

# NEWARK PRESSING SUB-PARK GARAGE

## Authority Chairman Reports That Borings Indicate No Unusual Problems

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NEWARK, April 27—The projected underground garage at Military Park has moved a step closer to construction.

Pasqual Guerrieri, chairman of the Newark Parking Authority, reported today that engineering studies submitted this week indicated that three-level parking facilities could be built. The survey was made by Frank Grad & Sons of Newark.

"Exhaustive subsurface boring information indicates that no unusual problems will be encountered," Mr. Guerrieri said. "The garage can be designed and constructed without disturbance to the Trinity Cathedral and the Wars of America Monument."

Trinity Cathedral of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Newark at 24 Rector Street has occupied its present site at the north end of the park since 1746. The Wars of America Monument, near the south side, was designed by the late Gutzon Borglum. It was dedicated in 1926.

According to the authority chairman, engineers found no serious underground water conditions. A main underground sewer line that diagonally traverses the park could be re-routed, he said.

The next step, Mr. Guerrieri explained, would be to evaluate "economic demand" studies being made by Ramp Buildings Corporation of New York. The report, which is expected to be ready next month, will determine the "optimum size" of the garage.

"Immediately thereafter," Mr. Guerrieri continued, "completed preliminary design, cost analysis and operations and income forecasts can be made so that the economic and engineering feasibility studies can be joined for final decision."

The Military Park studies and plans are being financed under an interest-free Federal loan of \$180,000. The money must be repaid only if the garage is constructed.

The underground project is one of several facilities planned to provide off-street parking in the congested downtown area. A municipal parking lot is contemplated at Commerce and Lawrence Streets and a four-deck parking garage at Halsey and New Streets is being constructed with private funds.

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