, the water power, the agricultural experiment stations, the fisheries and the migratory birds. But do not worry about the rest of the resources. This type of bill is always managed adroitly. By leaving the railroads, the mines and the oil to be slipped in by amendment later, a familiar political method is adopted.

There was one witness Thursday. He was E. A. Sherman, a social forester. Chairman Curry went back at him along one line—namely, that under the present system Alaska was not being developed fast enough. Sherman seemed to think that cloak a thin one. He pointed out that the bill takes away the water power from a national water power commission especially created for such purposes—it takes away all the functions of the department of agriculture, the department of commerce and the general land office. Mr. Sherman explained to the committee why Alaska is not growing faster. The population grew rapidly from 1890 to 1910. It was about stationary from 1910 to 1918. It has decreased since then. The decrease is due to the exhaustion of the Nome fields, a happening seen over and again in our western states in the pioneer stages.

RATES PROVE BARRIER
Last spring a committee was sent by Judge Payne to Seattle to hold hearings on what was needed to develop Alaska. The testimony of everybody was that a man cannot afford to take advantage of the agricultural possibilities there, which are great, at the present rail and water rates. By the time he has transported himself, his family and his equipment he has made a big investment.

After he gets there he can get good grain and meat with his own hands for a large family, but he cannot make any money. There is no accessible market. If Alaska were alongside Dakota it would be settled up, as Mr. Sherman put it, in from three to five years. This agricultural section will change as the mines, railroads and other industries develop. The department of agriculture is using its experiment stations to avoid for the settler the errors that

ruined so many bold pioneers in our western settlements.
The government's handling of the forests also is based upon the intention of having a future settled population in Alaska.
STABLE INDUSTRY PROPOSED
There is an estimated stand of 100,000,000 cords of wood pulp. Instead of having those trees torn off hastily to give a few individuals the unearned increment, the government means to turn them into stable industry.
The fisheries are being rapidly depleted by over exploitation. The game and fur resources would lose their protection if the new bill should become a law. All these national interests are now being looked after by an interdepartmental committee formed last fall under the leadership of Secretary Meredith and Secretary Wallace is expected to continue it.
A contest has also been going on for the governorship of Alaska. The most prominent candidates have been James Wickersham and E. C. Hazlett, but the position is likely to go to Scott Bone.

Holds Court at Moscow
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—In regulation, sailor and middy style, short pants, large collars, insignia on sleeve, braid trimmed.

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The Very Newest Things in Smart Outing Togs for Misses and Women This Season Are

The New "Field and Forest" Suits at \$20.00

—This newest of new Hiking and Outing Suits comes in a smart tweed mixture and is practical and durable for all outdoor wear. Consists of coat and breeches. The coat is long, has roomy patch pockets, notched collar. The breeches are made with cuff finish at knee. These suits are thoroughly well tailored.

We Are Also Showing New Corduroy Skirts and Breeches

—The Corduroy Skirts are priced at \$5.95. They are very durable for outdoor wear. Made of Crompton Richmond corduroy in mouse shade. Shell skirt finish with patch pockets and belt.
—The Corduroy Breeches are priced at \$5.95 also. These are well tailored, reinforced at knee and laced at ankle, slit pockets. Match the skirt.
—Corduroy Hats to match at \$1.75.

*Very Special for Saturday Jersey Jackets The New Manhattan Model At Only \$7.95

—This is an unusually splendid weight Jacket and is a tremendous bargain. In navy, brown and red. Has tuxedo front and fine corded tuxedo back, smartly tailored throughout, with pointed sleeve, fancy pocket and belt. Sizes 8 to 16 years.
—Other Jersey Coats, sizes 14 to 16 years, at \$9.50, \$10.75 and \$12.50.

One of the Best Features of Our Anniversary Sale Is Khaki Breeches at the Very Special Price of \$2.65

—This is an unusually low price for these extra heavy Khaki Breeches. They are splendidly made reinforced at knee and laced at ankle. Regulation khaki shade. Waist measure 22 to 36 inches.
—Khaki Coats to match, very special at \$3.15.

New Crepe, Organdy and Chambray Dresses 6 to 14 Years \$4.95

—Dainty, new, crisp organdy Dresses in mauve, blue, pink, orchid, one style finished with white organdy trimmings, the other with fancy white stitching, both with sash finish. In blue, pink, green, coral and tan. The chambray dresses are prettily smocked—other have pleating and hand embroidery.

Smart New Wash Dresses for Girls 14 to 16 Years Special at \$5.95

—There are four very attractive models in this group. One in block check in pink or blue, with tucked vestee and cuffs and crocheted buttons. Other models in plaids and checks, in bolero or vestee effect, some with peplums—others with inset pockets.

A Timely Sale of Men's Athletic Union Suits at \$1.65

—High grade Union Suits made of such fine fabrics as silk mull, fiber silk woven madras and soisette—the fabrics which make such comfortable wearing garments during the hot weather.
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—In sizes 34 to 46.

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—An exceptional purchase of patent milan tailored Hats for the miss who has been wanting one of these styles in roll or straight, medium or large brim, trimmed with ribbon band and streamers. Colors, black, navy, brown, sand and white. Sizes 6 to 4 years.
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