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DESCRIPTIVE REPORT.

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LOCALITY:

Passaic River

1914

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DESCRIPTIVE REPORT.

TOPOGRAPHIC SHEET ~~345~~ /

PASSAIC RIVER NEW JERSEY

SECOND RIVER TO COAL TRIANGULATION STATION

SCALE 1/5,000

Surveyed 1914

(a) General description,

The shores of the Passaic River within the limits of this sheet, on both sides, are high, reaching an elevation on the east shore (at the half mile limit) of 140 feet, and on the west shore of 120 feet above Mean high water, there are no factories within the limits of this sheet.

(b) Currents,

The currents within the limits of this sheet are tidal and set fair with the channel, the ebb and flood tides follow each other at an interval of about fifteen minutes. The current on the ebb tide is very strong and swift, during severe cold weather, ice forms on the river within the limits of this sheet, the water is cleaner than in the lower part of the river.

(I) Methods of survey,

The street lines along the water front and a few of those running from the river in to the towns of Belleville-Nutley-North Arlington-Linherst and Rutherford were ran with plane table, the other streets shown on this sheet were traced from the maps of the maps of the town surveyors and transferred to the plane table sheet.

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The rail roads were traced from blueprints furnished by the engineers of the respective roads and transferred to the plane table sheet.

The heights were determined with the vertical arc on the alidade, the elevations are expressed in feet and show the heights above mean high water on the river, The full red lines indicate the 20 feet curves and the broken red lines indicate the 10 feet curves.

*Lehman, Firing  
Chief of Party*

# RECORD OF INFORMATION

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DATUM Head room of draw bridges

Above mean high water.

POSITION FILES		NAME OF STATION	ESTABLISHED		DESC. VOL. No.	LATER NOTES	D. M., N. D., ETC.
STATE	SHEET		YEAR	BY-			
	D	Bellview bridg				8feet 8inches	
		Abindale bridg				7fe et.	
		D L & W R, R Bridg				26 feet	
		Rutherford Avenue bridg				6 feet	

*Stetman Fossey  
Chief of Party*

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PASSAIC RIVER NEW JERSEY

COAL TRIANGULATION STATION TO FIRST DAM ABOVE PASSAIC

SCALE 1/5,000

SURVEYED 1/914

(a) General description,

The shores of the Passaic River within the limits of this sheet on both sides are high, reaching an elevation on the east shore (at the half mile limit) of 140 feet, and on the west shore of 146 feet above mean high water. East Rutherford on the east side is a residential town with a population of about 2500, Wallington on the same side of the river is a manufacturing town with a population of about 3500.

Opposite the city of Passaic is a residential and manufacturing city of about 10,200 population. Passaic on the west shore has a population of about 60,000 and is an extensive manufacturing city. Clinton on the west shore near the first dam above Passaic is a small manufacturing town with tenement houses, for the employees in the factories of Passaic and Clinton.

The Garfield bridge that connects Garfield with Passaic is the head of navigation, from this bridge to the dam the river bed is full of sunken rocks and rocks that show above water at high tide, it is impracticable to get a flat bottom boat from the Garfield bridge to the dam at low water, at high water slack a flat bottom boat might be taken almost to the dam, at many points between Garfield bridge and the dam the river can be waded at low water, a canal of good size runs from the base of the

dam through the factory district, and is used to supply water power to the manufacturing plants.

( b ) Currents,

The currents within the limits of this sheet up to the ~~Monroe street bridge~~ Monroe street bridge are tidal, and set fair with the channel, from here to the dam the current runs down stream at all times while the tide is rising and ebbing, the current from here to the dam is strong and swift so strong that it is difficult to row a skiff up to the dam, the average rise and fall of tides at the Monroe street bridge about 3 feet.

The above statements are based on general observations as I passed up and down the river in my launch, I did not have any tides observed on the Passaic River, the Army Engineers have observed tides at various points on the river, and have ample data pertaining to the currents and tides, In obedience to my instructions of February 4th 1913, it was not within my provence to duplicate the work of the Army Engineers.

( i ) Methods of survey,

The street lines along the water front and a few of those running from the river in to the towns shown on this sheet, were ran with the plane table, the other streets were transferred from maps and blueprints furnished by the town and city surveyors.

The rail roads were taken from blueprints furnished by the engineers of the respective roads, reduced to scale of 1/5,000 and transferred to the plane table sheet.

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*H. L. Stevman Harvey*  
Chief of party,

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STATE	SHEET		YEAR	BY—			
	E	Union Avenue bridg				12 feet	
		Erie Rail Road bridg				19 Feet	
		Gregory Street bridg				8 Feet	
		Second Street bridg				12 Feet	

*Norman Froney  
Chief of Party*