

STEEL RAILS IN THE NORTH

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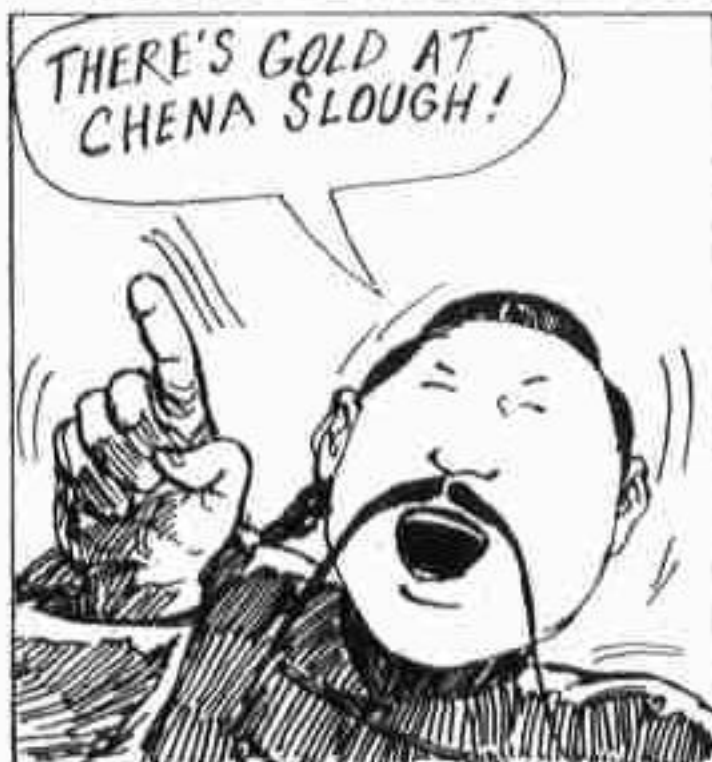
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Over the next year, we will be printing the book *Adventures in the Alaska Economy* as a serial. Every week we will present approximately one and a half pages. The book, an economics text presented in comic book form, is the result of a collaboration between economics professors Steve Jackstadt, Lee Huskey and artist John Dawson.

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The Alaska Railroad was not the first railroad in Alaska. The White Pass and Yukon Railway was built in 1901 to connect Skagway to the goldfields of the Yukon. Other small railroads operated in the gold mining areas around Fairbanks and Nome; they were used to transport supplies from these cities to the outlying mining camps. The Copper River and Northwestern Railroad connected the port of Cordova with the rich copper mine at Kennecott.



HUNDREDS OF PROSPECTORS LEFT THE KLONDIKE WHERE NEW CLAIMS WERE FEW AND RUSHED OVER 600 MILES DOWN THE YUKON TO BARNETTE'S TRADING POST.



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