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Mr. C.P. Wilber, State Forester,
Department of Conservation and Development,
State House Annex,
Trenton, New Jersey.

My dear Mr. Wilber:

Reply to your letter of April 20th has been delayed
by the pressure of work in connection with the Golden Gate bridge.

I appreciate very much the information regarding the
Washington Crossing Memorial bridge and also appreciate your kind
offer to keep me in mind as soon as anything materializes that can
be considered definite action. Having served the Federal government
on many occasions and in the last instance, in connection with the
Arlington Memorial Bridge, I feel that the suggestion of my services
in connection with this proposed bridge would not be unfavorably re-
ceived.

I agree fully with your emphatic view that something
in the way of a suggestive design would be of real help for propaganda
purposes and I would be glad, as soon as I have the Golden Gate bridge
under way, to cooperate with you in a study leading to such a suggestive
design and would be glad to do this without any financial obligation
on your part. If you could send me the plan and profile at the proposed
point of crossing and such other data respecting the width of the bridge
contemplated, approaches, etc., it might be helpful in making such a
study. The problem would interest me very much indeed and I would be
glad to undertake its solution along original lines as outlined in my
previous letter.

Bids on the Golden Gate bridge will be received on
June 17th and at that time - or shortly thereafter - if you desire,
I can send you a copy of our revised General Drawing of the final de-
sign as well as the studies of the more important architectural features,
such as the towers and anchorages, providing you are interested in re-
ceiving them.

I appreciate the courtesy of your reply very much and
look forward to the opportunity of meeting you some time when I am
again in the East. In the meantime, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

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