

MCCARTHY SAYS GET HETCHY

Mayor Declares Every Effort Will Be Used to Hold Rights in Valley

Manson and Long Preparing Data to Be Presented Be- fore Ballinger

"We are going to get Hetch Hetchy and we will not stop until we have it," asserted Mayor P. H. McCarthy yesterday afternoon at the conclusion of the meeting of the board of supervisors. McCarthy reiterated the assertion that the administration would use every effort to hold its rights in the valley, which have been called in question by Secretary of Interior R. A. Ballinger.

While the mayor was asserting his positive conviction that the city would hold its rights in Hetch Hetchy, City Attorney Percy V. Long and City Engineer Marsden Manson were, each in his department, tentatively planning the steps which must be made by the legal and engineering branches of the city government to protect the municipal interests.

"I take Secretary Ballinger's long to mean," said City Attorney Long, "that we must go before him and present our case in refutation of the contentions of the agents of the department of the interior."

WILL NEED HETCH HETCHY

"On that point we shall present the facts that the city has met all the requirements of the government and has acquired a vested interest in the patented lands in the Hetch Hetchy basin and will be anxious to show that the city will need the Hetch Hetchy to supplement the Lake Eleanor supply."

"Then the city will present facts to show that we shall need the Hetch Hetchy, that the Lake Eleanor supply will be inadequate in time to meet the growing demands of the city for water. These points must be established by the testimony of engineers and other experts. It is almost entirely a question of experts to consider and report upon."

"The hearing before the interior department will resolve itself into a determination of facts and the presentation of arguments. Secretary Ballinger will be the judge of the needs and the rights of San Francisco in the question at issue. Mr. Ballinger will put himself in the same position as the secretary of the interior when he came out here during his term of office and heard the arguments in favor of the dedication of Hetch Hetchy to the use of San Francisco. It was after that that Secretary Garfield decided in favor of the city. We expect to put a strong case before the interior department and hope that we shall carry it."

It is a legal question involved and the presentation of facts before the secretary of the interior will be similar to the presentation of evidence in a court."

MANSON PREPARES DATA

City Engineer Marsden Manson worked assiduously yesterday in considering the statement of Secretary Ballinger and the report of City Attorney Smith of the United States geological survey to the secretary of the interior.

"The city," he said, "must send a well-considered man to Washington to refute the allegations of the report made to Secretary Ballinger. In my opinion we have an accumulation of data bearing on the subject, which should constitute a large portion of the case of the city. We have data of the rainfall in the Lake Eleanor watershed, which show the relative resources, as water supply points, of the two districts."

The watershed of Lake Eleanor itself is 54 square miles. The watershed of Cherry creek, which is to be diverted into Lake Eleanor, is 105 square miles, giving 159 square miles for the city waters. In addition to that there are other tributary streams which would increase the watershed area to some extent. But the watershed of Lake Hetch Hetchy and its tributaries is 462 square miles.

"During the winter city engineers' office has maintained a meter on the snowfall and rainfall in the section. Those facts will be available to place before the secretary of the interior. The success of San Francisco's project depends entirely on the attitude of the interior department."

MCCARTHY IS POSITIVE

Mayor P. H. McCarthy, with his usual positiveness, expressed yesterday his determination that the Hetch Hetchy site would ultimately pass into the control of the city.

"The city shall prepare itself for the refutation of Secretary Ballinger's contention regarding the rights of San Francisco," said Mayor McCarthy. "The contention has been made by the city that we get all the water we need from Lake Eleanor. But we know that we have to supplement that supply with water from Hetch Hetchy. We shall insist that we get Hetch Hetchy, and we are going to have it."

"What sort of a title has the city to the Sierra water if Secretary Ballinger can wipe out what Secretary Garfield gave the city?"

"If Secretary Ballinger knows anything at all he knows that we can not get sufficient water from Lake Eleanor. He and Director Smith can not tell what water we'll need in 50 years from now. Before that time San Francisco might be enlarged, it might have taken in San Jose and all of San Mateo county, Alameda county and Marin county."

"But there is no question in Hetch Hetchy," concluded the mayor.

Charles Wesley Reed, the attorney and former supervisor, who has made a special study of the Hetch Hetchy situation, spoke comprehensively yesterday of the problem which confronts the city.

"I had hoped," he said, "that when San Francisco had voted bonds to construct the Tuolumne and Hetch Hetchy water systems it showed that it was acting in good faith and thus acquired a contractual right to Hetch Hetchy. That is the point which may be urged in a court should Secretary Ballinger revoke the Lake Grant."

"The Lake Eleanor supply would shortly become inadequate for San Francisco and vicinity. The combined area of its tributary watershed is one-sixth that of the Owens river watershed, which is to supply Los Angeles with water."

"Now that the city has voted the bonds and spent money on its system, its permits can not, I think, be revoked at the sweet will of Secretary Ballinger."

RIGHTS WELL ESTABLISHED

Attorney Curtis H. Lindley reaffirmed his previous contentions that San Francisco's rights to Hetch Hetchy were well established.

Melba to Come to California

NOTED DIVA WILL REST Australasian Queen Of Song Prefers Sunset Land

The wonderful things Madame Melba has done in her own country, Australia, in the last 10 months and the homage paid her in every city and village on her concert tour are interestingly told by Miss Agnes Murphy, who is now in this city for a period of rest. For five years Miss Murphy has been associated with the Melbourne songstress, and her admiration of the diva is almost worshipful. She has written a biography of the singer, which has had a great success. Her other literary efforts are well known to magazine readers and she is about to describe for a number of publications the scenery of the great west.

"Even had Madame Melba not been a great singer," Miss Murphy said yesterday, "she would have been a woman of force and character to influence the civilization of her day. The west has been remarkable in anything to which she devoted her attention."

KITCHENER OUTWELCOMED

"Australia, of course, loves her. She is their greatest countrywoman. Let me tell you something of the esteem in which she is held. Lord Kitchener, the war hero, arrived in Melbourne the same day as Madame Melba. I am not exaggerating when I say that the songstress received the greater welcome. A person standing near me remarked that her hotel, but walked through the arch of the children carried branches of golden wattle. Frequently Melba refused to occupy her carriage in going from the depot to her hotel, but walked through the arch of the children made with their branches."

"During the 10 months Melba sang on an average three times a week. This is the longest tour ever made by a star in our country. During the tour she found time to lecture in a number of universities, particularly at Melbourne. Her final concert, given under the patronage of the Countess of Dudley, netted \$12,500, which was turned over to the Australian nursing association."

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Government Will Stake Existence on Curtailment of Power of Upper Body

Commoners to Take Up Struggle to Revolutionize Entire British System

LONDON, Feb. 28.—At the session of the house of commons today Premier Asquith's government obtained a lease of life until after Easter. This was the gift of the conservatives, who were so anxious to avoid two general elections within so brief a period that they accepted the premier's program without calling for a vote.

When the house of commons meets after Easter it will take up the struggle to revolutionize the British government system. Resolutions will be presented to deprive the house of lords of all authority over finances and of the power of vetoing the measures of the lower house.

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"The daily life of the average New Yorker is about as follows: After sleeping all night in a room with a low ceiling and poor ventilation, he dresses in a rush, bolts his breakfast, and runs for a car. He rides downtown in this car with the air foul from overbreathing, and works until noon shut up tight in some factory or office building. At noon a hasty lunch and then back for the rest of the day in the same close quarters. When time to quit comes he piles into a car again, jammed in with others like him, and spends thirty minutes in the stifling atmosphere getting home. He stuffs himself full of food, then goes to some theater, with more streetcars to get him there, or he stays at home and sits in an easy chair.

"How long do you suppose the human stomach will perform its functions properly under such conditions? Is it any wonder that most people a half sick? The one organ you can not abuse and still stay well is the stomach. I am successful simply because I have a medicine that regulates and tones up overworked stomachs that no longer digest food properly."

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