

CALIFORNIA'S HYDRO FIGHT

Striking Comparisons Between Costs in That State and Ontario

State Wide Struggle—Rudolph Spreckels a Leader of the Forces for Municipal Ownership—Corporations Spend Money Lavishly.

In California, as in St. John, a great fight for hydro is now in progress. A vote is to be taken on a water and power bill which would free the state from monopoly. Fred A. Miller, a staff correspondent of the Toronto Telegram in San Francisco, and is sending his paper very interesting letters on the situation. Under date of Nov. 4 he said:—
"A state-wide straw ballot shows that the water and power act will be defeated in many country districts, in which the power corporations have spent hundreds of thousands of dollars in propaganda. The vote will likely be close in Los Angeles, and a favorable majority seems probable in San Francisco and Sacramento."
Striking Comparisons.
Mr. Miller makes some striking comparisons between conditions in California and Ontario. Here are a few of them:—
"During the past five years average hydro rates in Ontario municipalities have decreased 23 per cent. In the same period the rates of the Pacific Gas and Electric Co. have increased 86 per cent."
"One dollar buys as much electric

energy in Toronto under public ownership as \$4 buys in San Francisco under private ownership.

"Ontario, under public ownership, has 1,212,505 horse-power of electricity at cost available to the people. California, under private ownership, has only 968,520 horse-power available, and on that the power corporations collect a minimum of 8 per cent. profit.

"Average rate for all electricity, power and light, charged in Toronto is 1.83 cents a k. w. hour. In San Francisco it is more than 5 cents.

"In Pasadena, where since 1906 a municipal light and power plant has been in operation, the people pay 5 cents a k. w. h. They formerly paid the Southern California Edison Co. 15 cents a k. w. h.

"Pro-corporationists speak with assumed terror of the 'huge debt' that the \$500,000,000 appropriation for water and power development will create. At the same time the power corporations are planning to spend \$1,000,000,000 within the next ten years on the development of the publicly-owned water powers for their own benefit."

Spreckels For Hydro.

In another letter Mr. Miller gives this interesting information:—

"The leaders of the public ownership army fighting to free California's vast water powers from the grasp of private corporations is Rudolph Spreckels. This is the second great battle on behalf of the public in which Mr. Spreckels has been identified in an outstanding capacity. The first was when he spent \$500,000 of his personal fortune on the famous San Francisco graft prosecution of 1906 for the purpose of revealing the bribery of public officials by the public service corporations and punishing the grafters and crooks who infested civic politics.

"The graft investigation and prosecution attracted nation-wide interest at the time. It began just after the earthquake and fire that laid half the city in ruins. Most of the guilty parties escaped punishment, but they did not escape exposure. And out of the sensational trials grew the progressive movement that has been the chief factor in bringing about the present Water and Power Act.

"Rudolph Spreckels, who had taken very little interest in public affairs before the 1906 investigation, has been supporting reform legislation since that time, although refusing to accept public office. His activity for public ownership control and development of the State's water powers has brought down on himself the antagonism of the high finance group of California and they are now attempting to out him from

Silk Days

FRIDAY and SATURDAY

Advertised for two days because it is thought that the quantity offered at such attractive prices will not last longer than that. They are the most worthy Silks that this well known Silk House has ever offered to the trade. All told about three thousand yards.

1,000 yards Paillettes in all colors. A rich lustrous wearable Silk to be sold at \$1.55 per yard.

Three Special Numbers in Black Silks

Black Messaline Duchess, \$1.49 yard. Regular \$2.19.

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Fancy Striped Shirt Waist Silks at \$1.25. Reg. value \$2.00 yd.

34 inch Pure Silk Pongee, \$1.00 quality for 69c. yard.

34 inch Heavy Weight Jap make, \$1.25 quality for 95c. yard.

F. A. Dykeman & Co.

A meeting of the board of directors of the Victorian Order of Nurses was held last night in the Carleton street home with Hon. J. G. Forbes presiding. It was reported that the nurses had made 1,392 visits of which 740 were bedside visits and 654 child welfare visits. There were 179 babies attending the clinics and forty-eight receiving free milk through the Local Council of Women. Arrangements were made for moving the well baby clinic and the V. O. N. office to the new health centre in Sydney street.

In the new health centre in Sydney street today the well clinic, formerly conducted in the Carleton street V. O. N. home, will be held. The society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis held a clinic yesterday afternoon and Dr. H. A. Farris examined six patients. He was assisted by Miss Brophy and Miss Eason, dispensary nurses. The centre is gradually taking on the appearance of well-appointed and very attractive quarters.

The sweetest apples are at the end of the longest bough—the best tea comes from the tips at the top of the tea plant.

Blue Bird Tea comprises two tips and a bud—no wonder it is called The Bewitching Cup!

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HOT LUNCHES FOR PUPILS.

At a meeting of the Duke of Rothsay Chapter yesterday a sum of \$50 was voted to provide hot lunches for the pupils of Rotherham Consolidated school. Some of the pupils have to go long distances to school and it was decided hot lunches would be beneficial for them. The meeting was held at the home of Miss Allison and the regent, Mrs. W. S. Allison, presided. Mrs. J. F. Angeline was elected a new member. Plans were made for the Christmas sale, which is to be held in St. John in December. The chapter also decided to visit Golden Grove school and see if they could be of any assistance. A report of the annual meeting was submitted by Mrs. Cortland Robinson.

MORE WERE ARRESTED.

New York, Nov. 8.—(By Canadian Press)—There was an increase of 65 per cent in the number of persons arraigned in the Adams street police court, Brooklyn, on the charge of intoxication in October of this year over the corresponding month in 1921, according to a report from Gerard Horn, finger print expert. He said 108 men and twelve women appeared, compared with sixty-eight men and seven women in October, 1921.

"Pat," a very valuable English setter owned by Charles Baillie, died on Tuesday afternoon apparently from the effects of some deadly poison. It is not known where he picked up the poison.

Partnership Dissolved

Clearance

GOES ON WITH EXTRA SPECIAL WEEK-END BARGAINS

Now that the business has been re-organized we are more anxious than ever to reduce stock and in addition to price cuts already advertised at the Clearance Sale

Announce Three Wonderful Values Good Until Saturday Night

1st—Men's box or recede toe, boots, black or tan. Will sell this week-end at two special prices—
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2nd—Ladies' oxfords and strap shoes, black or brown. Formerly selling \$4.85 to \$6.50. This week-end only—
\$1.98, \$2.69, \$2.98

3rd—GAITERS 98c and \$1.48

Children's Shoes—Good value at \$1.48 and up.

New York Shoe Store

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Princess Chocolates
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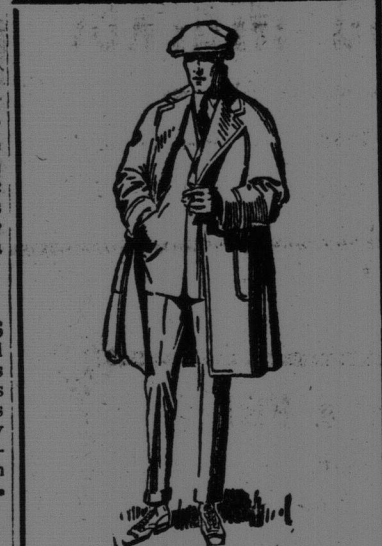
the presidency of the First National Bank.

"Associated with Spreckels in the present campaign are Francis J. Heney, who was the graft prosecutor in 1906, and William Kent, a wealthy citizen of San Francisco, who gave Blair Woods to the city and who also was identified with the forces that brought about the exposure of the bribe-giving of the corporations in 1906.

"It is well known that Spreckels has put up over \$200,000 of his own money toward the expenses of the present public ownership campaign, which was initiated by the League of Municipalities. He has also been speaking every afternoon and evening at public meetings in favor of the Water and Power Act, and, in this connection it is an interesting fact that, until the present campaign began, he had never delivered a public address in his life. But while Spreckels and other public spirited citizens are giving liberally of their funds and time the corporations are spending money like drunken sailors on their determination to defeat public ownership. It is estimated by observers that they have already paid out over \$1,000,000 for speakers, propaganda and other purposes."

SWEDISH AUTO TAX TO BUILD BETTER ROADS
Stockholm, Oct. 20.—(Associated Press, by Mail)—Swedish motorists will begin to pay taxes on their vehicles and tires on January 1, 1923. Tourists from foreign countries, however, may still bring their own cars into the country and roam about at will for as much as twelve months without any charge whatsoever.

The new auto tax, which is to be applied to the repairing and improvements of roads in Sweden, is levied on cars and tires according to their weight. Each car using rubber tires is taxed 8 kronor for every hundred kilograms or fraction thereof, which amounts to about \$1 per hundred pounds. The tires are taxed 150 kronor for every kilogram of weight. Tires in use at the beginning of next year will be exempt, and in the case of pneumatic tires, two extra will be exempt.



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Cuticura Soap shaves without mug.

IN FURNISHING A HOME

as in so many of life's enterprises—there is no time like the present to buy good furniture; and seldom, if ever, is it true that good furniture becomes cheaper. The chief woods from which good furniture is made, grow more scarce and more valuable each year. The chances are that good furniture

will gradually increase in price.

Your family is growing up. See that your home is what it should be while your children are with you. Chesterfield suites and dining room suites at big reductions. All Felt Mattresses at \$8.40 and \$11.50.

AMLAND BROS., LIMITED
19 Waterloo Street

HUNT HANGS OUT AUCTION PRICES

Today the sale of the year broke with a bang as Don Hunt dropped a price bomb that upset the clothing market with bargains that outdid all his other efforts.

The first of the ten days is passing with its cream of the catches. In print the half cannot be told—come in and see what you save.

Bargains for Boys

Besides the Suits and Overcoats that show each a saving of dollars, dollars, dollars today we can tell of Spare Pants made for school and marked for quick clearance between \$1.45 and \$2.25. Ages from 6 to 16, colors brown and grey stripes, in tough tweed bloomers with governor fastenings. At least 25 p. c. off every pair.

Boys' Coat Sweaters, ages 8 to 15, all wool in grey, brown or green with military or open necks—\$3 values for \$1.85.

Boys' Waists in prints and woven stripes, \$1.00.

Boys' Winter Caps, with and without ear warmers, 85c.

Wool Gloves and Mitts for Lads, 85c. and 65c.

More for Men

Fleecy Lined Tan Mocha Gloves—\$3.00 quality for \$2.25; \$3.50 quality for \$2.75.

Warm Wool Gloves, worth \$1.25, 85c. Worth \$1.10, 60c.

MEN'S WINTER CAPS, 85c.

Special all-wool smart plaids and other patterns much below cost at 85c.

\$3 MEN'S CAPS, \$1.00

Another broken size lot, featuring the famous Eastern makes, Maritimes and Regents. Values around \$3. To clear at \$1.

A fuller selection of Heavy Winter Tweeds of imported quality selling yesterday for \$2.50 and \$3—out they go on sale for \$1.85.



Two for the Girls

Two dozen Ladies' Sweaters that sold up to \$12 go out for \$1.00.

Brushed Wool Hats and Scarfs to match, some with pompons and great for outdoor fun, 75c.



Men's Suits Half Overcoats Down, Down

Yesterday's paper detailed the remarkable reductions in Suits and Overcoats that double the savings that sent so many here this last month. Glance at the cards in the store and window.

Dollar Underwear is another winter special. See the two bargain counters. Hats at half and less than half give you the pick of two showcases in guaranteed felt.

Men's Spare Pants, \$2.50 to \$4.50. Bannockburn Tweeds for working and to go with any coat, 25 p. c. off.

Men's Mufflers, 35c.

Men's Knitted Black Mufflers, 35c. to clear.

The best in brushed wool, many colors, \$1.15.

Working Shirts—Away Less.

Grey Flannel Working Shirts, with or without collar attached. \$2.50 value for \$1.65.

Working Socks as Low as 10c.

All other Socks equally reduced.

All Dress Shirts marked to clear quickly.

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Try our Shortbread, which is noted for its delicious flavor and its tendency to melt in the mouth. Call or phone.

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The business heretofore existing between us the undersigned, under the name of the New York Shoe Store has been dissolved by mutual consent. All bills or accounts due the partnership are to be paid the undersigned, Israel Eilman, by whom the business will be conducted in future, and all debts due by the partnership if presented to the said Israel Eilman will be paid by him.

Dated at St. John this first day of November, A.D. 1922.

NEW YORK SHOE STORE,
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