

GREAT WHITE FATHERS

*The Story of the Obsessive Quest
to Create Mount Rushmore*

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Dwight Liza in
1908

married Mary 1909 (12)

brother Solon

married Liza 1889 -
she was 18 years older -
his teacher - he 22
she 40

represented Jessie Fremont
daughter Thomas Hart Benton
senator from Mo. great
grandfather was the artist
she married John C. Fremont
(R) Rep. candidate in 1856

Friend of TB when NYC
petri communism
moved to Europe with
Liza for 8 of next 11 years.

Rodier - big face
in his life

Solon - brother born
to Jim and Christina
one yr. after Gordon

KKK
Now PARTISON LEAGUE

Linda born to Mary
1912

b Mar 25, 1867 / Bear Lake, Idaho Mon Nov 4 Na. in
Lousia / Mormon (Zwinn) & March 6, 1947 (Emulsion) 73
John Gutzon Borglum born to Christians - His made up story
of coming to America - G.B. mother sister of 1st wife. p 69
Borglum - says his mother died - she didn't
moved to Nebraska.

Why didn't he like the National Park Service p 294
He had an aborted auto tag biography -
He was proud of his Norse heritage - thought himself
better than wild immigrants p 72 - no one deserved
higher marks than the Greeks - he compared himself to
them

When Gutzon died his son took over (Finnish) began dismantling
pulling and scaffolding (1947) p 309
of total expenditure 989,000 - fed paid \$36,000
Borglum received \$10,000 a year or \$70,000 - he signed the contract
in 1927
other fees prepared - Nat. P. Service turns down - effort
to put Susan B. Anthony - Borglum "Man's job"
agreed to women on West side of Mt. - Rose Arundel Powell pushed
him - with E.R.'s help - wanted 300 but got \$6,000 from engineer

KKK. - Atlanta - Stone Mt. - Edward Young Clarke - helped
sollicit money. G.B. served on Klan Kloucilium 1923 p 189
he didn't take Klouoath.
pledged his allegiance to D.C. Stephens - Grand Dragon
his words about Jews Blacks Catholics p 192

About his friendship with Eugene Meyer
G.B. borrowed money from D.C. relationship cooled
withers felt Stone Mt. was Klan tainted project
D. began stamping for Bob La Follette
Robinson letter about Black Hills sent to G.B. while
re was in middle of Stone Mt - had mounting debt.
died on Feb 25 - offensive egotism and delusion of grandeur
He then demolished models of Lee Jackson and Dawn
named after Charles Rushmore - a New York attorney p 209

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breached Mormon upbringing
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Old West outsiderness

he turned 58 in 1925

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Charles Bushman contributed \$5000

Coolidge arrives in 1927 — Money was
until this a
mirage

Hoane Robinson b. in Wis. 1856

Peter Norbeck — U.S. Senator

Aug 20, 1924 — Robinson writes Borahum first time

He promised Indians that a Chief would
be carved in the Eagle's nest on the mountain
Black Elk — FDR visit (Black Bear)

Koreyak Ziolkowski p 327 b. Boston 1908

Came together with Z.B. 1939

Z.B. joins K. after 19 days

1946 — K. filed mining patent for Crazy Horse

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Lincoln bust in the Capitol San Luis / Bern Apr 9, 1911

* Eugene Meyer - landlord - that Skylock
letter to Mary P. 172

1919 - joined Nonpartisan League

Borghum and TR - lot a like - 1908 Bull moose

Ston Mountain - full time 1922 / estimated cost 4 million

Robert E. Lee

~~Stanley Jackson~~ / Stonewall

\$50 coin - raise 2 million
didn't happen

Jeff Davis

Jan 19, 1924 - unveiling of

~~Dec 19~~ ~~Jan 19, 1924~~ Robert E. Lee

Began becking
with Ston Mt
associations

Calvin Coolidge

A.L. 26.6

WW 31.8

TR 41

CC - 18

Status of WW for Poland

Reader's Digest
article I

1940

Samuel Lubell
& Jewish Scavengers
P 300

Called San Antonio
home for 12 years.
moved to S.A.M. 1925

Prostate Surgery
Feb 1940

personal genocide
against Hitler because
he tore down WW status
which ruined Poland

lived in Idaho, Nebraska,
England, Spain, France,
New York, Connecticut,
Georgia, Texas, South Dakota,
California.
buried in Southern CA.