Wadsworth to Retire; City Engineer 10 Years



RALPH WADSWORTH \$70,000,000 in City Jobs

City Engineer Ralph Wadsworth will retire next Wednesday, it was announced yesterday.

Wadsworth, who has been city engineer for ten years, has reached the compulsory retirement age of 65.

Friends will hold a cocktail party in his honor next Tuesday from 6 p. m. to 8 p. m. in the Lakeshore Plaza Auditorium,

During his service with the city, Wadsworth supervised the planning and construction of public projects costing more than seventy million dollars.

These included the Broadway tunnel, the traffic interchange structures on Junipero Serra Boulevard near the county line, removal of streetcar tracks from 105 miles of city streets, the new drawbridge at the Third Street crossing of Islais Creek, the city's new sewage treatment plants, the storm sewer system around Lake Merced, and many other projects.

Wadsworth is a native of Wisconsin, but he came to California the year before the 1906 fire and earthquake. He is a graduate of Oakland High School and the University of California.

During World War I he was a captain in the Corps of Engineers, and served with the Sixth Division in France and Germany.

Wadsworth plans to resume private engineering work, and may continue to serve as engineer for Joint Highway District No. 10.