

# CITY PROPOSES TO BUY SPRING VALLEY WATER

## SAN FRANCISCO LOOKS HERSELF TO THE SIERRAS

### City Now Possesses Water Sources Adequate to Needs of 2,000,000 Population

### Promise Made That Plant Will Be in Operation in Five Years' Time

antagonism from the public platform. The tabulated result of the vote shows that in every district the Spring Valley received a majority. It failed of the necessary two-thirds in those sections where the labor influence is heaviest. It is clear, however, that the labor vote was divided. A large element in the labor council was committed to the Spring Valley, as well as the Hetch Hetchy proposition, and the tally shows that this faction registered its convictions. A scattering opposition in some of the generally reputed conservative districts contributed to Spring Valley's defeat.

### In Five Years' Time

The future presents the prospect of a new competition—the city and the company. The water controversy has shifted so rapidly in the past that the situation five or ten years hence can not now be foreseen. Mayor McCarthy promised last night that he would bring Hetch Hetchy water to the local consumers within five years. "We will begin work at both ends," said he, "and we will construct it according to the best engineering methods."

### Second Submission Possible

There is nothing in the charter, as far as could be legally determined last night, that prevents a second submission to the people. Should the electorate at a future date decide to buy Spring Valley for \$35,000,000, a unique situation will have been created. The charter contains no provision for the present of a second submission. It would require an amendment by which the excess of the Hetch Hetchy issue could be canceled. These, however, are all matters for the future.

### HETCH HETCHY PLANS AND ESTIMATED COST

The Hetch Hetchy water supply system as voted for yesterday provides for a delivery of 60,000,000 gallons daily. The plan provides for the expenditure of \$45,000,000 for a power development fully equal to all pumping requirements. The work of construction in the various divisions, according to the report of City Engineer Manson, will cost as follows:

Lake Eleanor division ..... \$1,824,225  
Toulumne division ..... 2,285,400  
Valley division ..... 1,705,500  
Bear division ..... 2,115,000  
Bar division ..... 12,762,100  
"C" division ..... 11,180,000  
Real estate and rights city ..... 1,000,000  
Contingencies and engineering ..... 4,620,775  
Total ..... \$45,000,000

According to the estimates of Marsden Manson the Hetch Hetchy system can give a daily supply of 60,000,000 gallons, which will be almost twice as much as the city now obtains from Spring Valley. Apart from the water supply the estimates look to a reduction of \$300,000 annually on the lighting expenses of the city, the lighting to be made an incident to the public ownership and operation of the Lake Toulumne source.

### MISSION DEFEATED—SPRING VALLEY BONDS

Not a district south of Market street gave to Spring Valley proposition the required two-thirds vote, although scattering precincts did. With that part of the city populated almost entirely by union labor voters, it would appear that Mayor P. H. McCarthy had sufficient strength among the members of the Union Labor party to encompass the defeat of the Spring Valley proposition by 1,234 votes.

### MAJORITY IN MAYOR'S DISTRICT

In the thirty-fourth district, which includes Noe valley and the home of Mayor P. H. McCarthy, Spring Valley netted 61 per cent, the vote being 2,311

## PROMISE TO RUSH WORK

By Mayor P. H. McCarthy

The result of the election held today demonstrates that the people of this city and county are in control of the situation. The vote for Hetch Hetchy was a demonstration to the satisfaction of the federal authorities that the people of this city look to that source for the future bigger and better San Francisco water supply.

The people have also demonstrated by their votes that they do not want Spring Valley at anything like the figure that those in control of the city's government, as well as those in control of the corporations, at the time the ordinance was drawn demanded.

Now that the decks are clear no time will be lost in bringing into this city in the best possible form and at the least possible expense the waters of Lake Eleanor and the Toulumne river and its tributaries, and then, as an occasion shall demand, the waters of Hetch Hetchy valley through the construction of dams for proper and sufficient storage.

### SPRING VALLEY IS IMPLACABLE ENEMY

By CITY ENGINEER MARSDEN MANSON  
The only thing for San Francisco to do now is to go right ahead with the Hetch Hetchy supply. Let us get to work. The people by an overwhelming vote have endorsed the Lake Eleanor and Toulumne river source and have authorized a \$45,000,000 bond issue to bring the Sierra supply to the doors of San Francisco.

### CITY IS SECURE IN RIGHTS IN SIERRA

By ATTORNEY CURTIS LINDLEY  
San Francisco's rights in the Sierras I do not believe the federal government can or will seek to overturn. The city has acted under the authority of the act of congress and by the work already accomplished so perfected its title that the city's position, in my opinion, is secure. The electorate has by a vote, 20 to 3, endorsed the mountain project, stamped its approval upon the steps taken and authorized a bond issue of \$45,000,000.

### WORK WILL BEGIN AT BOTH ENDS AT ONCE

By MICHAEL CASEY, President of the Board of Works.  
I favor commencing work on the Hetch Hetchy system, now that the people of San Francisco have made the final decision, at the earliest possible time. To insure quick installation of the plant I will urge, as president of the board of public works, that work be carried on at both ends at the same time.

### TENDERLOIN AGAINST SPRING VALLEY

While the third precinct of the twenty-ninth district gave 130 to nothing on Hetch Hetchy, an adverse vote of 61 for and 63 against Spring Valley was polled. The twenty-first precinct of the thirty-second district voted unanimously for Hetch Hetchy, while Spring Valley got 33 against 40. There were a few other precincts that gave less than half their votes for Spring Valley.

### LIGHT VOTE IN MORNING

Voting was unusually light during the first part of the day. The large percentage of votes ordinarily cast by the workmen early in the morning was not in evidence. At noon Hetchy voters estimated that the total would be about 30,000. But the voters got busy in the afternoon and ran the total up to 34,939, which meant that 22,293 votes were required to carry either proposition.

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## Vote Cast For and Against the Hetch Hetchy Project and the Purchase of Spring Valley

ASSEMBLY DISTRICTS	Total Vote Polled	Hetch Hetchy		Spring Valley	
		For	Against	For	Against
Twenty-eighth assembly district.....	489	456	11	274	186
Twenty-ninth assembly district.....	385	373	3	192	164
Thirtieth assembly district.....	510	586	22	307	267
Thirty-first assembly district.....	1,225	1,170	45	684	487
Thirty-second assembly district.....	2,708	2,599	86	1,524	1,059
Thirty-third assembly district.....	3,530	3,359	103	1,971	1,453
Thirty-fourth assembly district.....	3,897	3,743	117	2,311	1,458
Thirty-fifth assembly district.....	2,431	2,314	74	1,510	838
Thirty-sixth assembly district.....	1,330	1,280	36	761	515
Thirty-seventh assembly district.....	3,795	3,594	166	2,636	1,063
Thirty-eighth assembly district.....	2,566	2,430	96	1,643	896
Thirty-ninth assembly district.....	5,071	4,796	227	3,483	1,361
Fortieth assembly district.....	2,073	1,848	193	1,496	547
Forty-first assembly district.....	2,263	1,956	268	1,655	543
Forty-second assembly district.....	562	519	34	407	144
Forty-third assembly district.....	580	539	36	422	145
Forty-fourth assembly district.....	645	577	54	335	283
Forty-fifth assembly district.....	778	722	36	448	308
Total.....	34,939	32,876	1,607	22,059	11,724

these districts. It is better to lay new and better pipe and the right way than to fool away time with an old distributing plant.

### TAFT LAND BILLS MEET A SETBACK

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Representative Mondell of Wyoming, chairman of the house committee on public lands, has declined to stand sponsor for President Taft's bills designed to carry out his program for conservation of natural resources. He offered to introduce the measure "by request," but the president declined.

### WOMAN MUST PROVE SHE WAS MARRIED

Mrs. Elnora Switz' Claim to Be Widow of Arthur Switz Is Challenged  
[Special Dispatch to The Call]  
SAN RAFAEL, Jan. 14.—Whether or not Mrs. Elnora Switz was ever married to the late Arthur Switz, the son of a wealthy furniture dealer of Kearney, Neb., was the point of argument in a suit before Judge Lennon today.

### TO DISCUSS DECLINE OF AMERICAN SHIPPING

History of Decadence of Merchant Marine to Be Presented  
The American merchant marine is to be the main topic for consideration at a smoker to be held this evening by the Army and Navy club, 2111 California street. Captain I. N. Hibberd, one of the speakers of the Merchant Marine League of California, will deliver the main address, which will deal with the present deplorable condition of American cross sea shipping.

### MUSICAL PROGRAM IS VERY WELL RENDERED

Felicien David's Symphonic Ode Feature of Production  
"The Desert," Felicien David's symphonic ode, was presented last night at the Garrick theater under the direction of Rev. Father H. M. Thiers, S. M., of the Notre Dame des Victoires. A large chorus and orchestra were handled with great skill by the leader, and the solos incidental to the work were given in admirable manner by Charles Bulotti, Miss Elizabeth le Clerc read the recitatives.

### ARBERY IS SUED FOR THE RECOVERY OF FEES

Attempt to Obtain Money Paid by Muscio  
Dr. J. J. Arberry, the medical specialist convicted of obtaining \$200 from Mary Thomassin by falsely representing that Ulysses Muscio, her nephew, was suffering from heart disease, was sued yesterday for the recovery of \$210 he paid Arberry.

### DISAPPEARS FROM HOME

236 Clinton park, on December 23 and was last seen in a saloon at Seventeenth and Guerrero streets on New Year's day. He had with him a draft for \$20 and a Hilbernia bank book. He is 35 years of age. Shaetzler Water for health.

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