

# Pesin Seeks State Help For Liberty Park Plan

Morris Pesin of Jersey City today is scheduled to meet with state officials in Trenton to drum up more interest in his plan for a Jersey City waterfront park with a causeway to the Statue of Liberty.

He is taking with him a model of the park and causeway, built by Theodore Conrad, Jersey City planner. Conrad will also make the trip.

**THE TWO HAVE** a noon appointment with H. Mat Adams, state conservation commissioner, who has been directed by Governor Hughes "to take a good look" at the park and causeway proposal.

Pesin has proposed that the project come under New Jersey's Green Acres Program, whereby the state provides one-half of the cost to purchase park property.

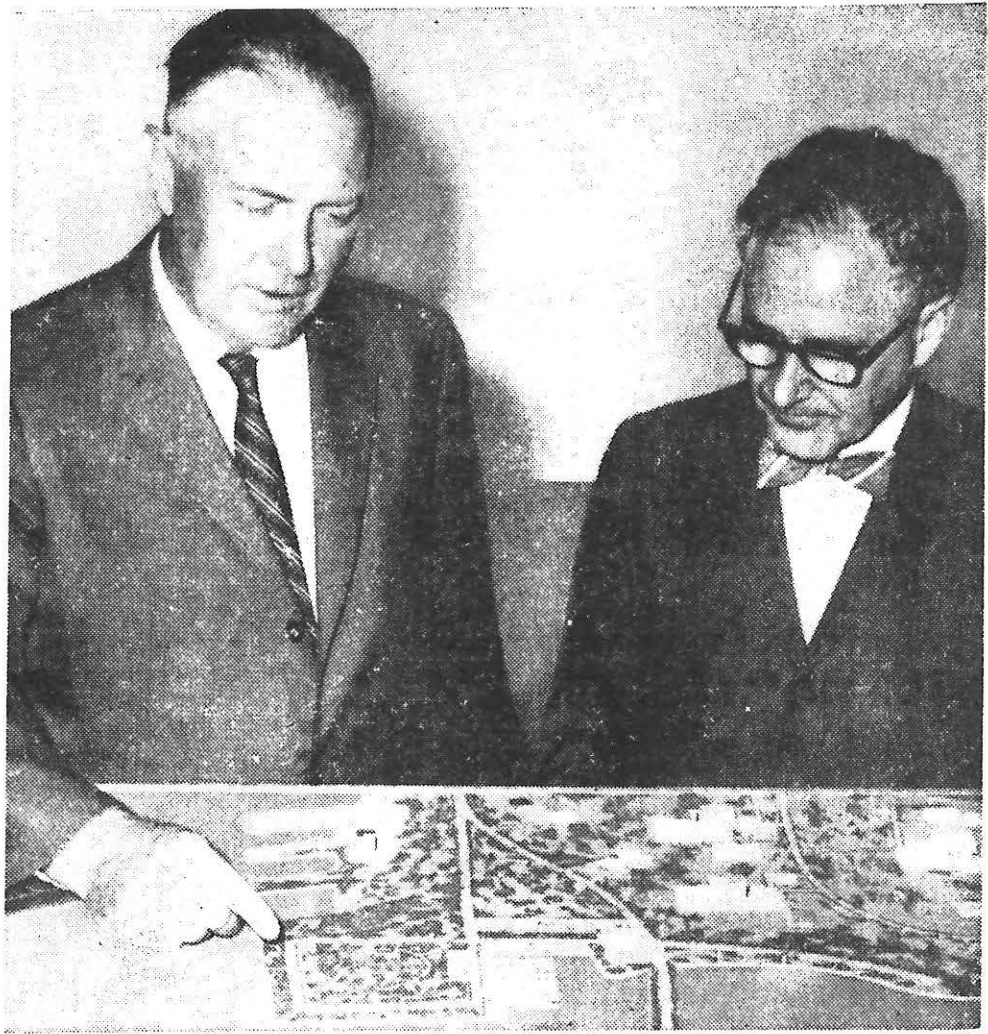
He is also pushing for a waterfront property to be developed as a national park, with the federal government providing all the funds. This is now being considered by Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall.

**PESIN IS** making the trip today on behalf of the Statue of Liberty Causeway and Park Association, a newly formed organization designed to get public support behind the plan.

Pesin also plans to visit officials of New Jersey's Tercentenary Commission to "impress upon them the benefits of tying in the proposed project with the state's celebration of its 300th anniversary."

The waterfront property where the proposed park would be constructed is part of a 180-acre tract designed for industrial development. However, Pesin hopes to have the parcel nearest New York Bay set aside for park purposes, by condemnation if it can not be purchased.

**TITLE TO 27 acres** of the industrial park known as "parcel A" is expected to pass today from the city to Robat Realty Corp., ac-



**MODEL PARK**—It's only a miniature copy, but Morris Pesin finally has his Liberty Park. Pesin (right) and Theodore Conrad, Jersey City planner (left), will take the model to Trenton today to show it to state officials. Conrad made the model of the Jersey City waterfront park.

cording to Walter J. Hudzin, assistant corporation counsel. It is the parcel farthest from the bay. Hudzin, who is in charge of the city's title department, said the sale conditions call for the payment of 145,000 toward the final sale price of \$180,000.

That was the successful 1959 bid of N.J. Industrial Properties, Inc.,

which deposited another \$45,000 at the time of the sale but which has since assigned its interest in the tract to Robat, said Hudzin.

**GROUND HAS** already been broken on the parcel for a \$2,000,000 paper plant to be leased by the Mead Corp., of Dayton, Ohio

Hudzin said the original sale condition called for the construction of a building of at least 100,000 square feet within two years, a time limit delayed by a court injunction after a taxpayer suit was filed against the sale.

The city lawyer said the time condition on the parcel does not expire until this December.