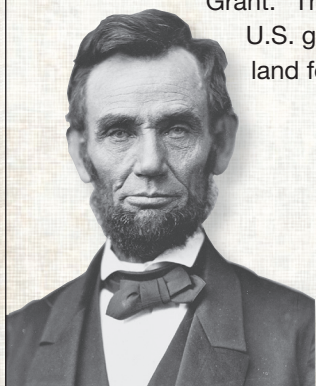




## 1864

President Abraham Lincoln signs federal legislation, which establishes the "Yosemite Grant." This is the first time the U.S. government set aside land for use as a park.



## 1890

Yosemite becomes a national park.

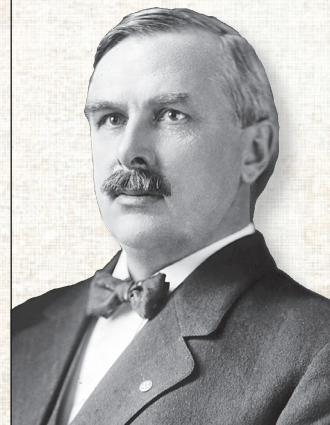
## 1906

On the morning of April 18, an earthquake, with an estimated magnitude of 7.9, strikes San Francisco, claiming the lives of more than 3,000 people.



## 1913

On August 5, California Representative John Raker introduces a bill to authorize the construction of a dam in the Hetch Hetchy Valley. The House passes the bill September 3. The Senate passes it December 2. President Woodrow Wilson signs the bill into law December 19.



## 1934

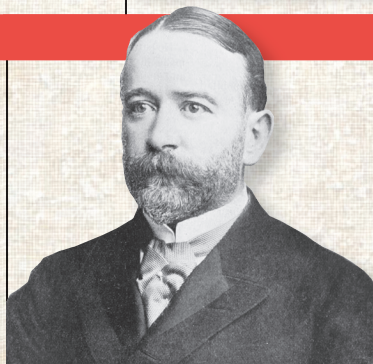
Water delivery to San Francisco begins.

## 1919

Construction begins on the O'Shaughnessy Dam.

## 1882

The San Francisco and Tuolumne Water Company of Sonora first identifies the Tuolumne River in the Hetch Hetchy Valley as a potential water source.



## 1901

San Francisco Mayor James Phelan files a claim with the federal government for the use of water from the Tuolumne River but is denied.

## 1908

Secretary of the Interior James Garfield approves a new claim filed by the city. Representative Julius Kahn introduces a joint resolution to give San Francisco jurisdiction over the valley. The House holds hearings that December, but the resolution fails.

## 1916

Congress creates the National Park Service.



## 1923

Completion of the O'Shaughnessy Dam.