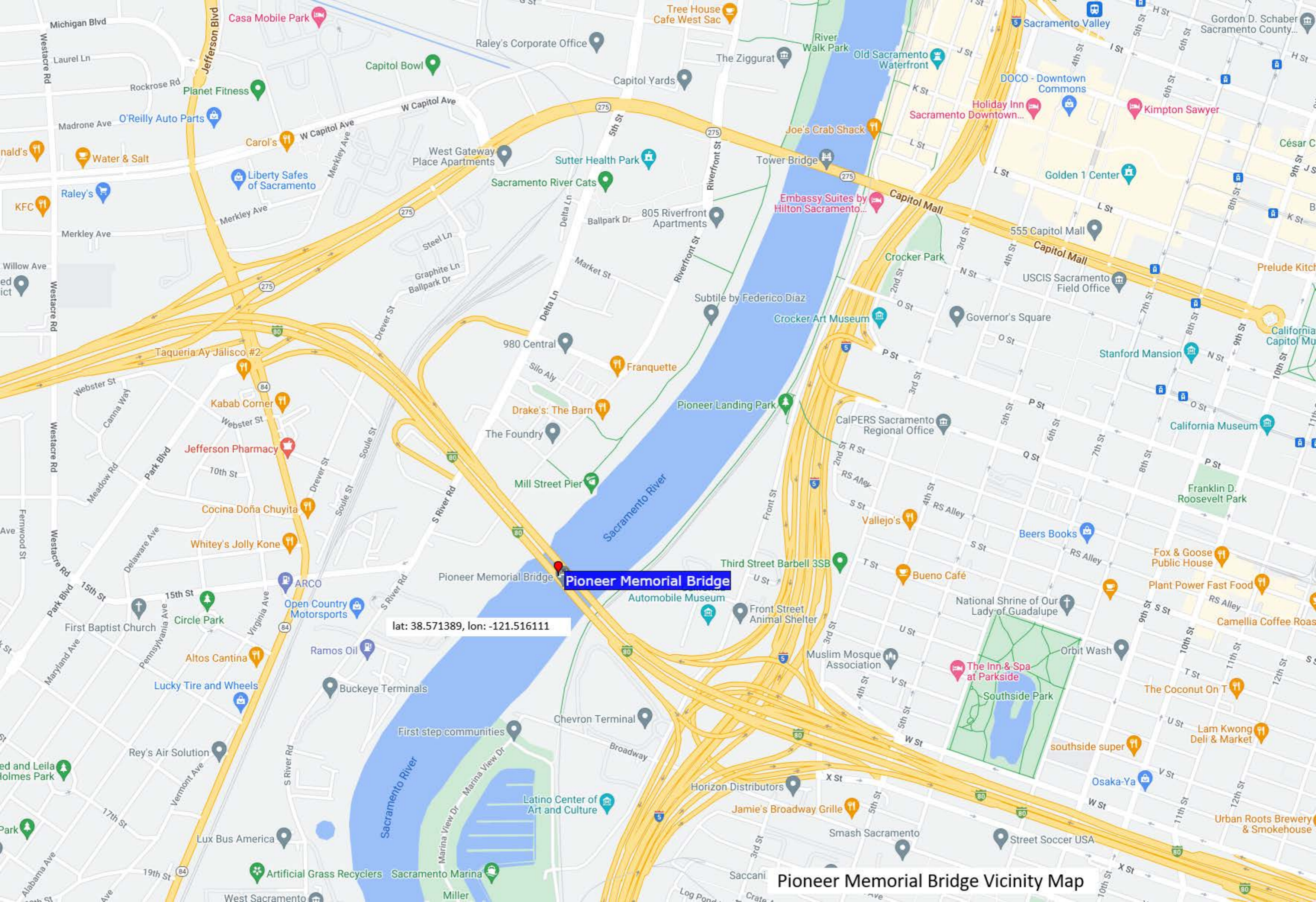




Pioneer Memorial Bridge



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Pioneer Memorial Bridge Vicinity Map

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# Pioneer Memorial Bridge Commission

(Appointed by Sacramento County Supervisors)

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SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

March 1st, 1926

## GENERAL LETTER TO MEMBERS OF PIONEER MEMORIAL BRIDGE ASSOCIATION AND OTHER FRIENDS:

Substantial progress has been made in the great project to which you have thus far lent your encouragement, many signing the preliminary papers as per copy on reverse side of this sheet.

As you will observe by examining this letter head, the Board of Supervisors of Sacramento County and City, has appointed a COMMISSION, they in turn having retained the undersigned as Director of Promotion and Publicity.

Application has been made by the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors and County Engineer to the U. S. War Department for permit to erect a High Level Bridge clearing river traffic and all grade crossings on both sides of Sacramento River, the point designated being W Street or vicinity (exact location not positively determined).

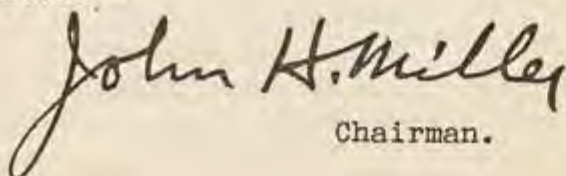
You have doubtless observed through the Press, reference to our Bridge project, all favorable and enthusiastic. We have also received a number of letters highly commendatory of our enterprise and approving our financial plan, "a great popular endowment fund", the attached letter from Mr. Fred W. Kiesel sounding the key note.

We have not as yet approached the public in the interest of our endowment construction fund, as it has been determined by our Commission to adapt our preliminary expense to a Service Fund, to which the City Council and Board of Supervisors have contributed limited amounts.

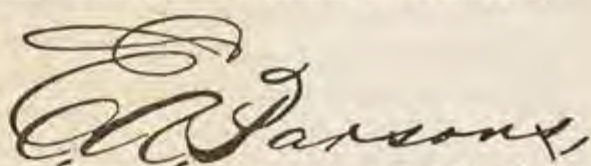
Our campaign of publicity and collection contemplates informative literature of a high order and broad distribution, (State wide and possibly National), so that many contributors may enjoy the privilege of having a share in honoring our Pioneers of '49, civic developers, soldiers of U. S. Wars—Empire Builders of the Pacific West.

This campaign is being formulated, we are about ready to proceed and are in immediate need of additions to our Service Fund. Any amount, therefore, of your own free will, may be remitted to us and made payable to the order of our Treasurer, Mr. W. W. Bassett, President, Capital National Bank, and will be highly appreciated by

Approved—

  
Chairman.

PIONEER MEMORIAL BRIDGE COMMISSION,

  
Director of Promotion and Publicity.

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Quotation from Preliminary Statement, January 1st, 1925

"An association is now being formed having for its object the discussion and final adoption of a feasible course toward the construction of a bridge at some point south of the present Southern Pacific bridge across the Sacramento river at Sacramento. The undersigned hereby signify their willingness to become charter members" of

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