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Guide to the Ben Franklin Bridge Photograph Album

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Benjamin Franklin Bridge Photograph Album
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.1029
Date:	1922-1926.
Extent:	0.3 Cubic feet (1 box)
Source:	Work and Industry, Division of, NMAH, SI
Language:	English
Summary:	Sixty-six pages from a photograph album compiled by an anonymous photographer, documenting the Philadelphia-Camden or Delaware River Bridge, now called the Benjamin Franklin Bridge.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Collection purchased in 1987.

Provenance

Collection transferred from the Division of SWork and Industry to the Archives Center in 2007.

Processing Information

Collection processed by the Division of Work and Industry.

Preferred Citation

Ben Franklin Bridge Photograph Album, 1922-1926, Archives Center, National Museum of American History.

Restrictions on Access

Collection is open for research. Unprotected photographs must be handled with gloves.

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Scope and Contents

Pages from a photograph album compiled by an anonymous photographer, documenting the Philadelphia-Camden or Delaware River Bridge, now called the Benjamin Franklin Bridge. The album includes images of a parade celebrating the beginning of construction of the bridge, demolition of buildings to make room for the bridge, the construction, the machinery, the caissons, and the celebration of completion. The Chief Engineer, Ralph Modjeski, is also depicted. The images contain detailed captions.

Arrangement

Collection is arranged into one series.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

- Bridges -- Pennsylvania
- Ceremonies -- United States
- Suspension bridges

Types of Materials:

- Photograph albums -- 20th century

Names:

- Modjeski, Ralph, 1861-1940
- Work and Industry, Division of, NMAH, SI

Geographic Names:

- Benjamin Franklin Bridge (Philadelphia, Pa.)
- Camden (N.J.)
- Philadelphia (Pa.)

Container Listing

Box 1, Folder 1	Album pages 1-20
Box 1, Folder 2	Album pages 21-40
Box 1, Folder 3	Album pages 41-66