

NEWS BRIEFS

Industrial Construction—Buffalo Niagara Electric Corp. is spending almost \$60,000,000 to provide more power and service in the *Buffalo, N. Y.*, area. . . . Bechtel Corp., San Francisco, has been awarded a contract for engineering and construction of a steam-electric generating station for the Pacific Gas and Electric Co. on San Joaquin River frontage near *Antioch, Calif.* Total cost is estimated at \$51,500,000.

Housing—Albany Houses, a state-aided project, will occupy an 8.92 acre site in *Brooklyn, N. Y.* to provide 829 apartments. Bids have been taken by the N. Y. City Housing Authority on that project and also on the Todt Hill Homes, a low-rent project in the *Borough of Richmond* . . . A tract of 97 acres north of the Kensico Reservoir in *Westchester County, N. Y.*, is the site for a colony of homes to feature co-operative ownership and circular plots. Architect Frank Lloyd Wright is supervising plans. The houses will cost from \$10,000 to \$30,000.

Bridges—Indiana State Highway Department has appropriated \$15,000 for preliminary work, including test borings, for a new bridge across the Ohio River at *Lawrenceburg, Ind.* . . . Gov. W. Preston Lane of Maryland was advised Oct. 7 that revised plans for the Chesapeake Bay bridge had been approved by Kenneth C. Royall, Secretary of the Army, and Maj. Gen. R. A.

Wheeler, chief of Army Engineers. Maryland has offered \$37,500,000 of bridge revenue bonds and will advertise for contracts for construction of the bay crossings. A nation-wide banking syndicate headed by Alex. Brown & Sons, Baltimore, has been formed to handle the bay bridge revenue bond offerings.

Highways—Bids will be received next month on the \$6,692,577 Terrace track elimination at *Buffalo, N. Y.* . . . The first contract on the *Trenton, N. J.*, freeway is now under way. Ultimately about \$10,000,000 will be spent for construction from the Delaware River to the Brunswick pike . . . PRA has awarded contracts of \$4,347,864 to S. Birch & Sons Construction Co. and Morrison-Knudsen Co., Inc., for rebuilding of 80 miles of the Richardson and Glenn highways in *Alaska* . . . *North Dakota* Good Roads Assn. is working for roads appropriation of \$8,000,000 from the state legislature . . . *Indiana* joint committee on street-highway programs says it will be necessary to make a \$67,000,000 annual outlay for the next ten years to restore and maintain streets and highways in the state.

Water Supply and Sewers—A \$7,000,000 sewage disposal system and treatment plant is proposed for *Wilmington, Del.* . . . *Defiance, Ohio*, will seek federal aid for construction of intercepting sewers and a disposal plant . . . Board of Works, *Indianapolis, Ind.*, has approved plans for an eastside sewerage improvement . . . Work has been started by V. B. Higgins Co. on a 3,000,000-gal municipal filtration plant at *Burlington, N. C.*



PITTSBURGH VIADUCT—These 175-ft. arches will carry the Penn-Lincoln Parkway from Edgewood, Pa., to the Squirrel Hill Tunnel approach in Pittsburgh. The contractor, Dinardo, Inc., is hoisting concrete to the top of the arch by bucket and crane.

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