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- 6/7 40 Seventh Annual Dance Festival to be held.
- 6/7 41 Opening of 1950 tour of Marionette Troup with "Shoemaker and the Elves" and schedule.
- 6/10 42 Announcing sixteenth Annual Barber Shop Quartet Contest.
- 6/12 43 First of fifty-one Guggenheim Memorial Contest\$to be given.
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- 6/28 46 Beginning of sixth season, of the series of free square dances. Dance of the week is the Virginia Reel.
- 6/28 47 Playgrounds and programs of recreational activities are ready for the summer.
- 6/28 48 Music and Dance Events in the Parks for the coming week.
- 6/28 49 Schedule for second week of Name Band Dances - Con Edison.
- 6/30 50 Announcing completion of construction and opening to the public of three new parking fields at Beach, 59th, 62ed and 68th Streets.
- 6/30 51 Week of square dancing features "Forward up 4, 6, and 8" - Pepsi.
- 6/30 52 Completion and opening to the public of a new playground adjacent to P.S. #133, Queens.

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of work and the opening to the general public of a new playground adjacent to P.S. #133, south of 85th Avenue from 248th Street to 249th Street, Queens.

This playground, which was opened without ceremonies June 24th, 1950, will provide recreational facilities for the school pupils as well as for the children of the adjacent community. In accordance with an agreement between the Board of Education and the Department of Parks, the area is operated during school hours by the education authorities and at all other times by the Department of Parks.

One acre in extent, the playground contains two separate areas with sand pits and play equipment for children of kindergarten age, basketball and volleyball courts, shuffleboard courts, handball courts, a separate area with play equipment for older children, a flagpole, comfort station, and a large free play area containing a softball diamond.

The perimeter of the development is fenced and lined with shade trees. An adequate number of benches have been provided for guardians watching children at play.

With the addition of this new playground, there are now 526 playgrounds throughout the expanded park system.

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During the week of July 3rd, at the Pepsi Square Dances, the "Forward Up 4-6 & 8" Dance will be featured.

These free dances are held under the auspices of the Department of Parks of the City of New York.

Mr. Paul B. Thompson, Vice President in charge of Pepsi-Cola Metropolitan Bottling Company, Inc., has announced there will be no dance on July 4th at Central Park Mall, due to the Annual Naumberg Memorial Concert.

The Dances will be held Monday at Riverside Drive, Wednesday at Prospect Park, and Friday at Victory Field.

As in other nationality Folk Dances, many of our American Square Dances are indigenous of a certain area and typify part of the historical background of that section of the country.

When the wagon trains left the Colonies and moved westward, the Prairie Schooners were drawn by horses as well as oxen. The Dance of the Week tells a story of hitching up from 4 to 8 horses and the maneuvering of the Schooners into line.

Forward Up 4-6 & 8 comes to the East from the Rocky Mountains. There, it's a great favorite, and since its introduction in the East it's become one of the most popular Dances here.

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public, on July 1, 1950, of three new parking fields at Beach 59th Street, Beach 62nd Street, and Beach 68th Street. These three new areas augment the four parking fields constructed and opened for public use last year at Beach 32nd Street, Beach 52nd Street, Beach 64th Street, and Beach 69th Street. They will accommodate a total of 1,700 cars and will be open from 8 A.M. to 12 midnight. There will be a twenty-five cent parking fee at all seven fields.

During the off season when no parking problems exist, the parking fields will be used as free play areas for children of the surrounding community.

The development of these parking areas, funds for which were provided in Capital Budgets, is another stage in the improvement of a number of parcels of land between Beach 9th Street and Beach 71st Street which have been assigned to the Park Department to provide auxiliary parking and recreational facilities adjacent to the beach.

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The second week of Name Band Dances, sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company and conducted by the Department of Parks, offers a variety of music for the dancing feet of New Yorkers.

On Monday, July 3d, Luis Russell and his celebrated orchestra will feature their modern sophisticated music at Colonial Park, 146th Street and Bradhurst, Avenue, Manhattan. Born in Bocus Del Tore, Panama, Luis Russell began his professional career as a child. A great pianist, composer, and bandleader, he is a standout attraction across the nation. Ballads, blues, boogie, or Calypso, Luis Russell and his big band will serve up any musical treat in their inimical style.

The Heart to Heart Music of Elliot Lawrence will be heard on two evenings--Wednesday, July 5th, at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse in the Bronx, and Thursday, July 6th, at the Mall in Central Park. Elliot Lawrence and his orchestra have won the new band honors in Billboard's Annual Campus Poll for the past three years. They were named "Band of the Year" by Look and Orchestra World magazines. In addition, the nation's disc jockeys voted the band tops among young orchestras in Billboard's Disc Jockey Poll. At college,

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Lawrence, pianist, composer and arranger, was given the Thornton Oakley Gold Medal, highest award of the University of Pennsylvania. He and his orchestra have appeared on the NBC "Chesterfield Supper Club" and at Frank Dailey's Meadowbrook. Name Band dance fans should not miss the Lawrence engagements as they offer the unique in modern dance music.

On Friday, July 7th, Sam Donahue and his orchestra will play in Brooklyn, at the Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street. Sam Donahue, the saxophone sensation of the age, is well known to Name Band Dance fans, having played many dates during the past few years. The dance rhythms of the Donahue Orchestra will insure a pleasant evening of starlight dancing on Friday.

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MUSIC AND DANCE EVENTS IN THE PARKS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sunday, July 2 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko
Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park -
Tchaikovsky Program

Monday, July 3 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko
Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park -
American Music

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by Consolidated
Edison Company - Colonial Park, 146th
Street and Bradhurst Avenue, Manhattan -
Luis Russell Orchestra

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by Pepsi-Cola
Company - Riverside Drive and 103rd
Street, Lowel Level, Manhattan - Ed
Durlacher and Top Hands

Tuesday, July 4 -

8:30 P.M. - Naumburg Concert - Victor Norman conducting -
Mall in Central Park

Wednesday, July 5 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko
Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park -
Wagnerian Program

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated
Edison Company - Poe Park, 192nd Street
and Grand Concourse, Bronx - Elliot Lawrence
Orchestra

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola
Company - Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect
Park West and 11th Street, Glendale, Queens -
Ed Durlacher and Top Hands

Thursday, July 6 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko
Goldman conducting - Prospect Park Music
Grove - Bach Program

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by Consolidated
Edison Company - Mall, Central Park -
Elliot Lawrence Orchestra

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Friday, July 7 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko
Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park -
Bach Program

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by Consolidated
Edison Company - Prospect Park Dance Area,
Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brook-
lyn - Sam Donahue Orchestra

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by Pepsi-Cola
Company - Victory Field, Myrtle Avenue
and Woodhaven Boulevard, Glendale - Ed
Durlacher and Top Hands

Saturday, July 8 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko
Goldman conducting - Prospect Park Music
Grove - American Music

8:30 P.M. - City Amateur Symphony Concert - Judge Leopold
Prince conducting - Mall, Central Park

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The 526 Department of Parks neighborhood playgrounds are ready for the thousands of school children who begin their summer vacations on Friday. The playgrounds, all under the recreation division of the Park Department, are staffed by 420 permanent and 300 temporary summer playground directors who will conduct a broad program of recreational activities designed to meet the needs of New York City's youngsters.

Park playgrounds are equipped with a great variety of facilities for active play, among which are more than 18,000 swings, slides, and seesaws, and 600 pieces of climbing and exercise apparatus such as bars, ladders, and jungle gyms. For dual games, there are over 1,100 handball, 600 shuffleboard, 400 paddle tennis, and 400 horseshoe pitching courts, as well as 135 ping pong tables.

Larger groups of children may make use of 450 basketball courts and the 192 volleyball courts. Most of the 341 park softball diamonds are located at neighborhood playgrounds. Younger children may cool off this summer at the 200 playground wading pools. More than a hundred areas are set aside so that youngsters may roller skate in safety. Supervised group games of all kinds will lend variety to the active recreational program.

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Provision is made for youngsters to enjoy quiet games during the heat of the day. Board games, jacks, nok-hockey, puzzles, and picture books are always available. The summer arts and crafts program is a popular activity with all ages of children.

Youngsters may participate in competitive activities offered by the city-wide softball and swimming tournaments conducted for children 17 years of age and under, which begin in July, and in the junior division competition in the municipal tennis and golf tournaments also being held in July. Entry blanks for these contests may be secured and filed at local playgrounds. Boys and girls who wish to compete in the Junior Olympics, scheduled for early September, may practice for their track and field events at the 18 Park Department athletic fields.

The 17 Department of Parks outdoor pools, five large enough to accommodate 7,000 people at one time, will open for the season on July 1st. All are maintained under the highest sanitary conditions, and lifeguards, specially trained for this work during the winter months, will be on duty at all times. Learn-to-Swim courses will be held at all pools during the free period for children under 14 years of age, on weekdays from 10:00 A.M. until 12:30 P.M.

Ocean breezes create havens of rest at the seven Park Department beaches and provide a welcome change from the hot city pavements.

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Organizations desiring to take groups on picnics will find excellent facilities with tables, benches, and fireplaces at the 20 picnic grounds located in the larger parks.

High school age children may enjoy the program of concerts and social and square dances scheduled for various parks during the summer.

Safe and healthful supervised outdoor recreation is available for every child in New York City at Park Department facilities this summer.

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Monday evening, June 26th, starts the 6th Season in the series of Free Square Dances under the auspices of the Division of Recreation of the Department of Parks of the City of New York, under the direction of Ed Durlacher. This has been announced by Mr. Paul B. Thompson, Vice President in charge of the Pepsi-Cola Metropolitan Bottling Company, Inc.

Each week through September 1st, the Dances will take place as follows:

EVERY MONDAY NIGHT
Riverside Drive & 103rd Street, Lower Level

EVERY TUESDAY NIGHT
Central Park Mall at 72nd Street

EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT
Prospect Park West & 11th St., Brooklyn, N.Y.

EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT
Victory Field, Forest Park,
Woodhaven Blvd. & Myrtle Ave., Queens

Ed Durlacher has selected a "Dance of the Week" for each week of the series. June 26th through the 30th will have the Virginia Reel.

THE VIRGINIA REEL

In 1607, when the first English settlers landed in Jamestown, Virginia, they brought with them one of their dances that was to live through the his-

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tory of not only the Colonial times but through present day dances. This was the Sir Roger de Coverly, better known today, throughout the world, as the Virginia Reel.

It is interesting to know that during the struggles and sufferings of these early pioneers they kept their morale alive with this dance. It was the favorite dance of George Washington.

The Virginia Reel, as we do it today, is a bit different from the original way in that instead of starting the figures of the dance from Head and Foot couples, we now have all couples active until the reel itself is done. From that point on, it is still done in the original way.

History does not tell us whether or not Captain John Smith taught the Virginia Reel to Pocahontas but it could be.....it could be.

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Twenty youngsters, the best of 10,200 entries in the Department of Parks Annual Marbles Tournament, will vie for city-wide championship honors at Heckscher Playground, 62nd Street and West Drive in Central Park, on Saturday, June 24th, at 2 P.M.

Tournament play has been under way since June 6th, and the finalists had to survive local playground, district, and borough eliminations in order to qualify for the city-wide championships. The contest was open to children 14 years of age and under.

Saturday's competitors, and the boroughs they represent, will be:

Manhattan:	Bennie Cooke Carlos Aelvirluz Edward Sheehan Frank Valle	Brooklyn:	John Cassano Allen Kearse Anthony Cappucci Bob Bonner
Bronx:	Frank Feraca Conrad Robinson Sheldon Silverman Fred Wilson	Queens:	Vincent Schieda James Doolan Charles Almond Victor Staccaforno
	Richmond:		Ray Craven Vincent Mastori Edward Ciarkowski Louis D'Angelo

To add to the prizes they received for winning preliminary contests, the champion and runner-up on Saturday will be presented with trophies.

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The Department of Parks announces that the seventeen outdoor swimming pools will officially open for public usage on Saturday, June 24th.

The pools will open for the week-end, June 24th and June 25th, from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., and then close. They will reopen on July 1st and remain open daily, from 10:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M., from that date until the end of the season, in accordance with the following operating schedule:

On weekdays and Saturdays, from 10:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M., there will be a free period for children under 14 years of age, during which hours no adults will be admitted to the pool area.

After 1:00 P.M. on weekdays and all day Sundays and holidays, there will be a 9¢ charge for children under 12 years of age and a 26¢ charge for older children and adults. These charges include tax.

Swimming and diving contests and water shows will be organized at all pools. Classes in life saving and first aid will also be included in the Aquatic Program, in addition to the yearly "Learn to Swim" campaign which will be held during July and August.

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The swimming pools are located as follows:

Manhattan -

Colonial Pool	Bradhurst Avenue and West 145th Street
East 23rd Street Pool	At Avenue A
Hamilton Fish Pool	East Houston and Sheriff Streets
Highbridge Pool	Amsterdam Avenue and West 173d Street
Hudson Pool	Clarkson Street and Seventh Avenue
John Jay Pool	78th Street and East River Drive
Thomas Jefferson Pool	111th Street and First Avenue
West 60th Street Pool	Between 11th and Amsterdam Avenues

Brooklyn -

Eetsy Head Pool	Hopkinson and Dumont Avenues
McCarren Pool	Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street
Red Hook Pool	Bay and Henry Streets
Sunset Pool	Seventh Avenue and 43d Street

Bronx -

Crotona Pool	East 173d Street and Fulton Avenue
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Queens -

Astoria Pool	19th Street and 23d Drive, Astoria
Flushing Meadow Amphitheatre	Flushing Meadow Park, Horace Harding Boulevard and Grand Central Parkway, Corona

Richmond -

Faber Pool	Faber Street and Richmond Terrace
Tompkinsville Pool	Victory Boulevard and Murray Hulbert Avenue

Indoor pools, closed during the winter because of the water shortage, will reopen in Manhattan on June 19th, and in Brooklyn on June 24th. They will be open Monday through Friday from 1:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M., and on Saturday from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. The indoor pools will be closed on Sundays and holidays.

The indoor pools are located as follows:

Manhattan -

Rivington Street and Baruch Place	
East 54th Street between First and Second Avenues	
5 Rutgers Place	
407 West 28th Street	
35 West 134th Street	(This pool will be opened as soon as current repairs are completed.)

Brooklyn -

Metropolitan Avenue and Bedford Avenue	
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The first of fifty-one Guggenheim Memorial Concerts, an annual gift series to the people of the City of New York, in memory of Daniel and Florence Guggenheim, will be given by the Goldman Band, with Edwin Franko Goldman conducting, at the Mall in Central Park on Friday, June 16th, at 8:30 P.M. The opening concert in Brooklyn at the Prospect Park Music Grove will be given on Saturday, June 17th, also at 8:30 P.M. Original band music will be featured on the program at both concerts.

During the season, which extends through Sunday, August 13th, concerts will be given at the Mall on Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evenings, and at the Prospect Park Music Grove on Thursday and Saturday evenings, at 8:30 P.M.

This is the 33rd season of these concerts and they have acquired a loyal following of thousands of music lovers who enjoy the time-honored custom of listening to band concerts in the park. Many fans turn out hours before the concerts are scheduled to begin in order to secure a front seat. Others prefer to sit on the green lawns surrounding the Mall so that they may savor the true atmosphere of a band concert.

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The series will present a wide range of musical selections and the many composers represented have their own partisans who come to hear their favorites featured. One concert is to be devoted to music with a special appeal for children. Others will present French, Italian, Russian, English, or American compositions. Whatever the music may be, each concert is enthusiastically received by the audiences. The three final concerts will be made up of all-request numbers.

No summer in New York City would be complete unless a few evenings are spent listening to the Guggenheim Memorial Concerts.



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The 16th Annual Barber Shop Quartet Contest will be conducted by the Department of Parks on Wednesday evening, June 14th, at 8:30 P.M., when the bandstand on the Mall in Central Park will become the biggest little barber shop in New York City.

An audience of more than 25,000 people is expected to be on hand to hear the best five amateur quartets in the city give the good old "Gay Nineties" songs the once over lightly treatment. The keen competition in the borough eliminations held last week, in which 80 quartets took part, gives promise of some fine harmonizing for the city championship honors.

The Police Department Band will give instrumental versions of the songs sung at the turn of the century. The sixty-man chorus of the Manhattan Chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America, Inc., will offer other variations of "Gay Nineties" themes. A number of outstanding guest artists will round out the fine program.

The quartets taking part in the competition on Wednesday, will be the "Chordcutters" of Manhattan, the "Vanderveer Four" of Brooklyn, the "What Four" of the Bronx, the "Queensboro Four" of Queens, and the "South Shore Four" of Richmond.

The Department of Parks extends a cordial invitation to the public to attend the contest. No tickets of admission are required.

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A decade ago, the Department of Parks formed a Marionette Troupe to tour its parks and playgrounds giving puppet shows for New York City's youngsters. Today, the Marionette Theatre is one of the most popular attractions on the Department of Parks' recreation program. The 1950 tour will open in Brooklyn beginning Monday, June 12th. This year's story is the beloved "Shoemaker and the Elves", which lends itself ideally to the medium of puppetry.

112 performances are scheduled from June 12th through September 8th. Children in every section of the five boroughs will have an opportunity to see the show as it is transported in a specially constructed motor truck which houses the stage, sound, and lighting equipment.

Brooklyn performances will run through Friday, June 30th. Richmond shows will be presented from July 5th through July 12th; Queens performances from July 13th through August 1st; the Bronx run will extend from August 2nd through August 17th; and Manhattan playgrounds will be visited from August 18th through September 8th.

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The first week's performances in Brooklyn are scheduled as follows:

Monday	June 12	3:30 P.M.	Marine Park, Fillmore Avenue and Stuart Street
Tuesday	June 13	3:30 P.M.	Playground at Neptune Avenue and West 28th Street
Wednesday	June 14	3:30 P.M.	Seth Low Playground, Bay Parkway and Avenue P
Thursday	June 15	3:30 P.M.	Gravesend Playground, 56th Street and 18th Avenue
Friday	June 16	3:30 P.M.	Sunset Park, 44th Street and Sixth Avenue
Saturday	June 17	11:00 A.M. 2:30 P.M.	Playground at Prospect Park West and 11th Street

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More than 500 children from Park Department playgrounds in Queens will participate in the 7th Annual Dance Festival to be held at King Park, 150th to 153rd Streets and Jamaica Avenue, Jamaica, Queens, at 2:30 P.M., on Saturday, June 10th.

Ten dances are on the regular program for the afternoon and they cover a wide variety of ballet, novelty, and folk dances. The eleventh dance will be an American square dance in which all the young dancers will take part.

These children's dance festivals are a traditional event in the Department of Parks' recreation program, the earliest of them dating back 35 years. As new communities were developed in the city, the custom spread to the newly created parks and playgrounds. The youngsters devote many hours during the weeks preceding the festival to learning and rehearsing their dances and in helping to make their costumes. Through their participation, they acquire interests and skills which last throughout their lifetime and which have many carry-over values.

Saturday's dances and the playgrounds presenting them will be:

1. Ballet

By the children of Jackson Heights
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| 2. Indian Corn Dance | By children of Cunningham, P.S. #26, Raymond O'Connor, and Flushing Memorial Playgrounds |
| 3. Sailor Dance | By the children of Newtown and Corona Playgrounds |
| 4. Minuet | By the children of Von Dohlen and Liberty Playgrounds |
| 5. Small Fry, American Square Dance | By all the children of the kindergarten groups in Queens |
| 6. Scotch Lassies | By the children of Jackson Park, and Liberty & 102nd Street Playgrounds |
| 7. Soft Shoe Dance | By the children from Jackson Heights, 30th Road, and 77th Street Playgrounds |
| 8. Dutch Dance | By children from Grover Cleveland, John F. Murray, and Thompson Hill Playgrounds |
| 9. Irish Dance | By children from O'Connell, Braddock, Brookville, and Laurelton Playgrounds |
| 10. Pan American Phantasies | By children of St. Albans Memorial Playground |
| 11. American Square Dance | By all children participating |



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Eighty quartets have entered the Sixteenth Annual American Ballad Contest for Barber Shop Quartets and they will compete in preliminary contests to be conducted by the Department of Parks in the five boroughs next week. The winning quartet in each borough will be eligible for the City-wide Championships to be held at the Mall in Central Park on Wednesday evening, June 14th, at 8:30 P.M.

The borough contests, all beginning at 8:30 P.M., are scheduled as follows:

Monday,	June 5	- Manhattan	- Mall in Central Park, 72nd Street and Center Drive
Tuesday,	June 6	- Queens	- Music Grove, Forest Park, Main Drive, west of Woodhaven Boulevard
Wednesday,	June 7	- Richmond	- McDonald Playground, Broadway and Forest Avenue, Richmond
Thursday,	June 8	- Bronx	- Mullaly Recreation Center, 164th Street and Jerome Avenue
Friday,	June 9	- Brooklyn	- Music Grove, Prospect Park, Flatbush Avenue and Empire Boulevard

The quartets must sing, without musical accompaniment, songs popular in the "Gay Nineties" period. No quartet may sing more than six minutes. Tone, rhythm, techniques, originality, expression, phrasing, costume, and stage presence will be considered by the judges.

The Department of Parks extends a cordial invitation to the public to attend these contests. No tickets of admission are required.

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The 7th Annual Dance Festival by Park Playground Children of the Bronx will be held at Williamsbridge Oval, 208th Street and Bainbridge Avenue, on Saturday, June 3d, at 2:30 P.M. This is the first of a series of five dance programs, each of which is presented by the park recreation staff of the individual borough in which it is held.

The festivals are a cooperative effort on the part of 600 children, their mothers and older sisters, and the playground directors. The festivals not only teach the youngsters how to dance, but also serve as a media for learning to sew (as the children help make their own costumes), acquiring hand-craft techniques through making accessories, and developing an understanding of people of other lands through their folk dances.

The dances on the program for Saturday, and the playgrounds participating in them, are as follows:

1. Fado Blanquita Portuguese Folk Dance - by the children of Mullaly, Claremont, Merriam Avenue, Morris Avenue, and Goble Playgrounds.
2. Hora Palestinian Folk Dance - by the children of Crotona Park and Lyons Square Playgrounds.
3. Hop Scotch Polka By the children of the St. Mary's Park Playgrounds.

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4. Ukranian Folk Dance By the children of P.S. #21, Ciccarone, Pelham, and Waterbury Avenue Playgrounds.
5. Goofy Gob By the children of Bailey Avenue, Fort #4, Deboe, and St. James Playgrounds.
6. Tarantella By the children of Williamsbridge, Mosholu, Zimmerman, and Castlehill Avenue Playgrounds.

The program will open with a procession of the children participating, a massing of the colors by the Bronx Council of Girl Scouts, and the singing of the National Anthem. At the close of the program, the dancers will parade to the picnic area for refreshments.

Festivals in the other boroughs will be conducted on Saturday afternoons at 2:30 P.M., according to the following schedule:

Queens	-	June 10	-	King Park
Manhattan	-	June 17	-	Sheep Meadow, Central Park
Richmond	-	June 24	-	Clove Lakes Park
Brooklyn	-	August 12	-	Long Meadow, Prospect Park

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GOVERNOR SMITH MEMORIAL

DEDICATION

JUNE 1, 1950



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THE SIDEWALKS OF NEW YORK (Back of Statue Pedestal)

The GOVERNOR ALFRED E. SMITH MEMORIAL

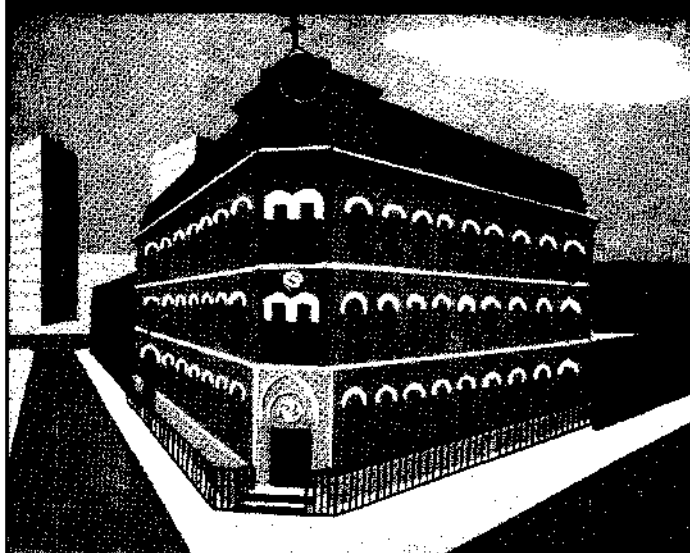
The Governor Smith Memorial Park with its statue by Charles Keck, ornamental flagpole by Paul Manship, playground, benches and landscaping on land made available by the City Housing Authority within Governor Alfred E. Smith Houses, is a gift to the Old Neighborhood, as the Governor called it, by his numberless friends.

Many small contributions added up to a total sufficient to build this memorial with enough left over to repair the facade of The Mariners' Temple, restore the old Spanish and Portuguese Jewish Cemetery and provide new doors at St. James Parochial School, where the Governor received his only formal education.

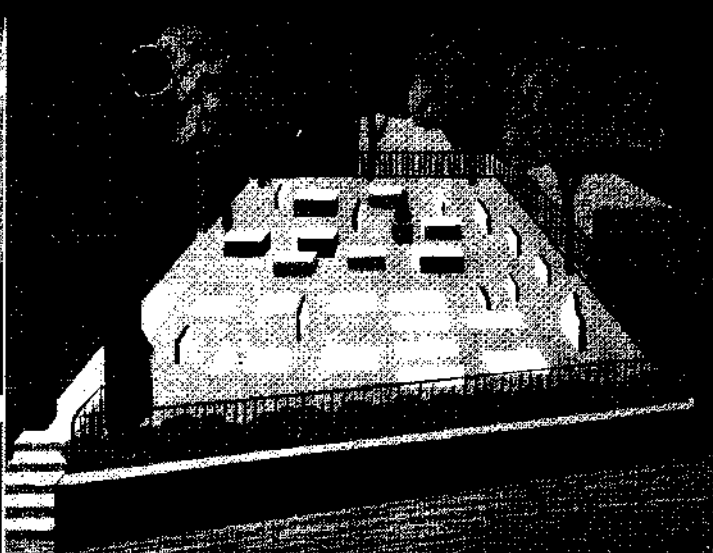
The Committee, whose names appear in this report, ask only that the Old Neighborhood revere and protect the shrine of its greatest son, and that the children of tomorrow seek to imitate his character and achievements.

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Chairman

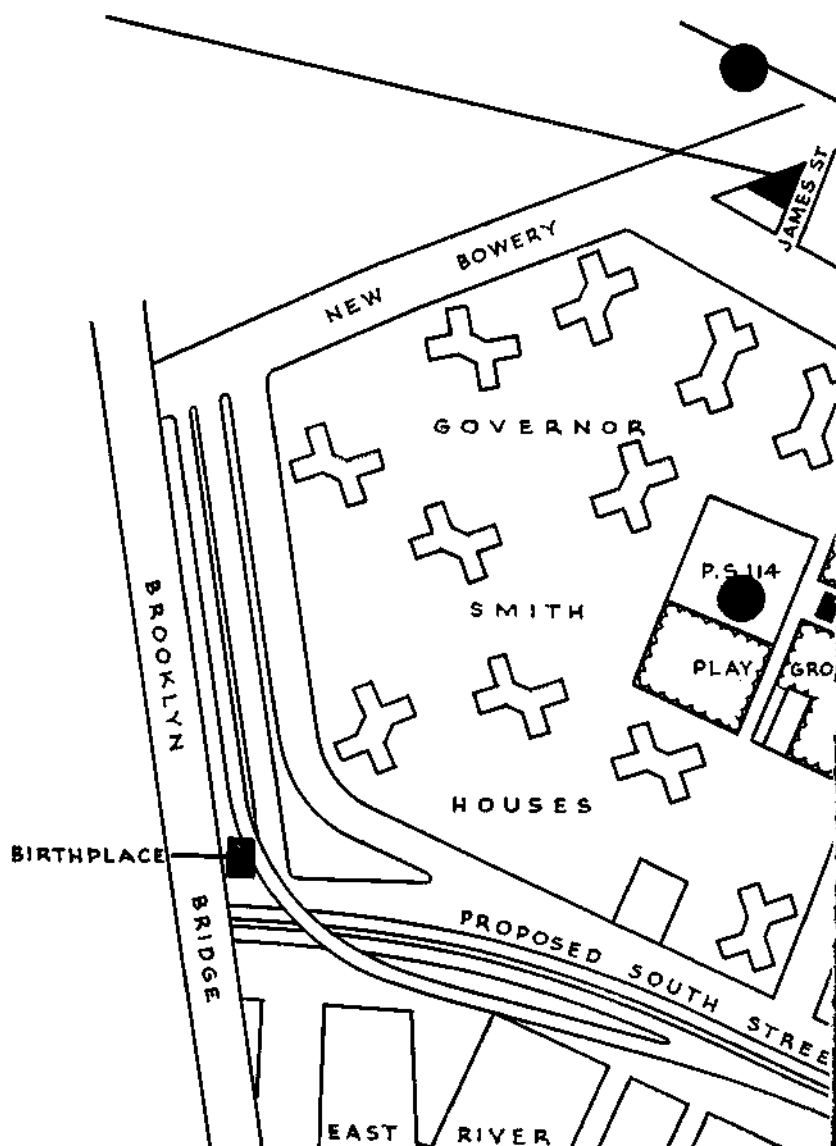


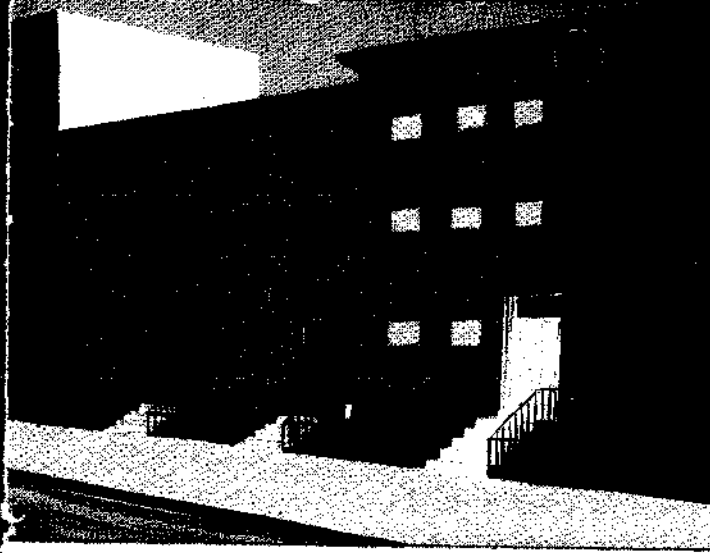
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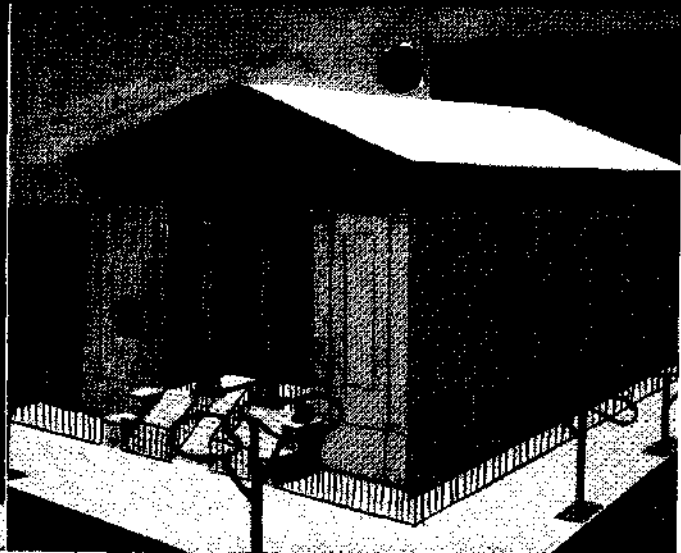
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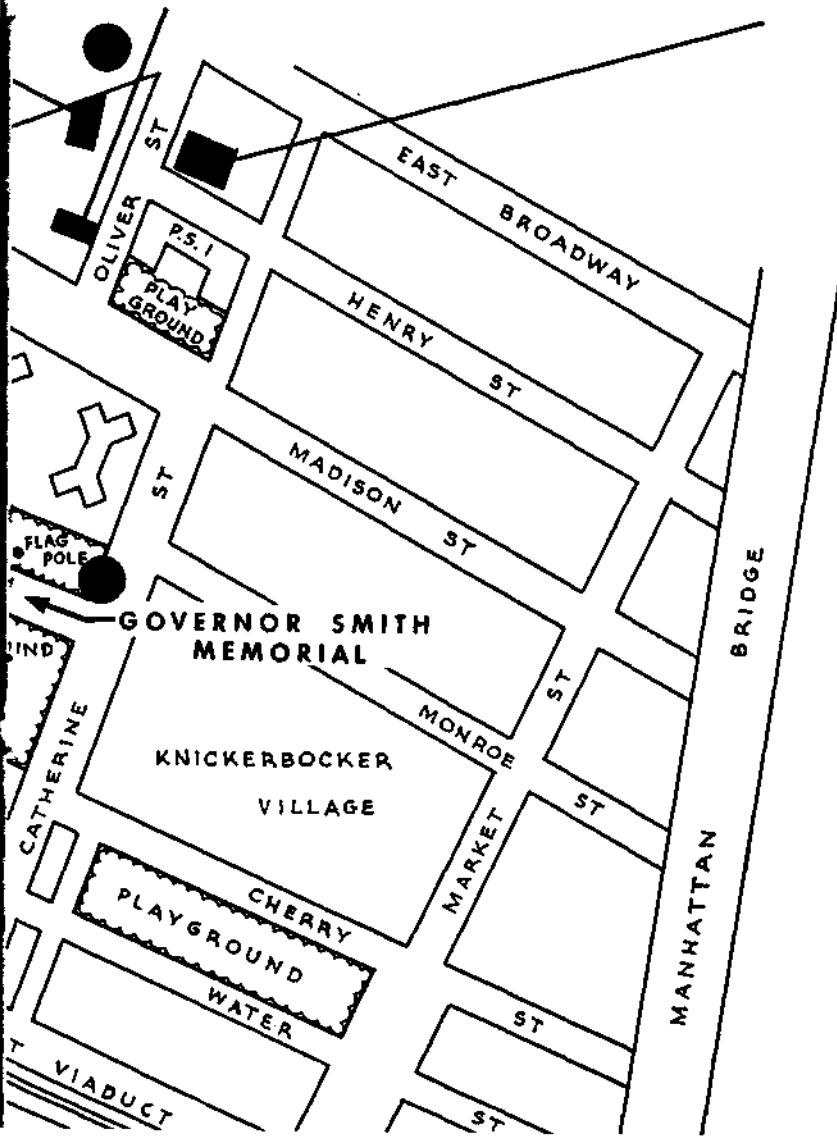


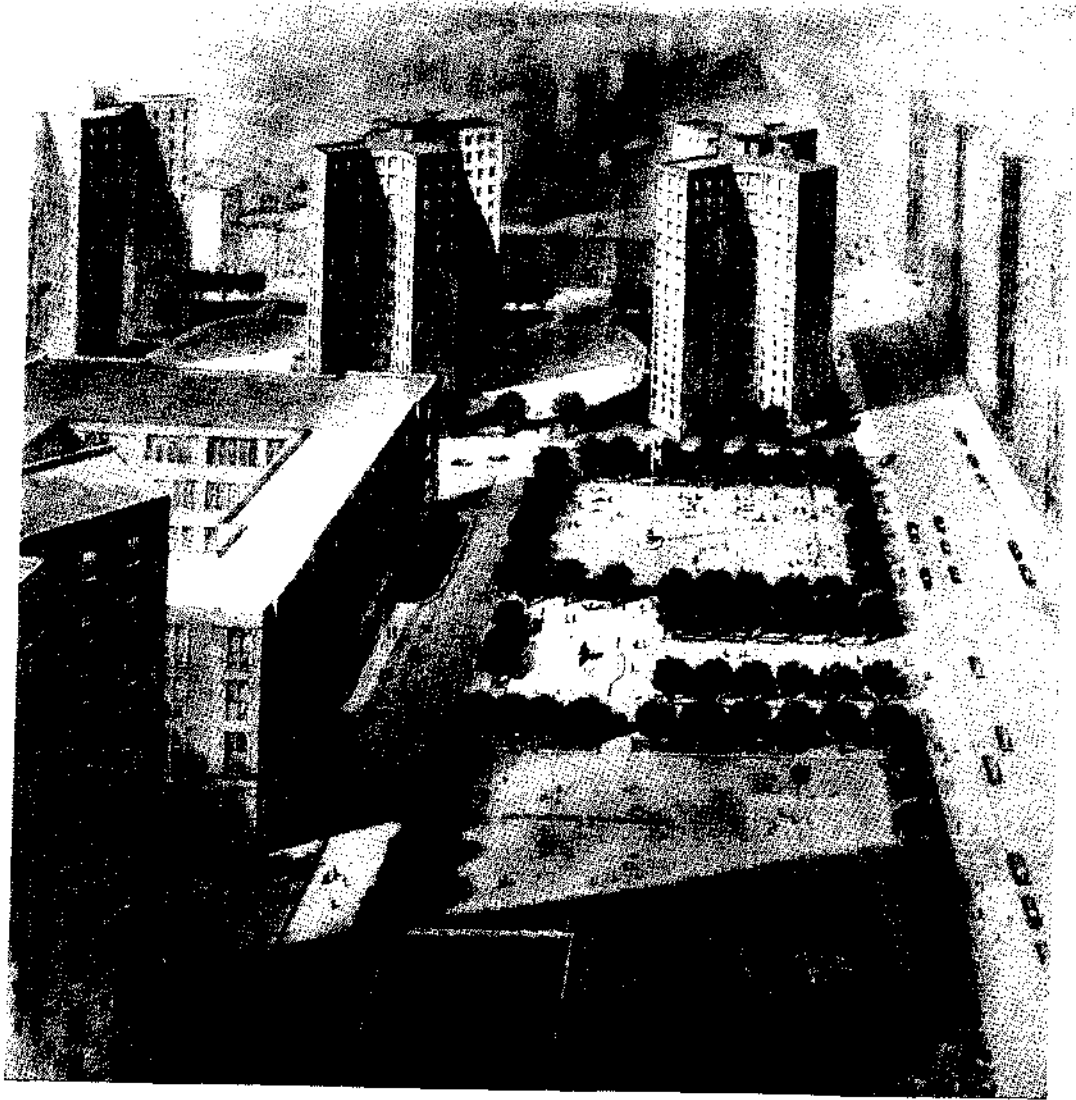


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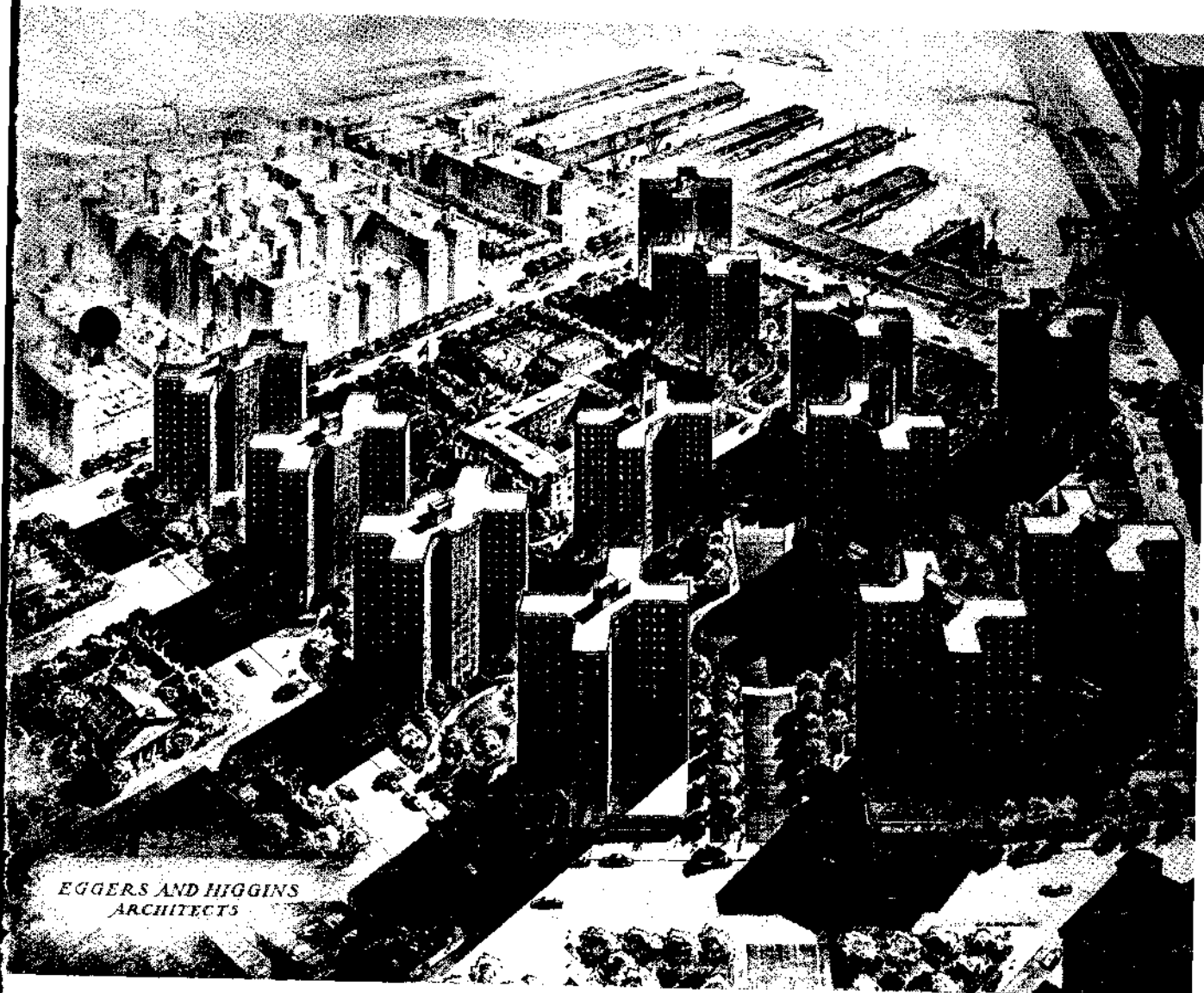


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THE SETTING FOR THE STATUE AND FLAGPOLE



GOVERNOR SMITH HOUSES



FLAGPOLE BASE

Paul Manship, Sculptor

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

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Wednesday, May 31, 1950

The Governor Smith Memorial Committee announces that the Governor Smith Memorial Park on Catherine Street between Cherry and Monroe Streets within the Governor Alfred E. Smith Housing Project on the lower East Side, in the neighborhood in which he was born and spent many years of his life, will be dedicated on Thursday, June 1, 1950, at 3:00 P.M.

Construction of the Memorial is progressing rapidly as well as construction of the several units of the Housing Project. The park property was acquired by the City Housing Authority and was turned over to the City Park Department to develop as a memorial to the former Governor and to provide recreation for the children of the families who will live in the Housing Project and the surrounding neighborhood.

The nine-foot bronze figure of the Governor, designed by Charles Keck, and the memorial flagpole base, modeled by Paul Manship, both of which were contributed through the Governor Smith Memorial Committee by the Governor's many friends and by the school children of the City, have been completed and set in place on the site. The statue will be located on a landscaped wall, 200 by 100 feet, bordered by double rows of trees,

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with benches, between two playgrounds which are being constructed as part of the Housing Project. The bronze figure of the Governor will be on a granite pedestal and steps, which were designed by Eggers & Higgins. It is in a characteristic speaking pose, with one hand resting on a flag-draped rostrum. A large bas relief depicting scenes on the "Sidewalks of New York" is placed on the back of the pedestal. The flagpole, which will be located in the small children's playground, will have an ornamental base with sculptured animals to please the youngsters.

Att:

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Sent out Monday, May 29, 1950.



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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The Department of Parks announces the completion and opening to the general public, without ceremony, of a new playground adjacent to Lillian Wald Houses, east of Public School No. 188 and north of East Houston Street, Manhattan.

The construction of the playground was part of the plan and project for the Lillian Wald Houses and it provides additional urgently-needed recreational facilities for both the tenants of the housing area and the residents of the adjacent community in this congested section of the lower East Side.

The new one-half acre play area includes a sand pit, flagpole, maintenance shed, a shower basin, and an area for pre-school age children equipped with slides, swings and seesaws. There is also a separate area for older children containing play equipment and a large free play area for group games and roller skating.

The perimeter of the playground is fenced and landscaped. Numerous benches have been provided under shade trees for those using the facilities, as well as for those watching the children at play.

Att:

- 1 Photo (no number)
- 2 Plans - M-6-201-101 & 102.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS

FOR RELEASE

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The Department of Parks announces that the bathing and swimming season at the 16.2 miles of municipally operated beach and seventeen outdoor swimming pools will officially open on Saturday, May ²⁶~~28~~th.

The swimming pools are located as follows:

Manhattan -

Hamilton Fish Pool
Colonial Pool

Highbridge Pool
Thomas Jefferson Pool
23rd Street Pool
Carmine Street Pool
60th Street Pool

John Jay Pool

East Houston and Pitt Streets
Bradhurst Avenue, West 145th to 147th
Streets
Amsterdam Avenue and 173rd Street
111th to 114th Streets and First Avenue
23rd Street and East River Drive
Clarkson Street and Seventh Avenue
59th Street between Amsterdam and
11th Avenues
78th Street and East River Drive

Brooklyn -

Sunset Pool
McCarren Pool
Red Hook Pool
Betsy Head Pool

Seventh Avenue and 43rd Street
Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street
Clinton, Bay and Henry Streets
Hopkinson, Dumont and Livonia Avenues

Bronx -

Crotona Pool

173rd Street and Fulton Avenue

Queens -

Astoria Pool
Flushing Meadow
Amphitheatre

19th Street and 23rd Drive

Flushing Meadow Park

Richmond -

Faber Pool
Tompkinsville Pool

Richmond Terrace at Faber Street
Victory Boulevard between Bay Street
and Murray Hulbert Avenue

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From May 2⁶~~8~~th to June 2¹⁷~~5~~th, the pools will be open for weekends only, and from June 2¹⁷~~5~~th until the end of the season, they will be open daily with the following operating schedule:

On weekdays and Saturdays, from 10:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M., there will be a free period for children under 14 years of age, during which hours no adults will be admitted to the pool area.

After 1:00 P.M. on weekdays and all day Sundays and holidays, there will be a 9¢ charge for children under 12 years of age, and a 26¢ charge for older children and adults. These charges include tax.

Groups in swimming and diving contests and water shows will be organized at all pools. Classes in life saving and first aid will also be included in the Aquatic Program, in addition to the yearly "Learn to Swim" campaign which will be held during July and August.

Orchard Beach, located in Pelham Bay Park in the Bronx; Jacob Riis Park Beach and Rockaway Beach on the Rockaway Peninsula, Queens; Coney Island Beach in Brooklyn; and South Beach and Wolfe's Pond Park on Staten Island will also open for bathers on May 2⁶~~8~~th. Bathhouse accommodations at Jacob Riis Park and Orchard Beach will be open for weekend operation from 8:00 A.M. to 6:30 P.M. from May 2¹⁷~~5~~th to June 2¹⁷~~5~~th and then daily thereafter until the end of the season.

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The beach at Great Kills Park on Staten Island, which is now under construction, is progressing according to schedule and will be open for bathing after July 1st. The facilities available for public use will be limited, however, as the work presently under way only includes drainage ditches, water and supply lines, the erection of two buildings to serve as comfort stations and maintenance headquarters, entrance roadways, walks, and a one thousand car parking field. Other improvements will follow in future years and will include a 1,000 foot boardwalk, a boat basin, boathouse, playgrounds, bicycle paths, court games, roller skating and picnic areas, softball and hard baseball diamonds, and an eighteen hole pitch putt golf course to complete the park as one of the finest public waterfront areas.

At Orchard Beach, there is a total of 9,145 lockers for bathhouse patrons and parking space is provided for 7,500 cars. At Jacob Riis Park, the bathhouse accommodates 11,400 people and the parking space 14,000 cars. Parking at both beaches will be 25¢ per car; bathhouse fees 15¢ for children's lockers and 25¢ for adult lockers. Dressing rooms are available at Jacob Riis Park for a fee of 50¢ per person. Recreational areas at Jacob Riis Park and Orchard Beach, providing shuffleboard, paddle tennis and handball, are available to the public at 10¢ per person per half hour.

At Jacob Riis, there is also an eighteen hole pitch putt golf course at which a charge of 50¢ is made for each round of golf, which includes clubs. A 50¢ deposit is required on each ball. The pitch putt golf course will operate on a full (more) time basis starting May 26th

Beach chairs and umbrellas may be rented at Orchard Beach and Jacob Riis at a nominal charge, and beach shops are provided where bathing accessories can be purchased.

~~To supervise and protect the millions of visitors who will patronize the pools and beaches, 549 lifeguards, lieutenants and chief lifeguards have been trained during the winter in the indoor pools by department experts. Of these, 175 will be on duty this weekend. Others will be assigned as the weather gets warmer and the bathers increase. All, however, will be assigned to duty by June 25th.~~

*at the Rockaways, four parking
fields are available (A)*

May 26, 1949.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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The Department of Parks announces that the bathing and swimming season at the 16.2 miles of municipally operated beach will officially open on Saturday, May 27th.

Orchard Beach, located in Pelham Bay Park in the Bronx; Jacob Riis Park Beach, and Rockaway Beach on the Rockaway Peninsula, Queens; Coney Island Beach in Brooklyn; and South Beach and the beaches in Great Kills Park and Wolfe's Pond Park on Staten Island have been graded to replace sand shifted by winter storms, raked to remove glass and debris, and beach chairs, umbrellas and other equipment repaired and painted in preparation for a busy summer bathing season.

Bathhouse accommodations at Jacob Riis Park and Orchard Beach will be open for operation from 8 A.M. to 6:30 P.M. daily. At Orchard Beach, there is a total of 9,145 lockers for bathhouse patrons, and parking space is provided for 7,500 cars. At Jacob Riis Park, the bathhouse accommodates 11,400 people, and parking space is provided for 14,000 cars. Parking at both beaches will be 25¢ per car; bathhouse fees - 15¢ for children's lockers and 25¢ for adult lockers. Dressing rooms are available at Jacob Riis Park for a fee of 50¢ per person. Recreational

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Umbrellas may be rented at Orchard Beach, Jacob Riis and Great Kills at a nominal fee, and beach chairs are obtainable at Orchard Beach and Jacob Riis.

While no dressing facilities are available at Great Kills Park as yet, the foundation for the bathhouse is now being placed and the superstructure should start this fall. Parking space for 1,000 cars has been provided at a fee of 25¢ per car.

At the Rockaways, four parking fields are available at Beach 32nd Street, Beach 52nd Street, Beach 64th Street, and Beach 69th Street, while three new parking fields, at Beach 59th Street, Beach 62nd Street, and Beach 68th Street, are under construction and will be completed in time to take care of the many visitors who will come to use the beach during the coming summer. These parking fields will accommodate 1,700 cars and will be open from 8 A.M. to 12 midnight, at a fee of 25¢ per car.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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The Sixteenth Annual American Ballad Contest for Barber Shop Quartets, conducted by the Department of Parks, will be held on the Mall in Central Park, on Wednesday evening, June 14th, at 8:30 P.M. The only qualifications for foursomes are that they must reside in New York City, and sing, without musical accompaniment, two numbers, or two medleys, or a combination of one number and one medley, of the type popular in the "Gay Nineties".

Preliminary contests will be held in each borough, the winning quartet at each to compete in the City-Wide Championships at the Mall, on June 14th. The borough contests are scheduled as follows, all starting at 8:30 P.M.

Monday, June 5th - Manhattan - Mall in Central Park
Tuesday, June 6th - Queens - Music Grove, Forest Park
Wednesday, June 7th - Richmond - McDonald Playground, Broadway and Forest Avenue, Richmond
Thursday, June 8th - Bronx - Mullaly Recreation Center, Jerome Avenue and 164th Street
Friday, June 9th - Brooklyn - Music Grove, Prospect Park

The Judges, in selecting the winning quartets, will consider tone, rhythm, technique, originality, expression, phrasing, costume, and stage presence. Prizes will be awarded to the winning quartet in each borough, and to the winners of first, second, and third place in the city-wide contest.

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Entry blanks may be obtained at all Park Department
borough offices:

Manhattan - Arsenal, Central Park, 64th Street and Fifth Avenue

Brooklyn - Litchfield Mansion, Fifth Street and Prospect Park West

Bronx - Bronx Park East and Birchall Avenue

Queens - The Overlook, Union Turnpike and Park Lane, Kew Gardens

Richmond - Clove Lakes Park, Victory Boulevard and Clove Road.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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The first Naumburg concert, on Decoration Day, Tuesday, May 30, at 8:15 P.M., at the bandshell on the Mall in Central Park, will open the 1950 outdoor concert season in the New York City's parks.

Tuesday's concert is the first of a series of four contributed by Mr. Walter W. Naumburg and Mr. George W. Naumburg in memory of their father. Mr. Elkan Naumburg, who donated the bandstand on the Mall to the City of New York, had for many years furthered the cause of good music for the people by giving concerts on Memorial Day, the Fourth of July, and Labor Day. His sons, continuing this custom in his memory, have added a fourth concert on July 31, the anniversary of their father's death.

Mr. Emil Borsody will conduct the Decoration Day concert, and the dramatic soprano, Beale Hober, will appear as guest soloist. The program will be as follows:

1. Overture "Martha".....Floto
2. Symphony in D Minor - 2nd and 3rd Movements.....Franck
3. Introduction and "Liebestod" - "Tristan and Isolde".....Wagner
Beale Hober
(Request)
4. Overture - "Light Cavalry".....von Suppe
5. Aria from "Der Freischutz".....Weber
Beale Hober
6. Caucasian Sketches.....Ivanov
a) In the Village
b) Cortège of the Sardas
7. March Slav.....Tschaikowsky

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS

FOR RELEASE

Monday, May 15, 1950

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Last year considerable pressure was brought upon the Park Department by the New York Journal American, at the direction of Mr. W. R. Hearst, Jr., to open lawn areas to completely unrestricted use all summer. An editorial and news campaign was bolstered by posed photographs and statements from so-called authorities in other cities where parks are poorly developed and lack competent supervision. Practical considerations of the problem of maintaining park areas in the world's largest city were ignored and in their place was substituted an irresponsible, unrealistic approach, shrewdly calculated to arouse the indignation of the uninformed public.

I am told by a representative of this paper that this pressure program will be revived during the coming summer. Compliance with such demands would mean the destruction of extensive lawn and shrubbery areas, a reversion to the unsightly, unhealthy, dust bowl and mud conditions which have been largely improved by years of honest, intelligent and conscientious work on the part of an inadequate park and police force, and in the face of much public indifference, hostility and vandalism. While I would be the first to admit that there is still much room for improvement, I am sure that those who remember the rundown, dilapidated parks of sixteen years ago, when there was no reasonable control and when everyone did as he pleased, will not tolerate a return to such conditions. To yield now in order to curry favor with Mr. Hearst, would be to sacrifice the results of all our efforts and to revert to anarchy and destruction of the City parks.

New York City is one of the most densely populated areas in the world. Consequently, its park facilities, still inadequate to meet public recreational needs, are subjected to extremely heavy usage. Man conspires against nature to hinder the growth of grass and shrubs under city conditions. In order to make its lawn areas carry this heavy load, unrelenting, intensive effort and the application of the most advanced scientific principles are required, and a really adequate force of park men and police to protect these areas against a sizable minority of trouble makers and vandals.

The greatest enemy of grass is the compaction of the soil caused by large numbers of people on park lawns. This is aggravated by the impure, dust-laden air, and interference with sunlight by tall buildings. To counteract these enemies, periods of rest are necessary during which irrigation, fertilization, cultivation and protection against diseases and insects can be practiced. These are essential to prevent the lawn areas from reverting to dust bowls and mud lots.

There are of course answers to the problem. One is the continued expansion of the park system to provide areas specifically designed for active recreation to relieve the load on the lawns rather than to open them up to unrestricted use. We have, for instance, a planned program for some sixty new neighborhood playgrounds with facilities for active play which years of experience have shown to be necessary to meet the need of all age groups. Sites are available for these play spaces. Contract plans and specifications have been completed in most instances. Unfortunately, this sensible solution seems to lack the dramatic, sentimental, popular public appeal sought by young Mr. Hearst in attempting to increase his circulation. As is often the case, it is easier to criticize, agitate and hold conscientious officials up to ridicule and contempt than to support

a program which is neither dramatic nor controversial.

This Department for years has been following such a program, and one of the important features of the expansion of the park system has been the increase since 1934 from 119 to 524 active playgrounds. We have also greatly expanded the entire park system in the City and have provided State park facilities in the suburbs for those who can get away for all or part of a day. We have also provided joint playgrounds with the Department of Education in the construction of all new playgrounds and additional playgrounds and parks in all public or quasi-public housing projects. No such expansion of recreation facilities has been seen in any other city in the world.

In designing new parks and playgrounds, we have provided the maximum possible active facilities and at the same time furnished shrubs, trees and grass to beautify them and to provide a restful place for those who wish to relax and enjoy the fresh air and sunshine. Older people are also entitled to recreation as well as young ones and the proportion of older people in the entire population is increasing enormously as the result of prolongation of life through improvements in medicine, health and living conditions generally. If we were to allow our landscaped areas to be torn to pieces in the alleged interest of the younger and rougher elements in the population, there would be nothing for the older folks who are also entitled to their day in the sun.

Wherever possible in the re-design of the older parks, active recreation areas, such as baseball and football fields, have been set aside and provision made for all age groups to participate in a diversified program of both active and passive recreation. For children, there are slides, swings and sand boxes, and

safe facilities for bicycling and roller skating; for adolescents, there are paddle tennis, roller and ice hockey, basketball, baseball and football; while adults have golf, tennis, croquet, shuffleboard and bocci, in addition to bridge paths and hundreds of miles of paved walks. Concerts and dances are held throughout the park system.

To meet the need for passive recreation, the rotational use of lawns during the warmer months, where the turf had become established, was initiated many years ago. Certain lawns were alternately opened and closed each week and legible signs were posted explaining the purpose in view, particularly in the larger parks. This has been found to be a successful system which not only reduces wear and tear on the grass and shrub areas, but also prevents or reduces vandalism. Free use of park lawn areas has been allowed on exceptionally hot days and nights.

It is the duty of every park commissioner to manage and protect the park system and its naturalistic features as provided in the City Charter, so that everyone may enjoy it. The needs and desires of many different types of people must be recognized and satisfied to some degree -- some like lawns as such, others like to have grass to lie on, and still others unfortunately think it is their privilege to do as they please, flout laws and disregard regulations and substitute license for liberty.

It should not be necessary in a civilized community like New York City to have to resist pressure for the destruction of its park landscaping. After all, what distinguishes a park from an ordinary paved public square is its lawns and landscaping. I feel confident that all of our intelligent and reasonable people will continue to cooperate in the conservation of our parks.



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The City-wide Championships of the Annual Department of Parks Boxing Tournament which is sponsored by the Supro Building Products Corporation of Queens will be conducted at the 69th Regiment Armory, 26th Street and Lexington Avenue, on Friday evening, May 19th, at 8:30 P.M. Seven junior division matches for boys 14 through 16 years of age will open the program. They will be followed by six senior division bouts for boys 17 and 18 years of age.

The sixteen Park Department boxing centers, staffed by specially trained instructors of the recreation division, opened for the season last October. More than 600 boys participated in training and instruction classes at these centers. The best of the 600 boxers were permitted to enter the competition. Friday evening's contenders for championship honors will be matched as follows:

JUNIOR DIVISION

90 pound class -

Howard Frazer of Manhattan VS Alvin Brown of Bronx

100 pound class -

William McElroy of Manhattan VS Louis LePore of Bronx

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105 pound class -

Ralph Montanez of Manhattan VS Joseph Small of Brooklyn

112 pound class -

Vincent Ensula of Brooklyn VS Jay Roach of Queens

118 pound class -

Louis Zamaro of Manhattan VS Larry Sausa of Queens

126 pound class -

Daniel Mendoza of Manhattan VS Stanley Cohen of Bronx

135 pound class -

Robert Fuller of Manhattan VS Clarence Smith of Bronx

SENIOR DIVISION

118 pound class -

Paul Tufens of Manhattan VS Frank Fidele of Brooklyn

126 pound class -

George Mundo of Manhattan VS William Kimball of Brooklyn

135 pound class -

Ernest Fabutti of Queens VS Patsy Casale of Bronx

140 pound class -

Phil Markowitz of Manhattan VS John Kittle of Bronx

147 pound class -

Robert Williams of Manhattan VS LeRoy Baker of Bronx

160 pound class -

Martin Boylon of Manhattan VS John McCarthy of Brooklyn

Prizes will be awarded by the Supro Building Products Corporation of Queens to the champion and runner-up in each match.

May 15, 1950.

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The Department of Parks announces that the eighteen hole pitch putt golf course at Jacob Riis Park, Rockaway, will open for week-end play this season, starting Saturday, May 6th, and for daily operation on May 27th.

Several minor alterations to the course have improved playing conditions, and, in spite of the adverse weather conditions, the course is in excellent shape.

A charge of fifty cents a round is made to play on this course, and a golf ball deposit of fifty cents is also required.

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City-wide semi-final matches in the Annual Department of Parks Boxing Tournament, which is sponsored by the Supro Building Products Corporation of Queens, are scheduled for Tuesday evening, May 9th, for the Junior Division, at Lost Battalion Hall, 93-29 Queens Boulevard, Rego Park, Queens; and for Friday evening, May 12th, for the Senior Division, at Mullaly Recreation Center, 164th Street and Jerome Avenue, Bronx. The bouts will begin promptly at 8 P.M. each evening.

The junior competition, for boys 14, 15, and 16 years of age, is divided into seven weight classes, 90 through 135 pounds; the senior into six classes, 118 through 160 pounds.

Boxing instructors have been conducting classes at 16 Park Department boxing centers since last December. More than 600 boys participated in these training and conditioning sessions. The boys who demonstrated the most skill, ability, and physical fitness were permitted to enter the competitive stage of the program. The best of these competitors are participating in the semi-finals.

The winners of semi-final bouts in each division will be eligible to compete in the City-wide Championships to be held at the 69th Regiment Armory on Friday evening, May 19th.

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The program of restoring parks, playgrounds, and parkways, rundown because of war restrictions, to their prewar condition is continuing in Central Park.

The southerly portion of the park adjacent to the existing so-called 59th Street pond, north of 59th Street and west of Fifth Avenue, is being reconstructed by the Slattery Contracting Co. of Woodside, New York, at a cost of \$82,461.25.

The work entails minor realignment of the pond by the elimination of undesirable coves and riprapping the banks previously washed away by erosion, the construction of a new promenade along the shore and of several stairway connections to existing walks, the realignment and repaving of existing walks to provide safer and better circulation of pedestrian traffic, the cleaning and repairing of existing drainage lines and the construction of new lines, the regrading of slopes to prevent further erosion and their stabilization by planting vines and shrubs, and the installation of fences. Another contract, awarded to the Davidson Electric co., at a cost of \$38,000, will provide necessary and required park lighting for the pond area. This contract includes the installation of lamp-posts, relocation of existing lamp-posts, the installation of luminaires, and the installation of new control equipment.

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Farther north in Central Park, at the tennis courts opposite West 95th Street, thirteen of the present seventeen asphaltic concrete courts are being resurfaced. After thirteen years of use, the present permanent-surfaced courts are cracked, bumpy and seldom used. Because over the years it has been found that the majority of tennis players prefer clay-surfaced courts, thirteen of the courts will be resurfaced with that material, and the remaining four courts will be resurfaced with asphalt. The contract awarded to the Kesby Construction Corp., at a cost of \$33,265, also includes the erection of a drinking fountain, drainage and irrigation work, and the necessary fencing.

These necessary improvements will make these rundown facilities attractive, usable and safe for the public.

May 4, 1950.



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FOR RELEASE

Sunday, May 7, 1950

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New York City's 26,522 acres of parks and playgrounds are ready to receive the thousands of people who each spring look to the Department of Parks for healthful, outdoor recreation. Facilities and opportunities to meet individual needs are available for everyone, either at their neighborhood playground or at larger parks within easy reach by subway, bus, or trolley.

Active sports enthusiasts may play baseball or softball on 492 park diamonds which opened three weeks ago; or play golf on the ten courses. There are 492 tennis courts, 403 paddl tennis courts, and 1116 handball courts to accommodate the players of these games. Facilities are also available for less strenuous games such as horseshoe pitching, archery, croquet, shuffleboard, lawn bowling, and bocci. For those who prefer locomotion with their recreation, 56 miles of bridle paths and 51 miles of bicycle paths lace the park system.

The seven city beaches will open for the season on Decoration Day weekend. Facilities for other forms of aquatic recreation are also available. Row boats may be rented at park lakes in the five boroughs, and there are 36 locations for fishing throughout the city.

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The 20 park picnic areas are pleasant settings for family and social outings. Tables, benches, and fireplaces are provided at most of the picnic sites. Botanical gardens and zoos are centers of attraction all year round but sunny spring days enhance their appeal for old and young alike.

On the musical side of the recreation picture are the perennially popular concerts and dances scheduled to start next month at major parks.

Spectator entertainment is also provided by the scheduling of more than 100 performances of the Traveling Marionettes, the City-wide Championships of the Annual Park Boxing Tournament on May 19th at the 69th Regiment Armory, and the Annual Children's Dance Festivals scheduled at 2 P.M. on Saturday afternoons in June, as follows:

- June 3 - Bronx Park Playground Children - Williamsbridge Oval,
208th Street and Bainbridge Avenue
- June 10 - Queens Park Playground Children - King Park, 150th
Street and Jamaica Avenue, Jamaica
- June 17 - Manhattan Park Playground Children - Sheep Meadow,
67th Street and West Drive, Central Park
- June 24 - Richmond Park Playground Children - Clove Lakes Park,
Clove Road and Victory Boulevard

Girls from 8 to 16 years of age, desiring to participate can secure information at local playgrounds.

Special facilities are set aside for youngsters whose hobbies attract them to model airplane flying, kite flying, and model yachting, as well as roller skating and roller hockey.

A marbles tournament will be conducted during the month of June for young knuckle-downers. The pail and shovel set may make use of the 265 sand pits, while older children with dirt-farmer inclinations may learn the know-how from special instructors at nine children's farm gardens.

All children, tots to teenagers, can find wholesome recreation every day at the 524 neighborhood playgrounds which are equipped with swings, slides, see-saws, and climbing apparatus, as well as with equipment for both active and quiet games. These playgrounds are staffed with 320 permanent and 300 seasonal playground directors who conduct and supervise the activities.

The 1950 issue of the brochure, "Recreational Facilities for New Yorkers", which lists the locations of major recreational facilities, is now available for distribution. To secure a copy, write to the Department of Parks, Arsenal, Central Park, New York 21, N. Y.

Sent out Tuesday, May 2, 1950.



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Inter-borough competition in the Department of Parks Annual Boxing Tournament, which is sponsored by the Supro Building Products Corporation of Queens, will open with the Five-Borough Quarter-Final Matches to be held at 8 P.M., on Friday, April 28, at the Park Department gymnasium, 342 East 54th Street, Manhattan. Champions from each of the boroughs in seven junior and six senior divisions will vie for places on the semi-final cards.

All of the 600 boys who participated in the program attended instruction and training sessions at 16 Park Department boxing centers for several months before the competition began on March 22.

Junior division survivors of Friday's bouts will enter the City-wide Semi-Finals to be held Tuesday evening, May 9, at Lost Battalion Hall in Queens. Senior winners will be matched in semi-final bouts to be conducted Friday evening, May 12, at Mullaly Recreation Center in the Bronx.

The tournament will conclude on May 19, with the City-wide Championships to be held at the 69th Regiment Armory.

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Thousands of athletes from clubs, schools, and colleges are training on the 18 Park Department running tracks for the various championships that are to take place during the next two months. 120 track meets have been scheduled on Park Department tracks in Manhattan, Brooklyn, Bronx, and Queens.

The most important meets are scheduled for Triborough Stadium on Randall's Island where the following events are to take place:

May 12	-	4:00 P.M.	-	Boys' High School Meet
May 13	-	10:00 A.M.	-	Metropolitan Intercollegiates
May 20	-	1:00 P.M.	-	Catholic Youth Organization
May 26	-	10:00 A.M.	-	I.C.A.A.A.A.
May 27	-	10:00 A.M.	-	" " "
June 1	-	4:00 P.M.	-	Public Schools Athletic League
June 3	-	12:00 Noon	-	Catholic High Schools A.A.
June 10	-	10:00 A.M.	-	Metropolitan Association A.A.U. Senior Championships

At Van Cortlandt Park in the Bronx, the following meets will be held:

May 7	-	11:00 A.M.	-	Catholic High Schools A.A. Novice Championships
May 13	-	10:00 A.M.	-	Brooklyn and Queens Y.M.C.A.
May 14	-	2:00 P.M.	-	Jesuit High Schools Championships
May 20	-	10:00 A.M.	-	Private Schools A.A.
May 24	-	3:00 P.M.	-	Bronx P.S.A.L. Championships

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In addition, there will be dual college meets, individual high school championships, and a number of elementary, high schools, and other organization meets at locations listed below:

Williamsbridge Oval, Bronx:

May 20 - 4:00 P.M. - C.C.N.Y. - L.I. Agricultural College
Dual Meet
June 3 - 9:00 A.M. - Yeshivah Rabbi Salanter

Riverside Drive and 74th Street, Manhattan:

May 28 - 12:00 Noon - National Council of Young Israel

Red Hook Stadium, Brooklyn:

April 29 - 10:00 A.M. - Long Island University
May 6 - 10:00 A.M. - Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn
May " - 1:00 P.M. - St. Francis College
June 4 - 1:00 P.M. - Junior Metropolitan A.A.U. Championships

McCarren Park, Brooklyn:

May 9 - 3:00 P.M. - Brooklyn H.S. of Automotive Trades
Invitation Meet

Victory Field, Queens:

May 24 - 1:00 P.M. - Queens Athletic Association Meet
June 24 - 1:00 P.M. - Columbian Squires Track Meet



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Bronx and Manhattan Championships in the Department of Parks Annual Boxing Tournament which is sponsored by the Supro Building Products Corporation of Queens will be conducted on Friday, April 14, at Mullaly Recreation Center, 164th Street and Jerome Avenue in the Bronx, and on Saturday, April 22, at 342 East 54th Street Gymnasium in Manhattan. Seven junior and six senior bouts are on the program each evening and are scheduled to begin at 8 P.M.

These matches not only determine the borough champions but also serve as eliminations for the inter-borough competitions which will conclude with the City-wide Championships to be held May 19 at the 69th Regiment Armory.

Training and instruction classes began three months ago at 16 Park Department boxing centers. More than 600 boys participated in these sessions but only boys judged to be skilled and fit for competition were permitted to enter the tourney. Contenders for the Bronx Championships are the best boxers from St. Mary's, Crotona, and Williamsbridge boxing centers. Manhattan's leatherpushers topped the entries at boxing centers located at Rutgers, West 28th, East 54th, and West 134th Street Gymnasiums, and at Thomas Jefferson and Highbridge Recreation Centers.

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The winner and runner-up in each borough event will receive medals donated by the Supro Building Products Corporation who will also award the city-wide championship prizes.

April 11, 1950.

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CITY OF NEW YORK
CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
Department of City Planning
Municipal Building
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FOR RELEASE IMMEDIATELY

Room 2400
270 Broadway
New York 7, N. Y.

April 7, 1950

Hon. Jerry Finkelstein
Chairman
City Planning Commission
Municipal Building
New York 7, N. Y.

Dear Jerry:

You have before you three proposals - one of them affecting specifically the use of the so-called Rhinelander plot on Washington Square North at Fifth Avenue and the remaining frontage on Washington Square North and South, and two applicable to all property fronting on City Parks of between one acre and fifteen acres.

I am in favor of the change in the height restrictions governing Washington Square North and South, and against the other two proposals.

Since so much publicity has already been given these three proposals including announcements in advance of the approval of the City Planning Commission, I am giving this correspondence to the press and ask that it be made part of the official record and printed with the record.

Sincerely,

/s/ ROBERT MOSES

Commissioner

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April 7, 1950

MEMORANDUM OF ROBERT MOSES REGARDING
ITEMS 66 and 67 ON THE CITY PLANNING
COMMISSION'S CALENDAR OF APRIL 12, 1950
RELATING TO THE RHINELANDER PLOT ON
WASHINGTON SQUARE NORTH, TO FURTHER
HEIGHT RESTRICTIONS GOVERNING PROPERTY
ON WASHINGTON SQUARE NORTH AND SOUTH,
AND TO PROPOSED RESTRICTIONS REGARDING
BUILDING ON PROPERTY FACING CITY PARKS
OF BETWEEN ONE ACRE AND FIFTEEN ACRES.

As a result of considerable agitation on the part of civic groups and interested individuals to save the so-called Rhinelander House fronting on Washington Square North and Fifth Avenue, the City Planning Commission has made a reasonable proposal to reduce the height of buildings on the north and south sides of Washington Square, and two other proposals which I regard as wholly unconstitutional, confiscatory and unreasonable, governing construction on all residential properties facing City Parks of between one acre and fifteen acres.

Sometime ago when it was first known that the Rhinelander House had been sold to a developer who proposed to place on the site an apartment house of considerable height, at my suggestion the zoning resolution was amended so as to provide set-backs on plots fronting on City Parks. This had the effect in the case of the Rhinelander property of compelling a change in plans so as to place on the plot a smaller tower with greater set-backs. The present proposal further to restrict heights on Washington Square North and South by raising the requirements from Class I-1/4 to Class I is constructive and reasonable.

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The fact is that New York University controls the greater part of this frontage, has committed itself to retaining the present buildings on Washington Square North, east of Fifth Avenue, and plans only four-story Georgian academic college buildings on the south. I am in favor of this proposal.

The other two proposals relate to all residential property on City Parks of from one to fifteen acres. One of them provides that no advantage can be taken of set-backs on buildings facing such parks. The other provides that exceptions favoring buildings bordering on wide streets shall not apply to residential property bordering on City Parks of from one acre to fifteen acres.

Certainly my record as Park Commissioner of this City for sixteen years and as head of the State Park System for twenty-six years would incline me to favor any reasonable restrictions which would protect any park frontage and guarantee light and air to those living at and close to City Parks. The proposed restrictions in this case, however, are mere gestures. Their results would be so grossly unfair that the courts certainly would not sustain them. They are therefore not made in good faith, or are made by persons who are so fanatical that they have no interest in reasonable treatment of property owners and the integrity of the City assessment and tax systems.

If these restrictions were adopted the present owner of the Rhinelander property could only build to a height of four stories. This would make his property wholly uneconomical on

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the basis of present assessments, taxes, rentals and other charges. Proponents of these measures therefore glibly recommend that the assessments on this property be substantially reduced. Obviously a reduction of this kind would have to affect all residential properties on all City Parks of from one acre to fifteen acres. This would make a tremendous difference in the City's tax and debt structures, and would in fact endanger the entire credit of the City.

None of the present buildings on the east and west sides of Washington Square could have been built under the proposed new restrictions, and in the case of scores of small parks throughout the City this would also be true. A reasonably careful study on the part of the proponents of this measure would have demonstrated how preposterous these new restrictions would be as applied to frontage on such parks as Carl Schurz Park, Henry Hudson Memorial Park, Ewen Park, Devoe Park and many others where there is undeveloped residential property, where assessments are high, where owners have made plans which would have to be entirely scrapped, and where a collapse of values and a bitter litigation would be bound to result. There are 326 park areas in the City of between one acre and fifteen acres of which approximately 316 would be affected by the proposed restrictions. I invite sane and sensible people to examine these parks and the abutting property so that they can see how completely unrealistic these proposals are.

Genuine progress in zoning and planning is not made by extravagant or insincere gestures to accommodate amiable enthusiasts. For these reasons I am opposed to the two proposed amendments referred to in Item 66 on the City Planning Commission Calendar of April 12, 1950.

Sent out Tuesday, April 11, 1950.

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The Department of Parks announces the opening of its 492 tennis courts and its 341 softball and 153 regulation baseball diamonds on Saturday, April 15.

A fee of \$3.00 is charged for the issuance of a season permit, good for tennis play on any of the park courts. Application forms for permits may be secured by calling in person at borough offices of the Park Department, or by mail, enclosing a self-addressed, stamped envelope. A new photograph, passport size, is required when the permit is issued.

The demand for softball and baseball diamonds is so great that their use must be regulated by issuing permits for definite periods. These permits may be secured in person, or by mail if a self-addressed, stamped envelope accompanies the request.

April 10, 1950.

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The 4th Annual Egg Rolling Contest, for which 2,000 boys and girls have filed entries, will be conducted by the Department of Parks with the cooperation of Arnold Constable, at 2 P.M. on Saturday, April 8, at the Great Lawn, 80th to 84th Streets, in Central Park.

The contestants, all aged 5 through 13 years, will use wooden spoons to roll their wooden eggs across the lawn. Six events, scheduled as follows, are on the program:

Group I	-	Boys, 5-6-7 years	-	20 yard course
Group I	-	Girls, 5-6-7 years	-	20 yard course
Group II	-	Boys, 8-9-10 years	-	30 yard course
Group II	-	Girls, 8-9-10 years	-	30 yard course
Group III	-	Boys, 11-12-13 years	-	40 yard course
Group III	-	Girls, 11-12-13 years	-	40 yard course

Eggs and spoons will be provided at the park by Arnold Constable.

All prizes are donated by Arnold Constable. The 3 winners of the Group I boys contest will receive a velocipede, scooter and a beach ball, and roller skates. The girls in this group will be awarded a doll carriage for the champion,

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a large soft doll and a beach ball to the runner-up, and roller skates for third place. Group II and III boy and girl winners will be presented Arnold Constable merchandise certificates for \$25, \$20, and \$15 respectively.

Competitors are requested to report to the lawn by 1:30 P.M. on Saturday. The Department of Parks and Arnold Constable extend a cordial invitation to the public to attend the contest. There is no charge for admission and tickets are not required.

Sent out Tuesday, April 4, 1950.



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700 young boys and girls to date have entered the 4th Annual Egg Rolling Contest which will be conducted by the Department of Parks under the sponsorship of Arnold Constable at the Great Lawn, 80th to 84th Streets in Central Park, at 2 P.M. on Saturday, April 8. Entries will be accepted until April 2, from children 5 through 13 years of age, at any Park Department playground or at the Contest Booth on the second floor of Arnold Constable, 40th Street and Fifth Avenue.

The contest, which opens the Department of Parks spring recreational program, is a gay event for the younger set. Brightly colored eggs and spoons are supplied to the contestants by the sponsor. Speed and skill are the order of the day as the children guide their eggs down courses ranging from 20 to 40 yards.

Arnold Constable will present suitable playthings as prizes to the champion egg rollers in the youngest groups. Merchandise certificates for \$25, \$20, or \$15 will give older winners a wide choice in selecting their own prizes at Arnold Constable.

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of work and opening, without ceremony, to the general public of a new playground between 76th and 77th Avenues from Austin Street to the Long Island Railroad, Queens, on March 30th, 1950.

Construction of this playground was started on July 12th, last year, with ground breaking exercises in which Park Commissioner Robert Moses, former Borough President of Queens James A. Burke, and Mayor O'Dwyer participated. Because of the lack of snow and cold weather this winter, the Northeastern Chemical Co., Inc., of 564 Jackson Avenue, Bronx, who had the contract, was able to work steadily on the playground during the winter months.

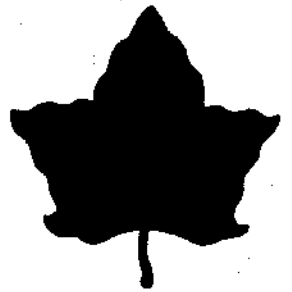
The new playground is fenced off into three separate areas, the northerly one of which contains a sand pit, swings, slides, see-saws, and a wading pool for young children. A second section, on the south end of the improvement, contains paddle tennis courts, shuffleboard courts, basketball standards, handball courts, and basketball and volleyball courts for older children and adults. The third section, opposite 76th Road and adjacent to Austin Street, is a tree shaded sitting area with numerous benches for guardians of children and others watching those at play.

The playground, which is entirely enclosed with fencing and a landscaped border, will provide urgently needed recreation facilities for all age groups in a solidly built-up residential section of Forest Hills containing numerous large apartment houses.

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Wednesday, March 29, 1950

The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction, and the opening to the public, of a new park and two playgrounds adjacent to the Astoria Houses and bounded by the East River, Hallet's Cove, Vernon Boulevard and Astoria Boulevard.

In accordance with the terms of the contract for the Astoria Housing Project at Hallets Avenue, Queens, approved by the City Planning Commission, the City of New York agreed to develop the park areas, to be paid for in part by a contribution of \$160,000 by the New York City Housing Authority. Included in the 4½ acre improvement is the development of the entire East River shorefront of the housing project as a park promenade with tree shaded sitting areas and sand pits, and with a large playground at each end.

The playground at the northerly end of the improvement contains two separate play units, completely equipped with a sand pit, slides, see-saws and swings for both children of school and pre-school ages, a comfort station, and also a large free play space which can be used for softball and other group games, as well as for ice and roller skating.

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The playground at the south end of the promenade also contains separate play units for children of pre-school age and older children, and handball courts, horse-shoe pitching courts, paddle tennis courts and a softball diamond for adolescents and adults, a comfort station and a large open space which can be used for group games as well as for roller and ice skating.

These landscaped improvements will serve the recreation needs of the tenants of the housing project and also the residents of the bordering community.

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Three city-wide championship games in the 5th Annual Department of Parks Basketball Tournament, in which more than 1700 teams participated, will be played at Madison Square Garden on Saturday afternoon, April 1. Beginning at 1:30 P.M., the Astoria Rustics of Queens will meet the Crescents of Richmond for the girls division title. The Brooklyn All Stars and Manhattan Jr. Knicks will vie for the junior crown. The nightcap senior game, scheduled for 3:30 P.M., brings together the Richmond Blue Jays and the Xaverians of Brooklyn.

Tournament play opened last November and 17,200 boys and girls, 12 through 17 years of age, took part in playground eliminations. The field narrowed down through district, borough, and inter-borough playoffs, to the above six contenders for the city championships.

The majority of the tourney participants, with their parents and friends, will be on hand to witness the final games of the tournament which gave many of the youngsters their first opportunity for competitive play in a city-wide tourney.

Benrus watches will be presented to each member of the championship and runner-up teams in all divisions, and handsome team trophies will also be awarded to the champions.

Art Stanley and his Hotel Astor Band and the 90 piece Cardinal Hayes High School Band will provide musical entertainment.

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The Department of Parks announces the opening of the ten municipal golf courses on Saturday morning, April 8, 1950, at 6:00 A.M. The club houses, with food facilities, locker and shower accommodations and other facilities, will be opened at the same time for the use of the public. The locations of these ten courses are as follows:

- Brooklyn - Dyker Beach Golf Course, 86th Street and Seventh Avenue.
- Bronx - Van Cortlandt Golf Course, 242d Street and Broadway, Van Cortlandt Park.
- Mosholu Golf Course, Jerome Avenue and Holley Lane, at Woodlawn.
- Pelham Golf Course, Shore Road, north of Hutchinson River Parkway, Pelham Bay Park.
- Split Rock Golf Course, Shore Road, north of Hutchinson River Parkway, Pelham Bay Park.
- Queens - Clearview Golf Course, 23d Avenue and Willets Point Boulevard, Bayside.
- Kissena Golf Course, North Hempstead Turnpike and Fresh Meadow Road, Flushing.
- Forest Park Golf Course, Park Lane South and Forest Parkway, Forest Park.
- Richmond - Silver Lake Golf Course, Silver Lake Park on Victory Boulevard and Park Road.
- La Tourette Golf Course, Forest Hill Road and London Road.

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Fees for permits will be \$10.00 for a season permit. An additional daily fee of 25 cents entitles the permit holder to play on weekdays at any of the ten courses, and an additional charge of 50 cents is made on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. For non-permit holders, the daily fee from Monday through Friday will be \$1.00, and \$1.25 on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

The construction of new enlarged grass tees, started last November, on the ten courses, has been carried on during the winter and spring. Weather permitting, the grass tees will be completed by May 10th and opened for play on May 30th.

The construction of the Major Deegan Highway through Van Cortlandt Park by the New York State Department of Public Works will permit the playing of only 17 holes of golf until such time as construction is completed. The 18th hole, one of the "hill holes", has been eliminated due to the construction. Playing conditions may be unfavorable at times in the area of construction.

March 24, 1950.



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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Youngsters are practicing for the 4th Annual Egg Rolling Contest to be conducted by the Department of Parks at the Great Lawn in Central Park on Saturday, April 8, at 2 P.M. Five hundred boys and girls, 5 through 13 years of age, have already filed entries for the spring frolic which is sponsored by Arnold Constable for the fourth consecutive year.

There is still time for youngsters to join in the fun as entries will be accepted through April 2 at the contest booth on the second floor of Arnold Constable, 40th Street and 5th Avenue, or at any of the 524 Park Department neighborhood playgrounds.

Eggs and spoons will be supplied to the contestants by the sponsor on the day of the event. The lengths of the courses for the egg and spooners will depend on their ages, the distances ranging from 20 to 40 yards.

Winners placing first, second and third in the final races will receive prizes donated by Arnold Constable. A doll carriage is waiting for the youngest of the girl winners, and a tricycle for the youngest boy champion. Scooters, roller skates or other toys will be presented to the runners-up in the midget group. Merchandise certificates for \$25, \$20 or \$15 will be awarded to winners in the older groups.

March 22, 1950.

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The Department of Parks Annual Boxing Tournament, which is being sponsored by the Supro Building Products Corporation of Queens, will open with the Brooklyn and Queens Borough Championship matches. The Brooklyn bouts are scheduled for Friday, March 24th, at McCarren Recreation Center, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street. The Queens events will be held on Wednesday, March 29th, at Lost Battalion Hall, 93-29 Queens Boulevard, Rego Park. Seven junior and six senior matches are scheduled for each evening and the bouts will begin promptly at 8 P.M.

For the past three months, more than 600 boys have been receiving instruction and training, at the sixteen Park Department boxing centers, for this tournament which will terminate with the city-wide championships at the 69th Regiment Armory on Friday, May 19th. Brooklyn's championship contenders are the best in their age and weight classifications from the Sunset, Red Hook, Betsy Head, and McCarren Recreation Centers. Queens competitors are the cream of the entry from the Astoria Recreation Center and O'Connell Playground.

Prizes donated by the Supro Building Products Corporation will be awarded to the winner and runner-up in each borough event, as well as in the city-wide championships.

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The 4th Annual Egg Rolling Contest, sponsored by Arnold Constable, will be conducted by the Department of Parks, on April 8th, at 2 P.M., at Great Lawn, 80th to 84th Streets, in Central Park. These egg and spoon races are open to boys and girls from 5 through 13 years of age.

Entry blanks are available at all Park Department neighborhood playgrounds and at the contest booth located on the second floor at Arnold Constable, 5th Avenue at 40th Street. No entry fee is required and eggs and spoons will be provided by the sponsor on the day of the contest.

The youngsters will roll their eggs with wooden spoons inside individual lanes for distances suited to their age level and in competition with children of their own sex and age groups.

Arnold Constable will award prizes to the winners of the first three places in the final races. For the 5, 6, and 7 year olds, the prizes will be playthings. The winners in the two older groups will receive merchandise certificates for \$25, \$20, or \$15.

Entries close on April 2, 1950.

March 16, 1950.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The attached amendment of the Administrative Code has been recommended by Commissioner Robert Moses. The Mayor has asked for the opinion of the Traffic Commission and of the City Planning Commission preliminary to a request for introduction in the City Council. This matter has been scheduled for consideration by the Traffic Commission on March 3rd, and by the City Planning Commission on March 1st.

February 27, 1950.

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A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to garages in dwellings.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Article 19, subarticle 1, of the administrative code of the city of New York is hereby amended by adding a new section to be known as section C26-1454.0, to read as follows:

§C26.1454.0 Garage Space. - No construction arranged or intended or designed for occupancy by one or more families shall hereafter be erected unless there is provided on the same lot or plot with said construction one or more necessary garages, or parking spaces in other than required open areas, of total capacity sufficient to accommodate passenger automobiles on a basis as follows: for each building containing one or two family dwelling units, one car; for each building containing three to ten family dwelling units, one car for every two units; for each building containing eleven to fifty family dwelling units, five cars plus four cars for each ten units in excess of ten; for each building containing fifty-one to one hundred family dwelling units, twenty-one cars plus three cars for each ten units in excess of fifty; for each building containing one hundred and one family dwelling units and up, thirty-six cars plus one car for each ten units in excess of one hundred.

§2. This local law shall take effect immediately.

<u>NO. OF UNITS</u>	<u>MIN.</u>	<u>MAX.</u>
1 - 2	1	1
3 - 10	2	5
11 - 50	5	21
51 - 100	21	36
101 - up	36	

An example of the number of cars required for a large multiple dwelling under this act would be the New York Life Apartment on 65th Street. This is a 600 apartment building and the law would require 61 garage spaces. Their design provides for 175.

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The Department of Parks announces that for the first time this year the Red Ball is up for ice skating at the lakes in the following parks:

Bronx -

Van Cortlandt, 242nd Street and Broadway

Crotona, 174th Street and Fulton Avenue

Queens -

Baisley - 116th Avenue and Baisley Boulevard

Other lakes will be added to the list as soon as the ice is thick enough to permit skating with safety.

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The Department of Parks announces that applications for golf lockers at the various City golf courses for the 1950 golf season will be accepted in the Park Department offices in the Boroughs of Brooklyn, Queens, Bronx, and Richmond from season golf permit holders only, from March 1st until the close of business March 15, 1950.

Mailed applications must bear post-office stamp prior to midnight, March 14, 1950 to be valid. Applications must list the season golf permit number and the golf course where the locker is desired. Where the number of applications exceeds the number of lockers available at a golf course, the season golf permit numbers shall be used in a public drawing for award of locker permits for that course. The drawing for lockers in their respective boroughs will take place on March 20, 1950 in each of the following boroughs, beginning at 10 A.M.

BROOKLYN - Litchfield Mansion - Telephone: South 8-2300
Prospect Park West and Fifth Street
Brooklyn 15, New York

QUEENS - The Overlook - Telephone: Virginia 9-4600
Forest Park
Union Turnpike and Park Lane
Kew Gardens 15, New York

BRONX - Administration Building - Telephone: TAlmadge 8-3200
Bronx Park East and Birchall Avenue
Bronx Park 60, New York

RICHMOND - Clove Lakes Park - Telephone: GIBraltar 2-7640
1150 Clove Road
West New Brighton, Staten Island 1, New York

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FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

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The Department of Parks junior basketball team will play host to the Boston Park Department representatives on Saturday, February 25th, when the first game in the third annual home and home series will be played at the 69th Regiment Armory, 26th Street and Lexington Avenue, at 6:45 P.M.

On Sunday, the visitors will be taken on a tour of New York City and then honored at a luncheon at the Belvedere Hotel.

On the weekend of March 4th, the New Yorkers will journey to Boston for the second and final game which will be played at the Boston Garden.

This inter-city series is sponsored by the Madison Square and Boston Garden Corporations.

The Bostonians will arrive at Grand Central Station about 2:15 P.M. on Saturday.

New York will be represented by the Junior Knicks from De Witt Clinton Playground in Manhattan. The members of the team are: John Carney, Gerard Kelly, Sam Tetro, and George Gallagher, guards; Richard Percudani, center; and Anthony Fable, Richard Fox, Stuart Melsupp, Robert Moran, and Rice Gambino, forwards.

Date- Feb. 23, 1950

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE

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Entries for the Department of Parks Annual Boxing Tournament, sponsored by the Supro Building Products Corporation of Queens, will be accepted from February 20th through March 15th at the 16 Park Department boxing centers located throughout the city. Boys 14 to 18 years of age, who have not previously competed or won prizes in A.A.U. competition, or who have not represented organizations other than the Park Department in boxing since September 15, 1949, may enter this tournament if they register by March 1st, at one of the following centers:

Manhattan

Rutgers Gymnasium, 5 Rutgers Place
West 28th Street Gymnasium, 407 West 28th Street
East 54th Street Gymnasium, 342 East 54th Street
Thomas Jefferson Recreation Center, 111th Street and First Avenue
West 134th Street Gymnasium, 35 West 134th Street
Highbridge Recreation Center, West 173rd Street and Amsterdam Avenue

Brooklyn

McCarren Recreation Center, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street
Betsy Head Recreation Center, Hopkinson and Dumont Avenues
Sunset Recreation Center, 43rd Street and Seventh Avenue
Red Hook Recreation Center, Bay and Henry Streets

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Bronx

St. Mary's Park, 149th Street and St. Ann's Avenue
Crotona Recreation Center, 173rd Street and Fulton Avenue
Williamsbridge Recreation Center, Bainbridge Avenue and 208th Street

Queens

Astoria Recreation Center, 19th Street opposite 23rd Drive
O'Connell Playground, 113th Avenue and 196th Street, St. Albans

Richmond

Cromwell Recreation Center, Murray Hulbert Avenue and Hannah Street, Tompkinsville

Competition, which is sanctioned by the Metropolitan Association of the A.A.U., will be divided into junior and senior weight and age classifications as listed below. Boys must compete in their own weight and age class, and at only one center in the borough in which they reside.

JUNIOR BOYS - 14, 15, 16 YEARS

90 lb. Class - 118 lb. Class
100 lb. Class - 126 lb. Class
105 lb. Class - 135 lb. Class
112 lb. Class -

SENIOR BOYS - 17, 18 YEARS

118 lb. Class - 140 lb. Class
126 lb. Class - 147 lb. Class
135 lb. Class - 160 lb. Class

The City-wide Championships of the tournament will be held at the 69th Regiment Armory, 26th Street and Lexington Avenue, Manhattan, on Friday, May 19th. The Supro Building Products Corporation will award prizes to the winners and runners-up in the borough and city-wide finals.

February 18, 1950.

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FOR RELEASE: Tuesday, February 7, 1950

Teenagers may see the Knickerbocker basketball stars in action at free basketball clinics to be conducted by the Department of Parks in cooperation with the Madison Square Garden Corporation at Sunset Recreation Center, Seventh Avenue and 43rd Street, Brooklyn, on Thursday, February 9, and at McCarren Recreation Center, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street, Brooklyn, on Monday, February 13. Both clinics begin at 8 P.M.

At the nine clinics held earlier this season, more than 3000 boys and girls watched actual demonstrations by members of the Knickerbocker team. By observing the technical skills of the individual players and the set-up of scoring plays used by the Knicks, the youngsters learned how to improve their own performance. Motion pictures taken at Knickerbocker games are part of the program at each clinic. They are an effective means of teaching children how teamwork makes plays click.

The four clinics remaining on the schedule will be held as follows:

February 28 - Red Hook Recreation Center, Bay and Henry Streets,
Brooklyn
March 2 - President Street Gymnasium, at Fourth Avenue,
Brooklyn
March 3 - Astoria Recreation Center, 19th Street opposite
23rd Drive, Queens
March 4 - Cromwell Recreation Center, Murray Hulbert Avenue
and Hannah Street, Tompkinsville, Richmond

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

Thursday
Starting ~~Monday~~, February *15th*, golf permits can be secured at any of the five borough offices listed below, either by personal application or by mail with a self-addressed, stamped envelope enclosed; a face photograph of passport size taken not more than 30 days previous to date of application is required; address should include postal unit number.

Golf permits for the season cost \$10.00. An additional charge of 25¢ per round will be made to permit holders on weekdays and an additional charge of 50¢ per round on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. Daily golf fees: \$1.00 on weekdays Monday through Friday and \$1.25 on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

Season tennis permits which cost \$3.00 *for week days* and are good on all the City's 508 public tennis courts may be secured in the same manner and at the same time.

Applications for golf lockers for the 1950 golf season are not being accepted at this time. They will be accepted at each borough office from season golf permit holders only, from March 1st until the close of business March 15, 1950.

Applications for golf permits only will be received at the following offices of this department:

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*Friday evening and weekend will cost \$5.00
for only day including Sat. Sunday & holidays*

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- MANHATTAN - Arsenal Building - Telephone: REgent 4-1000
64th Street and Fifth Avenue
New York 21, New York
- BROOKLYN - Litchfield Mansion - Telephone: SOuth 8-2300
Prospect Park West and Fifth Street
Brooklyn 15, New York
- QUEENS - The Overlook - Telephone: VIRginia 9-4600
Forest Park
Union Turnpike and Park Lane
Kew Gardens 15, New York
- BRONX - Administration Building - Telephone: TALmadge 9-5200
Bronx Park East and Birchall Avenue
Bronx Park 60, New York
- RICHMOND - Clove Lakes Park - Telephone: GIBraltar 2-7640
1150 Clove Road
West New Brighton, Staten Island 1, New York

February 3, 1950.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK
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FOR RELEASE: Friday, February 3, 1950

Statement by Robert Moses, Commissioner of Parks.

Thursday, February 2, 8 p.m.

"This Is Your City"--television program.

Station WPIX.

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CITY PARK PROGRAM
COMMISSIONER ROBERT MOSES

WPIX

8:00 P.M., Thursday, February 2, 1950

Here are the big things I want accomplished by the
Park Department:

First and foremost, we need the funds to equip fifty additional playgrounds in congested areas. All of the sites have been acquired. These playgrounds have been designed or plans are under way. They have been promised to neglected neighborhoods. We should build them without further delay. They are fully as important as schools, hospitals and housing. They make healthy citizens and strike at the roots of what is wrongly called juvenile delinquency.

Next, we need eight new indoor recreation centers, for which we have the land and the plans. These are to serve the same youngsters during the Winter months when outdoor centers and playgrounds are not usable. They keep children off the streets and out of alleys and pool rooms. So far we have funds for only one center in St. Mary's Park in the Bronx. We need the other eight.

Third, we should stick to the principle that no housing, schools and expressways should be built without small parks and play areas. In the case of schools, they should be joint playgrounds operated by the Education and

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Park Departments. In the case of housing, they should serve the whole neighborhood. In the case of new express highways, they should provide recreation for local people who do not have automobiles.

Fourth on the list I put the completion of the new park at Ward's Island, an area of almost one hundred and twenty-two acres which we are making accessible by a pedestrian bridge from the most crowded part of lower Harlem. The Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority is providing this bridge and the initial park improvements. The City should furnish the rest.

Next I put the use of all of Jamaica Bay for recreation after new sewer plants have eliminated pollution. This is the greatest water area within any large city in the world and it is ideal for swimming, boating, fishing and other outdoor sports.

After that comes the completion of all the new sewer plants to stop the pollution of beaches like Coney Island and Rockaway, and to make it possible to build clean, new beaches at Ferry Point in the Bronx and Little Bay in Queens.

Next I put reclamation projects which will provide several large parks by filling up marsh land with sanitation fill, pending the time when garbage and refuse will be disposed of by incineration.

Then comes the expansion of State parks in the suburbs to accommodate the millions of people who go by car, bus, train or boat on excursions to the big State waterfront and forest

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areas on Long Island, in Westchester and along the Palisades. The present State parks are becoming overcrowded and additional acreage and facilities must be provided to meet the demand for more outdoor recreation.

Finally, we need more park and police men to make our parks safe at all hours and to preserve and protect park property. Public recreation facilities in New York City have been multiplied five-fold in recent years. Appropriations have not kept up with this increase and we are trying to operate a modern recreation system on a shoe-string basis. The result is that a small minority of vandals and trouble makers destroy our property and make our parks dangerous in broad daylight.

These are the purposes for which we need help. If the public believes in our expanded program and thinks we have done a good job so far, we ask support for additions essential to the welfare of the City.

ARSENAL. CENTRAL PARK

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS



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PARKS COMMISSIONER MOSES
TO APPEAR ON TELEVISION

Robert Moses, Commissioner of the Department of Parks, will report on the future plans of his department when he appears on Television on Thursday (Feb. 2) at 8 p.m. on WPIX.

Commissioner Moses will be the guest speaker on "This Is Your City", a regularly scheduled program which shows behind-the-scenes operations of each municipal department. "This Is Your City" is produced by the Television and Motion Picture Unit of the City of New York.

January 31, 1950.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS



FOR RELEASE

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The Department of Parks announces another step in the return of Ward's Island for park and recreational purposes. In accordance with Subdivision C of Section H41-7.0 of Title H of Chapter 41 of Chapter 929 of the Laws of 1937, as subsequently amended, Governor Thomas E. Dewey has released to New York City for immediate occupancy two more parcels of land on Ward's Island no longer required by the State for hospital purposes. These two properties had been abandoned by the State Department of Mental Hygiene and their transfer will in no way interfere with the operation of the institution.

Previously, 38 acres of land on the south tip of the Island were transferred to the City in 1938. At that time, approximately 32 old, abandoned, wooden institutional buildings were torn down, a comfort station was built, and the area was fenced in and landscaped by the W.P.A. forces in connection with the ultimate park plan for the Island.

The City has included in its 1950 Capital Budget funds for the completion of the area released to it in 1938 and for the complete development of the two new parcels. Construction will start as soon as contract plans and specifications are approved, advertised, and bids awarded.

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The completion of the development of these new park areas will coincide with the completion of the new pedestrian bridge now under construction by the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority from East 103rd Street and the East River Drive across the Harlem River to Ward's Island. The bridge will provide a ready access to the new 125-acre park for the densely populated areas in the upper East Side.

Att.:

- Copies of correspondence between Commissioner Moses and Governor Dewey
- Technical description of property
- Map showing new acquisition
- Ward's Island brochure

January 26, 1950.

D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S



FOR RELEASE

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The Department of Parks announces the start of work on contracts for the completion of the Clearview Golf House and adjacent area in Clearview Park, Queens, including parking field, entrance drives and walks, and finishing the landscape work.

Construction of this building was started during depression years by the W.P.A. and left in an incomplete state when relief work was abolished. It was enclosed and roofed over to prevent deterioration during the war years because of material shortages and war restrictions.

The present contracts, awarded to Michael Contracting Co., 142 Nineteenth Street, Brooklyn, New York; Progressive Electric Co., 17 East 27th Street, New York 16, N. Y.; Grant T. Geelan, 33-21 Francis Lewis Boulevard, Flushing, New York; Eugene J. Brandt & Co., Inc., 26 West 47th Street, New York, N. Y.; and General Steel Products Corp., 131-33 Avery Avenue, Flushing, New York, provide for completing the general construction of the golf house; demolishing existing structures, including the existing golf house; grading; paving walks, entrance road and parking field; drainage and landscaping; completion of the electrical system; rehabilitation of the

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partially installed plumbing facilities; completing the remainder of the plumbing and sewage disposal systems; rehabilitating the partially completed heating and ventilating installations; completing the remainder of the heating and ventilating systems; and installation of lockers.

When completed, the new two-story brick building with slate roof will provide a modern club-house for the patrons of the Clearview Golf Course. It will have a bluestone flagged entrance, a wide entrance hall, pro shop, cafeteria with dining porch, a separate lunch room for caddies, men's locker and shower rooms, and public comfort stations on the first floor. The second floor will contain locker and shower rooms for women, together with comfort facilities and dressing rooms for employees. Adjacent to the building will be a large asphaltic concrete surfaced parking space. Areas adjacent to the tree-lined driveway, the approach walks and environs of the club-house will be planted with trees and shrubs to fit the new improvements into the existing natural landscape.

January 13, 1950.

1950 July - December

- 7/5 53 New baby female llama born at Central Park Zoo, will be put on exhibit.
- 7/6 54 Music and Dance Events in the parks for the coming week.
- 7/6 55 Dances under the stars - Con Edison.
- 7/7 56 Completion and opening of playground on site of former "Farmers' Oval", Queens.
- 7/7 57 Square Dances, dance of the week is "Darling Nellie Grey" - Pepsi Cola.
- 7/13 58 This week's Name Band Dances - Con Edison.
- 7/16 59 Music and Dance Events in the parks for the coming week..
- 7/17 60 Completion and opening of a new playground adjacent to Eastchester Houses, Bronx.
- 7/19 61 Proposal for a new program for garden-type landscaped assembly plants, first one to be Bulova Assembly Plant, Queens.
- 7/20 62 Music and Dance Events in the parks for the coming week.
- 7/20 63 Fifth week of Name Band Dances - Con Edison.
- 7/20 64 A shuttle bus service for Hylan Blvd. to parking field at Great Kills Park.
- 7/26 65 Schedule for Dept. of Parks' Marionette Theater's production of "The Shoemaker and the Elves".
- 7/26 66 Music and Dance Events in the parks for the coming week,
- 7/26 67 Final week of Name Band Dances - Con Edison.
- 7/26 68 City-wide swimming championships' finals.
- 7/26 69 Naumburg Orchestra to give a concert.
- 7/26 70 Dancing under the Stars - Con Edison.
- 7/27 71 A fishing contest for boys and girls.
- 7/29 72 Square Dances, dance of the week to be "Texas Star" - Pepsi Cola.
- 8/2 73 Split Rock Golf Course, Bronx, to hold a tournament.
- 8/3 74 Music and Dance Events in the parks for the coming week.
- 8/3 75 Name Band Dances - Con Edison.
- 8/3 76 Free Pepsi Square Dances ... "Bachelor's Delight".
- 8/4 77 Arrival at the zoo of a new pair of zebras.
- 8/4 78 Traffic reroutes to avoid automobile congestion.
- 8/6 79 City-wide Fishing Contest.
- 8/8 80 Completion and opening of new playground, Staten Island.
- 8/9 81 Thirty-fifth annual Brooklyn Dance Festival, Prospect Park.
- 8/9 82 Free Pepsi Square Dances... "My Little Girl".
- 8/9 83 Music and Dance Events in the parks for the coming week.
- 8/9 84 Name Band Dances - Con Edison.
- 8/9 85 Ninth Annual Harvest Dance Contest with Borough eliminations.
- 8/10 86 Municipal Golf Tournament.
- 8/10 87 Fishing Contest - Better Fishing Inc.

8/10 88 Marionette Trailer Theater presents "The Shoemaker and the Elves".

8/10 89 Annual Lifeguard Championship Tournament, Coney Island.

8/16 90 City-wide municipal golf championship tournament, Forest Park, Queens.

8/16 91 Fishing Contest - Better Fishing Inc.

8/17 92 Dancing under the Stars, with Name Band Schedule - Con Edison.

8/17 93 Annual Lifeguard Contest, Coney Island.

8/21 94 Jr. Fishing Contest - Better Fishing Inc.

8/25 95 New clubhouse at Clearview Municipal Golf Course in Queens, opened.

8/25 96 Name Band Dances - Con Edison.

8/28 97 City-wide finals of Ninth Annual Park Dept. Harvest Dance Contest.

8/29 98 Naumburg Concert.

8/29 99 Final dance of Pepsi Square Dances, Prospect Park, Brooklyn.

8/30 100 Name Band Dances - Con Edison.

9/1 101 Harvest for the Dept. of Parks Children's Gardens.

9/2 102 Closing of seventeen outdoor swimming pools.

9/13 103 Harvesting of Children's Parks Dept. Farms.

9/19 104 Completing and opening to public of a new playground north of E.174th Bronx.

9/19 105 Completion and opening to public of a new playground at W. 185 th. St Manhattan.

9/20 106 Dept. of Parks will reopen Cromwell Center on Pier #6, Staten Island for public use.

9/20 107 City-wide play for golf qualifiers for Annual Knickerbocker Handicap Golf Tournament.

9/21 108 Construction beginning for new playground adjacent to P.S. #98, Brooklyn.

9/26 109 Construction starts for playground north of E.141st. St., Bronx.

9/26 110 Goal posts being erected by Dept. of Parks at ninety-five football and thirty soccer fields.

9/28 111 Twenty golfers will tee off in final rounds of Knickerbocker Handicap Golf Tournament, at Clearview Golf Course, Queens.

10/2 112 Final harvests and presentation of certificates of awards to be held at Dept. of Parks' Childrens Farm Gardens.

10/2 113 Completion of work on new playground, south of Tilden Ave., Brooklyn.

10/14 114 Program for opening and inspection of arterial improvements.

10/17 115 Completion of work on new playground adjacent to P.S.#162, Queens.

10/21 116 Willets Point Park will start operating on a fee basis as of Oct.22,

10/25 117 Announcement of first meeting held by N.Y. City Parking Authority.

10/26 118 Concerning permits to hold public meetings on the parks.

10/26 119 Announcing the closing for the season of tennis courts.

10/27 120 N.Y.C.'s Annual Outdoor Chrysanthemum Display.

10/27 121 Opening of new playground adjacent to P.S. #104, Queens.

11/3 122 Opening of new playground adjacent to the Glenwood Houses, Flatlands section of Brooklyn.

11/3 123 Opening of new playground adjacent to P.S. #115, Queens.
 11/4 124 Annual Fall Indoor Chrysanthemum Show in Prospect Park Greenhouse,
 Brooklyn.
 11/10 125 Central Park Carousel has burned. Discussion of replacing it.
 11/22 126 First of eight free basketball clinics to be conducted by N.Y.
 Knickerbackers.
 11/22 127 Opening of new playground adjacent to P.S. #20, Queens.
 11/29 128 Performances for "Pinocchio", Dept. of Parks Marionette Theater,
 Brooklyn with schedule.
 12/1 129 Closing of ten municipal golf courses.
 12/7 130 Schedule for free basketball clinics to be conducted by Madison
 Square Garden Corp.
 12/11 131 Opening of new playground, Mace Ave. and Williamsbridge Rd., Bronx.
 12/13 132 Announcement of ceremonies for lighting of twenty-eight Christmas
 trees throughout the five boroughs.
 12/15 133 Annual Christmas exhibit of season's flowers will be held in green-
 house in Prospect Park.
 12/18 134 Opening of Wollman Park Memorial Outdoor Skating Rink in Central
 Park.
 12/26 135 Location of coasting and skating facilities ready to use.
 12/26 136 Performances for Marionette Theater's production of "Pinocchio"
 with Manhattan schedule.

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FOR RELEASE: Tuesday, December 26, 1950

The Department of Parks Marionette Theatre will give 31 performances of "Pinocchio" in the borough of Manhattan beginning on Friday, December 29th, and continuing through Saturday, January 27th.

The production, which began touring on December 1st, has won high praise from educators and parents as puppetry at its best and excellent entertainment for youngsters. The story adaptation, colorful costuming and scenery, and the smooth manipulation bring to life the story of Pinocchio and his escapades.

The schedule for Manhattan follows:

Friday	Dec. 29	11:00 A.M.	Museum of the City of New York,
		2:30 P.M.	104th Street and Fifth Avenue
Saturday	Dec. 30	11:00 A.M.	Museum of the City of New York,
		2:30 P.M.	104th Street and Fifth Avenue
Tuesday	Jan. 2	3:30 P.M.	Jewish Settlement House, 128 Stanton Street
Wednesday	Jan. 3	3:30 P.M.	Educational Alliance, 197 Broadway
Thursday	Jan. 4	3:30 P.M.	Children's Center, 104th Street bet. Madison & Fifth Avenues
Friday	Jan. 5	10:00 A.M.	P.S. 101,
		2:30 P.M.	111th Street and Lexington Avenue

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Monday	Jan. 8	1:30 P.M.	Manhattan State Hospital, Ward's Island
Tuesday	Jan. 9	10:30 A.M. 1:30 P.M.	P.S. 133, 2121 Fifth Avenue
Wednesday	Jan. 10	3:30 P.M.	East Side House, 540 East 76th Street
Thursday	Jan. 11	3:30 P.M.	St. Clement's, 423 West 46th Street
Friday	Jan. 12	11:00 A.M. 3:00 P.M.	Our Lady of Lourdes, 468 West 144th Street
Saturday	Jan. 13	11:00 A.M.	Madison Square Boys Club, 301 East 28th Street
Monday	Jan. 15	3:15 P.M.	Bellevue Psychiatric Auditorium, 29th Street and First Avenue
Tuesday	Jan. 16	3:30 P.M.	J. Hood Wright Playground, 174th Street and Ft. Washington
Wednesday	Jan. 17	10:30 A.M. 1:00 P.M.	P.S. 171, 19 East 103rd Street
Thursday	Jan. 18	11:00 A.M. 1:00 P.M.	Good Shepherd School, 608 Isham Street
Friday	Jan. 19	10:30 A.M. 1:30 P.M.	P.S. 71, 188 East Seventh Street
Monday	Jan. 22	3:30 P.M.	Sacred Heart Church, 457 West 51st Street
Tuesday	Jan. 23	3:30 P.M.	Carmine Street Gymnasium, Clarkson Street and Seventh Avenue
Wednesday	Jan. 24	3:30 P.M.	West 28th Street Gymnasium, 407 West 28th Street
Thursday	Jan. 25	3:30 P.M.	Harlem Children's Center, 28 West 134th Street
Friday	Jan. 26	3:30 P.M.	P.S. 43, 129th Street and Amsterdam Avenue
Saturday	Jan. 27	11:00 A.M.	Payson Avenue Playground, Dyckman Street and Payson Avenue

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

Coasting and skiing facilities in New York City parks will be ready for use as soon as Jack Frost provides enough snow. Main slopes and hills will be supervised by Department of Parks playground directors during hours of greatest use.

Coasting hills are located as follows:

MANHATTAN

Central Park

East Drive and 83rd Street, north of Museum of Art
East Drive and 79th Street, short run for children
Pilgrim Hill, 72nd Street and East Drive
Cedar Hill, 79th Street and East Drive
Boat House Hill, 72nd Street and East Drive, north of Boat House
West Drive and 60th Street, near Heckscher Playground
West Drive and 79th Street, south of Transverse Road
East Meadow, 99th Street off Fifth Avenue

BROOKLYN

Prospect Park

Bowl between Picnic House and Tennis House, 5th Street, east of West Drive
Payne Monument Hill, toward Picnic House, 3rd Street
Long Meadow, Grand Army Plaza Entrance
Lookout Hill, southwest of 15th Street and Prospect Park West

Dyker Beach Golf Course

8th Fairway from tee to green, 7th Avenue and 86th Street

BRONX

Van Cortlandt Golf Course - 16th Fairway

QUEENS

Alley Park: Motor Parkway, near Winchester Boulevard, Queens Village

Chisholm Park: 115th Street and Poppenhusen Avenue, College Point

Crocheron Park: end of Crocheron Avenue, Bayside

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QUEENS (cont.)

Forest Park: old 18th Tee of Forest Park Golf Course, Main Drive opposite 82nd Street, Glendale

Highland Park: area adjacent to Snake Hill, Park Drive and Jamaica Avenue, Cypress Hills

Kissena Park Golf Course: First Fairway, North Hempstead Turnpike and Fresh Meadow Road, Flushing

RICHMOND

La Tourette Golf Course: 2nd, 14th, 18th Fairways, Rockland Avenue and Forest Hill Road

Silver Lake Golf Course: 7th Fairway, Forest Avenue and Silver Lake Park Roadway.

Slopes set aside for use by skiers are:

MANHATTAN

Central Park

Cedar Hill, 79th Street and East Drive

Burns Lawn, 79th Street and West Drive

BROOKLYN

Prospect Park; south west of Music Grove, Lincoln Road Entrance
Prospect Park, slope east of Tennis House, 5th Street east of West Drive

Dyker Beach Golf Course

QUEENS

Crocheron Park - 35th Avenue and Cross Island Parkway, Bayside
Forest Park Golf Course - Main Drive west of Woodhaven Boulevard, Glendale

Kissena Park Golf Course - 164th Street and Hempstead Turnpike, Flushing

RICHMOND

La Tourette Golf Course, Forest Hill and London Roads

Silver Lake Golf Course, Forest Avenue and Victory Boulevard.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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64th Street and Fifth Avenue
Central Park
New York 21, N. Y.

FOR RELEASE: Monday, December 18, 1950

The Department of Parks announces the opening to the public, with ceremonies, of the Wollman Memorial outdoor skating rink in Central Park, on December 21, 1950, at 3:00 P.M.

Miss Kate Wollman; Judge Samuel J. Harris; Hon. Robert F. Wagner, Jr., President of the Borough of Manhattan; and Hon. Vincent R. Impellitteri, Mayor, will participate as speakers. The Hon. Robert Moses, Commissioner of Parks, will preside. At the conclusion of the speaking, the program will continue with entertainment provided by Lauritz Melchior of concert stage and motion pictures, singing "The Skaters Waltz"; by the Junior Skating Club of New York in group and solo figure and dance routines; by Ted Meza and Bill Wallenborn, stars from "Holiday on Ice", in comedy numbers; and by a hockey game between the Rangers Pee-Wees and the Rovers Pee-Wees.

The Memorial is located in the easterly side of Central Park at about 63rd Street, at the rear of the Central Park Zoo and just north of the 59th Street Pond.

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The total cost of construction will be approximately \$750,000, of which \$600,000 was donated by Miss Kate Wollman, and the balance supplied by the City.

The recreation center consists of a large outdoor artificial ice and roller skating rink, a semi-circular, one-story, brick building, housing refrigeration machinery, dressing rooms, a food concession, skate shop and incidental facilities. A completely equipped children's playground with swings, seesaws, sand-pit and shower basin has been constructed on the roof of the building and extends back into the park.

The building is to be known as the Wollman Memorial and a memorial tablet, listing the names of the members of the Wollman family, will be placed in the interior of the building near the main entrance.

Miss Kate Wollman is now the sole surviving member of the family. The present gift of \$600,000 is made by Miss Wollman individually as a memorial to her parents, Mr. J. Wollman and Mrs. Bettie Wollman, and her four brothers, William J., Morton and Benjamin F. Wollman, who were associated with the banking firm of William J. Wollman & Company, and Henry Wollman, who was a prominent attorney in New York City.

In connection with the Wollman Memorial improvement, the southerly portion of Central Park adjacent to the exist-

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ing pond north of 59th Street and west of the park drive has been reconstructed to correct dangerous conditions, to eliminate erosion of banks, and to realign and repave paths to provide better circulation of pedestrian traffic to and around the pond and to other facilities in the park, including the Wollman Memorial.

The facility will be maintained and operated as part of the park system. There will be a modest admission fee and the income will be adequate to pay for the cost of maintenance and operation. After the opening ceremonies have been completed, the rink will be open to the public for the remainder of the evening and daily thereafter, with the sessions and prices in accordance with the attached schedules.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The Annual Christmas Exhibit of the season's flowers will be held in the Greenhouse in Prospect Park, at Prospect Park West and Ninth Street, Brooklyn.

This year's display is comprised of over 1,500 Poinsettia blooms in pink, white and red. Some of the Poinsettias measure 12 to 15 inches in diameter. The Cyclamen in various colors are also attractive.

Camelias are to be seen grouped with the Poinsettias and various other plants.

The exhibit will be open to the public every day from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. The exhibit will open Wednesday, December 20th.

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FOR RELEASE: Wednesday, December 13, 1950

The Park Department announces that ceremonies in connection with the lighting of twenty-eight Christmas trees, which have been erected and decorated in parks and public places throughout the five boroughs, will take place on Friday, December 15th, at 5:00 P.M. A special program will be held at the principal trees in each borough, which will be at City Hall Park, Manhattan; Borough Hall Park, Brooklyn; Joyce Kilmer Park, The Bronx; Queensborough Hall, Kew Gardens; and Borough Hall, Richmond.

At City Hall Park, Manhattan, the ceremonies will be broadcast over the city owned and operated radio station, WNYC. Hon. Vincent R. Impellitteri, Mayor, will deliver the annual Christmas message and throw the switch lighting the sixty-one foot high tree, officially starting New York's observance of the Yuletide Season. Hon. Robert F. Wagner, Jr., Borough President of Manhattan, will also participate in the exercises. Arthur S. Hodgkiss, Executive Officer of the Department of Parks, will introduce the Hon. Joseph T. Sharkey, Acting President of the Council, who will act as master of

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ceremonies. Selections will be played by the Department of Sanitation Band, and Christmas carols will be sung by the Police Department's Glee Club, and a boys' choir from St. Vincent Ferrer Church.

When the Mayor throws the switch lighting the tree, he will also light a traditional red and green wreath, eighteen feet in diameter, over the main entrance of the Park Department Headquarters at the Arsenal, 64th Street and Fifth Avenue, Central Park, Manhattan. In the center of the wreath is a decorative panel depicting the Three Wise Men proceeding to the Star in the East. In keeping with the holiday spirit, Park Department gardeners made the wreath by ingenious use of simple, inexpensive materials, such as attractive holly, laurel, rich brown pine cones, moss, soft hemlock - the most graceful of all evergreens, and large clusters of Red Ruscus, more brilliant than holly berries. In all, there are over 19,000 selected branches of various materials mounted on a wooden frame, braced and reinforced with 3/8 inch steel rods. The wreath weighs approximately two thousand pounds. The foliage across the frame is six feet wide and the depth of the foliage and filling from the face of the wreath to the base of the frame is over three feet.

The trees and the wreath will be lighted each evening from 4:30 P.M. until midnight, up to and including January 1, 1951.

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Christmas trees have been erected at the following locations:

Manhattan

- * City Hall Park, Broadway and Murray Street
- Tavern on the Green, Central Park West and 67th Street
- Thomas Jefferson Park, First Avenue and 111th Street
- Roosevelt Park, Block 7, Forsyth and Canal Streets
- Mt. Morris Park, center line of Fifth Avenue, top of hill
- Ft. Tryon Park, Dyckman Street and Broadway
- Carl Schurz Park, 85th Street and East End Avenue
- Bellevue Hospital, East River Drive and 26th Street
- Washington Square Park, Washington Arch
- Madison Square Park, Fifth Avenue and 23rd Street
- Museum of Natural History, 77th Street and Eighth Avenue

Brooklyn

- * Borough Hall Park, Fulton and Joralemon Streets
- Grand Army Plaza, Prospect Park, Flatbush Avenue and Union Street
- Leiv Eiriksson Park, 67th Street between Fourth and Fifth Avenues
- McCarren Park, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street
- Dyker Beach Park, southwest corner of 86th Street and Seventh Avenue
- Esplanade, Montague Terrace between Remsen and Pierrepont Streets

Bronx

- * Joyce Kilmer Park, 161st Street and Grand Concourse
- St. Mary's Park, St. Ann's Avenue and East 144th Street
- St. James Park, center of oval lawn, East 191st Street and Jerome Avenue

Queens

- * Borough Hall, Queens Boulevard and Union Turnpike
- King Park, Jamaica Avenue and 151st Street
- Flushing Park, Northern Boulevard and Main Street
- Highland Park, Jamaica Avenue and Elton Street
- Forest Park, Park Lane South and 108th Street
- St. Albans Memorial Park, Merrick Boulevard and 113th Street

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Richmond

* Borough Hall, Bay Street and Borough Place
Tappen Park, Bay and Canal Streets

* Principal Ceremony

Borough Presidents Cashmore, Lyons, FitzGerald and Hall will light the trees in their respective boroughs, with appropriate ceremonies.

In addition to the ceremonies at the larger trees, there will also be 121 children's Christmas parties held between December 15th and the New Year, in the neighborhood playgrounds throughout the five boroughs. In general, the parties will include carol singing, tree trimming, and special Christmas games.

The principal children's parties are scheduled as follows:

Monday	December 18	10:30 A.M.	Jackson Heights Playground, 25th to 30th Avenues and 84th Street, Queens
Wednesday	December 20	11:00 A.M.	Lincoln Terrace Playground, Buffalo and East New York Avenues, Brooklyn
Thursday	December 21	11:00 A.M.	Playground at 74th Street and Riverside Drive, Man- hattan
		11:00 A.M.	Flushing Memorial Play- ground, Bayside Avenue and 194th Street, Queens
		1:00 P.M.	Mullaly Recreation Center, 164th Street and Jerome Avenue, Bronx

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Thursday	December 21	1:00 P.M.	Williamsbridge Oval, Bainbridge Avenue and East 208th Street, Bronx
		4:00 P.M.	Cromwell Center, Pier 6, Murray Hulbert Avenue and Hannah Street, Tompkinsville, Staten Island
Friday	December 22	10:30 A.M.	DeMatti Playground, Tompkins Avenue, Rosebank, Staten Island
		2:00 P.M.	Highbridge Recreation Center, 173rd Street and Amsterdam Avenue, Manhattan
Tuesday	December 26	7:30 P.M.	Sunset Recreation Center, 43rd Street and Seventh Avenue, Brooklyn

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The Department of Parks announces the opening to the public of a new playground at Mace Avenue and Williamsbridge Road, The Bronx.

While the playground is adjacent to P.S. No. 89, its construction was part of the plan and project of the Pelham Parkway Housing project and was paid for by the New York City Housing Authority. It provides recreational facilities for both the tenants of the housing project and for the residents of the surrounding community.

This new 1.6 acre play area is built in three sections. One unit contains four handball courts; another contains a large permanent surfaced area with a basketball court and a softball diamond. The third unit contains separate play equipment for children of pre-school age and older children, a comfort station, a flagpole and a wading pool.

The perimeters of the various sections and the perimeter of the entire area are fenced in and landscaped with shade trees.

With the addition of this new playground, there are now 538 playgrounds in the expanded park system.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

Three free basketball clinics for boys and girls, to be conducted during the month of December by the Madison Square Garden Corporation and the Department of Parks, are scheduled as follows:

Monday	December 11 - 8 P.M.	Betsy Head Recreation Center, Hopkinson and Dumont Avenues, Brooklyn
Friday	December 15 - 8 P.M.	Astoria Recreation Center, 19th Street opposite 23rd Drive, Queens
Thursday	December 21 - 8 P.M.	Mullaly Recreation Center, 164th Street and Jerome Avenue, Bronx

Members of the New York Knickerbocker Basketball Team will instruct the youngsters in the techniques that make "star" basketball players. In playing a better game, the teenagers will get more enjoyment from their participation.

The N. Y. Knickerbockers demonstrate their methods by motion pictures, lectures, and play on the courts. By the end of each clinic, their audiences have learned new skills and have a greater understanding of the present day fast game of basketball.

Additional clinics will be held during January and early February at Park Department recreation centers.

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Arsenal
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FOR RELEASE: Friday, December 1, 1950

The Department of Parks announces the closing of the ten municipal golf courses in the various boroughs and the popular pitch-putt course at Jacob Riis Park, Queens, at the close of play on Sunday, December 3, 1950.

During the past season, more than 637,000 rounds were played over the ten courses, and approximately 440,000 rounds were played on the pitch-putt course.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS

presents
"PINOCCHIO"

The 1950-1951 Production of the
Department of Parks Marionette Theatre
Tour Opens Friday, December 1, at 1:30 P.M., in Brooklyn

The premiere performance of Pinocchio, the Department of Parks Marionette Theatre's current production, will be given at P.S. 191, 1600 Park Place, Brooklyn, on Friday, December 1, at 1:30 P.M. The fall and winter tour will run through March 22, 1951, giving 138 performances of Pinocchio at centers throughout the city. The theatre will visit 22 Brooklyn locations between December 1 and December 28.

Pinocchio is the most ambitious production undertaken by the Marionette Theatre to date. The fashioning of the many intricate puppets and the great variety of scenes required to tell the story demanded exceptional ingenuity on the part of the puppeteers. The results are sure to thrill the thousands of children anticipating the appearance of the theatre in their local neighborhood.

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Brooklyn's performances are scheduled as follows:

Friday,	December	1 -	1:30 P.M.	P.S. 191, 1600 Park Place
Saturday,	December	2 -	11:00 A.M.	St. Athanasius, Bay Parkway and 61st Street
Monday,	December	4 -	10:30 A.M. 1:30 P.M.	P.S. 28, Herkimer Street near Howard Avenue
Tuesday,	December	5 -	10:15 A.M. 12:45 P.M.	P.S. 128, 8310 - 21st Avenue
Wednesday,	December	6 -	10:30 A.M. 1:30 P.M.	Holy Name School, Prospect Park West and Prospect Avenue
Thursday,	December	7 -	11:00 A.M. 1:30 P.M.	P.S. 221, Empire Boulevard and Troy Avenue
Friday,	December	8 -	3:30 P.M.	McLaughlin Park, Jay and Tillary Streets
Saturday,	December	9 -	1:30 P.M.	McCarren Recreation Center, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street
Monday,	December	11 -	3:00 P.M.	Convent of Mercy, 273 Willoughby Street
Tuesday,	December	12 -	10:30 A.M. 1:30 P.M.	P.S. 194, Whitney Avenue and Brigham Street
Wednesday,	December	13 -	10:30 A.M. 1:30 P.M.	P.S. 145, 100 Noll Street
Thursday,	December	14 -	10:30 A.M. 1:30 P.M.	P.S. 44, Throop and Putnam Avenues
Friday,	December	15 -	3:30 P.M.	Red Hook Community Center, West 9th Street and Clinton Avenue
Monday,	December	18 -	3:30 P.M.	Stuyvesant Center, 265 Decatur Avenue

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Tuesday,	December 19	- 10:30 A.M. 1:30 P.M.	P.S. 217, Coney Island and Newkirk Avenues
Wednesday,	December 20	- 10:20 A.M. 1:00 P.M.	P.S. 225, Ocean View Avenue and Brighton 13th Street
Thursday,	December 21	- 10:00 A.M. 12:00 Noon	Gaynor Junior High School, Graham and Manhattan Avenues
Friday,	December 22	- 3:30 P.M.	Betsy Head Recreation Center, Hopkinson and Dumont Avenues
Saturday,	December 23	- 1:30 P.M.	President Street Gymnasium, President Street and Fourth Avenue
Tuesday,	December 26	- 11:00 A.M. 2:00 P.M.	Sunset Recreation Center, 42nd Street and 7th Avenue
Wednesday,	December 27	- 2:00 P.M.	Brooklyn Museum, Eastern
Thursday,	December 28	- 11:00 A.M. 2:00 P.M.	Parkway and Washington Avenue

The Marionette Theatre will visit the other boroughs
during dates listed below:

Manhattan - December 29 to January 27

Richmond - January 29 to February 10

Queens - February 13 to March 2

Bronx - March 5 to March 22

November 29, 1950.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Immediately

The Department of Parks of the City of New York announces the opening to the public of a new playground adjacent to P.S. #20 from Barclay to Sanford Avenues between Bowne and Union Streets, Queens.

This playground is one of those agreed upon for joint operation by the Board of Education and the Department of Parks, and will provide much-needed recreation facilities for both the school children and the residents of this old congested section of Flushing. During school hours, the facility is operated by the Education authorities, and at all other times by the Department of Parks. One and eight-tenths acres in size, the playground contains two separate sections with a sand pit and play equipment for children of kindergarten age. One at Sanford Avenue and Bowne Street is operated solely for children attending the school and the other at Sanford Avenue and Union Street will be open at all times for children of pre-school age of the surrounding community. There is also a large area with shuffleboard courts, basketball courts, handball courts and a large bituminous paved area for group games, roller skating and softball.

The improvement is landscaped with shade trees and shrubs and fenced in for control and protection of the users.

With the addition of this new playground, there are now 537 playgrounds in the expanded park system.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Immediately

The first of eight free basketball clinics for youngsters will be conducted by the N. Y. Knickerbockers and the Department of Parks at the 54th Street Gymnasium, 342 East 54 Street, Manhattan, at 8 P.M. on Wednesday, November 29, 1950.

Members of the N. Y. Knickerbocker basketball team, by means of lectures, motion pictures, and actual demonstrations, will show the boys and girls how they can improve their game by using the methods of top-notch stars and teams. This "know how" is of primary importance to the teenagers, most of whom are participating in the current Park Department city-wide basketball tournament in which more than 1700 teams have entered. Each youngster is hoping to be on the winning team of the championship to be held at Madison Square Garden next spring.

Future clinics are scheduled at other park recreation centers located throughout the city.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The famous Central Park Carousel has burned.
It must somehow be replaced.

Possibly a solid second-hand one with good old prancing animals and a brass ring can be found in a commercial amusement park, repaired, repainted, energized, harmonized and started on the old merry-go-round.

That is what we did at Hempstead Lake with a gift from the ever generous August Heckscher.

Maybe some of the nostalgic alumni and alumnae of Central Park will come to our rescue, but, in any event, come hell or high water, the carousel must go on.

ROBERT MOSES

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FOR RELEASE: Saturday, November 4, 1950

The Park Department announces that the Annual Fall Indoor Chrysanthemum Show in the Prospect Park Greenhouse, Brooklyn, will be opened to the public on Sunday, November 5, 1950, at 10:00 A.M.

The Greenhouse is located at Prospect Park West and Ninth Street, Brooklyn, and may be reached by way of the I.R.T. Subway, Grand Army Plaza Station; the Independent Subway, 7th Avenue Station; and by the Vanderbilt Avenue Bus and Smith Street car line, Ninth Street stop; or by automobile direct to the Greenhouse by way of the West Drive in Prospect Park.

The exhibit will be open every day from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. for three weeks, and the Park Department extends a cordial invitation to view the display.

More than three thousand pots of chrysanthemums will be on exhibition. The ground bed is laid out in groups of various formations with the

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popular large bloom varieties in all shades of pink, yellow, red and bronze. Some of the attractive plants are the Picketts, Turners, Marie De Petries, Indianapolis Pink and White, and the Melba. Surrounding this feature of the display, banked on the sides of the Greenhouse are numerous smaller size chrysanthemums in 75 varieties, such as the Pompons, the Anemone, and the Single Daisy type.

In the class of varieties in all shades of bronze, red, yellow and white, some of the outstanding chrysanthemums to be exhibited are the Crimson Red, Purple Queens, Red Rover, Orchid Beauty, Long Island Beauty, Nevada and Red Robin Hood.

Press photographs may be taken any time after 9:00 A.M. Saturday, November 4th.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and the opening to the public of a new playground adjacent to P.S. No. 115, south of 80th Avenue from 261st Street to 262nd Street, Queens.

This playground, near the Nassau County line, is one of those agreed upon for joint operation by the Board of ^{Education} ~~Estimate~~ and the Department of Parks, and will provide recreational facilities both for the school children and for the residents of the surrounding rapidly growing neighborhood. During school hours, the area is operated by the Education authorities and at all other times by the Department of Parks.

1.35 acres in extent, the playground contains separate units for pre-school and older children, containing slides, swings, see-saws, sand pit, shower basin, shuffleboard courts, handball courts, and a comfort station. A large free play area contains paddle tennis courts, basketball and volleyball courts, and a softball diamond. This area will also be used for roller skating. The entire development is fenced in and landscaped with shade trees.

With the addition of this new playground, there are now 536 playgrounds in the expanded park system.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The Department of Parks announces the completion and opening to the general public of a new playground adjacent to the Glenwood Houses, at East 56th Street, Glenwood Road, Ralph Avenue and Farragut Road, in the Flatlands section of Brooklyn.

The construction of the playground was part of the plan and project of the Glenwood Housing project and was paid for by the New York City Housing Authority. It provides recreational facilities for the tenants of the housing project and for the residents of the adjacent community.

The new 1.4 acre play area is built in three separate fenced-in sections. The westerly one contains a comfort station, wading pool, sand pit, flag pole, and separate swings, slides and see-saws for children of kindergarten age and older children. The central section is a large free play space containing a softball diamond, and the easterly section contains four flood-lighted handball courts.

Numerous benches have been provided for parents and guardians of children, and the perimeter of the development is fenced in and lined with shade trees.

With the addition of this new playground, there are now 535 playgrounds in the expanded park system.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The Department of Parks announces that a new playground has been opened for public usage adjacent to Public School No. 104 between Beach 25th and Beach 28th Streets and from Mott Avenue to Westbourne Avenue, Queens.

This playground, in the Bayswater section of Far Rockaway, was opened on October 22, 1950, with ceremonies sponsored by the Bayswater Civic Association and in cooperation with the Park Department.

Immediately adjacent to P.S. No. 104, it will provide much needed recreational facilities for the school pupils as well as for the children of the surrounding congested community.

In accordance with an agreement between the Board of Education and the Department of Parks, the area is operated during school hours by the education authorities and at all other times by the Department of Parks. 1.13 acres in extent, the playground contains three separate fenced-in units. The easterly end of the improvement contains a school garden, handball courts, a kindergarten area with sand pit, slide and see saws, and a large free play area with a softball diamond with backstop. The westerly portion contains two units, one with a comfort station, sand pit, shower basin, slides, swings and see saws. The third unit contains basketball and volley ball courts, paddle tennis courts and shuffle board courts.

The perimeter of the development is fenced and lined with shade trees.

With the addition of this new playground, there are now 534 playgrounds in the expanded park system.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
 ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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Several million chrysanthemum blooms massed in colorful and vivid display throughout the city are now flowering in New York City's Annual Outdoor Chrysanthemum Display, the Department of Parks announced today. These flowers are now on view in ^{eight} ~~five~~ park areas in New York City: The Central Park Conservatory Gardens at Fifth Avenue and 105th Street; ^{Riverside Dr at 106 St. the C.P. Zoo drive} the Plaza at Fifth Avenue and 59th Street; Bryant Park at 42nd Street and Avenue of the Americas; Bowling Green Park at Broadway and Whitehall Street and Cadman Plaza, Fulton and Tillary Streets ~~and~~ Brooklyn. ^{and Flushing Meadows Park, Queens,}

Thousands of visitors to the parks, as well as people in the surrounding office buildings, hospitals and apartment houses, have enjoyed this dramatic and unique outdoor show for many years. Planted solidly in beds, some of them 250 feet long, the flowers range in color from white through pale yellow to blue to pink to brilliant red, and the plants range in size from the small dwarf varieties to more than three feet high and three feet in spread. This display is one of the largest ^{comprised of 11,000 plants} and most spectacular outdoor mass planting of chrysanthemums in the country.

In the Conservatory Gardens there are over twenty-five different varieties of the flowers consisting of: Buckingham, pink; Berham, bronze; Ethel, bronze red; Hardy Red; Courageous, red; Heart Fire, bronze red; October Girl, pink; Rose Pink; Azalea Mum, red; Azalea Mum, pink; Azalea Mum, white; Bronze Cushion, bronze; Early Harvest, bronze; Charles Nye, bronze red; Early Bronze, bronze; Golden Lode, yellow; Irene, white button; White Dotty, white; Starlight, white and yellow; Autumn Song, bronze red; Brookside, pink; Purple Seedling, lavender; Ruth Cummings, bronze; Barbara Cummings, yellow; Barbara Small, white; etc.

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Central Park
New York 21, N. Y.

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FOR RELEASE: Saturday, October 28, 1950

The Department of Parks announces the closing for
the season of the tennis courts at the close of business on
Mon. Oct 12 1951
~~Sunday, October 29, 1950.~~ After this date, players who bring
their own equipment, including nets, will be permitted to use
the hard surface courts free of charge.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

Judge Edward R. Koch today granted an order requiring the Park Department to issue a permit to Reverend John W. Darr, Jr., Acting Secretary of the Ad-Hoc Committee to Re-Establish the Right of Public Platform for Peace Groups, to hold a public meeting on October 26, 1950, between the hours of 2:30 and 4:30 P.M., at Union Square Park, Manhattan.

The application in question is one of several that was made to the Park Department and denied upon recommendation of the Police Department for the holding of meetings either between the hours of 2:30 P.M. and 4:30 P.M. or 7:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M., because the Police Department found that there was an unreasonable hazard to the public and the possibility of serious public disorder arising from the holding of the meeting.

This committee represents itself as one wishing to re-establish the right of free speech as a result of a previous denial by the Police Department of an application for a public meeting on August 2, 1950, by the so-called "New York Labor Conference for Peace".

It is important that all facts relating to the issuance of this court order be made available to the public.

The Park Department rules and regulations require that a permit be issued for any event held on park property, whether it be an athletic contest, entertainment or a public meeting. The requirement for permits for recreational activities, meetings or public gatherings in parks is not new. The regulations were established in accordance with Section 534 of the New York City Charter and

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are a continuation of practices that have been followed since the park system was established many years ago. The regulations have been upheld by the Court of Appeals of this State. A requirement for permits for these purposes is not limited to the City and similar regulations are in effect in the parks under the jurisdiction of the Long Island State Park Commission, the Westchester Park Commission, are generally in effect throughout the New York State Park System and also in other states.

Parks and playgrounds are a necessary and important public service and are provided primarily as places for recreation and relaxation. Because of the great population of New York City its parks are probably the most heavily used in the world and maintenance of lawn areas, landscaping, paved walks and recreation facilities is extremely difficult, even under the best of conditions. The problem of maintaining the parks in a safe and reasonably attractive condition for use by the public is difficult and complex and leads to the necessity of reasonable regulations to govern the use of areas by the public.

The Park Department has always recognized the constitutional right of free speech and has set aside a number of areas where meetings or general assemblages may be held without question as to the purpose of the meeting or the politics or aims of the sponsors. Permits are required only to ensure that the event will not conflict with another meeting previously scheduled or that it will not create undue hazard to public safety or to public and private property. Union Square is one of the parks where meetings and events are permitted under these conditions.

The "Ad-Hoc Committee" submitted three separate applications for meetings at Union Square Park. These meetings did not conflict with other events and the Park Department, in the ordinary course, would have issued permits. However, the first was denied on the basis of a statement from the Police Department that the

meeting would be inimical to public safety, no action was taken on the second meeting at the request of the "Ad-Hoc Committee", and the third was denied again upon notice from the Police Department that it would create a public hazard.

The Park Department's position is simple and has been consistent throughout. Specific areas have been set aside for public forums in which meetings of any kind are permitted unless they conflict with other events or create a hazard to public safety or to public or private property. The final decision as to whether or not such a hazard exists lies with the Police Department which, in accordance with the Charter of the City of New York, is responsible for the maintenance of law and order. The Park Department is not in a position in itself to determine whether or not such a hazard may be created and, therefore, must rely upon the decision of the Police Department before issuing such a permit.

In this specific incident, the Police Commissioner advised that there was an unreasonable hazard to public safety and, therefore, the permit was denied by the Park Department. After consideration of all facts, the Court held that a meeting between the hours of 7 and 9 P.M. would constitute serious interference with pedestrian traffic in a heavily congested area which is an important center of the Transportation System, a transfer point between the Fourth Avenue, B.M.T. and Canarsie Lines, and would also interfere with the business of important local retail stores. To this extent the Court agreed with the Police Commissioner's findings of unreasonable danger. However, the Court further held that the Police Commissioner was in error in finding that there would be any such public or private hazard during the hours of 2:30 to 4:30 P.M. and ordered that the Park Department ignore the Police Commissioner's position and permit the meeting during the hours of 2:30 to 4:30 P.M.

The Court order applies only to the specific meeting of October 26, 1950. All future applications by the "Ad-Hoc Committee" or any other organization, will

continue to be considered on its merits. The Department emphasizes that it will issue permits for any meeting whatsoever at this location as long as it does not conflict with previously scheduled meetings unless the Police Commissioner certifies that there is an unreasonable hazard to the public or to private or public property.

October 26, 1950

NEW YORK CITY PARKING AUTHORITY
Arsenal Building
64th Street and Fifth Avenue
New York 21, N.Y.

For Release Immediate

Chairman George V. McLaughlin announced that the New York City Parking Authority held its first meeting today. Commissioners Thomas J. Shanahan and Arthur W. Wallander were present.

The Authority came into existence with the appointment by the Mayor of the three members on October 20, 1950. After the presentation of credentials, adoption of by-laws and the other formal procedures of organization, the members of the Authority discussed an immediate program of action.

There was unanimous agreement that amendments to the New York City Parking Authority Law were necessary to make possible the economical sale of securities and the financing of projects. These changes would permit the Authority to install and operate parking meters on city streets under contract with the City, the revenues to be applied to the construction of off-street parking facilities.

The Authority will also seek the elimination of the 10 year limitation on the pledging by the City of parking meter revenues in support of Authority bonds. It is felt that any limitation should be left to the discretion of the Board of Estimate, the governing body of the City, provided that the revenue is not pledged beyond the life of the bond issue.

The Authority will present these amendments to the next session of the Legislature.

The Authority will immediately seek Federal advance planning funds for the preparation of contract drawings for the parking garages

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at the Manhattan Plaza of the Queensboro Bridge and at Baxter Street and Worth Street, Manhattan; at Myrtle Avenue and Lawrence Street and at Henry Street and Fulton Street, Brooklyn; and at 190th Street and Jerome Avenue, Bronx. Funds for the design of the Queensboro Garage have already been advanced to the City by the Federal Government and the City will be requested to release these to the Authority so that it may insure that the structure will be of economical design and suitable for operation by the Authority. The Authority will employ a private engineering or architectural firm to prepare these plans under its supervision. Application will be made to the Federal Government for planning monies for the other facilities.

The Authority is enthusiastic about the possibility of reasonably prompt construction of the parking fields in Flushing and Jamaica. These require limited construction funds, are owned or in the process of acquisition by the City and can be placed in operation at a reasonable time. The only physical delay would be the relocation of tenants on the sites.

Pending the provision of permanent headquarters, temporary offices of the New York City Parking Authority have been established in the Arsenal Building, 64th Street and Fifth Avenue, Manhattan. All communications to the Authority should be addressed to this office.

October 25, 1950

THE CITY OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
Arsenal
64th Street and Fifth Avenue
Central Park
New York 21, N. Y.

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FOR RELEASE: Saturday, October 21st

The New York City Park Department announces that the Willets Point Parking Field in Flushing Meadow Park, bounded by Northern Boulevard on the north, 126th Street on the east, Roosevelt Avenue on the south and Grand Central Parkway on the west, will start operating on a fee basis, beginning Sunday, October 22, 1950.

Since November 8, 1947, the field, readily accessible to the elevated transit lines on Roosevelt Avenue (Willets Point Boulevard Station) has been operated on a temporary basis by the New York City Police Department without fee, in an attempt to reduce traffic congestion in the downtown and midtown sections of Manhattan.

The surface of the field was badly deteriorated and the Board of Estimate approved the need for its rehabilitation with proper control and toll facilities and its operation on a fee basis to reimburse the cost of the improvement.

The work necessary for its rehabilitation included repaving with asphaltic concrete, curbs, extension of the drainage system, fencing, rehabilitation and extension of the floodlighting system, construction of toll booths and control house with electric, plumbing and heating facilities and other incidental work necessary to provide an area large enough to accommodate 2500 cars.

The parking field will be operated daily from 5 A.M. to 9 P.M. on a fee basis for a fee of twenty-five cents (25¢). From 9 P.M. to 3 A.M. parking will be free. From 3 A.M. to 5 A.M. the field will be closed.

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THE CITY OF NEW YORK
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64th Street and Fifth Avenue
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New York 21, N. Y.

REgent 4-1000

FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The Department of Parks announces the completion of work and the opening to the public of a new playground adjacent to Public School No. 162, north of 56th Avenue from 201st Street to 202nd Street, Queens.

This new playground, built by the Moser Contracting Co., Inc., at a cost of \$112,577.50, is one of those agreed upon for joint operation by the Board of Education and the Department of Parks, and it will serve both the school children and the residents of the adjacent community. The former school play area was very limited, and its enlargement will now greatly alleviate the need for recreational facilities in this rapidly growing section of Bayside.

The new playground contains a school garden, paddle tennis courts, a basketball court, a softball diamond, a large roller skating area, a pre-school age play area with sand pit and play equipment, handball courts, and a separate play area in the southeast corner of the development containing a sand pit, shower basin, comfort station, and play apparatus for both children of pre-school age and older children. The development is fenced off into separate play units for control purposes and is landscaped with shade trees. Numerous benches have been located throughout the improvement for guardians and parents watching the children at play.

With the addition of this new play facility, there are now 533 playgrounds in the expanded New York City park system.

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OPENING AND INSPECTION
of
ARTERIAL IMPROVEMENTS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1950

BRONX RIVER PARKWAY — Ribbon Cutting	10:00 A.M.
CROSS-BRONX EXPRESSWAY — Inspection	11:00 A.M.
OLD SOUTHERN-ROSEDALE	
GRADE CROSSING ELIMINATION — Inspection	1:30 P.M.
ATLANTIC BEACH BRIDGE — Inspection	2:00 P.M.
VAN WYCK EXPRESSWAY — Ribbon Cutting	2:45 P.M.
BROOKLYN-QUEENS EXPRESSWAY — Ribbon Cutting	3:45 P.M.

SPEAKERS

HON. ROBERT MOSES
City Construction Co-Ordinator
Presiding

Bronx River Parkway **HON. JAMES J. LYONS**
President, Borough of The Bronx

Van Wyck Expressway **HON. MAURICE A. FITZ GERALD**
President, Borough of Queens

Brooklyn-Queens Expressway **HON. JOHN CASHMORE**
President, Borough of Brooklyn

HON. VINCENT R. IMPELLITTERI
Mayor of the City of New York

HON. THOMAS E. DEWEY
Governor of the State of New York

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The Department of Parks announces the completion of work in connection with the construction of a new playground along the southerly side of Tilden Avenue between East 48th and East 49th Streets, Brooklyn.

The contract, progressed by the Lenmar Construction Co., Inc., at a cost of \$85,965.70, provides urgently needed recreational facilities for all age groups in a densely populated residential community containing private dwellings and numerous apartment houses.

The playground contains a separate play area for children of pre-school age, with swings, slides, see-saws, sand pit and shower basin, in the northeast corner of the development. Handball courts, a basketball court, a volleyball court, and a softball diamond have been provided for older children. There is also a large free play area

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which can be used for roller skating and for ice skating when sub-freezing temperatures permit. The entire perimeter of the area is fenced in and landscaped with shade trees. Numerous benches have been provided for parents and guardians of children.

With the addition of this new recreational facility, there are now 532 playgrounds in the expanded park system.

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2 Plans - B-L-234-100 + 103.

October 2, 1950.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The final harvests of the season and presentation of certificates of award to outstanding boys and girls will be held at Department of Parks Children's Farm Gardens, as follows:

Thursday, October 5) 3:30 P.M. - Seward Park, Canal Street
Friday, October 6) and East Broadway, Man-
hattan

Thursday, October 12 10:30 A.M. - Highland Park, Jamaica
Avenue and Elton Street,
Queens

By crop rotation, the young farmers and farmerettes raised a variety of vegetables on their miniature (4' x 8') farms. Their produce included lettuce, beets, radishes, Swiss chard, onions, carrots, kale, corn, and kohlrabi.

A flower show will be held on both days of the harvesting at Seward Park. Youngsters will compete in novel classes for miniature flower arrangements which will be displayed in the recreation building.

October 2, 1950.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

Twenty golfers, representatives of the ten municipal golf courses, will tee off in the final rounds of the Knickerbocker Handicap Golf Tournament, to be conducted by the Department of Parks at Clearview Golf Course, Belt Parkway and Willets Point Boulevard, Queens, on Sunday, October 1st, beginning at 8:00 A.M.

The finalists, low scorers in a field of 1500, were the champions or runners-up in the local course eliminations held last Sunday.

Play for the city-wide handicap title will consist of 36 holes of medal play. The winner will receive a \$50 U.S. Defense Bond, and the runner-up will be awarded a \$25 U.S. Defense Bond.

The foursomes will be lined up on Sunday as follows:

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<u>Starting Time</u>		<u>Handicap</u>
8:00 A.M.	Aloid Tucker, Clearview	3
	William McIntyre, Split Rock	5
	Charles Bucillo, Pelham	5
	C. F. Merriman, La Tourette	9
8:05 A.M.	Michael Rogers, Silver Lake	8
	Nick Colucci, La Tourette	8
	James Christie, Van Cortlandt	10
	Joseph Gerry, Pelham	13
8:10 A.M.	John Singleton, Kissena	18
	Alvin Haas, Split Rock	16
	Anthony Muranelli, Mosholu	14
	Si Yudell, Dyker Beach	18
8:15 A.M.	Earl Ison, Clearview	17
	Roy E. Harmon, Dyker Beach	16
	A. F. Clarke, Van Cortlandt	16
	Arthur Telisha, Forest Park	16
8:20 A.M.	Gene McMasters, Kissena	18
	Martin Roberts, Mosholu	18
	W. Hilbert, Silver Lake	18
	Arthur Green, Forest Park	28

Results of the Knickerbocker Handicap Golf
Tournament may be secured by telephoning the Clear-
view Golf Course, Bayside 9-2750, after 6:00 P.M.

September 28, 1950.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

Goal posts are being erected by the Department of Parks at 95 football and 30 soccer fields located throughout the five boroughs.

The majority of the fields will be ready for play on October 1st. All fields in Manhattan and a few in the Bronx which are used for baseball during the summer months will not be available until October 7th.

Because of the heavy demand for football and soccer fields, it is necessary to regulate their use by permit. These may be secured by applying to the Supervisor of Recreation at Department of Parks borough offices.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The Department of Parks announces the start of construction in connection with the reconstruction of the playground between Brook Avenue and St. Ann's Avenue north of East 141st Street, Bronx, by the M. and A. Contracting Co., Inc.

This contract, amounting to \$48,858, provides for the complete rehabilitation of the playground, located between Brook Avenue and St. Ann's Avenue, north of East 141st Street, Borough of the Bronx. The work consists of the resurfacing or replacing of deteriorated play surfaces, rearrangement of play apparatus, paving of existing dirt surfaces, construction of a ramp and incidental retaining wall, improvements to the drainage system, and other restoration work. The playground is one of the most popular in the Bronx and the rehabilitation will restore it to full use and eliminate the present hazards to the public.

The contract includes repaving, new curbs and paving, new chain-link fence, flagpole, sand pit, resetting of playground equipment, new playground equipment, irrigation and drainage, planting, and all other incidental work.

September 26, 1950.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The Department of Parks announces the start of work in connection with the construction of a new 2.25 acre playground adjacent to Public School #98 between Nostrand Avenue and East 29th Street, south of Avenue Z, Brooklyn, by the Acme Contracting Corp.

The contract provides for the construction of a playground adjacent to the new Public School #98, which was built to accommodate the children of the Sheepshead Bay and Nostrand Housing areas. It will be jointly operated by the Board of Education and the Department of Parks and will provide recreational facilities for the school, the residents of the adjacent community and the tenants of both the housing projects.

The work includes excavation, construction of pavements, curbs, fences, benches, drainage and irrigation systems, playground lighting, topsoiling and planting.

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When completed, the area will provide a softball diamond, roller skating area; a separate area for children of pre-school age, containing swings, slides, see-saws, a sand pit, wading pool and comfort station; a completely equipped area for larger children; handball, basketball, volleyball, paddle tennis and shuffleboard courts.

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2 Plans - B-L-239-101 + 102.

September 21, 1950.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

More than 1500 municipal course golfers have filed attested score cards with supervisors at the ten Department of Parks Golf Courses, in an attempt to qualify for the annual Knickerbocker Handicap Golf Tournament. Local course championships, 18 holes of medal play, begin on Sunday, September 24th. Starting times will be assigned by the supervisor at each course.

City-wide play, for which course champions and runners-up qualify, will be held at 8 A.M. on Sunday, October 1st, at Clearview Golf Course, Belt Parkway and Willets Point Boulevard, Queens. The city-wide competition will consist of 36 holes of medal play.

Course champions will be awarded \$25 Defense Bonds and runners-up will receive \$10 in Defense Stamps. The prize for the city-wide champion will be a \$50 Defense Bond; for the runner-up a \$25 Defense Bond.

September 20, 1950.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

On Monday, September 25th, the Department of Parks will reopen Cromwell Center, located on Pier 6 in Staten Island, for public use. The hours of operation at the huge indoor recreation center will be from 3 P.M. to 10 P.M., Mondays through Friday, and from 10 A.M. to 10 P.M. on Saturdays and Sundays.

Besides an 80' by 300' arena in which the basketball, volleyball, tennis and badminton courts are located, the center has special rooms for senior and junior games, arts and crafts, boxing and exercise, and manual training.

The manual training room, furnished with up-to-date equipment for woodworking and staffed by experienced instructors, will be open from Monday to Friday between the hours of 3:30 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. and from 7:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M., and on Saturdays from 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. and from 2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The Department of Parks announces the completion and opening to the public of a new playground and the reconstructed Bennett Park, at West 185th Street and Fort Washington Avenue, Manhattan.

The improvement provides for a new marginal playground at the north end of the park and the reconstruction of eroded and deteriorated sections of the park, as well as the provision for additional sitting areas. The work also included the demolition of masonry walls, grading, construction of walls, pavements, curbs, fences, flagpole, tool storage building, park lighting, drainage and irrigation, topsoiling and planting.

The outline of the old Fort, dating back to Revolutionary days has been preserved in granite block.

This old neighborhood park serves the residents of a congested apartment house district on Washington Heights, and the urgently needed children's playground provides for a fuller active use of the area. It contains swings, seesaws, a sand pit, and numerous benches for mothers and guardians of children at play.

With the addition of this new play area, there are now 531 playgrounds in the expanded park system.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The Department of Parks announces the completion and opening to the general public, without ceremony, of a new playground, adjacent to Bronx River Houses, north of East 174th Street from Ward to Manor Avenues, Borough of the Bronx.

The construction of the playground was part of the plan and project of the Bronx River Houses and was paid for by the New York City Housing Authority. It provides additional recreational facilities for both the tenants of the housing project and the residents of the adjacent community.

The new one-acre play area includes a sand pit, kindergarten swings, slides and see-saws in a separate area set aside for pre-school children; swings, slides and jungle gym for older children; and a wading pool, flagpole and comfort station.

The westerly half of the playground is separated from the children's areas by a fenced-in, landscaped border and contains two double handball courts, a basketball and volleyball court, two

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paddle tennis courts, two shuffleboard courts, and a large permanent surfaced area which can be used for roller-skating and ice-skating in season.

The perimeter of the playground is fenced and landscaped with shade trees.

With the addition of this new play area, there are now 530 playgrounds in the expanded park system.

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2 Plans - # X-6-159-100 & 101.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

Farm subsidies are of no concern to youngsters tending farms at Department of Parks Children's Gardens. Harvesting will take place at farm gardens located at De Matti Playground, Tompkins Avenue and Shaugnessy Lane, Richmond, on Saturday, September 16th, at 11 A.M., and at Crotona Park, Crotona Park South and Fulton Avenue, Bronx, on Monday, September 18th, at 3:30 P.M.

Under the supervision of Park Department farm instructors, each child learned how to perform the necessary labor to bring a crop to harvest from seed. As their farms measure only 4' x 8', plowing was of course omitted from their course of instruction.

This year's crops, which the children will take home, include radishes, beets, Swiss chard, carrots, lettuce, onions, corn, beans, kohlrabi, and kale.

Young farmers who have distinguished themselves by outstanding endeavor will be presented with certificates of award by Park Department officials.

Harvest times at Seward Park and Highland Park will be announced later this month. Betsy Head, Fort Greene, St. Gabriel's, Highbridge, and Thomas Jefferson Parks harvested earlier this month.

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FOR RELEASE: Sunday, September 3, 1950

The Department of Parks announces the closing of seventeen outdoor swimming pools, located throughout the five boroughs, at the close of business on Monday, September ³4, 1950. During the summer, 4,500 (4,500) youngsters participated in swimming meets in the pools. Many young swimmers had their first try at competition swimming in these Park Department meets.

In addition to the swimming events, the annual "Learn to Swim Campaign" was also held in each of the 17 pools throughout July and August. During these months, 6,500 children learned how to swim.

Twelve of the outdoor pools will reopen as active play centers on Monday, September 11th, with facilities for paddle tennis, shuffleboard, basketball, table tennis, and group games. The pools which will convert to play centers and which will operate free of charge are:

Swimming classes

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10-6 *Ratton*
week day
2 30 - 10 P.M.

MANHATTAN

Hamilton Fish Pool, East Houston and Pitt Streets
Colonial Pool, Bradhurst Avenue and 145th Street
Highbridge Pool, Amsterdam Avenue and West 173rd
Street
Thomas Jefferson Pool, 111th Street and First
Avenue

BROOKLYN

Sunset Pool, 7th Avenue and 43rd Street
McCarren Pool, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street *bar*
Red Hook Pool, Clinton, Bay and Henry Streets *bar*
Betsy Head Pool, Hopkinson and Dumont Avenues

BRONX

Crotona Pool, 173rd Street and Fulton Avenue

QUEENS

Astoria Pool, 19th Street and 23rd Drive

RICHMOND

Faber Pool, Richmond Terrace and Faber Street
Tompkinsville Pool, Victory Boulevard and Bay
Street

Bathhouse accommodations at Jacob Riis Park
and also at Orchard Beach will close for the season
at the end of the day's business on Sunday, September
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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

Young farmers at Department of Parks Children's Gardens will harvest their produce according to the following schedule:

Wednesday, September 6 -

10:30 A.M. - Betsy Head Park, Hopkinson and Dumont Avenues, Brooklyn

2:30 P.M. - Fort Greene Park, Myrtle Avenue and St. Edwards Street, Brooklyn

Thursday, September 7 -

10:30 A.M. - St. Gabriel's Park, East 35th Street and First Avenue, Manhattan

2:30 P.M. - Thomas Jefferson Park, 114th Street and First Avenue, Manhattan

Friday, September 8 -

11:00 A.M. - Highbridge Park, 189th Street and Amsterdam Avenue, Manhattan

Although their farms measure 4' x 8', the youngsters learned the farmer's lot, from seed to crop, by spading, fertilizing, sowing, weeding, and watering their plots since early spring. Harvest

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time brings them their reward in the form of vegetables to be taken home. Their crops included radishes, beets, Swiss chard, carrots, lettuce, onions, corn, beans, kohlrabi, and kale.

Certificates of award for outstanding accomplishments will be presented by Park Department officials on the harvest date at each location.

Harvest dates for gardens located in Crotona Park, Seward Park, Highland Park, and De Matti Playground will be announced later.

September 1, 1950.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The last week of Name Band Dances in New York City parks, a season-long series of 54 dances sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company and conducted by the Department of Parks, will feature the music of Johnny Long, Tony Pastor, and Charlie Peterson.

The music of the nation's top "name bands" has attracted more than 312,000 people who came to dance out-of-doors under the stars or to spend an enjoyable evening listening to the music.

The dances for the closing week of the series will be held each evening at 8:30 P.M., as follows:

- Tuesday, September 5 - Johnny Long playing at Victory Field, Myrtle Avenue and Woodhaven Boulevard, Glendale, Queens
- Wednesday, September 6 - Tony Pastor playing at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx
- Thursday, September 7 - Tony Pastor playing at the Mall in Central Park
- Friday, September 8 - Charlie Peterson playing at the Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street

August 30, 1950.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The final dance in a series of forty square dances sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company this summer will be held on Friday evening, September 1st, at the Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn, beginning at 8:30 P.M.

New York City's square dance fans have set a lively pace for the rest of the nation's devotees of the old time dance. Approximately 332,000 people have attended the dances which have been held this season at Riverside Drive and 103rd Street, the Mall in Central Park, the Prospect Park Dance Area, and at Victory Field in Queens.

Ed Durlacher has been the caller for the entire series. Each week during the season, he has featured a special dance throughout each week. By attending these dances regularly, the public has acquired a knowledge of the great variety of square dances as danced in the different sections of our country and also many interesting facts about the derivation or history of each dance.

Ed's band of musicians, the Top Hands, have given the lively tunes a beat which, together with Ed's calls, kept thousands of participants dancing in unison each evening.

August 29, 1950.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The fourth and final concert in the Naumburg series for the current season will be given on Monday evening, September 4th, at 8:15 P.M., on the Mall in Central Park. The Naumburg Orchestra will be directed by Walter Ducloux. Paul Kind, baritone, will appear as guest artist.

The program will be:

"The Star Spangled Banner"

1. Overture - Egmont.....Beethoven
2. Moldau.....Smetana
3. Aria - "Eri tu che macchiavi" - The
Masked Ball.....Verdi
Paul Kind
4. Symphony - D Minor - 1st Movement.....Franck

INTERMISSION

5. Prelude to Act III "Lohengrin".....Wagner
6. Prologue - "Pagliacci".....Leoncavallo
Paul Kind
7. Fantasy - "Romeo and Juliet".....Tschaikowsky

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These concerts are contributed annually by Mr. Walter W. Naumburg and Mr. George W. Naumburg in memory of their father, Mr. Elkan Naumburg, who donated the bandstand on the Mall to New York City. Mr. Elkan Naumburg is remembered by lovers of good music because of his custom of contributing orchestral concerts on three holidays - Memorial Day, Fourth of July, and Labor Day. His sons, continuing this practice, have added a fourth on July 31st, the anniversary of their father's death.

August 29, 1950.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

Consolidated Edison's "Dancing under the Stars" series will be highlighted on Thursday evening, August 31, 1950, at the Mall, Central Park, when the City-wide Finals of the 9th Annual Park Department Harvest Dance Contest will be held. The rhythms will be provided by Buddy Williams and his orchestra.

Borough eliminations have been conducted in each of the five boroughs in four dance divisions - waltz, fox trot, rhumba and jitterbug. First, second and third place borough winners in each division will be eligible to compete in the City-wide Finals to determine who are New York's #1 fox trotters, waltzers, jitterbuggers and rhumba King and Queen.

The contest is being sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company. A \$25.00 U. S. Savings Bond will be awarded to each member of the winning team in each division. Second Place dancers will receive \$10.00 in U. S. Savings Stamps.

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In addition to the four dance division contests, the city-wide champions in each will be eligible to compete in an All 'Round Championship, a lively number in which jitterbuggers add a jazzy beat to ballroom steps. The Olympic Point Scoring System will be used. The judges will be Mrs. Florence Doughty, Director of the Florence Doughty Dance Studios; Mr. Oscar Duryea, Director of the Duryea Dancing Studios; Mr. Donald Sawyer, Director of the Sawyer Dance Studios; and Miss Florence Terrace of the College of the City of New York.

Spectators are cordially invited to attend the contest, which will start at 8:30 P.M.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The tenth and next to last week of Consolidated Edison Name Band Dances brings a variety of entertainment to New Yorkers in their city parks each weekday evening, Monday through Friday next week.

On Monday, August 28, Eddie Wilcox and his orchestra will play at Colonial Playground, 146th Street and Bradhurst Avenue, Manhattan.

Tuesday, August 29, Bernie Mann and his orchestra will appear at Jackson Heights Playground, 84th Street and 25th Avenue, Queens.

Wednesday, August 30, Ted Weems and his orchestra will play at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx.

Thursday, August 31, Buddy Williams and his musical crew will put on a fine show at the Mall in Central Park.

Friday, September 1, Ted Weems will make his second appearance of the week at the Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn.

All dances begin at 8:30 P.M.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The new clubhouse at the Clearview Municipal Golf Course in Queens will open for patrons of the golf course on August 26, 1950. The building is located at the apex of Roe Place, 205th Street and Cross Island Parkway.

Construction of this building was started during the depression years by the Works Progress Administration and left in an incompleated state when World War II caused cessation of W.P.A. activities. In 1943, the building was enclosed and roofed to prevent deterioration of work already done.

The completion of the clubhouse, which has been patiently awaited by the city's golfing enthusiasts, gives the patrons of the course a modern two-story fireproof brick Colonial type structure, replacing the 67-year old converted and deteriorated farm house which has heretofore inadequately served as the clubhouse.

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The new building, completed at a cost of \$168,811.17, has 226 lockers for men and 77 for women. Showers and washrooms are constructed of tile and marble. The dining terrace, snack bar and restaurant, with its nine foot high bay windows, overlook the first and tenth tees, which are separated by a natural spring fed pool filled with gold fish.

The entire building is air-cooled by four huge exhaust fans. Immediately adjacent to the building, a large asphalt surfaced parking lot, with a capacity for 200 cars, greets the golfer as he drives up a tree-lined driveway to the clubhouse to enter the 125-acre golf course purchased by the city in 1931 for \$960,000.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

Over 2,000 boys and girls have entered the Junior Fishing Contest to be conducted by the Department of Parks under the sponsorship of Better Fishing, Inc., on Thursday, August 24th, between 8 A.M. and 1 P.M., at the 14 salt water and 11 fresh water fishing areas under Park Department jurisdiction.

The contest is part of the nation-wide Third Annual Better Fishing Rodeo for boys and girls. New York City is participating in the program for the first time.

Better Fishing, Inc. is a non-profit organization of sportsmen interested in providing fishing fun for youngsters, as well as educating them in the values of fish conservation.

Grand prizes will be awarded to the boys and girls catching the heaviest fish at each location selected for the contest. A special award will be given to the boy and girl catching the heaviest fish of the day in the Salt Water Contest and the Fresh Water Contest.

The winners from each of the twenty-five areas will assemble with their prize winning fish for the presentation

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of the two special awards which will be made at 3 P.M. on the afternoon of the contest at the south end of the 72nd Street Lake in Central Park. A parking space is located south of the lake for the convenience of contestants and spectators.

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FOR RELEASE: Sunday, August 20, 1950

The Annual Life Guard Contest, in which the life guards from the six municipal beaches compete, will be held at Coney Island Beach at West 8th Street, Brooklyn, on Tuesday, August 22nd, at 2 P.M., and, in case of rain, on August 23rd.

Teams of fourteen life guards who supervise the safety of the millions who make use of the city beaches will represent Coney Island, Brooklyn; Orchard Beach, Bronx; Jacob Riis Beach, Queens; Rockaway Beach east of 84th Street, Queens; Rockaway Beach west of 84th Street, Queens; and Great Kills and South Beaches in Richmond.

The competitors who will take part in the contest have been carefully selected from the 470 life guards employed by the Department of Parks to supervise the city's beaches. Lewis Benza of Orchard Beach will be on hand to defend the individual championship which he won last year. The life guards in this

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event will compete in a 75 yard Individual Surf Rescue, a Quarter-Mile Speed Swim, and a One-Mile Catamaran Race. The life guard amassing the greatest number of points in these three events will be the champion and will receive a special trophy. Six other events on the program will be for the team championship-- a Half-Mile Swim, a One-Mile Catamaran Race, a Three-Man Rescue Race, a 200 Yard Obstacle Race, an 880 Yard Catamaran Rescue Race, and a 75 Yard Individual Surf Rescue. Prizes will be awarded to competitors finishing first, second and third in each event. A trophy will also be awarded to the beach scoring the greatest number of points.

A cordial invitation is extended by the Department of Parks to witness this Annual Life Guard Championship Tournament.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

Enjoyable evenings of dancing under the stars may be spent in New York City parks each weekday evening this week. The nation's top "name bands", engaged by the Consolidated Edison Company as a public service, will play for dances to be conducted by the Department of Parks, Monday through Friday evenings beginning at 8:30 P.M. Next week's dances are listed below:

Monday, August 21, Woody Herman and his orchestra will play at Colonial Park, 146th Street and Bradhurst Avenue, Manhattan.

Tuesday, August 22, Larry Fotine and his orchestra will appear at Victory Field, Myrtle Avenue and Woodhaven Boulevard, Glendale, Queens.

Wednesday, August 23, Larry Fotine and his orchestra will play at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx.

Thursday, August 24, Tony Pastor and his orchestra are scheduled to play at the Mall in Central Park.

Friday, August 25, Larry Fotine and his orchestra will play at the Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn.

The Consolidated Edison Company and the Department of Parks cordially invite the public to attend these dances which begin at 8:30 P.M.

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FOR RELEASE: Sunday, August 20, 1950

Among the "big fry" that New York City's "small fry" can catch at the 14 salt water and 11 fresh water fishing areas set aside for the Department of Parks - Better Fishing, Inc. Junior Fishing Contest, on Thursday, August 24, 1950, are more than a score of aquatic species.

Among the salt water varieties, the most popular are shad, eels, bass, carp, flounder, blackfish, fluke, porgies, and an occasional sand shark. According to reports, Manhattan locations appear to have a monopoly on shad, eels, bass and carp. Queens locations offer the largest catch in the ever-popular flounder and blackfish, while an occasional sand shark is landed at Shore Road, south of Fort Hamilton and 16th Avenue, Brooklyn. Bronx and Richmond have an abundant supply of all the above.

There is an interesting variety in fresh water species consisting predominantly of yellow

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perch, sunfish, bullheads, catfish, calico bass and pickerel. Queens lakes are inhabited by bullheads, perch, pickerel and catfish, and Van Cortlandt Park Lake in the Bronx leads in yellow perch and sunfish. Clove, Willowbrook and Wolfe's Pond Lakes in Richmond offer bass, carp, perch and sunfish merely for the catching. Prospect Park's specialty for Brooklyn contest entrants is calico bass, and Manhattan offers some in all classifications.

Entry blanks may still be secured and filed on Monday, August 21st, at Park Department borough offices, fishing areas and local playgrounds.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

On Sunday, August 20, 1950, the Women's and Junior Boys' City-wide Championship in the Department of Parks Annual Municipal Golf Tournament will be decided at Forest Park Golf Course, Park Lane South and Forest Parkway, Forest Park, Queens. The field of 20 women and 20 boys, who qualified in the local course tournaments held at the 10 Department of Parks courses, will tee off starting at 9 A.M. Miss Jean Stuhler of Queens, representing Kissena Golf Course, winner of the women's title for the past two years, played in top form and posted a 78 in the qualifying round, establishing herself as a heavy favorite to annex the title for the third straight year. In the junior boys' competition, the battle for top honors should be keenly contested with Richard Carroll of the Bronx, representing Split Rock Golf Course, runner-up in last year's tournament, having a slight edge over the rest of the field. Following is the starting schedule:

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J U N I O R B O Y S

9:00 A.M.

Charles Goldberg
Myron Meadow
Spencer Gaines
Edward Hogan

Kissena
Mosholu
Silver Lake
Van Cortlandt

9:05 A.M.

Thomas J. Drake
John Gorman
Stanley Cedelski
Allan Cook

La Tourette
Clearview
Pelham
Dyker Beach

9:10 A.M.

Richard Carroll
George Martin
Ronald Colby
Edward Ritchie

Split Rock
Forest Park
Kissena
Mosholu

9:15 A.M.

Kent Downs
Jerry O'Donovan
Edward Sorge
Harold Kolb

Silver Lake
Van Cortlandt
La Tourette
Clearview

9:20 A.M.

Larry Schlissberg
Walter Jacobsen
Gus Liebrcher
Ronald Kowalsky

Pelham
Dyker Beach
Split Rock
Forest Park

W O M E N

9:25 A.M.

Jean Stuhler
Myrtle Levy
Evalyn Patton
Nancy Dalby

Kissena
Mosholu
Silver Lake
Van Cortlandt

9:30 A.M.

Alma Reilly
Annette Reyl
Rie Cassella
Charlotte Josephson

La Tourette
Clearview
Pelham
Dyker Beach

W O M E N (Cont.)

9:35 A.M.

Minnie Fullen	Split Rock
Anita Datler	Forest Park
Mary Kohlmeyer	Kissena
Delores Dalziel	Mosholu

9:40 A.M.

Pinky Mitchell	Silver Lake
Betty McDwyer	Van Cortlandt
Helen Meade	La Tourette
Thelma Brundage	Clearview

9:45 A.M.

Elizabeth Roper	Pelham
Kay Olson	Dyker Beach
Anne Rosenberg	Split Rock
Mary McNally	Forest Park

NOTE: Directions to Forest Park Golf Course:

By Subway - BMT Jamaica Elevated to Woodhaven Blvd., walk north to Forest Parkway and Forest Park Drive to course.

IND (Local GG) to Woodhaven Blvd., Q29 Bus to Myrtle Avenue, walk west to 79th Street and south along Forest Park Drive to course.

IRT Flushing Line to 82nd Street, Jackson Heights - Q29 Bus as above.

By Car - Grand Central Parkway to Forest Park Drive - south to course.

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FOR RELEASE: Sunday, August 13, 1950

The cream of New York City's 470 lifeguards will compete in the Annual Lifeguard Championship Tournament to be held at Coney Island, West 8th Street, on Tuesday, August 22, 1950, at 2 P.M., and, in case of heavy rain, on August 23rd, to decide which beach possesses the "Creme de la creme" in surf wizards.

Representatives from Coney Island, Orchard Beach, Jacob Riis Beach, Rockaway Beach, Great Kills Beach and South Beach will vie for top honors.

Nine events are scheduled on the afternoon program, which will be one of the Island's special features on that day--three to determine the individual championship and six to resolve the team championship. The individual lifeguard championship will be determined by points scored in the 75 Yard Individual Surf Rescue, the Quarter Mile Speed Swim and the One Mile Catamaran Race. The lifeguard receiving the most points will be awarded an Individual Championship Trophy.

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Points are to be scored 10 - 7 - 5 - 3 - 1, and a team championship trophy will be won by the beach scoring the greatest total number of points accumulated in the following events: One Half Mile Swim, 1 Mile Catamaran Race, 3 Man Rescue Race, 200 Yard Obstacle Race, 880 Yard Catamaran Rescue Race, and the 75 Yard Individual Surf Rescue.

Prizes will be awarded to the contestants finishing first, second and third in each event.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The Department of Parks Marionette Trailer Theatre will visit Manhattan park playgrounds beginning Friday, August 18th. Thirty performances of "The Shoemaker and the Elves" are on the schedule which will be concluded on September 8th.

One performance is a special show for children at Bellevue Hospital, on Tuesday, August 29th, at 11 A.M.

The Manhattan schedule will bring to a close the summer tour by the Department of Parks Marionette Theatre which visited every section of New York City. The fall and winter tour of indoor locations will begin in mid-October.

Manhattan performances are scheduled as follows:

Friday	August 18	11:00 A.M.	Playground,
		2:30 P.M.	Riverside Drive and 105th Street
Monday	August 21	11:00 A.M.	Colonial Playground,
		2:30 P.M.	Bradhurst Avenue and 150th Street
Tuesday	August 22	11:00 A.M.	Inwood Park,
		2:30 P.M.	Seaman Avenue and Isham Street

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Wednesday	August 23	11:00 A.M. 2:30 P.M.	Thomas Jefferson Playground, 112th Street and East River Drive
Thursday	August 24	11:00 A.M. 2:30 P.M.	Mt. Morris East Playground, East 123rd Street and Madison Avenue
Friday	August 25	11:00 A.M. 2:30 P.M.	J. Hood Wright Playground, 175th Street and Ft. Wash- ington Avenue
Monday	August 28	11:00 A.M. 2:30 P.M.	Harlem Housing Playground, 151st Street and Seventh Avenue
Tuesday	August 29	11:00 A.M. 2:30 P.M.	Bellevue Hospital, Park Lot, east of hospital Chelsea Playground, 28th Street and Ninth Avenue
Wednesday	August 30	11:00 A.M. 2:30 P.M.	Highbridge Playground, 174th Street and Amsterdam Avenue, near tower
Thursday	August 31	11:00 A.M. 2:30 P.M.	Columbus Park, Baxter and Worth Streets
Friday	Sept. 1	11:00 A.M. 2:30 P.M.	Roosevelt Playground, Chrystie, Forsyth and Broome Streets
Tuesday	Sept. 5	11:00 A.M. 2:30 P.M.	John Jay Playground, 77th Street and Cherokee Place
Wednesday	Sept. 6	11:00 A.M. 2:30 P.M.	Hamilton Fish Playground, Stanton, Pitt and East Houston Streets
Thursday	Sept. 7	11:00 A.M. 2:30 P.M.	Amphitheatre, East River Drive and Grand Street
Friday	Sept. 8	11:00 A.M. 2:30 P.M.	Heckscher Playground, 66th Street and West Drive, Central Park

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The "big one that didn't get away" will win a prize for each of fifty young anglers on Thursday, August 24th, when the Department of Parks, in cooperation with Better Fishing, Inc., conducts a fishing contest for boys and girls 10 through 16 years of age, at 14 salt water and 11 fresh water fishing areas in New York City. The contest will be held between the hours of 8 A.M. and 1 P.M.

The boy and girl catching the heaviest fish at each location will be presented with a grand prize of rod, reel, line, lures, etc., donated by Better Fishing, Inc.

Competition will be conducted in two divisions: the Salt Water Contest and the Fresh Water Contest. A special award will be presented at 3 P.M. on the day of the contest at the south end of the 72nd Street Lake in Central Park, to the boy and girl catching the heaviest fish of the day in each division of the contest.

Entries close Monday, August 21st. Entry blanks may be secured at Park Department borough offices, fishing areas, neighborhood playgrounds, or by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the Director of Recreation, Department of Parks, Arsenal, Central Park, New York 21, N. Y.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

Only four survivors of an entry of over 1800 men remain in the New York City Municipal Golf Tournament conducted by the Department of Parks. The semi-final round to be played at the Split Rock Golf Course, Shore Road north of Hutchinson River Parkway, Pelham Bay Park, Bronx, on Saturday, August 12th, starts at 9 A.M.

Saturday's matches, consisting of 36 holes of match play, find John Amanna of Mosholu Golf Course pitted against Al Doerwald of Van Cortlandt Golf Course, and Harold Southwick of Clearview Golf Course battling Jack Valentino of Split Rock Golf Course, the tournament's dark horse. Valentino, who just barely qualified for the match play competition in a special 9 hole play-off to decide a nine way tie for the last two positions in the draw, has defeated such tested golfers as Joseph Moresco of La Tourette Golf Course, Richmond, and James Manzone of Mosholu Golf Course, Bronx, last year's city-wide champion.

The winners of Saturday's matches will meet on Sunday, August 13th, at the same course, starting at 9 A.M., in 36 holes of match play competition for the City-Wide Individual Championship.

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D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S

FOR RELEASE

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Sunday, August 13, 1950

The Ninth Annual Harvest Dance Contest gets under way with Borough eliminations in Fox Trot, Waltz, Rhumba and Jitter-bug, commencing the week of August 14th. This is a gala climax for the 1950 summer season's Consolidated Edison sponsored Name Band Dances which have been held every week-day evening during July and August throughout the boroughs.

There will be an elimination contest in each borough according to the following schedule:

RICHMOND	Monday	August 14 - McDonald Playground, Forest Avenue, near Broadway
QUEENS	Tuesday	August 15 - Jackson Heights Playground, 84th Street and 30th Avenue
BRONX	Wednesday	August 16 - Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse
MANHATTAN	Thursday	August 17 - The Mall, Central Park - 72nd Street
BROOKLYN	Friday	August 18 - Prospect Park Dance Area at 11th Street

Contestants must be novices and at least 16 years of age. First, second and third place borough winners in each division will be eligible to compete in the city-wide finals to be held on the Mall, Central Park, on Thursday evening, August 31, 1950.

All contests will start promptly at 8:30 P.M. Entries close three days before borough contests and should be forwarded to the Supervisor of Recreation at the Park Department Office in the borough in which you desire to compete.

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Johnny Long, Johnny Messner, and Charlie Peterson will play for the ninth week of Consolidated Edison Name Band Dances, a series of fifty-four evenings of dancing under the stars conducted by the Department of Parks in centrally located parks in New York City. Dances for the coming week will be held as follows:

Johnny Long and his orchestra will play on Monday evening, August 14th, at Williamsbridge Oval, East 208th Street and Bainbridge Avenue, Bronx.

Johnny Messner and his orchestra have been engaged for the Tuesday evening, August 15th, dance at Jackson Heights Playground, 84th Street and 25th Avenue, Queens.

Johnny Long and his orchestra give out with their dance rhythms at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx, on Wednesday evening, August 16th.

Charlie Peterson will play at the Mall in Central Park on Thursday, August 17th.

The music of Johnny Messner and his orchestra will be heard again at the Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn, on Friday, August 18th.

All dances begin at 8:30 P.M.

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MUSIC AND DANCE EVENTS IN THE PARKS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sunday, August 13 -

8:30 P.M. - Final Guggenheim Memorial Concert of the season - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting - Request Program.

Monday, August 14 -

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company - Williamsbridge Oval, East 208th Street and Bainbridge Avenue, Bronx - Johnny Long and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Riverside Drive and 103rd Street, Lower Level - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands.

Tuesday, August 15 -

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company - Jackson Heights Playground, 84th Street and 25th Avenue, Queens - Johnny Messner and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Mall, Central Park - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands.

12:15 P.M. - Concert - Bowling Green Park, Broadway and Whitehall Streets - 7th Regiment Band.

Wednesday, August 16 -

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company - Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx - Johnny Long and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands.

8:30 P.M. - Concert - American Express Glee Club - Forest Park Music Grove, Queens.

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Thursday, August 17 -

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company - Mall, Central Park - Charlie Peterson and his orchestra.

Friday, August 18 -

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company - Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn - Johnny Messner and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Victory Field, Myrtle Avenue and Woodhaven Boulevard, Glendale, Queens - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands.

8:30 P.M. - Concert sponsored by Local 802, American Federation of Musicians - Columbus Park, Bayard and Mulberry Streets, Manhattan.

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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The dance of the week for the Free Pepsi Square Dances starting August 14th will be "My Little Girl".

From coast to coast, from the Great Lakes to the Gulf of New Mexico, "My Little Girl" takes its place as Number One on the square dance hit parade.

Ed Durlacher first found this dance in upper New York State and knew if he could incorporate a western form of chorus figure with this dance, he could encourage the western part of the country to do more of the singing call dances.

He introduced it in Colorado Springs, Colorado, in the fall of 1947, and, overnight it became so popular, he recorded it the same year. "My Little Girl" is the friendly link between eastern and western square dancing.

The dances sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company, in conjunction with the Department of Parks, are held weekly:- Monday at Riverside Drive, Tuesday at Central Park Mall, Wednesday at Prospect Park, Brooklyn, and Friday at Forest Park, Queens.

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Over eight hundred gaily costumed children will dance in the Department of Parks 35th Annual Brooklyn Dance Festival at Long Meadow in Prospect Park, on Saturday, August 12th, at 2:30 P.M. An audience of 15,000 is expected to view the event.

All of the young dancers are under sixteen years of age and are products of dance classes which have been held in most of Brooklyn's 126 Park Playgrounds for the past month as part of the regular, year-round recreation program conducted by the Department's staff of well qualified Playground Directors.

The Festival will start with a procession of dancers from the Grand Army Plaza at Union Street to the Long Meadow, where the youngsters will perform.

The following dances will be presented:

"Chatanooga Shoe Shine Boy" by children of the Borough Hall - Red Hook Section

"Mexican Waltz" by children of the Greenpoint Section

"Holiday for Dolls" by children of the Williamsburg Section

"Toreadors in Madrid" by children of the Bushwick - Stuyvesant Section

"Tarantella" by children of the East New York - Brownsville Section

"Colleens of Erin" by children of the Flatbush - Sheepshead Section

"Jockey Dance" by children of the Coney Island - Bensonhurst Section

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"Circus Queens" by children of the Bay Ridge Section

"Circus Kings" by children of the Bay Ridge Section

After the festival program, the dancers will parade to the Picnic Grounds where they will enjoy their annual picnic. The general public is cordially invited to attend the Children's Annual Dance Festival at the Long Meadow, Prospect Park, this Saturday afternoon. The festival area may be reached through the Grand Army Plaza entrance at Union Street, or through the Third Street Entrance to the Park.

August 8, 1950.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS

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Immediately

The Department of Parks announces the completion and opening to the general public of a new playground incorporated in the New York City Housing Authority's South Beach Houses at Kramer Street and Parkinson Avenue in the South Beach section of Staten Island.

The acquisition of land for the playground, and its construction by the Housing Authority were part of the plan and project for the development of the South Beach Houses. This new recreation area has been turned over to the Park Department for maintenance and operation and will not only provide urgently needed recreational facilities for both the tenants of the housing improvement and the school children of the adjacent Public School No. 46, but also for the residents of the surrounding community.

This new play area, 3.7 acres in extent and rectangular in shape, is composed of three separate fenced-in sections. The most northerly unit, adjacent to Kramer Street, contains a wading pool, play equipment for small children of pre-school age, a comfort station, a sand pit, and a flagpole. The center section contains basketball and volleyball courts, paddle tennis courts, shuffleboard courts, floodlighted handball courts, and a large roller skating area. The southerly

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section contains a softball area with hooded backstop, which may also be used for roller skating as well as ice skating when sub-freezing temperatures permit. The southwest corner of this latter section also contains a fenced-in area to provide an outside classroom for kindergarten children and is equipped with a sand pit, kindergarten swings and slides, and see-saws. Immediately adjacent to it is a school garden for students of the school. The perimeter of the playground and the divisions of the three sections have been landscaped with shade trees. Numerous benches have been provided for users of the facility and guardians of children at play.

With the addition of this new playground, there are now 529 playgrounds in the expanded park system.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS



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Sunday, August 6, 1950

According to Hewitt, "A fisherman passes through three stages in his career: first, he wants to catch as many fish as possible; second, he wants to catch the biggest fish possible; and last, he wants to catch the most elusive fish." The Department of Parks and Better Fishing, Inc. are endeavoring to aid boys and girls, 10 through 16 years of age, in attaining the second stage by conducting a City-Wide Fishing Contest on Thursday, August 24, 1950, at 25 fishing locations in New York City. (See attached entry blank for details.)

Prizes donated by Better Fishing, Inc. will be presented to the boy and girl catching the heaviest fish at each location, and a special grand award will be given to the boy and girl catching the heaviest fish of the day in both the Salt Water Contest and the Fresh Water Contest.

Entry blanks may be secured at Park Department Borough Offices, fishing areas, neighborhood playgrounds, or by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Director of Recreation, Department of Parks, Arsenal, Central Park, New York 21, New York.

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JUNIOR FISHING CONTEST

Conducted by

THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS

In Collaboration with

NATIONAL BETTER FISHING PROGRAM FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

at

TWENTY-FIVE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS FISHING LOCATIONS

Thursday, August 24, 1950

8 A.M. to 1 P.M.

For Boys and Girls from 10 to 16 years of age
Residing in New York City.

PRIZES: LOCAL—A Better Fishing Grand Award to each boy and girl catching the heaviest fish at each location. In case of tie the length of fish will determine the winner.

CITY-WIDE—Special Better Fishing Grand Award to each boy and girl catching the heaviest fish in both the Salt Water Contest and the Fresh Water Contest. Winners at all locations to report to South end of 72nd Street Lake, Central Park, Manhattan on August 24th at 3 P.M. to determine who has the heaviest salt water and fresh water fish.

FRESH WATER AND SALT WATER FISHING LOCATIONS
ARE LISTED ON THE BACK OF ENTRY BLANK

RULES OF CONTEST

1. Entries close Monday, August 21, 1950.
2. Each contestant must furnish his own equipment and bait. No casting allowed.
3. Each contestant must catch and land his own fish without assistance to be eligible for a prize.
4. All fish caught to be entered in the contest must be taken to the judges' stand by contestant at each area to be weighed.
5. All contestants must fish from shore or from piers. No boats allowed.
6. Bag limit: Five fish for each contestant.
7. Contestants may enter from only one location.
8. New York State Fish and Game Laws must be observed.

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Director of Recreation
Department of Parks
64th Street & Fifth Avenue
New York 21, N. Y.

Kindly enter me in the Junior Fishing Contest to be conducted by the Department of Parks in collaboration with National Better Fishing Program for Boys and Girls.

I desire to fish at _____

(Location)

I will report to the registration table at the above location on Thursday, August 24, 1950 at 7:30 A.M. to register

Signature _____

Date of Birth _____

Address _____

I hereby give my consent to my son or daughter to take part in this Contest and in consideration of your accepting this entry, I hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the Department of Parks, City of New York, Better Fishing, Inc., the directors of this meet, their agents, representatives, and assigns, for any and all injuries suffered by him (or her) at the Fishing Contest.

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____

FISHING AREAS

SALT WATER

Manhattan

Hudson River at 83rd Street
Hudson River at 92nd Street
Hudson River, north of Dyckman Street

Brooklyn

Canarsie Pier, Foot of Rockaway Parkway
Coney Island, Steeplechase Pier, West 16th Street
Plum Beach, Shore Parkway, east of Knapp Street
Shore Road, south of Fort Hamilton at 16th Avenue

Bronx

Ferry Point Park under Bronx-Whitestone Bridge
Pelham Bay Park, Twin Island—Orchard Beach

Queens

Little Neck Bay, 28th Avenue, Bayside
Francis Lewis Park, East River and 147th Street
Cross Bay Blvd. Bridge, 1st Bridge south of Shore Parkway
Jacob Riis Park, north side, east of Marine Park Bridge

Richmond

Great Kills Beach, Hylan Boulevard, south of Guion Avenue

FRESH WATER

Manhattan

Central Park, 72nd Street Lake

Brooklyn

Prospect Park Lake—west of Lincoln Road Entrance

Bronx

Van Cortlandt Park Lake, east of 242nd Street and Broadway

Queens

Alley Pond Park, Harding Blvd. and Cross Island Parkway
Kissena Park Lake, Rose Avenue and 160th Street
Baisley Park Lake, Sutphin and Baisley Blvds.
Pea Pond Park, 216th Street and 86th Avenue
Oakland Lake, Springfield Blvd. and 47th Avenue

Richmond

Clove Lakes (Martling), Victory Blvd. and Clove Road
Willowbrook Park Lake, Victory Blvd. and Richmond Avenue
Wolfe's Pond Beach, Hylan Blvd. and Cornelia Ave.

List furnished by T B T A.

JOINT RELEASE
by
JOHN CASHMORE, BOROUGH PRESIDENT OF BROOKLYN
and
ROBERT MOSES, COMMISSIONER OF PARKS
for
MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 1950

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Since the opening of the Brooklyn-Battery Tunnel, traffic congestion on Gowanus Parkway and Hamilton Avenue, Brooklyn, has become serious. The elevated parkway is under the Park Department, part of Hamilton Avenue underneath it is in the jurisdiction of the Borough President. To help relieve this congestion the area under Gowanus Parkway, between Clinton Street and Prospect Expressway, will be used for free car parking, thus making it possible to eliminate curb parking. It is not practical to attempt to install meters or charge for parking in this narrow space. Curb cuts will be made and parking spaces marked. The first of these spaces will be ready for the public on August 14, 1950.

Attached are plans showing two methods of parking which will be tried.

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Sent out Friday, August 4, 1950.

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The Department of Parks announces the arrival at the Central Park Zoo of a new pair of Zebras.

These East African animals, three years of age, were purchased from the Trefflich Bird and Animal Co., 228 Fulton Street, New York.

They are approximately forty inches high and weigh about three hundred pounds each.

Press photographs may be taken at any time.

August 4, 1950.

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The dance of the week for the Free Pepsi Square Dances starting August 7th will be the "Bachelor's Delight".

Although the vast majority of square dances have come down through the years, occasionally a new combination of figures is put together and immediately accepted by the dancers.

Mr. Roland F. Roche, Vice President of the New York operation of the Pepsi-Cola Company states that Ed Durlacher found this dance last April in Texas.

Starting out as a regular square dance, it becomes in part similar to the Virginia Reel, but with only one man doing the reel with the ladies in the center.

The dances sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company in conjunction with the Department of Parks are held weekly:- Monday at Riverside Drive, Tuesday at Central Park Mall, Wednesday at Prospect Park, Brooklyn, and Friday at Forest Park, Queens.

For further information please call Leslie L. Long, Stillwell 4-4156.

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120,000 people to date have enjoyed the Name Band Dances which are sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company and held during the summer months at the larger parks in New York City under the auspices of the Department of Parks.

The Name Band Dances for next week will be conducted each weekday evening at 8:30 P.M. as follows:

Monday, August 7, at Colonial Park, 146th Street and Bradhurst Avenue, Manhattan, with Hot Lips Page and his orchestra.

Tuesday, August 8, at Victory Field, Myrtle Avenue and Woodhaven Boulevard, Glendale, Queens, music by Bobby Byrnes and his orchestra.

Wednesday, August 9, at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx. Bobby Byrnes and his orchestra will also play for this dance.

Thursday, August 10, at the Mall in Central Park. The band of the evening will be Bob Chester and his orchestra.

Friday, August 11, at Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn. Bob Chester and his orchestra will make their second appearance of the season on the Name Band Dance schedule.

August 3, 1950.

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MUSIC AND DANCE EVENTS IN THE PARKS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sunday, August 6 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko
Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park -
Miscellaneous Program.

Monday, August 7 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko
Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park -
Victor Herbert Program.

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated
Edison Company - Colonial Park, 146th Street
and Bradhurst Avenue, Manhattan - Hot Lips
Page and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola
Company - Riverside Drive and 103rd Street,
Lower Level - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands.

Tuesday, August 8 -

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated
Edison Company - Victory Field, Myrtle
Avenue and Woodhaven Boulevard, Glendale,
Queens - Bobby Byrnes and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola
Company - Mall, Central Park - Ed Durlacher
and Top Hands.

12:15 P.M. - Concert - Bowling Green Park, Broadway and
Whitehall Streets - 7th Regiment Band.

Wednesday, August 9 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko
Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park -
Bach-Handel Program.

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated
Edison Company - Poe Park, 192nd Street
and Grand Concourse, Bronx - Bobby Byrnes
and his orchestra.

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Wednesday, August 9 - (Cont.)

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands.

8:30 P.M. - Concert - Gimbel Choral Group - Forest Park Music Grove, Queens.

Thursday, August 10 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting - Prospect Park Music Grove - Wagner Program.

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company - Mall, Central Park - Bob Chester and his orchestra.

Friday, August 11 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park - Request Program.

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company - Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street - Bob Chester and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Victory Field, Myrtle Avenue and Woodhaven Boulevard, Glendale, Queens - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands.

Saturday, August 12 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting - Final Brooklyn concert of season - Prospect Park Music Grove - Request Program.

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Play in the Municipal Golf Tournament for men goes into high gear on Saturday, August 5th, at 12 Noon, at the Split Rock Golf Course, Shore Road, North of Hutchinson River Parkway, Pelham Bay Park, Bronx. Thirty-two survivors of a field of over 1,800 entries will tee off in the final phase of the tournament, qualifying as a result of medal play eliminations held at the ten Parks Department Courses during the past two week-ends. The first three rounds of the tournament, starting Saturday at noon and continuing Sunday morning and afternoon, will consist of 18 holes of match play. The semi-final and final rounds, to be played at the same course the week-end of August 12th and 13th, will be thirty-six holes of match play.

A play-off for the last two qualifying places for the match play competition will be held at the Pelham Golf Course, adjoining Split Rock Golf Course, on Saturday, August 5th, at 8:00 A.M. In last week's eliminations, held at La Tourette Golf Course, Richmond, nine players tied for these two places. The play-off will consist of nine holes of medal play.

The players for Saturday's eliminations have been matched as follows:

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UPPER BRACKET

12:00	George Baskiel Stanley Sawack	Forest Park G.C. Clearview G.C.
12:05	Gilbert Smith William Lang	Silver Lake G.C. Forest Park G.C.
12:10	John McGovern Edward Dugan	Clearview G.C. Dyker Beach G.C.
12:15	James Colby John Amanna	Dyker Beach G.C. Mosholu G.C.
12:20	Edward Kohn Emele Bee	Mosholu G.C. Kissena G.C.
12:25	Arnold Gray Adam Gousheski	Clearview G.C. Kissena G.C.
12:30	Thomas McKenna Al Doerwald	Forest Park G.C. Van Cortlandt G.C.
12:35	Ian Johnstone John Rorke	Silver Lake G.C. Dyker Beach G.C.

LOWER BRACKET

12:40	Bernard Kane Robert Drasser	Split Rock G.C. Kissena G.C.
12:45	William Gilmartin Harold Southwick	Silver Lake G.C. Clearview G.C.
12:50	Joseph Farrell Jesse Pugh	Split Rock G.C. Pelham G.C.
12:55	Joseph Wohlitka Peter De Caprio	Clearview G.C. Mosholu G.C.
1:00	Joseph Moresco Open	La Tourette G.C.
1:05	John Desiderio Thomas Malone	Clearview G.C. Silver Lake G.C.
1:10	John Feltman Leonard Sorge	Dyker Beach G.C. La Tourette G.C.
1:15	Open James Manzone	Mosholu G.C.

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The Dance of the Week at the free Pepsi Square Dances for the week starting July 31st will be the "Texas Star".

Horace Greeley once said "Go west young man, go west". Ed Durlacher will take the thousands of dancers who visit the free Pepsi Square Dances in the City Parks to Texas.

Mr. Roland F. Roche, Vice President of the New York operation of the Pepsi-Cola Company states that although the dance is called the "Texas Star", Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado and even California claim its origin. The East simply sits back quietly, knowing that a couple of hundred years ago it was brought here by the French, who called it the "Moulinet".

We of the East wouldn't tell a soul about it and spoil their fun.... or would we?

The Dances sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company in conjunction with the Department of Parks are held weekly; Mondays at Riverside Drive, Tuesdays at Central Park Mall, Wednesdays at Prospect Park, Brooklyn, and Fridays at Forest Park, Queens.

For further information, please call Leslie L. Long, STillwell 4-4156

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The Department of Parks, in cooperation with Better Fishing, Inc., will conduct a fishing contest for boys and girls, 10 through 16 years of age, on Thursday, August 24th, from 8 A.M. to 1 P.M., at 14 salt water and 11 fresh water fishing areas located throughout New York City.

A grand prize of a rod, reel, line, lures, etc. will be presented to the boy and girl catching the heaviest fish at each location. In case of a tie, the length of fish will determine the winner.

A special award will be given to each boy and girl catching the heaviest fish of the day in both the Salt Water Contest and the Fresh Water Contest when winners from all locations report at 3 P.M. on the day of the contest to the south end of the 72nd Street Lake in Central Park, Manhattan.

Every youngster will take home some things that are of value, whether he or she has won a prize or not--more definite concepts of good sportsmanship and the glimmerings of fishing conservation.

The contest is part of the Third Annual Better Fishing Rodeo for boys and girls sponsored on a national scale by Better Fishing, Inc. This year for the first time, New York City, through the Department of Parks, will participate in the program.

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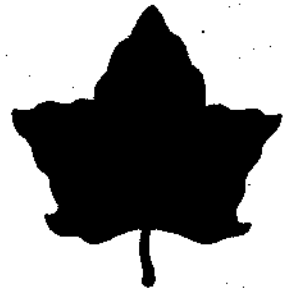
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Better Fishing, Inc. is a non-profit organization formed in 1945 by a group of sportsmen interested in providing fishing fun for boys and girls. Its members believe that good anglers are not "Fish Killers" and that good sportsmanship and an appreciation of fish conservation are not far in the background when youngsters are introduced to adventures in fishing.

Entry blanks may be secured at Park Department borough offices, fishing areas, neighborhood playgrounds, or by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the Director of Recreation, Department of Parks, Arsenal, Central Park, New York 21, N. Y.

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Five evenings of dancing under the stars to the music of the nation's top Name Bands will be conducted by the Department of Parks this week. The dances are part of the annual series of fifty-four dances contributed by the Consolidated Edison Company. Thousands of people are attracted to these out-of-doors dances either to participate or to listen to the music. There is no charge for admission.

On Monday, July 31, the dance will be at the playground at Ocean Parkway and Avenue P in Brooklyn, to the music of Al Lombardi and his orchestra.

The Queens dance on Tuesday, August 1, will be held at Jackson Heights Playground, 84th Street and 30th Avenue. Boyd Raeburn and his orchestra have been booked for this dance.

Boyd Raeburn and his orchestra will also play on Wednesday evening, August 2, at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse in the Bronx.

Dancing New Yorkers will flock to the Mall in Central Park on Thursday, August 3, to enjoy the music of the Charlie Peterson Orchestra.

The final dance of the week will be held at the Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street in Brooklyn. Charlie Peterson and his orchestra will play on this evening.

All dances will begin at 8:30 P.M.

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The Naumburg Orchestra will give the third concert in a series of four annual summer concerts, at 8:15 P.M. on Monday evening, July 31, at the Mall in Central Park. This concert is dedicated to the memory of Mr. Elkan Naumburg who donated the Bandstand on the Mall to the people of New York City.

Mr. Everett Lee will conduct the Naumburg Orchestra on Monday evening, and Mr. Nathan Goldstein, violin soloist, will appear as guest artist. The program will be:

Chorale - "All Glory to God on High".....Bach
(In memory of Elkan Naumburg, founder of
these concerts)

1. Overture - Euryanthe.....Weber
2. Symphony No. 6 Pathetique.....Tschaikowsky
3. Symphonie Espagnole.....Lalo
Nathan Goldstein
4. Ride of the Valkyries.....Wagner
5. Hungarian March.....Berlioz
6. Introduction and Rondo Capriccioso.....Saint-Saens
Nathan Goldstein
7. Emperor Waltz.....Strauss
8. Overture - Rienzi.....Wagner

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Eight Park Department Swimming Pool City-wide Championships and eight Senior Metropolitan Amateur Athletic Union Championships will be decided at Sunset Pool, 42nd Street and Seventh Avenue, Brooklyn, on next Saturday afternoon, July 29th, at 5 P.M.

Boys who qualified in their borough championships will compete in the following events:

Boys up to and including 11 years of age.....	25 Meter Freestyle
Boys 12, 13 years of age.....	25 Meter Freestyle
Boys 14, 15 years of age.....	50 Meter Freestyle 50 Meter Backstroke
Boys 16, 17 years of age.....	50 Meter Freestyle 50 Meter Backstroke
Boys 18, 19 years of age.....	100 Meter Freestyle 50 Meter Backstroke

A large entry has been received for the Senior Metropolitan A.A.U. events. The following distances will be contested:

100 Meter Freestyle	300 Meter Individual Medley
200 Meter Breaststroke	800 Meter Freestyle Relay
100 Meter Backstroke	300 Meter Medley Relay
1500 Meter Freestyle	3 Meter Springboard Dive

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Five evenings of dancing under the stars to the music of the nation's top Name Bands will be conducted by the Department of Parks this week. The dances are part of the annual series of fifty-four dances contributed by the Consolidated Edison Company. Thousands of people are attracted to these out-of-doors dances either to participate or to listen to the music. There is no charge for admission.

On Monday, July 31, the dance will be at the playground at Ocean Parkway and Avenue P in Brooklyn, to the music of Al Lombardi and his orchestra.

The Queens dance on Tuesday, August 1, will be held at Jackson Heights Playground, 84th Street and 30th Avenue. Boyd Raeburn and his orchestra have been booked for this dance.

Boyd Raeburn and his orchestra will also play on Wednesday evening, August 2, at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse in the Bronx.

Dancing New Yorkers will flock to the Mall in Central Park on Thursday, August 3, to enjoy the music of the Charlie Peterson Orchestra.

The final dance of the week will be held at the Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street in Brooklyn. Charlie Peterson and his orchestra will play on this evening.

All dances will begin at 8:30 P.M.

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MUSIC AND DANCE EVENTS IN THE PARKS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sunday, July 30 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park - Sousa Program.

Monday, July 31 -

8:15 P.M. - Naumburg Memorial Concert - Everett Lee conducting, Nathan Goldstein guest soloist - Mall, Central Park.

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company - Playground at Ocean Parkway and Avenue P, Brooklyn - Al Lombardi and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Riverside Drive and 103rd Street, Lower Level - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands.

Tuesday, August 1 -

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company - Jackson Heights Playground, 84th Street and 25th-30th Avenues, Queens - Boyd Raeburn and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Mall, Central Park - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands.

12:15 P.M. - Concert - Bowling Green Park, Broadway and Whitehall Streets - 7th Regiment Band.

Wednesday, August 2 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park - Music Memory Contest.

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company - Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx - Boyd Raeburn and his orchestra.

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Wednesday, August 2 - (Cont.)

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands.

Thursday, August 3 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting - Prospect Park Music Grove - Beethoven Program.

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company - Mall, Central Park - Charlie Peterson and his orchestra.

Friday, August 4 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park - Beethoven Program.

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company - Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street - Charlie Peterson and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Victory Field, Myrtle Avenue and Woodhaven Boulevard, Queens - Ed Durlacher.

Saturday, August 5 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting - Prospect Park Music Grove - Gilbert and Sullivan Program.

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The Department of Parks Marionette Theatre will tour park playgrounds in the Bronx, giving 24 performances of "The Shoemaker and the Elves" from Wednesday, August 2nd, through Thursday, August 17th. Each performance runs for one hour.

The puppet drama moves along from one engaging situation to another to keep the young audiences spellbound from start to finish.

Bronx performances are scheduled as follows:

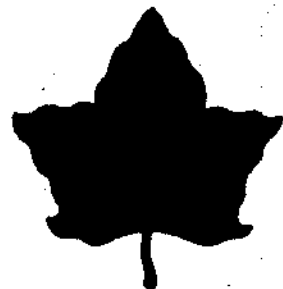
<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Wednesday	Aug. 2	11:00 A.M.) 2:30 P.M.)	Playground, Watson, Gleason and Noble Avenues.
Thursday	Aug. 3	11:00 A.M.) 2:30 P.M.)	P.S. #106 Playground, St. Raymond Avenue, between Purdy and Odell Streets.
Friday	Aug. 4	11:00 A.M.) 2:30 P.M.)	Playground, Waterbury, Edison and LaSalle Avenues,
Monday	Aug. 7	11:00 A.M.) 2:30 P.M.)	Crotona Park Playground, #9, Clinton Avenue and Crotona Park South
Tuesday	Aug. 8	11:00 A.M.) 2:30 P.M.)	Claremont Park Teller and Mt. Eden Avenues
Wednesday	Aug. 9	11:00 A.M.) 2:30 P.M.)	St. James Park, Jerome Avenue and 191st Street
Thursday	Aug. 10	11:00 A.M.) 2:30 P.M.)	Devoe Park, University Avenue and 188th Street
Friday	Aug. 11	11:00 A.M.) 2:30 P.M.)	Poe Park, Grand Concourse and East 192nd Street
Monday	Aug. 14	11:00 A.M.) 2:30 P.M.)	Playground, 234th Street and Bailey Avenue

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<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Tuesday	Aug. 15	11:00 A.M.) 2:30 P.M.)	Playground, West 168th Street, Merriam and Ogden Avenues
Wednesday	Aug. 16	11:00 A.M.) 2:30 P.M.)	John and Michael Flynn Playground, East 158th Street and Third Avenue
Thursday	Aug. 17	11:00 A.M.) 2:30 P.M.)	St. Mary's East Playground, Trinity Avenue and East 146th Street

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The Department of Parks announces that the Board of Transportation of New York City has established a shuttle bus service from Hylan Boulevard to the parking field at Great Kills Park. This shuttle bus is operating daily as a branch of Bus Route R-103, Hylan Boulevard, and will be operated during hours of daylight, weather conditions permitting, during the summer months.

The installation of this bus service will make Great Kills Park more readily available to the residents of Staten Island, and it is expected that the facilities that are available for use of the public at Great Kills Park will be more extensively used. Facilities available for this season consist of a parking field, comfort stations, concession building, and a beautiful beach on which white sand has been pumped during the past winter.

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D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S

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Tommy Reynolds, Buddy Williams, and Tommy Tucker will play for the fifth week of Name Band Dances, the popular outdoor musical feature sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company and conducted by the Department of Parks as part of the summer recreation program for New Yorkers.

Tommy Reynolds and his orchestra will play for the first three dances under the stars, appearing Monday evening, July 24, at Kelly Memorial Playground, Avenue S and East 14th Street, Brooklyn; Tuesday evening, July 25, at Victory Field, Myrtle Avenue and Woodhaven Boulevard, Glendale, Queens; and Wednesday evening, July 26, at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, in the Bronx.

Buddy Williams and his orchestra have been engaged for the Thursday, July 27, dance at the Mall in Central Park.

On Friday, July 28, the Name Band Dance will be held at the Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, in Brooklyn, with music by Tommy Tucker and his orchestra.

All dances begin at 8:30 P.M. and the Consolidated Edison Company and the Department of Parks extend a cordial invitation to the public to attend these dances.

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MUSIC AND DANCE EVENTS IN THE PARKS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sunday, July 23 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park - Sousa Program.

Monday, July 24 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park - Old Music Program.

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company - Kelly Memorial Playground, Avenue S and East 14th Street, Brooklyn - Tommy Reynolds and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Riverside Drive and 103rd Street, Lower Level - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands.

Tuesday, July 25 -

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company - Victory Field, Woodhaven Boulevard and Myrtle Avenue, Queens - Tommy Reynolds and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Mall, Central Park - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands.

12:15 P.M. - Concert - Bowling Green Park, Broadway and Whitehall Streets - 7th Regiment Band.

Wednesday, July 26 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park - Symphonic Music.

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company - Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx - Tommy Reynolds and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands.

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Thursday, July 27 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko
Goldman conducting - Prospect Park Music
Grove - Schubert Program.

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated
Edison Company - Mall, Central Park - Buddy
Williams and his orchestra.

Friday, July 28 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko
Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park -
Schubert Program.

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated
Edison Company - Prospect Park Dance Area,
Prospect Park West and 11th Street - Tommy
Tucker and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola
Company - Victory Field, Myrtle Avenue and
Woodhaven Boulevard, Queens - Ed Durlacher.

Saturday, July 29 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko
Goldman conducting - Prospect Park Music
Grove - Verdi Program.

8:30 P.M. - City Amateur Symphony Concert - Mall, Central
Park.

CITY OF NEW YORK
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FOR RELEASE: Immediately

The Construction Coordinator announces that he has submitted for consideration by the Mayor a new program for garden-type, landscaped assembly plants of approved design, the first or pilot plant to be that of The Bulova Company on an entirely new site at Astoria Boulevard and Boody Street, Queens. The Coordinator said, "I am favorably impressed with the proposal and have forwarded the item to the Mayor for reference to the City Planning Commission and Corporation Counsel, so that immediate action may be taken to meet incidental problems. The City must take every opportunity to encourage the location here of well designed, landscaped, light industrial plants similar to the Sylvania Laboratory at Little Bay. These will, without doubt, be helpful to the surrounding community and are a must if this City is to continue to lead in the highest type of light manufacture."

The new Bulova Assembly Plant will occupy a 25 acre plot on the south side of Astoria Boulevard, just east of St. Michael's Cemetery. The structure will be a one and two story building of Georgian architecture, designed by Aymar Embury II, occupying 3.7 acres, or 14.6 percent of the plot. The site plan was prepared by Gilmore Clarke. The unbuilt land will be used for garden and landscaping, for a 500 car parking lot for employees, and for a 5 acre recreation field with baseball fields

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and similar facilities for use by employees. The recreation field will be open for public usage under reasonable control by the Company. The Company will also transfer to the City a site for a 1.5 acre public park and playground which will be operated by the Park Department for the benefit of the neighborhood.

The site and much of the surrounding land is owned or under option by The Bulova Company. On the west it is bounded by the Connecting Highway and St. Michael's Cemetery, on the north by Grand Central Parkway and Astoria Boulevard, and on the south largely by land owned by The Bulova Company, now occupied by veterans houses. The only permanent residential buildings presently existing adjacent to the site are a group of attached houses along the easterly boundary, fronting on 77th Street between 24th Avenue and 25th Avenue. The balance of the adjacent property to the east is owned or optioned by The Bulova Company. Other than these attached houses there are no permanent residential buildings within 600 feet to the east or 2,800 feet to the south.

The Bulova Company will use the plant for the assembly and manufacture of all parts of its watches except cases. An inspection of their existing plant in Woodside, Long Island, shows that there can be no nuisance from noise, odor or fumes, since all of the processes in the manufacture of watches are carried out under laboratory conditions. The minute parts of a watch are made with precision instruments and machines within limitations requiring exact control of temperature, humidity and a complete absence of vibration. The amount of trucking

will be negligible since the volume of materials required for the manufacture of watches is extremely small and all shipments of completed watches are by mail.

The plot is partially occupied by 154 temporary veterans residential buildings. The Bulova Company has agreed to relocate these tenants either by supplying adequate accommodations at other locations, or by moving the existing temporary houses to adjacent vacant property.

The site is presently zoned for business and residential use. It is proposed to overcome the technical objections to the construction of a plant of this kind in a residence district by amending Article II, Section 3, Paragraph 10 of the Zoning Resolution by adding "landscaped light industrial plants" to the uses presently permitted under this paragraph, namely, administrative offices and industrial laboratory projects. This section is the one under which the Sylvania Plant in Little Bay was authorized by the City Planning Commission and Board of Estimate. Amendment of this section of the Zoning Resolution is required so that the City Planning Commission and the Board of Estimate may continuously control the design, use and development of the property and prevent construction or uses which would be deleterious to the surrounding residential land. Among other things, this section of the Resolution limits to 25 percent the area of the land which can be covered with buildings, the location of buildings, the uses within the buildings, and provides that upon discontinuance of its approved use, the land shall revert to the original zoning.

The item has been referred to the City Planning Commission for consideration of the amendment to the Zoning Resolution and subsequent approval of the project. It has been referred to the Corporation Counsel for advice with respect to the arrangements which must be made with the New York City Housing Authority to remove this area from the housing project and move the tenants affected.

Att: Copy of Proposed Zoning Amendment.

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The Department of Parks announces the completion and opening to the general public over the past week-end of a new playground incorporated in the New York City Housing Authority's Eastchester Houses at Adee and Tenbroeck Avenues in the Williamsbridge section of the Bronx.

The acquisition of land for the playground and its construction by the Housing Authority were part of the plan and project for the Eastchester Houses. This playground has been turned over to the Park Department for maintenance and operation, and will provide urgently needed recreational facilities for both tenants of the housing improvement and the residents of the adjacent community. This new play area, slightly over one acre in extent, and semi-circular in shape, includes a sandpit, a comfort station, a separate play area for those of pre-school age, a wading pool, a completely equipped play area for older children, basketball courts, volley ball courts, paddle tennis courts, and a large permanently surfaced area for other group games. Two double handball courts have also been provided. The various units of play have been separated by fenced-in planted areas for control, as well as the perimeter of the playground, which is also bordered with shade trees.

With the addition of this new playground, there are now 528 playgrounds in the expanded park system.

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2 Plans - No. X-L-156101 & 102.

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MUSIC AND DANCE EVENTS IN THE PARKS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sunday, July 16

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting
Mall, Central Park - Italian Music

Monday, July 17

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting
Mall, Central Park - Johann Strauss Music.

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company
Colonial Park, 146th Street and Bradhurst Avenue, Manhattan -
Andy Kirk and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Riverside
Drive and 103rd Street, Lower level- Ed Durlacher and Top Hand

Tuesday, July 18

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company
Jackson Heights Playground, 84th Street and 25th to 30th Aves..
Queens, Charles Peterson and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Mall,
Central Park - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands.

12:15 P.M. - Concert - Bowling Green Park, Broadway and Whitehall Streets -
7th Regiment Band.

Wednesday, July 19

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting
Mall, Central Park - English Music.

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company -
Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx - Charles
Peterson and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Prospect
Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn
Ed Durlacher and Top Hands.

Thursday, July 20

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting
Prospect Park Music Grove - Original Band Music.

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company
Mall, Central Park.

Friday, July 21

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting
Mall, Central Park - Original Band Music

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company
Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street.

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Victory
Field, Myrtle Ave., & Woodhaven Blvd., Queens - Ed Durlacher.

Saturday, July 22

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting
Prospect Park Music Grove - Russian Music

8:30 P.M. - City Amateur Symphony Concert - Mall, Central Park

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Andy Kirk, Charlie Peterson, and Tommy Tucker will play for this week's Name Band Dances, the fourth week in a summer series sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company and conducted by the Department of Parks at major parks in New York City. All of the dances under the stars begin at 8:30 P.M.

Andy Kirk and his orchestra will play Monday, July 17, at Colonial Park, 146th Street and Bradhurst Avenue, Manhattan.

Charlie Peterson is scheduled for two evenings: Tuesday, July 18, at Jackson Heights Playground, 84th Street and 25th Avenue in Queens, and on Wednesday, July 19, at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx.

Tommy Tucker and his orchestra will play for Thursday's dance at the Mall in Central Park.

Friday evening's dance will be held at the Prospect Park Dance Area in Brooklyn, Prospect Park West and 11th Street. The orchestra for this dance will be announced early in the week.

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The Dance of the Week to be featured at the Pepsi-Cola Free Square Dances during the week of July 10th will be "Darling Nellie Gray".

"This is one of the first singing calls evolved from former quadrilles of the early American Dances," said Paul B. Thompson, Vice President of the New York operation of the Pepsi-Cola Company.

"Little is known today as to how singing calls first started, but it's safe to say that the popular tunes of the day struck the fancy of the up and coming Prompters of that period.

This new type of calling was frowned upon by the Prompters of the day, who looked upon it as heresy. Today, however, singing calls are the most popular in all sections of the country. Due to the style change, many of the older songs have lived through the years."

The dances sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company in conjunction with the Park Department are held weekly--on Mondays at Riverside Drive; Tuesdays at Central Park Mall; Wednesdays at Prospect Park, Brooklyn; and Fridays at Forest Park, Queens.

For further information please call Leslie L. Long,
STillwell 4-4156.

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of work and the opening to the public with appropriate ceremonies of the new playground and recreation area on the site of the former "Farmers Oval", 65th Place and 68th Avenue, Queens on Saturday, July 8th, at 11:00 A.M.

Mayor O'Dwyer; Borough President of Queens Maurice A. FitzGerald; Anthony De Seta, President of the Coordinating Council, 104th Precinct, Queens; and Dr. Charles F. Rank, President of the Ridgewood Chamber of Commerce, will participate. Robert Moses, Commissioner of Parks, will preside. Music will be provided by the Department of Sanitation Band.

This 5.4 acre development contains five separate, fence enclosed units. The most southerly contains a shower basin, play equipment, and a sand pit for very small children. The second contains play apparatus for older children. The third unit consists of handball courts, paddle tennis courts, shuffleboard courts, and basketball and volleyball courts. The fourth area is laid out for softball, and can also be used for roller and ice skating. The fifth and northernmost unit is a hard turfed baseball field with concrete bleachers, which can also be used for soccer and football.

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The development is bordered with shade trees and landscaped. It is provided with adequate benches and a comfort station. It will provide much needed recreational facilities for the bordering residential community, as well as for other adjacent sections of Queens.

With the addition of this play area, there are 527 playgrounds in the expanded park system.

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Five more dances under the stars in the eleven week series sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company will be conducted by the Department of Parks this week.

Bernie Mann and his All-America Band will play Monday, July 10th, at Williamsbridge Oval, East 208th Street and Bainbridge Avenue in the Bronx, and on Tuesday, July 11th, at Victory Field, Woodhaven Boulevard and Myrtle Avenue, Glendale, Queens.

Shep Fields makes his first appearance of the season on Wednesday, July 12th, at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx.

Ray Anthony's first engagement on this year's series will be at the Mall in Central Park on Thursday, July 13th.

The band for Friday's dance at the Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn, will be announced later.

All dances begin at 8:30 P.M. and there is no charge for admission.

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MUSIC AND DANCE EVENTS IN THE PARKS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sunday, July 9 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko
Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park -
Guggenheim Memorial Concert

Monday, July 10 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko
Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park -
Verdi Program

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated
Edison Company - Williamsbridge Oval, East
208th Street and Bainbridge Avenue, Bronx -
Bernie Mann Orchestra

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola
Company - Riverside Drive and 103rd Street,
Lower Level - Ed Durlacher and the Top Hands

Tuesday, July 11 -

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated
Edison Company - Victory Field, Myrtle Avenue
and Woodhaven Boulevard, Glendale, Queens -
Bernie Mann and Orchestra

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola
Company - Mall, Central Park - Ed Durlacher
and Top Hands

Wednesday, July 12 -

8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko
Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park -
Tchaikovsky Program

8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated
Edison Company - Poe Park, 192nd Street and
Grand Concourse, Bronx - Shep Fields Orchestra

8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola
Company - Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect
Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn - Ed
Durlacher and Top Hands

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Thursday, July 13 -

- 8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting - Prospect Park Music Grove - Johann Strauss Program
- 8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company - Mall, Central Park - Ray Anthony Orchestra

Friday, July 14 -

- 8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting - Mall, Central Park - French Music
- 8:30 P.M. - Name Band Dance sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company - Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn - Orchestra to be announced
- 8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company - Victory Field, Myrtle Avenue and Woodhaven Boulevard, Glendale, Queens - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands

Saturday, July 15 -

- 8:30 P.M. - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Edwin Franko Goldman conducting - Prospect Park Music Grove - Italian Music
- 8:30 P.M. - City Amateur Symphony Concert - Mall, Central Park

ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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The new baby female Llama born at the Central Park Zoo on July 2d will go on public exhibition in the Llama house Thursday, July 6th, it was announced yesterday by the New York City Park Department.

The mother "Lammy" was born in the Central Park Zoo on March 30th, 1944. The father, unnamed, was donated to the Zoo on December 14th, 1946.

Press photographs may be taken on Thursday, July 6th, from 11:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.

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United Press

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